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RESOLUTION 2008-33

BOARD REPORT NO. 473-07/08

**NEW CONSTRUCTION STRATEGIC EXECUTION PLAN AMENDMENT -
PROJECT RE-DEFINITION FOR SOUTH REGION HIGH SCHOOL NO. 15**

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2007 the Board of Education approved the project definition for South Region High School No. 15; and

WHEREAS, the current project definition for South Region High School No. 15 as described in the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan is for 1,215 seats; and

WHEREAS, South Region High School No. 15 is currently defined as relieving San Pedro High School; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education approved action on October 23, 2007 reaffirming the District's commitment to providing a neighborhood school operating on a traditional, two-semester calendar for all students; and

WHEREAS, recent changes in demographic projections for South Region High School No. 15 show that building an 810-seat high school will allow San Pedro High School to maintain a two-semester calendar; and

WHEREAS, Facilities Services Division has concluded (1) that amending the Facilities Strategic Execution Plan for the project re-definition of South Region High School No. 15 will facilitate implementation of the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan, and (2) that the proposed amendment will not adversely affect the District's ability to successfully complete the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The School Construction Bond Citizens’ Oversight Committee recommends that the Board of Education adopt an amendment to the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan, for the project re-definition of South Region High School No. 15, as described in attached Board Report No. 473-07/08.
2. This resolution shall be transmitted to the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education and posted on the Bond Oversight Committee’s website.
3. The District is directed to track the above recommendation and to report on the adoption, rejection or pending status of the recommendation as provided in section 6.2 of the Charter and Memorandum of Understanding between the Oversight Committee and the District.

NOT ADOPTED on June 18, 2008 by the following vote:

AYES: 6 (Minimum 7 Required) ABSTAIN: 1

NAYS: 3 ABSENT: 3

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Chair

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Report Number:	473-07/08 (Revised)
Date:	June 24, 2008
Subject:	New Construction SEP Amendment to Redefine South Region High School No. 15
Responsible Staff:	
Name	Joseph A. Mehula, Chief Facilities Executive
Office/Division	Facilities Services Division
Telephone No.	(213) 241-4811

A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Action Proposed: Approve revision of the project definition for South Region High School No. 15 from 1,215 seats to 810 seats and amendment of the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan accordingly.

Staff Recommendation and Rationale Staff recommends that the Board of Education approve the revision of the project definition for South Region High School No. 15 from 1,215 seats to 810 seats. The relief provided by the new high school will allow San Pedro High School to operate on a two-semester calendar if 810 new seats are constructed.

Background: On May 8, 2007, the Board of Education approved the project definition for South Region High School No. 15 as a 1,215-seat high school. One of the criteria for redefinition of a Strategic Execution Plan project is shifts in demographic projects. Subsequent changes in demographics projections for South Region High School No. 15 show building an 810-seat school will allow San Pedro High School to maintain a two-semester calendar.

Policy Implications: This action helps facilitate the Board-adopted New Construction Strategic Execution Plan.

Budget Impact: The total revised project budget for South Region High School No. 15 is \$114,631,777. The new budget for the redefined project will be \$102,844,507. Funding will be provided by state and local bond funds.

Issues and Considerations The proposed project will provide relief primarily for San Pedro High School, which is currently operating on a two-semester calendar.

Effect of "yes" vote: Board action authorizes staff to proceed with a new school based on the revised project definition, which is appropriately sized to provide needed relief.



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Effect of “no” vote:

Non-approval of the project redefinition would require staff to proceed with the current project definition of 1,215 high school seats, which would provide more seats than needed to meet the two-semester goal.



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B. BOARD REPORT

- Action Proposed:** Approve revision of the project definition for South Region High School No. 15 from 1,215 seats to 810 seats and amendment of the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan accordingly.
- Expected Outcomes:** Approval of the redefined project will allow staff to proceed with design and environmental assessment activities for an 810-seat high school. The size and budget of the school will be adjusted to reflect the new project definition.
- Board Options and Consequences:** Redefinition of the project will allow the District to achieve the goal of providing two-semester neighborhood high school seats in this area of the District for a reduced cost. If South Region High School No. 15 is not redefined, staff would proceed with the current definition of 1,215 seats, which is more than what is required to provide two-semester neighborhood high school seats and would result in higher construction costs.
- Policy Implications:** This action helps facilitate the Board adopted New Construction Strategic Execution Plan.
- Budget Impact:** This project was included in the New Construction Two-Semester Neighborhood School Program definition list adopted by the Board on October 23, 2007. The revised project budget for South Region High School No. 15 is \$114,631,777. The budget will decrease by \$11,787,270 to reflect the smaller school size and reduced construction costs. Therefore, the new budget for South Region High School No. 15 will be \$102,844,507. Funding for this project is from state and local bonds.
- Issues and Analysis:** School Demographic Data

ELIEVED SCHOOL	SITE ACREAGE	2007-08 CALENDAR	2007-08 2- SEMESTER CAPACITY	2007-08 OPERATING CAPACITY	2007-08 ACTUAL ENROLLMENT	2007-08 RESIDENT ENROLLMENT	PLANNING 2- SEMESTER CAPACITY	PORTABLE CLASSROOMS (EXCLUDES CLASSROOMS TO BE REMOVED)
San Pedro High School	22.9	1 TRK	3,538	3,538	3,561	3,560	3,168	47

Committee Information: This item is not scheduled to appear on the agenda of any Board Committee.

Bond Oversight Committee Recommendations: The School Construction Bond Citizen’s Oversight Committee took action at its June 18, 2008 meeting on this item and failed to adopt a resolution by a vote of six ayes, three nays and one abstention. Even though a majority voted in favor, there were insufficient affirmative votes to approve the resolution supporting the project. (Seven ayes were needed.)



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Reporting Requirements and Benchmarks:

Progress is reported monthly in the New Construction Monthly Status Report and updated annually in the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan. Facilities Services Division status reports are posted on www.laschools.org.

Accountable Staff:

Rod Hamilton, Real Estate Development Team Manager

Applicable Board Delegations:

Superintendent's Comments:

The Superintendent recommends approval of this action.

Miscellaneous Issues and Matters:

None.

Desegregation Impact Statement attached

Division of Accountability and System-wide Performance

Informative

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID L. BREWER III
Superintendent of School

APPROVED &
PRESENTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

JOSEPH A. MEHULA
Chief Facilities Executive
Facilities Services Division.

DR. JAMES MORRIS
Chief of Staff