



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Board Highlights provides summary information from the Aromas-San Juan Unified School District board meetings.

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This document provides Board Highlights deemed to be of interest to the majority of our employees and parents. It is not meant to be a complete summary of the Board Meeting, nor to replace the official minutes of the meeting.

Site Reports and Special Recognitions

At each board meeting, school principals give a report on the events at their school. Special recognition this evening was given to our successful Girls' Volleyball Team. Principal Angela Crawley also made a presentation on current and future issues/needs related to Anzar Sports programs and introduced our newly hired Athletic Director Rance Hodge. We also recognized the outstanding efforts of two employees: retiree Grace Navarro who worked part time and helped keep us afloat as we searched for our next business support assistant and Sam Torres, our Coordinator of Data and Assessments and unofficial King of Calpads! Next month, we hope to continue this tradition of employee and student recognition, with a focus on some of our many unsung heroes!

Committees that have recently met (brief reports will be made at the board meeting)

Facilities Committee (a committee of the superintendent) met on 11.2.2022. We talked about two possible scenarios related to San Juan Elementary School (modernization OR replacement) as we wait for the State to tell us what we must do, given the Seismic study project results. We also reviewed Measure M construction projects, identifying which are necessary and which might be postponed to allow for monies to be used for some HVAC needs at all sites, if possible. **Our next Facilities meeting will be on December 7 at 4:30 pm.**

Budget Committee (a committee of the Board) met on 11.9.2022. Daniel Ornelas' presentation focused on the LCAP budgeted items (what has been spent and what remains) and various government funds available to us that present opportunities for addressing student needs. These funds are one-time funds, have specific expiration dates, and spending requirements. I will be organizing some groups to develop some plans with input from all stakeholders and make use of this funding to address student needs.

Action Items of Interest

MOU with South Valley Internet (garlic.com) - CEO Elise Brentnall explained their plan to bring enhanced internet access to the San Juan areas and rural families. The Board approved the installation of a small antennae on the gym roof at San Juan Elementary to support this project associated with the nonprofit garlic.com.

Revised Job Description for Director of Special Education and Student Services

The Board approved the new job description and title which now clearly outlines and consolidates

responsibilities to include PBIS, MTSS, wellness, health services, homeless students, migrant students and more in addition to the areas of Special Education.

Superintendent Search Process - Two search firms (*HYA* and *Leadership Associates*) made presentations to the Board. The Board approved the proposal from *Leadership Associates* who will begin working with the Board to organize the process.

Measure M Projects - The Board approved our re allocation of Measure M dollars to begin to address HVAC needs in the district.

Joint Use Agreement with City of San Juan Bautista - We are partnering with the city to enhance outdoor recreational opportunities for our residents through the use of our outdoor facilities such as basketball courts/pickleball courts during non school hours. Our custodian will unlock an access gate during the week making them available from 5-7pm. The city will be allowed to unlock/lock access on Sat-Sun from 8 am - 7pm. The Board approved this agreement which now replaces and updates the agreement approved in June of 2022.

Facilitron - The Board approved the contract for *Facilitron*, an online platform that will make all of our facilities that we deem available for rental to be visible to interested parties. A calendar will show availability, rental fees, payment functions, and insurance requirements. We will establish priorities for certain groups as well as fee structures. It will streamline our MOU/joint use processes and make it easier to track and manage use of our facilities. Facilitron takes a % of the user fees and will be free or relatively low cost to us.

Budget Study Session

CBO Daniel Ornelas led our **Budget Study Session/First Interim Report via zoom**. His presentation included: budget calendar reminders, enrollment trends, and assumptions about revenues and expenditures.

Upcoming Meetings

Facilities Committee Meeting - Dec. 7, 2022 - 4:30 pm

Regular Board Meeting - Dec. 14, 2022 - 7pm Open Session

**If you are interested in serving on any of these committees, please contact Interim Superintendent Barb Dill-Varga: Facilities, Budget, Curriculum, Technology. The first two are underway; the last two will begin during second semester.*