

SOUTH WHITTIER SCHOOL DISTRICT
11200 TELECHRON AVE.
WHITTIER, CA 90605

August 23, 2011
6:00 P.M.

AGENDA

1. **PRELIMINARY**

1.1 Call to Order. Roll call:

Trustees

Layla Avila, President
Jan Baird, Clerk
Jorge Hernandez
Sylvia Macias
Sharon Stys

Administrators

Dr. Erich Kwek, Superintendent
Cecilia Laidemitt, Associate Superintendent
Administrative Services & Personnel Mgt.
Gail Baxter, Associate Superintendent of
Educational Services

1.2 Flag salute.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

During this time, persons – residents of the district, representatives of community organizations, representatives of district employee organizations – may, without arrangement, make representations to or address the Board on any topic of district related concern that is not on the official agenda for that meeting. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, each person is limited to three minutes.

3. **COMMENTS BY TRUSTEES**

This item is provided as an opportunity for Trustees to report regarding District related topics.

4. **REPORTS**

There will be no Board discussion on reports given except to ask questions or refer matters to staff and no action will be taken unless listed on a subsequent agenda.

4.1 The Superintendent will report to the Board about various matters involving the district.

5. **CONSENT**

- 5.1 **Approval of Minutes** (supplement). The Superintendent recommends approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held August 9, 2011 and Workshop held August 11, 2011.
- 5.2 **Purchase Order List No. 03** (supplement). The Superintendent recommends approval of purchase order list no. 03.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

6. **BUSINESS**

- 6.1 **Public Hearing: Approval of Specific Education Waiver to Waive Penalty and Allow Increase of Maximum Class Size for Grades Kindergarten to 3rd** (supplement). The Board of Trustees will provide an opportunity to comment on the waiver request. Under current law, the maximum average class size for Kindergarten is 31:1, with no class exceeding 33:1. For grades 1st to 3rd, the average class size is limited to 30:1, with no individual class exceeding 32:1. Districts that exceed these class size limits receive a penalty. The waiver request would allow the district to increase the average class size to 34:1 for grades Kindergarten to 3rd, with no individual class exceeding 36:1 and would waive the penalty. The period of the waiver would be from July 1, 2011 through June 29, 2013.

a). Motion to open hearing

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

b). Motion to close hearing

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

- 6.2 **Approval of Specific Education Waiver to Waive Penalty and Allow Increase of Maximum Class Size for Grades Kindergarten to 3rd** (supplement 6.1). Under current law the maximum average class size for Kindergarten is 31:1, with no class exceeding 33:1. For grades 1st to 3rd, the average class size is limited to 30:1, with no individual class exceeding 32:1. Districts that exceed these class size limits receive a penalty. The waiver request would allow the district to increase the average class size to 34:1 for grades Kindergarten to 3rd, with no individual class exceeding 36:1 and would waive the penalty. The period of the waiver would be from July 1, 2011 through June 29, 2013. The Superintendent recommends approval of the specific education waiver to waive penalty and allow increase of maximum class size for grades Kindergarten to 3rd.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

6.3 Public Hearing: Approval of General Education Waiver to Waive Penalty and Allow Increase of Maximum Class for Grades 4th to 8th (supplement). The Board of Trustees will provide an opportunity to comment on the waiver request. Under current law, the maximum average class size for grades 4th to 8th is 29:9. Districts that exceed the class size limits receive a penalty. The waiver request would allow the district to increase the average class size to 34:1 for grades 4th to 8th and would waive the penalty. The period of the waiver would be from July 1, 2011 through June 29, 2013.

a). Motion to open hearing

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

b). Motion to close hearing

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

6.4 Approval of General Education Waiver to Waive Penalty and Allow Increase of Maximum Class Size for Grades 4th – 8th (supplement 6.3). Under current law, the maximum average class size for grades 4th to 8th is 29:9. Districts that exceed the class size limits receive a penalty. The waiver request would allow the district to increase the average class size to 34:1 for grades 4th to 8th and would waive the penalty. The period of the waiver would be from July 1, 2011 through June 29, 2013. The Superintendent recommends approval of this general education waiver to waive penalty and allow increase of maximum class size for grades 4th to 8th.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

7. GENERAL

7.1 Proposed Board Policy 6162.5 – Student Assessment – Second Reading and Possible Adoption (supplement). The Board of Trustees will conduct a second reading and possible adoption of proposed Board Policy 6162.5 – Student Assessment. The South Whittier School District’s policy and the CSBA sample Board Policy are included for review. The Superintendent recommends adoption of Board Policy 6162.5 Student Assessment.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

