ADJOURNED MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SANTA BARBARA HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
May 9, 1963

An adjourned meeting of the regular meeting of May 2, 1963, of the
Board of Education of the Santa Barbara High School District, was called
to order by President O'Neal on Thursday, May 9, 1963, at 4:00 p.m. in
Room 6 of the Administration Annex.

Present: Bruce D. O'Neal, President
          C. E. Sovine, Vice-President
          Elisabetta P. Henderson, Member
          Arnold W. Jacquemain, Member
          David S. Licker, Member

Absent: None

Others present for all or a portion of the meeting included:
        Dr. Norman B. Scharer, Superintendent and Secretary-Clerk to Board
        George E. Browne, Associate Superintendent and
          Assistant Secretary-Clerk to Board
        Douglas C. White, Assistant Superintendent
        R. V. Jackson, Assistant Business Manager
        Loretta H. Gardner, Senior Stenographer Clerk
        Harry Trimborn, News-Press Reporter
        Robert D. Curiel, Deputy County Counsel
        Stanley M. Smith of Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall, Architects
        Robert C. Newman of Sullivan, Roche, Johnson & Farragher, Attorneys-At-Law
        Robert E. Kallman, Board of Education Candidate
        Dr. Thelma J. Damgaard, Director, Elementary Curriculum
        William E. McLaughlin, Director, Secondary Curriculum
        Dr. Robert C. Rockwell, President, and the following representatives
        of Santa Barbara City College: Robert N. Casier, M. L. Huglin,
          Mrs. Marie Lantagne

Minutes: None

Welcome to Guests and Staff Members

Mr. O'Neal welcomed guests and staff members present at the
meeting.
School Plants and Property

Mr. Stanley M. Smith of Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall, Architects, presented final plans on Phase I of the building program at Santa Barbara City College. He stated his office was awaiting final written approval from the State Division of Architecture but the State Division had already given verbal approval of said plans. Mr. Smith reported that site development and construction of the following buildings were included in the first phase:

1. Library and Classroom Building
2. Science and Mathematics Building (partial construction)
3. Classroom-Cafeteria Building
4. Physical Education Administration area, locker rooms and showers

Alternate: Auxiliary and main gymnasiums

Following a question by Mr. Jacquemain, Mr. Smith said Phase I should be completed by October, 1964, and that an additional period of about thirty-six days would be necessary for completion of the auxiliary and main gymnasiums if they were included in the construction contract.

Mr. Jacquemain commented for the benefit of the audience that, although the plans were not being discussed in detail at this meeting, they were gone over thoroughly by members of the Board and administration prior to this date.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by Mr. Jacquemain, seconded by Mr. Sovine, and unanimously carried, to approve final drawings for the first phase of construction for Santa Barbara City College as presented by Stanley M. Smith of Daniel, Mann, Johnson &
Mendenhall, Architects, subject to approval by the State Division of Architecture; and to authorize advertisement for bids for the construction thereof, said bids to be opened at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 11, 1963.

Mr. Smith presented a resolution prepared by his office in compliance with a request by the State Fire Marshall that doors on the deck of the science building leading downstairs and outside remain "held open" during school hours in order to avoid fire hazard. There was lengthy discussion, during which Mr. Licker questioned the advisability of such a resolution. It was agreed that the resolution be held until Mr. Smith could investigate the possibilities of double-side panic hardware or swinging doors for the area in question.

Mr. O'Neal reviewed transactions since January 17, 1963, regarding sale of the Riviera Campus. He stated Robert C. Newman of Sullivan, Roche, Johnson and Farraher, Attorneys-At-Law, was present on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Lewis, sole bidders on the Riviera Campus. Mr. Newman urged that the Board make a decision at this meeting on whether it wished to proceed with sale of the property to the Lewis's, or whether it wished to return their deposit in the amount of $33,050.10, together with 6% interest from the time of escrow. He stated, however, if the Board wished to go through with the sale of the property to the Lewis's, he had a certified check for the balance due on the purchase price.

Mr. Newman left the meeting for a telephone call.
Mr. O'Neal read a letter dated April 26, 1963, from Russell L. Furse, Executive Director of Brooks Research Foundation, indicating the Foundation was prepared to purchase the Riviera property, but was not interested in leasing buildings on the property as an alternate arrangement.

Mr. O'Neal also read a letter dated May 1, 1963, from the Board of Directors of the Riviera Association indicating their approval of use of the Riviera Campus either as an administration center or by Brooks Institute of Photography.

Mr. Curriel left and Mr. Newman returned to the meeting.

Mr. Jacquemain voiced his opinion that it was not reasonable of Mr. and Mr. Lewis to request return of their deposit with interest, since they were aware at the time of their bid that mineral rights were excepted from the property transfer.

Mr. O'Neal stated the Board Members had given considerable thought to the entire matter. He suggested the possibility of sharing the property with Brooks Institute, whereby Brooks would use approximately 10 acres, leaving four acres for use as a school administration center. He presented a chart showing how this might be effected. Mr. O'Neal pointed out that, however, the first decision of the Board would be whether or not to sell the property.

