

EL RANCHO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Pico Rivera, California

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Study Session 6:00 PM
Regular Meeting 7:00 PM

February 23, 2006
City Council Chambers
6615 Passons Blvd.

A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER: Lupe Salas, President

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Burke Middle School
Student Council President

ROLL CALL: Lupe Salas, President
Vincent Chavez, Vice President
Joe Rivera, Clerk
Rita Jo Ramirez, Member

ADMINISTRATIVE CABINET: Norbert D. Genis, Superintendent
Susanna S. Smith, Assistant Superintendent
Kathryn Enloe, Assistant Superintendent
Arnold Tovar, Director
Lydia Cano, Chief Business Officer

ASB BOARD MEMBER: Valerie Velasco, ASB President/El Rancho H.S.

RECORDER: Victoria N. Chavez

INTERPRETER: (Spanish) Herlinda Acevedo

VISITORS: Register No. 16-2005/2006

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUEST(S):

STUDY SESSION: 6:00 PM

Board of Education Plan for 2006

STUDENT GOVERNMENT, BURKE MIDDLE SCHOOL:

ASB REPORT:

Valerie Velasco, ASB President at El Rancho High School will report on past and future activities.

BOARD OF TRUSTEE PRESENTATIONS:

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

(1) Employee of the Month – Tere James, Rivera Middle School

(2) El Rancho High School’s Academic Decathlon Team

- Noelle Andrade, 12th grade - Bronze Medal in Music, Silver Medal in Speech, Gold Team Medal in East Division
- Kristina Biado, 11th grade - Bronze Medal as Top Region Score, Gold Team Medal in East Division
- Veronica Chavez, 12th grade - Silver Medal in Literature, Gold Medal in Art, Gold Medal in Music, Gold Medal in Speech, Gold Medal in Interview with a perfect score, Gold Medal as Top Region Score, Gold Medal in East Division, Top scoring student on El Rancho’s Team
- Alexander Delgado, 12th grade - Silver Medal in Speech, Gold Medal in Interview with a perfect score, Gold Team Medal in East Division
- Edgar Gonzales, 12th grade - Silver Medal in Speech, Gold Team Medal in East Division
- Christine Hernandez, 12th grade - Bronze Medal in Speech, Silver Medal in Interview, Gold Team Medal in East Division
- Thomas Medina, 11th grade - Bronze Medal in Literature, Bronze Medal in Music, Silver Medal in Mathematics, Silver Medal in Speech, Silver Medal as Top Region Score, Gold Team Medal in East Division
- Jesus Rosales, 12th grade – Bronze Medal in Speech, Silver Medal in Art, Gold Medal in Literature, Gold Medal as Top Region Score, Gold Team Medal in East Division
- Gerardo Sifuentes, 12th grade - Silver Medal in Interview, Gold Team Medal in East Division
- Coaching Staff
 - Doug Anderson, Head Coach for 24 years
 - Jim Dyson, Co-Head Coach for 24 years, Music, Science, Super Quiz
 - Tim McMullen, Literature
 - David Retana, Economics
 - Stan Wlasick, Essay
 - Tor Ormseth, Mathematics
 - Enrique Romero, Mathematics
 - Jazmin Chavez, Speech/Interview
 - Julie Ellis, Speech/Interview
 - Stan Wlasick, Speech/Interview
 - Greg Smith, Art
 - Ben Meza, Super Quiz

RECESS:

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education:

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

172 Adopt the minutes of the Board of Education’s regular meeting held February 9, 2006.

M _____ S _____ Vote _____

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.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS:

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

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.

Members of the public may address items on the Consent Agenda only. This does not include items listed for Closed Session. Individual speakers will be allowed three minutes to address the Board. The Board shall limit the total time for each agenda item to 20 minutes, per Board Bylaw 9323.

HEARING SESSION:

Citizens are invited to speak to any action item on the CONSENT AGENDA. