

# VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board Meeting will be held at the  
VCOE Conference & Educational Services Center  
Board Room  
5100 Adolfo Road, Camarillo  
(805) 383-1900

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

### AGENDA NO. 08-21

Date: Monday, August 25, 2008

OPEN SESSION: 6:00 p.m. ±

Times are approximate and are provided for convenience only.  
Open Session items may be re-ordered.

Speaker requests will be accepted 5 minutes prior to the item coming up on the agenda.  
Adjournment will be no later than 9:00 p.m. *(Unless extended by Board Action)*

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Pledge of Allegiance.  
Moment of Reflection.
2. Roll Call and Acknowledgment of Guests.
3. Approval of Agenda.

#### B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

*(Speaker request forms will only be accepted up to 15 minutes after opening call to order.)*

#### C. HEARINGS

1. Interdistrict Attendance Appeal Case No. 492.  
*FONTAINE (Simi Valley Unified School District)*

2. Interdistrict Attendance Appeal Case No. 493.  
*SIGALA NAVARRO (Santa Paula Elementary School District)*
3. Interdistrict Attendance Appeal Case No. 494.  
*ASHER SMITH (Fillmore Unified School District)*
4. Interdistrict Attendance Appeal Case No. 495.  
*EZRA SMITH (Fillmore Unified School District)*

**D. CLOSED SESSION**

None.

**E. PRELIMINARY**

1. Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of August 11, 2008.
2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of August 13, 2008.
3. Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of August 15-16, 2008.

**F. CORRESPONDENCE**

*(Correspondence addressed specifically to the Ventura County Board of Education. Correspondence addressed to individual Board members will be delivered/mailed to them directly.)*

1. Signed 2008-09 Contract for services from Anchor Consulting, LLC, received August 7, 2008.
2. August 6, 2008 letter from Mr. Kraft, Board Legal Counsel, regarding Fillmore Unified School District v. Ventura County Board of Education, Motion for Writ of Administrative Mandamus.
3. August 15, 2008 e-mail from Mr. Kraft, Board Legal Counsel, regarding Vacation Schedule.
4. VCBE News Release, “Ventura County Board of Education Appoints Mr. Stanley C. Mantooth as Ventura County Superintendent of Schools.”

**G. PRESIDENT’S AND BOARD MEMBERS’ REPORTS**

*(Reports by Board members regarding their individual activities affecting the Office pursuant to Govt. Code Sec. 54954.2(a)).*

1. Upcoming Events  
December 3-6, 2008..... CSBA Annual Conference, San Diego

**H. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

*(The Superintendent will report on the activities of the Office since the previous Board meeting.)*

**I. LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

*(Board Members, the Superintendent, and staff, may discuss current legislation of particular interest to the Ventura County schools.)*

**J. CONSENT/ACTION**

1. Temporary Certificates

Administration recommends the Board approve 35 Temporary Certificates issued by the County.

**K. PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**L. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION/ACTION**

1. Capitol Venture, LLC Statement for Services – INFORMATION (5 minutes)

Statements provided by Capitol Venture, LLC, for July and August services, including additional expenses for Cable/Internet and Easy Disclosure, and accompanying explanatory memorandum, are presented for the Board’s information and review. Additional information including the September invoice and memorandum detailing the resolution of additional charges is also included in the explanatory materials.

2. Board Legal Counsel Statement for Services – INFORMATION (5 minutes)

Statements provided by Mr. Henry Kraft, Board Legal Counsel, for services rendered during July 2008, including general educational issues and Expulsion Appeal Case No. 08-01, and Fillmore Unified School District litigation, are presented for the Board’s information and review.

**M. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

*(Government Code Section 54954.2(a) states: "No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that members of a legislative body or its staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under Section 54954.3. In addition, on their own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public a member of a legislative body or its staff may ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report on his or her own activities. Furthermore, a member of a legislative body, or the body itself, subject to rules or procedures of the legislative body, may provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back to the body at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.")*

**N. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

*(Per Board Policy 9320, the Superintendent [as Ex-Officio Secretary of the Board], in conjunction with the Board President, shall prepare the Agenda for each regular and special meeting of the Board. Board members may request items be placed on the agenda by notifying the Superintendent of the request at least 12 days prior to the date of the next scheduled meeting. The Superintendent and the Board President shall review the requested agenda items and determine the items to be placed on the agenda. Any requested agenda item not placed on the agenda by the Superintendent and Board President may be brought to the next Board meeting. The majority vote of the Board shall determine if the item will be placed on a future agenda.)*

1. Discussion of School Districts of Choice, including correspondence F.2 from 7/28/08 (requested by Mr. Valenzano, TBD).
2. Review of Board Expenditures on Memberships in CSBA, CCBE and CSBA Legal Alliance (requested by Mr. Kunicki to allow for Public Comments, TBD).
3. Adoption of Social Science Textbooks for Gateway, Providence and Phoenix Schools (9/22/08).

**O. FUTURE MEETINGS *Bold, Italics Denotes Modified Schedule***

Date: ***Friday, September 5, 2008***  
Time: 8:00 a.m.  
Location: 5100 Adolfo Road, Board Room, Camarillo  
Purpose: Regular Meeting of the Board

Date: Monday, September 22, 2008  
Time: 6:00 p.m.  
Location: 5100 Adolfo Road, Board Room, Camarillo  
Purpose: Regular Meeting of the Board

Date: Wednesday, October 8, 2008  
Time: 8:00 a.m.  
Location: 5100 Adolfo Road, Board Room, Camarillo  
Purpose: Regular Meeting of the Board

Date: Monday, October 27, 2008  
Time: 6:00 p.m.  
Location: 5100 Adolfo Road, Board Room, Camarillo  
Purpose: Regular Meeting of the Board

**P. ADJOURNMENT**

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1. Conejo Valley Unified School District, 1400 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks
2. Ojai Unified School District, 414 E. Ojai Avenue, Ojai
3. Oxnard School District, 1051 S. A Street, Oxnard
4. Santa Paula School District, 201 S. Steckel Drive, Santa Paula
5. Simi Valley Unified School District, 875 E. Cochran Street, Simi Valley
6. Ventura Unified School District, 255 West Stanley Avenue, Ventura

Copies of specific explanatory materials can be requested by contacting the office at (805) 383-1900.