

EL RANCHO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Pico Rivera, California

BOARD OF EDUCATION
6:00 PM Informal Meeting with Parents
6:30 PM Regular Meeting

April 15, 2010
NOTE LOCATION CHANGE
North Park Middle School
4450 S. Durfee Avenue

A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER: Rita Jo Ramirez, President

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: North Park MS
Student Council President

ROLL CALL: Rita Jo Ramirez, President
Vincent Chavez, Vice President
Delia Alvidrez, Clerk
Rachel Canchola, Member
Dr. Joseph Rivera, Member

ADMINISTRATIVE CABINET: Norbert D. Genis, Superintendent
Susanna S. Smith, Assistant Superintendent
Arnold Tovar, Assistant Superintendent
Lydia Cano, Assistant Superintendent
John Lopez, Director

ASB BOARD MEMBER: Gerry Goyenaga, ASB President/El Rancho H.S.

ASB BOARD MEMBER: Alexis Gomez, ASB Representative/Salazar H.S.

RECORDER: Victoria N. Chavez

INTERPRETER: (Spanish) Herlinda Acevedo

VISITORS: Register No. 17-2009/2010

EL RANCHO HIGH SCHOOL ASB REPORT:

- ❖ Gerry Goyenaga, ASB President at El Rancho High School, will report on past and future activities.

SALAZAR HIGH SCHOOL ASB REPORT:

- ❖ Alexis Gomez, Salazar High School Representative, will report on past and future activities.

*STUDENT GOVERNMENT, NORTH PARK MIDDLE SCHOOL:***BOARD OF TRUSTEE PRESENTATIONS:**

The Board of Trustees recognizes exemplary community or district programs, together with individuals who have demonstrated extraordinary service or achievement.

❖ **El Rancho High School's Academic Decathlon Team**

Placed 4th out of 66 schools in Los Angeles County, 5th in Super Quiz, Advanced to State 13th out of 60 schools at State

Albert Alvarez	12 th Grade	Silver in Essay
Gerry Goyenaga	12 th Grade	Gold in Essay, Gold in Interview, Gold in Speech and Bronze in Language and Literature ~ Bronze in Essay at State
Tate Harshbarger	12 th Grade	Overall Top Scoring Decathlete, Top Scoring Team Decathlete, Gold in Essay, Gold in Speech, and Silver in Interview ~ Top Scoring Team Decathlete at State
Amy Micheo	12 th Grade	Silver in Speech and Bronze in Interview
Walter Quintanilla	12 th Grade	Silver in Essay, Silver in Speech and Bronze in Language and Literature
Miguel Ruiz	12 th Grade	Gold in Art, Silver in Interview
Patrick Rubalcava	11 th Grade	Silver in Speech, Silver in Language and Literature and Bronze in Interview
Angeli Vicente	12 th Grade	Gold in Speech, Gold in Interview and Silver in Essay
Oscar Vazquez	12 th Grade	Silver in Interview, Bronze in Speech, Bronze in Science and Bronze in Math
Sabina Rangel	12 th Grade	Team Member
Bryan Vargas	12 th Grade	Team Member

El Rancho High School Coaching Staff

Dawn Lam, Head Coach, Music

Jazmin Chavez, Interview

Justin Diaz, Art

Steve Francis, Math

Claire Katsumura, Chemistry

Tim McMullen, Language and Literature

Kristine Oase, Super Quiz

Stan Wlasick, Speech

Charissa Zeko, Essay

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education:

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

- 121 Adopt the minutes of the Board of Education’s regular meeting held March 16, 2010 and special meetings held March 23, 2010 and March 25, 2010.

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SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF REPORTS:

The Superintendent and District staff report to the Board of Trustees on relevant educational issues, participation in and attendance at seminars, conferences and district-wide activities.

- (1) Valenzuela/CAHSEE Lawsuit Settlement Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints, *Susanna Smith*
- (2) REMS and GREAT Grant Presentation, *Jeff Fitchett*

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS:

Board members have an opportunity to report and discuss information regarding conference participation, committee updates, and other district-wide activities.