Mr. Licker stated he was inclined to agree with the Citizens' Advisory Committee's recommendation that the property be sold and an adequate administration center be built on another
site. Mr. Licker also said he felt the Lewis's request for recission of their purchase of the campus was invalid and should not be recognized by the Board, and that the Board had the right to proceed with sale of the property to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis. He again pointed out that the Lewis's were aware of the exception of mineral rights and that their demand for a refund was invalid. Mr. Licker also voiced his opinion that the Board should go through with the sale of the Riviera Campus property to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis.

Mr. Sovine agreed with Mr. Licker, stating that the administration center could be located on other property at a more reasonable cost. He noted that the present Riviera facility was too outmoded, and would require much remodeling to be usable.

Mr. Jacquemain voiced his feeling that the property should be retained by the District for an administration center with the possibility of selling some of the excess land. Mrs. Henderson expressed her opinion that the Board should sell the property to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis.

Mr. O'Neal noted there would be many problems involved in a decision to use the Riviera Campus site for an administration center, but that the end would justify the means since the District would have a fine site at a minimal cost, as well as the possibility of selling some of the property if desired.

Mr. Licker stated the District was not in the real estate business and that the Board should get back to basic educational obligations and follow through with the original recommendations
of the Citizens' Advisory Committee, Mr. O'Neal pointed out that the Citizens' Advisory Committee objections were that utilization of existing Riviera Campus buildings rather than the site was not conducive to use by the administration.

Following further discussion, it was moved by Mr. Licker, and seconded by Mr. Sovine that the purchasers of the Riviera Campus, Roy D. Lewis and Evelyn W. Lewis, be advised by letter from this Board that the notice of rescission received from them dated March 29, 1963, requesting cancellation of their contract to purchase said property is not valid; that demand is hereby made that Mr. and Mrs. Lewis proceed with the purchase of the Riviera Campus in accordance with the terms of their bid, and pay into escrow the balance of the purchase price ($297,450.90); and that they accept the Grant Deed excepting and reserving the oil and mineral rights thereon.

Roll call on the motion was as follows:

Ayees: Mrs. Henderson, Mr. Licker, Mr. Sovine

Nays: Mr. O'Neal, Mr. Jacquemain

Absent: None

Not Voting: None

Mr. Newman left the meeting.

Mr. Browne reported that in accordance with the terms of agreement entered into on April 4, 1963, between the Santa Barbara High School District and the sellers of the junior high school site on Stow Canyon Road, the buyer shall give the seller 90 days' written notice of buyer's intent to use subject

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NOTICE TO SELLER OF
STOW CANYON
ROAD PROPERTY
property for school purposes.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by Mr. Jacquemain, seconded by Mr. Sovine, and unanimously carried, to instruct the Associate Superintendent to notify officially the sellers of said property of the Board’s intent to proceed immediately with construction of a junior high school on the Stow Canyon Road site.

Business and Finance

Mr. Browne reported that in May, 1962, $3,400,000. in High School District bonds were sold, leaving a balance of slightly over $7,000,000. He said the bond building program is reaching a point where money would be spent rapidly, thereby necessitating the sale of additional bonds in the near future. Mr. Browne suggested that the Board take action to sell $5,000,000. in bonds, which would leave a balance of approximately $2,000,000.

Following discussion concerning the exact amount of bonds to be sold, Mr. O’Neal stated that this item would be continued to the Regular Board Meeting on May 16.

Mr. Browne was directed by the Board to prepare a summary indicating anticipated Bond Fund cash needs in the High School District during the 1963-1964 school year.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by Mr. Sovine, seconded by Mr. Licker, and unanimously carried, to authorize payment of claims on warrants numbers B-6138 and B-6139 as follows:
Mr. O'Neal stated he had an additional item of business to present regarding carpeting, and said he did not think it was a matter that should be ignored by the Board. He stated he had been contacted by a carpet manufacturer who would be willing to provide the District with about 120 - 150 yards of fine-quality carpeting to be installed on an experimental basis wherever the Board wished. He said the dealer would supply the carpet and pad at no cost to the District excepting freight and installation costs. Mr. O'Neal suggested placing the carpet as a pilot project in the library and adjacent corridor at Santa Barbara Junior High School where there is an extremely large volume of traffic. In answer to a question, Mr. O'Neal stated the total District expense would be approximately $150. He also pointed out that use of carpeting in schools is not a new idea, and has been used for years in many areas with heavy traffic.

Mr. Licker strongly objected to using carpeting in any of the City Schools and said the public would object to such action. Mr. Jacquemain indicated he would like to give further study to such an idea.

Following brief discussion, the matter was continued to the Regular Board Meeting on May 16, 1963.
Dr. Scharer stated the County Schools had asked for a Board representative to appear on KEY-T on May 19 with other County representatives, to discuss education. Mr. O'Neal appointed Mr. Jacquemain as Board member to represent the District on May 19, 1963.

Adjournment

No further business being presented, the meeting adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Norman B. Scharer, Superintendent and Secretary-Clerk to Board of Education

Attest:

Bruce D. O'Neal, President

Approved by Board of Education

on ________________, 1963