

Harbor High School

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City School Board Agrees Harbor High Must Be Opened On Schedule In Fall

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The Santa Cruz City Board of Education agreed informally last night that Harbor High School must be opened when completed next fall.

The informal survey of the board by Chairman Keith Shaffer came as trustees studied the financial outlook of the high school district.

Bob Soderholm, coordinator of educational and business services, told the board that between \$250,000 and \$315,000 will be required to equip and staff Harbor High. He said this includes only those items of supplies and equipment and additional staff that would not be moved or transferred from Santa Cruz or Soquel High Schools.

Soderholm said more complete data will be prepared for the board's November meetings.

Soderholm also presented a proposed teachers' salary

schedule for 1968-69 that would raise the minimum salary from \$5650 per year to \$5900 and the maximum salary from \$11,359 to \$11,895 for teachers with a bachelor's degree. The schedule for instructors holding master's degrees would be increased from the present \$6815-\$11,650 range to a new range of \$7259 to \$12,200.

Percentage of increase would range from 4.42 per cent to 8.1 per cent on the basic schedule and from 6.02 per cent to 8 per cent for the master's degree schedule.

Shaffer termed the proposals reasonable and realistic and said the teachers realize that the public must decide the issue since the raises cannot be provided without an increase in the present high school tax rate of 85 cents per \$100 or assessed valuation.

The board is expected to decide next month the date of a

new tax election and the amount of increase to be asked. Both the opening of Harbor High School and the teachers' pay raise will depend on approval of the tax hike.

Soderholm also said the high school district, now operating with 133 teachers, next year will require 27 additional instructors. He explained the district this year is 18 teachers below the number needed to comply with the standard of 1 teacher for each 25 students. Next year, he said, the district should hire not only these 18 instructors but also an additional nine if the schools are to keep pace with rising enrollment.

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