7.2 Proposed Board Policy 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program – Second Reading and Possible Adoption (supplement). The Board of Trustees will conduct a second reading and possible adoption of proposed Board Policy 6162.51 – Standardized Testing and Reporting Program. The South Whittier School District’s policy and the CSBA sample Board Policy are included for review. The Superintendent recommends adoption of Board Policy 6162.51 Standardized Testing and Reporting Program

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

7.3 Proposed Board Policy 6162.54 – Test Integrity/Test Preparation – Second Reading and Possible Adoption (supplement). The Board of Trustees will conduct a second reading and possible adoption of proposed Board Policy 6162.54 – Test Integrity/Test Preparation. The South Whittier School District’s policy and the CSBA sample Board Policy are included for review. The Superintendent recommends adoption of Board Policy 6162.54 Test Integrity/Test Preparation.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

7.4 California School Boards Association – Nominations for Director-at-Large, American Indian, Black and County (supplement). Nomination for this position will be considered by the Board of Trustees. Nominations are being accepted until September 30, 2011. The election will take place at the California School Boards Delegate Assembly meeting during the annual Education Conference in December, 2011. The nominee must be a Board member from the CSBA member district or County Office of Education. Nominations are in order.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

A total of 10 minutes is provided so members of the public can address the Board. Speakers are limited to three minutes. (Superintendent will present requests from the public to speak to closed session items).

9. CLOSED SESSION

The Board may be required to adjourn to closed session for discussion on matters of personnel, security, negotiations, student discipline, litigation and other matters as authorized by Government Code Sections 3459.1, 54956.6, 54956.8, 54957 and 54957.6 and Education Code Sections 35146 and 48914.

9.1 Conference with Agency Labor Negotiators: South Whittier Teachers Association and California School Employees Association.
Agency Negotiators: Dr. Erich Kwek, Cecilia Laidemitt, James C. Romo, Tina L. Kannarr.

9.2 Public Employee Appointment/Employment/Evaluation

- 9.2.1 Office/Health Clerk
- 9.2.2 Substitute Secretary
- 9.2.3 Noon Duty Supervisor
- 9.2.4 Breakfast/Noon Duty Supervisor
- 9.2.5 Cafeteria Helpers
- 9.2.6 School Community Counselor
- 9.2.7 Teacher
- 9.2.8 School Psychologist
- 9.2.9 Substitute Teachers
- 9.2.10 Teachers on Special Assignment/Content Area Specialist/Coaches
- 9.2.11 Administrators

9.3 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Transfers/Release

- 9.3.1 Instructional Aide

10. OPEN SESSION

The Superintendent will report related to any action taken in closed session.

11. PERSONNEL

The Superintendent recommends approval of the following personnel items:

- 11.1 Classified Personnel Report No. 08-23-11-03 (supplement).

Motion: _____ **Second:** _____ **Vote: Yes** _____ **No** _____ **Abstain** _____ **Absent** _____

11.2 Certificated Personnel Report No. 08-23-11-03 (supplement).

Motion: _____ **Second:** _____ **Vote: Yes** ____ **No** ____ **Abstain**____ **Absent** _____

11.3 Public Hearing: South Whittier School District Initial Contract Proposal to the California School Employees Association Chapter 348, 2011-2012 (supplement). The Board of Trustees will provide an opportunity for discussion on the initial proposal.

a). Motion to open hearing

Motion: _____ **Second:** _____ **Vote: Yes** ____ **No** ____ **Abstain**____ **Absent** _____

b). Motion to close hearing

Motion: _____ **Second:** _____ **Vote: Yes** ____ **No** ____ **Abstain**____ **Absent** _____

11.4 South Whittier School District Initial Contract Proposal to the California School Employees Association Chapter 348, 2011-2012 (supplement 11.3). The Superintendent recommends acceptance of the South Whittier School District initial contract proposal.

Motion: _____ **Second:** _____ **Vote: Yes** ____ **No** ____ **Abstain**____ **Absent** _____

11.5 South Whittier School District and South Whittier California School Employees Association, Chapter 348, Memorandum of Understanding (supplement). The South Whittier School District and the South Whittier California School Employees Association, Chapter 348, agree to this Memorandum of Understanding concerning unpaid furlough days for the 2011-2012 school year. The Superintendent recommends approval of this Memorandum of Understanding concerning unpaid furlough days for the 2011-2012 school year.

Motion: _____ **Second:** _____ **Vote: Yes** ____ **No** ____ **Abstain**____ **Absent** _____

12. ADJOURNMENT

Unless otherwise posted, the next regularly scheduled meeting will be held September 13, 2011, 6:00 p.m., District Office Board Room, 11200 Telechron Ave.
