

**PLCSF General Board Meeting
Correia Middle School
Monday, March 3, 2014**

Meeting called to order at 4:35pm

Roll call via sign-in sheet

Phil Stover, Safety and Security at our Schools

Steve Faust, Project manager for the Safety and Security group

Joe Fiorentino, SDPD

Safety Audit performed, particularly with the focus on suspicious and criminal behavior, outside threats

- Safety hazards of the grounds keeping variety
- schoolsafety@sandi.net
- Safety related to drop-off and pick up – appropriate signage and curb paints
- Hired an agency that specializes in school safety and security
- Pilot for 18 schools around the District
 - 2 in cluster – Silver Gate and PLHS in the Pt. Loma Cluster
- All schools, charters and 5 admin sites will be studied
- By summer, the District will be working with the agency to create a triage for the sites per severity and criticality
 - Costs will be determined
 - Presenting to the BOE at a workshop in September
 - \$2.8 billion bond measure, April '15 sales of bond monies will help fund these projects
- Immediate concerns: utilizing the District staff to respond to principal or community request
 - Talk to each site to answer concerns
 - Listen to stakeholders – low cost fixes that can be completed immediately
 - 3-4 requests are being taken at each meeting
 - Playground equipment out of compliance, fences, ADA compliance, etc.
 - Small things that are in the schedule for 2019-20, that are low to no-cost that can be done quickly and effortlessly.
 - Distinctly apart from the regular repair queue
 - Completion rate is quick
 - Let Stover know if there are any requests to have a site visit
 - Timeframe is just a few months
- Brainstorming ways to do things in an easy way without having to involve the DSA (the District Architects)
- Email schoolsafety@sandi.net
- 6 things the group is focusing on:
 - Access/Egress
 - How you get on and off campus
 - Fencing

- Campus entrances/hidden entrances/relocating fences to redirect traffic to the main office
 - Doors and Locks
 - 7,400 doors in the District with a variety of locks
 - Various ways to lock doors
 - Cameras and Lighting
 - Determining whether cameras pick up movement at dark, lighting for secluded areas
 - Policies and Procedures (District-wide and Site Specific)
 - Adequate District and site policies?
 - Congestion in pick up and drop off areas, creating a new policy for each site, staggering start times for various grades.
 - Joint use gates
 - Bell signals, creating a more consistent policy for the entire District
 - Key policies
 - Training
 - Communications
 - Principal and VP concerns, radios and walkie-talkies, PA systems
 - Intra and Inter-school communication
 - 4,700 walkie-talkie radios, with varied use
 - Out of compliance per FCC with the walkie-talkies throughout the District
 - Frequency use
 - District will standardize the type and use of radios, March 11th BOE meeting will involve the radio/Walkie-talkie
 - Waiver till September 1st for radio compliance/bandwidth use
 - Art Lavey has taken on this project for the District
 - Compliance
 - Repair
 - 6 IT techs to work with him to get hands on all the radios
 - Standardizing practicing
 - PA systems – how to operationalize the term “PA System”
 - Standardizing efforts are being made
 - Repair of a current system is low-cost (\$35,000) vs. new system \$350,000
 - Intercom systems may be installed through the network; however a backup will be needed in the case of a blackout
 - Old phones will be kept on hand to function in a power outage
- Reports from the Pilot were released last week
 - Information is being collated and analyzed
 - Because of the safety concerns connected to site security

- Safety Dept. is booked for the next two weeks talking with schools and Advisory groups to discuss safety and get feedback
- Each school site is particular, which is why the Safety Group wants to make sure that they are talking with school sites as opposed to the larger District-wide groups

Steve Faust

Give us some specifics per site, which will help the group do some research and get an idea of what they need to do

Joe Florentino

By educating staff (the SDUSDPD does a training for teachers, etc.) and parents, you help them understand how they can prevent a disaster

Empowerment

School Police will be present at all physical inspections to offer additional perspective

2 hour site visits – with staff and Principal

Questions:

Marco Drapeau: Are there any parameters/talk happening around Prime Time during lock-down procedures, etc.

Phil: That may involve some others in the District, including Joe Fulcher, etc. that can examine those various areas and procedures.

Christy Scadden: Evacuation and safety in the schools, particularly the med-sleds at PLHS.

