



EL RANCHO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

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The following summary identifies the information presented and/or the actions taken at the **September 12, 2013** meeting of the El Rancho Unified School District Board of Education.

- Laura Castillo presented the Unaudited Actuals Report for the 2012-13 school year. This report lists the final revenues and expenditures for the past school year. The Board of Education expressed concern about the deficit in the Food Services program and directed the Superintendent to seek an audit of the Food Services program and to work closely with the Food Services Director to identify the causes of the deficit.
- Larry Brunson, Director, Student Services, Kristine Ramos, Coordinator, Student Services and Carmen Rivera-Jara, Business Development for Spectrum made a presentation identifying the past information related to bringing Spectrum Pico Rivera to ERUSD, the current student numbers, pictures showing the current classroom environments and the future direction of the Spectrum Pico Rivera program.
- Roxane Fuentes, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services and Rachel Garcia, Coordinator of Categorical Programs made a presentation showing El Rancho Unified School District's 2013 STAR Data Results. The following five El Rancho Unified schools have surpassed the State goal of 800:

Rio Vista Elementary	827
Rivera Elementary	825
Rivera Middle	819
Burke Middle	813
Valencia Elementary	804
- The following new Board of Education Student Representatives were introduced to the ERUSD School Community:
 - Sydney Woo, ASB President, El Rancho High School
 - Aubriana Flores, ASB Spokesperson, Salazar High School
- The Board of Education formally recognized Rio Vista Elementary School principal, teachers, support staff and parents for exiting Program Improvement status as a result of their test scores over the last two years. Roxane Fuentes, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services noted that only two out of 524 Program Improvement 4 schools in the State of California exited Program Improvement status. This is an exceptional and rare accomplishment.
- Mark Matthews, Director, Human Resources provided a staffing update identifying the number of certificated and classified employees who have been re-employed for the 2013-14 school year.

- **DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES**

- The Board of Education approved Contract Agreements between the El Rancho Unified School District and the following agencies to provide counseling support to ERUSD students and their families across the district to ensure the success of our students:
 - Alma Family Services, a school based counseling agency to allow for funding for non-insured and under-insured children including services for Medi-Cal insured students.
 - Exchange Club Family Support Center, a Parenting and Family Life program.
 - Southern California Alcohol and Drug Program to provide substance abuse counseling services.
 - Hector Palencia, M.A., MSW, PPSC, to provide consultation and counseling services to at risk students.
 - The Whole Child, a school based counseling services provider, funded by the Safe and Healthy Schools Grant.
 - SPIRITT Family Services (also known as Skills for Prevention, Intervention, Recovery, Individual Treatment and Training Family Services) for educational and mental health services for students and their families. SPIRITT Family Services will also provide additional days of services utilizing agency funds through the Child Abuse Risk Intervention and Neighborhood Outreach (CARINÑO) program at no cost.
 - ENKI Health and Research Systems (EHRS), a community behavioral health care agency, to provide mental health services to the students of the District.
 - Penny Lane Centers, a school based counseling agency, to provide mental health services to students.
 - Pacific Clinics, a school based counseling agency to provide mental health services to the students of the District.

- **DIVISION OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

- Approved participation for twelve (12) El Rancho High School Boys' Water Polo Team student athletes, one (1) certificated staff member and one (1) walk-on coach in the 12th Annual Oxnard Boys' Varsity Water Polo Tournament at the Oxnard Aquatic Center in Oxnard, CA October 11 – 12, 2013.

- **DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES**

- After a rigorous selection process, the Board of Education approved the recommendation of Superintendent Galindo for the following positions:
 - Andrea Larios, Dean at El Rancho High School
 - Diana Arrata, RTI Coach at Durfee Elementary School
- The Board of Education approved the hiring of the following teachers from the Recall List:
 - Lopez, Jesus – Magee Elementary
 - Salas, Lisa – Birney Elementary
 - Sanchez, Matthew – Burke Middle
 - Vela, April – Rivera Middle
 - Villarruel, Claudia – Birney Elementary
- The Board of Education approved the Field Education Affiliation Agreement between Hope International University and El Rancho Unified School, to bring Licensed Clinical Social Work Interns to ERUSD.

- **DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES** (continued)

- The Board of Education approved the Field Education Affiliation Agreement between the University of Southern California (USC) School of Social Work and El Rancho Unified School District to bring mental health interns to ERUSD.