

SAN MARCOS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION #06-03/04

"RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SAN MARCOS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ADOPTING THE CONCEPTS AND PRINCIPALS ASSOCIATED WITH THE COLLABORATIVE FOR HIGH PERFORMANCE SCHOOLS (CHPS)"

On the motion of Member _____, seconded by Member _____, the following resolution is adopted by the Governing Board of the San Marcos Unified School District of San Diego County, California.

WHEREAS, students learn best in an environment that is comfortable, healthy, naturally lit and well maintained, and studies have indicated that student achievement is greater and attendance higher when these conditions are met;

WHEREAS, the San Marcos Unified School District (SMUSD) is continuing to grow, which will require the construction of new schools and/or renovation of existing schools during the next five to ten years in order to accommodate the growing number of students served by the District to a standard of comfort and efficiency;

WHEREAS, schools spend a substantial amount on energy costs each year, and studies show that energy costs for new facilities can be reduced by 25 percent;

WHEREAS, building or renovating a school provides a unique opportunity to move beyond standard designs to create school facilities whose tangible benefits have been measured in the form of increased student attendance, higher test scores, reduced operating costs, elevated teacher and staff retention, and an improved indoor environment by providing cleaner air, better acoustics, and natural light;

WHEREAS, an integrated design approach can often take advantage of energy savings that become feasible when the interaction between separate building elements, such as windows, lighting, and mechanical systems are considered; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Board of the San Marcos Unified School District does hereby resolve as follows:

1. That the Governing Board of the San Marcos Unified School District supports the concepts and principals included in the Collaborative for High Performance Schools, and directs the Facilities and Planning Department's Director to develop more resource efficient design criteria for use in the construction of new schools and the renovation of existing district schools and campuses; and

2. That the design criteria will be developed in consultation with the Collaborative for High Performance Schools and include such measures as site orientation, energy efficient envelope, lighting, and space conditioning; water efficiency; waste management; material resource efficiency; and heat island mitigation measures; and, finally

3. That within the schematic design presentation for the next new school, staff shall present to the Governing Board a recommended High Performance Building Design and Implementation Plan including specific cost-benefit data, performance measures and a performance tracking mechanism to ensure the effective implementation of these measures.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the San Marcos Unified School District on this 14th day of October, 2003, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO)

I, Larry B. Maw, Secretary of the Governing Board, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution passed and adopted by said Board at a regularly scheduled and conducted meeting held on said date, which resolution is on file, in office of said Board.

Larry B. Maw, Ed.D.
Secretary of the Governing Board