PUBLIC HEARING:

The Board of Education will hold a public hearing on the Implementation of Tier III Transfer Program Flexibility provided in 2010-11 Budget Act. (Item 125.4)

The Board shall limit the total time for each agenda item to 20 minutes and individual speakers will be allowed three (3) minutes to address the Board on each agenda item, per Board Bylaw 9323.

HEARING SESSION:

The public is invited to speak to any action item on the CONSENT AGENDA only. This does not include items listed for Closed Session. Members of the public desiring to introduce items not on the agenda for discussion by the Board must comply with the requirements of Board Bylaw 9322, which requires filing a written request with the Superintendent at least seven workdays prior to the regular meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA: (Items 122 through 126)

The Board President will call for a motion and second to open Board discussion on the Consent Agenda.

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CONSENT AGENDA:

Consent Agenda items are voted on by a single motion. However, Board members or the Superintendent may withdraw items for further discussion and separate action.

122 SUPERINTENDENT – Norbert Genis (562) 801-5199

- . 1 Approve Resolution No. 25-2009/2010 declaring the week of May 16-22, 2010, “Classified School Employee Week” in recognition of the contributions of classified school employees.
- . 2 Approve Resolution No. 26-2009/2010 declaring May 4, 2010 as “National Teacher Day” in recognition of the contributions of teaching professionals.
- . 3 Approve the Contract for Consultant Services between El Rancho Unified School District and Ira Nelken & Associates, Inc., to provide evaluation and management technical assistance for the School Readiness Early Education Program effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. Total expenditure of \$20,000.00 payable from First 5 LA School Readiness grant funds.
- . 4 Approve the Contract for Consultant Services between El Rancho Unified School District and Rosario Ordonez-Jasis at a cost of \$28,608.00 effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. Total expenditure of \$28,608.00 payable from First 5 LA School Readiness grant.
- . 5 Approve the Contract for Consultant Services between El Rancho Unified School District and Intercommunity Child Guidance Center at a cost of \$69,600.00 effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. Total expenditure of \$69,600.00 payable from First 5 LA School Readiness grant.
- . 6 Approve Resolution No. 24-2009/2010 authorizing Norbert Genis, Superintendent, Susanna Smith, Assistant Superintendent of Education, Lydia Cano, Assistant Superintendent, and Roberta Gonzalez, Principal of Early Learning Programs to sign required documents issued by the Los Angeles County Children and Families First-Proposition 10 Commission grant agreement transactions for the Governing Board.

123 DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES – Arnold Tovar (562) 801-4810

- . 1 Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Cal State University, Los Angeles and the El Rancho Unified School District to provide counseling and mentoring of students at Obregon school for the 2009-2010 school year at no cost to the district.

