

SANTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 4, 2005
MINUTES

Douglas E. Giles
Educational Resource Center
9619 Cuyamaca Street
Santee, California

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Ryan

Members present:

Barbara Ryan, President
Dan Bartholomew, Clerk
Dustin Burns, Member

Staff present:

Dr. Patrick Shaw, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Bob Kull, Coordinator of Student Behavior

The Board entered Closed Session at 6:00 p.m. for a student discipline hearing for student #4. After oral and documentary evidence was received, President Ryan announced that the Board members would deliberate and all other persons were asked to leave the room. Board deliberations are not tape recorded.

The Board reconvened to Public Session at 7:40 p.m. It was motioned by President Ryan to expel student #4 from the Santee School District from May 4, 2006 to May 4, 2007, for violations of California Education Code Sections §48900 (b) Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished a weapon (firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object of no reasonable use to the pupil at school or at a school activity off school grounds, and 48900 (f) Attempted to cause/caused damage to school/private property, and §48900 (k) Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties and Santee School District Board Policies 5144.1: Pupil Discipline: Suspension and Expulsion 5144.4: Administrative Review, and related Administrative Regulations.

This action is based on the following Findings of Fact in accordance with California Education Code §48900.2:

- On 3/10/06, it was discovered that the Junior High boys' restroom had been vandalized with gang type graffiti. The writing on the wall was recognized by one of the junior high teachers as a particular student's. When questioned by the principal, the student admitted he had vandalized the restroom. The principal then completed a backpack search and discovered items including spray paint, permanent markers, gang-type drawings/signs, and a small, sharp pick-like object concealed in a pen-like container. When questioned, the student said he had the object for protection. This is the second occurrence related to possession of inappropriate objects of this nature at school.
- Education Code Section 48915(b)(1) Other means of correction are not feasible or have repeatedly failed to bring about proper conduct. The facts that support this conclusion are: Student received school counseling, counseling through Children's Hospital, homework clinic offered, VP & Principal conferences, behavior assemblies on rules and bullying and IEP modifications.

The expulsion shall be immediately suspended herewith, and the student shall complete the following elements in a Rehabilitation Plan:

- The student shall attend a school determined by administration, through May 4, 2007.
- The student may not return to previous school upon completion of the Rehabilitation Plan.
- The student will maintain 2.0 GPA for academic and citizenship performance.
- The student will receive no new suspensions.
- The student will attend school regularly with no unexcused absences or tardies.
- The student will adhere to a student behavior plan developed by school administration.
- The student will perform 25 hours of community service by May 4, 2007.
- The student will prepare a letter of apology to the school and submit it to the principal.
- The student will complete a counseling program by May 4, 2007, for decision-making and peer pressure, anger management, and respect for other's property
- If the student does not attend counseling regularly, parent shall immediately notify the school administration.
- It is recommended that the student's parents continue parenting classes & family counseling.
- The parents will provide parental permission for the District to access and share confidential student information.
- All elements of this Rehabilitation Plan shall be completed by May 4, 2007, and documentation presented to verify completion.

The parent must meet with the Coordinator of Student Behavior by May 11, 2006, to review and sign the Rehabilitation Plan. If the parent fails to meet within the designated time and/or do not sign the Rehabilitation Plan, the student may be expelled without further Board action. The student shall remain in the home tutor program until the Rehabilitation Plan is signed.

Motion: Ryan

Second: Bartholomew

Vote: 3-0

B. ADJOURNMENT

The May 4, 2006 special meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Dan Bartholomew, Clerk

Lisbeth Johnson, Ed.D., Secretary