Phil: We've had good progress with ADA and making sure we can cut through the red tape
So many of the people that help with these things, they all report to Phil, and he can give them the okay to get things done

Glenda Gerde: Will there be any type of mandate or standards for fence height around the District

Phil: Yes, but what may work at one campus may not work at another, so some things may be site specific.

- Custom fencing at Jefferson Elem. that isn't standard, but it is safe, it was tried there as a pilot and it is safe and pleasant
- We will have a standard, but there will also be exceptions

Christy: Some fields are used after schools for kids, will that no longer be allowed?

Phil: Part of the Quality Neighborhood Schools is to have an inviting environment, so we want to maintain that. These are the things that we need to do to maintain a friendly environment, but also keep safety.

We're looking at new research coming out of the Columbine era and major shootings of the past.

Marvin: What about computers, maintaining safety of school security of devices (computers, etc) when school isn't in session.

Joe: If items are kept on the carts, the SDUSDPD can help determine what area of the school is the most secure. Call the

Phil: We still have a small group that is primarily responsible for school safety, so you can call them.

Scott Barnett

District is starting an overview of Cluster master plans

\$6 billion in bond money to spend over the next few years, we want to look at it on a cluster-wide basis

- Cluster Board's input??

Dana sports field – BOE did approve to redo the field, taking back control of the field, no more joint-use.

- Scott is confident that the City Council will approve the removal of the joint-use.
- Prop Z will make those things possible – thanks to the voters
- Creative solutions to joint use issues (for schools in the Cluster that may have joint-use fields)

The goal is to have it finished by the start of baseball season next year.

Environmental Impact Report is happening at Correia, which will be able to accommodate the school, community, etc.

PLHS Site master plan just completed

- Where we can be bold
- Lights – Environmental Review Process is happening, thorough to make sure that everything is covered.
 - The FAA also has a say in the plan.

Looking at ways of mitigating the impact of the high traffic areas around schools, like PLHS

- BOE policies will be put in place to apply to other high impact HS

Budget - \$75 million shortfall

- Fill \$50 million with land sales
 - Sites have been identified, not all sold
 - Total portfolio of \$125 million
 - There have been issues at each site, which can put sales on hold
- Other \$25 million may come from an early retirement with the counselors, guidance, etc.
- Strategic Staffing (Layoffs), based on lower enrollment (less 1,000 students per year)
- Retirement will contribute to that \$25 million
- Second Interim budget will come to the BOE next week (March 11)

Proposal for Dewey to be a pilot school to

Navy Base Rep, Kelsey Denove

- Works out of the Sub-base Naval Pt. Loma

- Volunteers:
 - Get the sailors into the schools
 - Dewey, Loma Portal and out to more sites
 - Peace Builders
 - 16 sailors out of boot camp at Silver Gate this morning
 - Contact Kelsey if you'd like to get some volunteers for events
- Flier to go into enrollment packets, explaining what a School liaison does
 - Not a recruiter
 - Building the knowledge base that we are Peace Builders
 - Changing the stigma of the military
 - Gives Kelsey a way to reach out to the community with her information on it and lets military families know there is someone there to help with the transition
 - K-12 move 9 times, on average, Kelsey can help kids transitioning out of and into the Cluster – helps make the move a bit more smooth

Principal Report Out, Scott Irwin

Internet Safety – 150-200 parents attended

San Diego Police Foundation sent a rep to discuss internet safety

Parents asked good questions

There will be another event coming up soon

- Math night around Common Core, second version is coming up – March 12th 6th through 12th grade focus
 - Math pathways, how it works over time
 - Mindy Schaklett
 - Pat Callahan, from California Math Project, will be there
 - Pt. Loma Nazarene and District representation on the panel of experts
 - Trying to tie it in with a food event, Oggi's pizza
 - Childcare will be available
 - Translation will be looked into
 - It costs about \$240 to rent the location, translation has a cost

Feb 20th Professional Development event for K-5 teachers

- Different grade levels from each site
- Reading and Writing strategies
- Great opportunity for conversations among teachers

Glenda: We will have TK at every school next year. There is a meeting next Thursday for Principals.

Jackie McCabe: Parents are expressing a lot of concern over the half-day proposal for TK.

Scott: There is nothing final on TK yet, the BOE is still discussing the details.

The waiver for the half-day was approved by the BOE, but it still has to go to the state.

There is still a lot of dialog that needs to happen.

Melinda: What is the State mandate?

Scott: Not sure.

****State guidelines are [here](#).**

Cluster Community Event, Laura

- All Principals have given the okay
- Propose to have it at the HS or Correia
- Correia had an event last week and it was very successful
- The idea is to get the whole community together
 - 3 restaurants come to sell food to the community
 - Dad bands
 - HS and Correia bands
 - 3 auction baskets from each school site
 - End of April, beginning of May timeline
- Melinda suggests that the Master plans for Correia and PLHS should

DAC Update, Suzy

- TK
 - TK comes out of the Kindergarten Readiness Act (2010)
 - The legislation creates a new grade level for students who turn 5 between 9/2 and 12/2
 - “The first year of a two-year kinder program that uses a modified kinder curriculum that is age and developmentally appropriate”
 - Studies have shown that children do better/achieve more in literacy and mathematics, and there is a correlation between TK and college attendance and graduation rates.
 - Curriculum and assessments are being developed
 - The goal is to have TK at every elementary school – Equity and Access, Quality Neighborhood Schools
 - They are looking to get a waiver from the California Dept. of Ed. to shorten the day for TK to a half-day (4 hour instructional program) – to create a “staircase of instructional complexity”.
 - Prime Time – before and after school care. Will there be an extension of Prime Time to allow for after-school care?
 - How can it be a no cost item? ADA will only be counted when the kids are in the seats and will only provide funding for the following year.
- Innovation grant - \$1.5 million for schools with higher Title I FRLs
 - The board has discussed the DAC recommendation of rolling the \$1.5 million into the PI funding for schools in year 4 or 5, but it would be limited to the schools with more than 75% FRL.

- This was originally a \$2 million grant using funds taken from the base Title I monies, intended to be used for a grant process for some 20 schools with the highest concentration of poverty.

Special Ed Community Meeting, Christy Scadden

- 13 parents, 6 schools (Cabrillo, Dewey and SV no rep)
- Grateful, excited parents
- Most heard about it from the Ed Connect call
- Talked Successes, Challenges, Solutions
 - Success –
 - Challenges – kids are missing a whole day of school due to services
 - Quality, training and experience for the school site
 - Transitioning to the next school with services
 - Special Ed techs (aids) should not be teaching our students
 - Solutions - Principals providing leadership
 - PD training, similar models across all sites, PLCS collaboration and identifying what our cluster schools need
- Parents want to meet monthly going forward
- Third Wed of the month, meeting at PLHS library March 19th at 6:30pm
- Parents want on-going training, engagement, etc.
- Connect with other community parents, resources, supports, socio-emotional support
- Identifying challenges in the cluster
- Working with staff on solutions
- Private Facebook page created for members, have to request to joining
 - Contact Christy Scadden for information cscadden@cox.net
- Christy would like to establish a lead Principal for this project

****Future Pt. Loma Cluster Executive Board****

- Suzy has agreed to stay on as Secretary.
- Both Marvin and Laura will be stepping down.
- Laura asks that everyone think about whether or not they'd like to nominate themselves or another person for the President and Treasurer positions.
- Kate is also looking for a person to take over the eblasts, which are a very important part of keeping our cluster united and informed. The eblast truly requires 2-3 people to coordinate.

New Business:

Cluster Congress, Laura

- Using the model the District is using for Vision 20/20 (Successes, Challenges, Solutions) to get a snapshot of our cluster
- Surveys will come out to stakeholders
- Generate some information to send to the Superintendent

Marvin suggests that the Cluster take a position on the new money coming into the District, looking at numbers and thresholds, etc.

- Eliminating the threshold
- Looking at what children are in the Cluster who qualify

Scott: We'll hear more about LCFF in May, but it's important to make your views heard and known.

- Open session for the board, LCFF may be on the agenda
- Military students should have more attention

Marvin: How should we proceed?

- SSC discussions
- Agenda item for all SSCs in March
- Information will be sent to Laura and she will put something together to send to the general board

Correia Jazz band was just awarded "Unanimous Superior" – Best Jazz Ensemble at the California All-State Orchestra.

- Several were awarded individual accolades were also awarded
- Read the article [here](#).

Alex, teacher and coach at PLHS

Annual Future Pointers Track Event, Saturday, May 3rd

POP, Protect Our Pointers – a safety initiative

- Not district funded

P.E. Dept Chairs will be attending a meeting with Alex next week

Free practice day

More info to follow. Click [here](#) for the Pt. Loma HS event page.

Science Festival coming up, March 22nd

Meeting adjourned 6:28pm