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- . 2 Approve required attendance to the Safe Schools/Healthy Students *Communication Institute for 2009 Grantees* which is to be held May 11-12th, 2010 at the Hyatt Regency Bethesda in Bethesda, MD. Expenditures for Project Director will be paid directly by the Communication & Social Marketing Center master account. Estimated expenditures of \$1,010.76 to be paid from the Safe Schools/Healthy Students grant.
- . 3 Approve attendance to the 37th *Annual We Tip* conference and exhibition which is to be held April 23, 2010 at the Holiday Inn Hotel in Ontario, CA. Registration and mileage for a total expenditure of \$109.82 will be paid directly from the Safe Schools/Healthy Students grant.
- . 4 Approve attendance for one nurse to attend the *PESI HealthCare Life-Threatening Pediatric Emergencies* at the Burbank Holiday Inn, in Burbank, CA, including registration, lunch, parking and mileage expenses. Expenses payable from Medical LEA funds in the estimated amount of \$233.07.
- . 5 Approve attendance to the 5th *Annual California Head Start Association Health Institute (CHSA)* to be held April 27th-28th, 2010 at the Marriott Los Angeles Burbank Hotel. Registration and mileage for a total expenditure of \$406.58 to be paid with the Safe Schools/Healthy Students grant.
- . 6 Approve Contract Agreement with *West Coast Center for Educational Excellence* for the 2010/2011 school year, effective June 21, 2010 through June 30, 2011, at a total of \$141,000 payable from Special Education funds.
- . 7 Approve/Ratify addendum to the Individual Service Agreement previously approved on August 27, 2009, item 19.29 through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between El Rancho Unified School District and *Five Acres Therapeutic School*. The purpose of this addendum is to add speech services as well as IEP attendance with a new amount of \$35,060.33.
- . 8 Approve/Ratify Master Contract and Individual Service Tuition Agreement between El Rancho Unified School District and *Vista Ridge Academy/ChildNet Youth & Family Services*. El Rancho Unified School District students will attend this school as defined in Item 18 under General Provisions with payment of \$33,064.87 to be made by the district as specified in the Individual Service Agreements in accordance with Education Code Sections 56157 and 56365-56366.7, payable through Special Education funds.
- . 9 Approve/Ratify contract with *Cinnamon Hills Youth Crisis Center* for transportation of student. Service provided from March 9, 2010 to April 9, 2010. Payment not exceed \$2,000.00 which is payable from the Special Education Account.
- .10 Approve/Ratify contract with *DG Therapy Group, Inc.*, for Physical Therapy Assessment from February 25, 2010 to June 30, 2010. Expenditures are not to exceed \$350.00, which is to be paid from the Special Education Account.

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- .11 Approve/Ratify contract with *Ms. Mary Bergman*, Speech Pathologist, for an Assistive Technology Assessment from April 12, 2010 through June 30, 2010 for student. Expenditures not to exceed \$500.00 to be paid from the Special Education Account.
- .12 Approve Consultant Agreement with *Autism Spectrum Therapies* to provide Supervision of Positive Behavioral Support Services. Services are provided from April 15, 2010 to June 30, 2010, for 60 hours at the rate of \$125.00 per hour. Total not to exceed \$7,500.00, is to be paid from the Special Education Account.

124 DIVISION OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES – Susanna Smith (562) 801-5208

- . 1 Approve attendance for one (1) certificated staff member from Ruben Salazar High School to attend the Apex Learning Practitioners Institute 2010 at Pomona Unified School District on April 28, 2010. Total expenditure of \$150, substitute cost, payable from Ruben Salazar High School EIA/SCE funds.
- . 2 Approve attendance for one (1) certificated staff member from the El Rancho Adult School to the California Consortium for Independent Study Conference in Fresno, California on April 21-22, 2010. Total not to exceed \$900.00 payable from El Rancho Adult School funds.
- . 3 Approve amendment to board item #04.6 approved on July 9, 2009 to participate in performance tour for 56 North Park Middle School Band students, **five (5) El Rancho High School students**, two (2) certificated staff members, and eight (8) parent chaperones to Shriners Children’s Hospital in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the Morgan Stanley Children’s Hospital in New York City, and Carnegie Hall in New York City on March 29 – April 3, 2010. **Amendment is necessary to include the five (5) El Rancho High School students, which were not included on the original board item.** Total expenditure of \$118,800.00 is payable from North Park Middle School Band Boosters via fundraisers and donations, at no cost to the District.
- . 4 Approve educational field trip for 33 El Rancho High School students, one (1) certificated staff member, and (2) adult chaperones to the Disneyland Backstage Workshop in Anaheim, California on Monday, April 26, 2010, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Total expenditure of \$2,655.00, which includes participant fees and PTC transportation, payable from El Rancho High School ASB Choral funds (includes student fundraisers). There is no cost to the District.
- . 5 Approve educational field trips for 20 students and (2) certificated staff members from Rivera Middle School to University of California, Santa Barbara, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo and Pepperdine University campuses on May 17 through May 19, 2010. World Strides, student travel company, will provide transportation. All expenses incurred for this trip will be primarily paid through fundraisers and payments by parents at no cost to the school or district.

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- . 6 Approve participation of the Rivera Middle School Band in the Chula Vista Music Festival at East Lake High School on May 07, 2010. PTC will provide bus transportation. Total cost will not exceed \$665.00 and will be funded through Rivera Middle School ASB Band Account.
- . 7 Approve educational field trips for 40 sixth grade students, one (3) certificated staff member from Rivera Middle School to the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, San Pedro on Saturday, April 17, 2010. Transportation will be provided by PTC. Expenditures of \$390.00, for transportation, payable from Rivera Middle School ASB (Green Club) funds, at no cost to the district.
- . 8 Approve participation of the Rivera Middle School Marching Band and Cheerleaders in the Monterey Park Playdays Parade on May 15, 2010. PTC will provide bus transportation. Total cost will not exceed \$500.00 and will be funded through Rivera Middle School ASB Account.
- . 9 Approve educational field trip for ten (10) eighth grade students and two (2) certificated staff members from North Park Middle School to Washington, DC and to Civil War Battlefields to visit national monuments and museums, and see government in action, June 2-6, 2010. Total expenditure of approximately \$15,928.00, which includes air transportation, accommodations, meals, and tours is payable from fundraisers and individual participants. There is no cost to the District.
- .10 Authorize educational field trip for Birney Elementary School fifth grade students and teachers as follows: 100 students and 4 certificated teachers on Friday, May 7 and Friday, May 14, 2010, to Chantry Flats Ranger Station in the Angeles National Forest; and transportation agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Total expenditure of \$1,068.00, for transportation, payable from Birney Elementary School 5th grade fundraising (\$400), Dads Club (\$400) and PTO (\$400) and Title I (\$268) funds. There is no admission cost.
- .11 Approve consultant agreement with Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) to provide training and/or consulting services to two (2) certificated staff members and six (6) administrators at El Rancho High School on April 26, 2010. Total expenditure of \$550.00 for consultant services payable from El Rancho High School EIA/SCE funds.
- .12 Approve consultant agreement with Gonzalo Espinoza (sound engineer) to assist El Rancho High School Drama Department students, effective April 16, 2010 to June 2, 2010. Total expenditure of \$178.30 for consultant services payable from El Rancho High School General funds.
- .13 Approve the 2010 Summer School Program in El Rancho Unified School District.

125 DIVISION OF BUSINESS SERVICES – Lydia Cano (562) 801-5294

- . 1 Approve/Ratify to declare 104 items of computer equipment as obsolete, which is no longer usable by the District.
- . 2 Approve/Ratify Amendments to Accumulation Program for Part-Time and Limited-Service Employees (APPLE Plan) and reliance on the Plan as pre-approved by the IRS, effective February 1, 2010.
- . 3 Adopt Resolution No. 27-2009/2010, Implementation of Tier III Program Flexibility in 2010-11 Budget Act and approve transfer of funds into the unrestricted General Fund.
- . 4 Approve agreement between El Rancho Unified School District and Flewelling & Moody Architects for architectural services to furnish a site plan for the new fire access road at Maizeland School in connection with the City of Pico Rivera’s Passons Boulevard Grade Separation Project. Total cost not to exceed \$6,000.00 and shall be reimbursed by the City of Pico Rivera.
- . 5 Approve to accept Grant in the amount of \$1,500.00 from the California Community Foundation and City National Bank to South Ranchito Elementary School in the El Rancho Unified School District to be used for an English Language Learner Intervention Program.

126 DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES – John Lopez (562) 801-5216

- . 1 Approve the new position and job description of certificated Mental Health Counselor, as required and funded by Federal Safe Schools/Healthy Students grant.
- . 2 Approve the new position and job description of classified After-School Mentoring Liaison, as required and funded by Federal Safe Schools/Healthy Students grant.
- . 3 Approve the new position and job description of classified School Community Liaison, as required and funded by Federal Safe Schools/Healthy Students grant.
- . 4 Approve attendance for two (2) employees from the Human Resources Department to attend the Fred Pryor Seminar “Records Retention and Destruction” on May 18, 2010 in Long Beach, California. Total expenditure of \$298.00 is payable from the District General Fund.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 122 THROUGH 126:

Vote _____

The Board shall limit the total time for each agenda item to 20 minutes and individual speakers will be allowed three (3) minutes to address the Board on each nonagenda item, per Board Bylaw 9323.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Comments from the public are invited in accordance with Education Code Section 35145.5, which permits matters not on the agenda to be brought before the Board at regular meetings. The Board, however, cannot take action on matters not on the agenda. The President reserves the right to limit the time allowed for this portion of the agenda.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF PURPOSES OF CLOSED SESSION:

Numbers 1 through 5 under closed session will be addressed.

RECESS:

CLOSED SESSION:

Closed Session items cannot be discussed by members of the public. Board members or the Superintendent may withdraw items from the open session agenda for further discussion/clarification in closed session and separate action.

- (1) Liability Claim, Harbor Construction Company Inc.
- (2) Public Employee Appointment/Evaluation/Resignation/Discipline/Dismissal/Release: Certificated Register No. 10-2009/2010
 - Certificated (2) employment as Probationary Speech Pathologists for the 2010-2011 sch yr.
 - Certificated (3) employment as Long Term Substitute Teachers for the 2009-2010 school yr.
 - Certificated (1) employment as Child Development/Preschool Substitute Teacher for the 2009-2010 school year.
 - Certificated (1) employment as Adult School Teacher for the 2009-2010 school year.
 - Certificated (1) employment as Adult School Substitute Teacher for the 2009-2010 school yr.
 - Certificated (1) request for unpaid leave-of-absence for the 2010-2011 school year.
 - Certificated (1) resignation as Coordinator Special Education/Medi-Cal Funding and reinstatement to the position of Psychologist for the 2010-2011 school year.
 - Certificated (1) request for retirement from the following certificated employee for the 2009-2010 school year.
 - Certificated (15) amendment to stipend assignments for certificated teachers, working as BTSA Support Providers for the 2009-2010 school year. A total, not to exceed \$29,400 including (13.953%) benefits, is payable from the District General Fund in two equal installments. The first installment payable on February 1, 2010; the second installment payable on June 20, 2010.
 - Certificated (1) supplemental pay assignment for certificated staff member from El Rancho High School to work the 2009/10 Spring Athletics supplemental pay assignment as Girls Varsity Softball Coach, effective March 12, 2010 – May 31, 2010. Total expenditures payable from the District General Fund.

CLOSED SESSION:

- Certificated (1) supplemental pay for certificated staff member from El Rancho High School to work the 2009-10 Spring Athletics supplemental pay assignments as Supervisor Weight Room Trainer, effective April 16, 2010 – May 31, 2010. Total expenditures payable from the District General Fund.
 - Certificated (4) second semester supplemental pay assignments for the school year 2009-2010 for certificated staff members to serve as advisors in extracurricular activities at Burke Middle School. Total expenditures payable from the District General Fund.
 - Certificated (3) supplemental pay assignments for certificated staff members, as listed, from North Park Middle School to serve in the positions of annual advisor, newspaper advisor, band director, and marching band director effective February 1, 2010 through June 17, 2010. Total expenditures of \$5,136.00 payable from District General Account.
 - Certificated (9) amendment to extra-duty, extra-pay assignment for certificated staff members from El Rancho Adult School to fulfill Leadership Team duties beyond their regular instructional hours. Teachers will be paid at the hourly rates listed and will not exceed hours indicated. Expenditure of \$14,885.92, which includes 13.953% for benefits, payable from Adult Education funds.
 - Certificated (2) extra duty, extra pay assignment for teachers to teach students in the Independent Study and Home/Hospital Teaching Programs effective February 22, 2010 to June 19, 2009 at the District's hourly rate of \$35.00, plus 13.953% for benefits, payable from Independent Study/Home Teaching program account.
 - Certificated (2) extra-duty, extra pay assignment for teachers to implement a tutoring program for the Special Education Instructional Aides that have not passed the NCLB test. Total expenditures of 16 hours at \$35.00 per hour, plus 13.953% in benefits, not to exceed \$638.14 to be paid from the district's Title II funds.
 - Certificated (14) extra duty, extra pay assignment for certificated staff to serve as school site coordinators for each site to assist with various programs implemented under the Safe Schools/Healthy Students grant. Effective April 16, 2010 to June 17, 2010. Not to exceed \$15,600.00 payable from Safe Schools/Healthy Students grant.
 - Teachers (2) extra-duty, extra-pay assignment to provide after-school math coaching services to 4th and 5th grade students, effective April 19 – June 4, 2010/South Ranchito Elementary School.
 - Teacher (1) amendment extra-duty, extra-pay assignment to provide after-school tutorial services to kindergarten through 5th grade students, effective October 13, 2009 through May 13, 2010/Birney Elementary School.
 - Teachers (11) ratify extra-duty, extra-pay assignment to provide after-school tutorial services to 1st through 5th grade students, effective March 16, 2010 through May 27, 2010/Rivera Elem. School.
 - Teachers (9) ratify extra-duty, extra-pay assignment to provide parent education workshops, effective March 16, 2010 through June 3, 2010/Rivera Elementary School.
 - Teachers (8) ratify extra-duty, extra-pay assignment to provide extended support services and direct instructional services to monitor, coordinate, or implement programs, effective October 12, 2009 through May 25, 2010/Durfee Elementary School.
 - Teacher (1) stipend pay assignment to serve as the Apex Learning facilitator, effective April 16, 2010 through June 17, 2010/Salazar High School.
 - Teacher (1) ratify extra-duty, extra-pay assignment to substitute in the English Learner Literacy Support Classes at Rivera Middle School, effective January 15, 2010 through May 21, 2010/Educational Services.
- (3) Public Employee Appointment/Evaluation/Resignation/Discipline/Dismissal/Release: Classified Register No. 10-2009/2010
- Substitute Custodian (4) Custodian/Sub
 - Permanent Increase in Hours (1) Clerk Typist II
 - Release of Probationary Employee (1)

CLOSED SESSION:

- Probationary Employment (4) Cafeteria Helper I
- Probationary Employment (1) Child Care Attendant
- Out of Category Employment (1) Cafeteria Manager I
- Out of Category Employment (1) Cook/Baker
- Resignation (1) Spec. Educ. Inst. Aide/Sub
- Unclassified Employment (2) College Tutors
- Unclassified Employment (1) Noon Supervisor
- Unclassified Employment (1) Inst. Aide Trainee
- Unclassified Employment (4) Interns

- (4) Student Disciplinary Matters: Students A and Informational
- (5) Conference with Labor Negotiator Edward L. Kunkel: ERFT/CSEA/ERASA/Other Unrepresented Employees

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION:

PUBLIC REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTION:

- (1) _____
- (2) _____
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CLOSED SESSION: (Items 127 through 130)

- 127** Reject Claim.
- 128** Approve/Ratify Certificated Employment Register No. 10-2009/2010
- 129** Approve/Ratify Classified Employment Register No. 10-2009/2010
- 130** Approve Student Expulsion: Student A
Informational

ACTION ITEMS 127 THROUGH 130:

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A G E N D A A D D E N D U M

HEARING SESSION:

The public is invited to speak to any action item on the DISCUSSION/ACTION agenda.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM 131:

Items listed may require further explanation prior to action by the Board.

- 131** Discuss and approve a District wide campaign to stop the financial loss of revenue as it pertains to student attendance throughout the District. The District will do this by informing all District personnel of the campaign and responsibilities to move the attitude or culture of the students and their families about student attendance. The campaign will include members of the community, law enforcement and Pico Rivera city employees' assistance in this campaign. A zero tolerance towards absences will be implemented and a task force involving stake holders to meet to discuss the implementation of this campaign immediately.

Submitted by: Rachel Canchola

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM 131:

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