

BOARD OF TRUSTEES	SPECIAL MEETING
SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT	September 17, 2015

MINUTES

There was a special joint meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Board of Trustees with the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education on Thursday, September 17, 2015 in the SMMUSD District Office Board Room, 1651 – 16th Street, Santa Monica, California.

I. ORGANIZATIONAL FUNCTIONS

A Call to Order – 5:45 p.m.

B Roll Call

- Rob Rader, Chair - Present
- Dr. Louise Jaffe, Vice-Chair - Present
- Dr. Susan Aminoff – Excused Absence
- Dr. Nancy Greenstein - Present
- Dr. Margaret Quiñones-Perez - Present
- Barry Snell -Present
- Dr. Andrew Walzer - Present
- Jonathan Eady, Student Trustee – Excused Absence

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

IV. MAJOR ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- #1 Joint Study Session Between SMMUSD and SMCCD - Collaborations and Partnerships
- College Readiness/Success
 - Dual Enrollment

V. ADJOURNMENT:

7:22 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Board of Trustees will be Monday, October 6, 2015 at 7 p.m. (5:30 p.m. if there is a closed session) in the Santa Monica College Board Room and Conference Center, Business Building Room 117, 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, California.

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DISCUSSION ITEM 1

SUBJECT: **JOINT STUDY SESSION BETWEEN SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

SUBMITTED BY: Superintendent/President

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) and the Santa Monica Community College District (SMCCD) have a long history of collaboration in developing partnerships, working together on sharing resources, as well as executing the objectives of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which the two districts entered into in May 2007. The key elements of the MOU include the dual enrollment program, summer programs for high school students, shared use of facilities, and the collaboration and articulation of career and technical education programs. Along with collaborating on the objectives of the MOU, the district's staff work together to enhance existing programs and create new opportunities for students.

During this study session, the participants examined two main areas of focus that are designed to support the overarching goal of equity, access, and success: College Readiness/Success and Dual Enrollment. The discussion resulted in the SMMUSD Board of Education and the SMCCD Board of Trustees agreeing on the following goals:

- Increase engagement, academic achievement and college readiness of all students
- Increase the number of high school students taking college-level, dual enrollment courses
- Increase the percentage of students who graduate from high school college-ready

The Superintendents of the SMMUSD and SMCCD committed to the collaboration and will discuss the goals with their respective staffs. It was agreed that the counselors and faculty of both districts be involved in discussions and planning and that the two Boards continue to work together. Suggested methods for achieving the goals indicated above include the following:

- Strengthen the Young Collegians program
- Examine the Santa Barbara model, "Get Focused, Stay Focused"
- Look at placement policies [and procedures](#)
- Develop metrics to measure progress