Santa Barbara Unified School District Board Policy

Facilities BP 7310

NAMING OF FACILITY

The Governing Board shall name district schools and other district-owned or leased buildings, grounds, and facilities in recognition of:

- 1. Individuals, living or deceased, and entities that have made outstanding contributions, including financial contributions, to the school community
- 2. Individuals, living or deceased, who have made contributions of statewide, national, or worldwide significance
- 3. The geographic area in which the school or building is located

Any name adopted for any new school shall not be so similar to the name of any existing district school as to result in confusion to members of the community.

Before adopting any proposed name, the Board shall hold a public hearing at which members of the public will be given an opportunity to provide input.

(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

When naming or renaming a district school, building, or facility, the Board may specify the duration for which the name shall be in effect.

Memorials

Upon request, the Board shall consider dedicating buildings, parts of buildings, athletic fields, or other district facilities, in memory of deceased students, staff members, community members, and benefactors of the district.

Naming Rights

The Board may grant to any person or entity the right to name any district building or facility. In doing so, the Board shall enter into a written agreement which shall:

- 1. Specify the benefits to the district from entering into the agreement
- 2. State the roles and responsibilities of the parties to the agreement, including whether or not the Board shall retain the power to approve any proposed name
- 3. Provide details related to the naming right granted, including the building, grounds, or facility involved and the duration for which the name shall be in effect
- 4. Prohibit any message, image, or other depiction that advocates or endorses the use of drugs, tobacco, or alcohol, encourages unlawful discrimination against any person or group, or promotes the use of violence or the violation of any law or district policy

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs/Activities)

(cf. 1325 - Advertising/Promotions)

(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)

- 5. Promote the use of symbols, characters, names or logos which represent the schools in a positive manner befitting school unity and pride and shall be respectful of different cultural values and attitudes, and will depict individuals with fairness, dignity and respect.
- 6. Reserve the authority to terminate the naming right if it determines that the grantee, subsequent to receiving the naming right, has engaged in any of the prohibited acts stated in item #4 above or other criminal or unlawful acts that might bring the district into disrepute

The renaming of existing school building, parts of buildings, athletic facilities or areas shall occur only under extraordinary circumstances and after thorough study.

The board may require a monetary contribution for naming rights. The board shall reserve the right to require this financial contribution on a case-by-case basis.

Legal Reference:

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