An adjourned meeting of the regular meeting of May 7, 1964, of the Board of Education of the Santa Barbara High School District was called to order by Vice-President Jacquemain on Tuesday, May 12, 1964, at 4:00 p.m. in Room 6 of the Administration Annex.

Present: Arnold W. Jacquemain, Vice-President  
Robert E. Kallman, Member  
G. E. Sovine, Member

Absent: Mrs. Elisabettta P. Henderson, President  
David S. Licker, Member

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  
Douglas C. White, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel & Special Services  
Dr. Charles A. Woodfin, Assistant Superintendent-Elect, Business Services  
R. V. Jackson, Assistant Business Manager  
Cleola M. Brun, Executive Secretary  
Mrs. Katherine McCloskey, News-Press Reporter  
Bruce W. Benedict, Chief Accountant  
Robert N. Christian, President, City Teachers' Association  
Mrs. Marie Lantagne, Dean of Student Personnel, City College

The Superintendent presented a letter dated April 27, 1964, from Dr. W. T. Carty, District Superintendent of the Carpinteria Unified School District, concerning the possible interest of said Unified School District in joining the Santa Barbara Junior College District; and requesting further information re. the views of the Santa Barbara Board of Education regarding representation and financial obligations of the people of Carpinteria Valley if such an annexation were to be effected.

There was discussion on various aspects of this matter, including the comparative amounts of assessed valuation in the Carpinteria Unified School District and the area to be encompassed.
by the Santa Barbara Junior College District; the estimated amount of tax rate that would be levied on the Carpinteria District if it assumed liability for prevailing outstanding bonded indebtedness of the Junior College District; the precedent established by other similar annexation agreements within the County of Santa Barbara; the need for the Carpinteria Board to have some indication at this time of the thinking of the Santa Barbara Board on the questions raised in order that it could weigh such thinking against the conditions that would be applicable if Carpinteria annexed to the Ventura Junior College District; the procedural steps that would probably be required for such annexation; the feelings on the matter that had been expressed previously by the two absent Board members; and other related matters.

On the matter of trustee areas for the new Santa Barbara Junior College District, the Superintendent and Mr. Browne stated the principle of trustee areas had been discussed and supported by Santa Barbara Board members on several occasions. Mr. Browne recalled deliberations and conclusions by the Augmented County Committee on School District Organization last year regarding trustee areas for the then-proposed junior college district; and the Board's action on March 20, 1964, to reaffirm its support of the principle of trustee areas in connection with current unification studies.

There was also discussion regarding provisions of Education Code Section 25450.5 relating to election of the governing board of the new Santa Barbara Junior College District, and interpretations re. when the new Board would be elected and when it would take office.
Mr. Browne said it appeared now that the election might have to be held in the spring of 1966, with the new Board taking office as of July, 1966, but that this interpretation was subject to confirmation.

Following further discussion and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by Mr. Kallman, seconded by Mr. Sovine, and unanimously carried, that the Board of Education of the Santa Barbara High School District, which will become the Board of Education of the Santa Barbara Junior College District on July 1, 1964, declare its intent that, should the Carpinteria Unified School District annex to the Santa Barbara Junior College District, said annexation shall be accomplished without assumption on the part of the Carpinteria Unified School District of any liability for outstanding bonded indebtedness of the Santa Barbara Junior College District at such time as the annexation becomes effective.

The Superintendent was directed to inform Dr. Carty of said declaration of intent and of the Board’s support of the principle of trustee areas in any reorganization of school districts.

The Superintendent reported that meetings of the Augmented County Committee on School District Organization were scheduled for May 18 and June 15 for the purpose of continuing deliberations re. school district unification plans within the Santa Barbara High School District.

Mr. Browne reviewed deliberations to date by the Committee, as well as actions and viewpoints by the Santa Barbara Board of
Education on unification issues. He called attention to the Board’s action on March 20, 1964, to:

1. Request the Committee to bring up to date its previous studies re. formation of a single unified district within the Santa Barbara High School District, and to give particular consideration to the anticipated ability of such a unified district to finance additional elementary and secondary schools needed in the foreseeable future;

2. Request the Committee to review the proposal for formation of a unified school district consisting of the Hope – Goleta Union – Ellwood Union School Districts, and to give particular consideration to the validity of certain generalizations included in said proposal;

3. Request the Committee to consider factual data to be developed by the Santa Barbara City Schools in consultation with representatives of the Hope, Cold Spring, and Montecito School Districts regarding alternative plans for school district unification;

4. Go on record as being decidedly in favor of trustee areas for the election of governing board members for whatever unified district(s) may be formed.

Mr. Browne reported that, following a meeting attended by representatives of the Santa Barbara, Cold Spring, Montecito, and Hope School Districts, the City Schools administration had proceeded with development of a statistical study entitled "Analyses of Certain Factual Information Relating to Alternative School District Unification Proposals Involving the Santa Barbara High School District and Component Elementary School Districts," copies of which had been distributed to Board members for discussion at this meeting.

Mr. Browne reviewed the development of said statistical report, following which the Secretary read the report aloud.

There was lengthy discussion on questions raised by Board members regarding the effect of school district unification on the functions of the County Superintendent's Office; the status
of district administrators in the outlying elementary school districts if unification were effected; the trend toward school district unification throughout the State; issues and actions re. unification in certain other California school districts; application and implications of the recently enacted Unruh Bill; the outlook that a unified district in the Goleta area would have to qualify immediately for State school building aid on both the elementary and secondary levels if it were to be able to provide additional schools; trends in enrollment increases, assessed valuations, etc., in various parts of the High School District; the anticipated numbers of additional junior and senior high schools needed in the next five years under various unification plans in the existing High School District; outstanding bonded indebtedness and unused bonding capacity in existing school districts as well as under various alternative unification proposals; anticipated tax rates in the various areas of the High School District under either a one-district or a two-district unification plan; differing levels of teachers' salaries in the school districts within the Santa Barbara High School District and the determination of salaries in any new unified school district; the timetable for completion of the Committee's studies; the procedural steps required of the Committee, the State Board of Education, and the electorate; certain minor modifications to be made in the subject "Analyses" before its submission to the County Committee; and other related matters.

Individual Board members expressed their approval of the information included in the statistical report under discussion, and the manner in which it was presented. Following further brief
discussion, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent,
it was moved by Mr. Kallman, seconded by Mr. Sovine, and unanimously
carried, to accept the analytical report referred to above; to
endorse the conclusions therein; and to authorize and direct that
it be forwarded to the Santa Barbara Augmented County Committee
on School District Organization with the recommendation that said
Committee give earnest consideration and study to the factors and
conclusions set forth in said report.

The President of the Board was directed to represent the
Board of Education officially at the Committee meeting at Kellogg
School on May 18.

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:

Arnold W. Jacquemain, Vice-President

Approved by Board of Education

on _____________, 1964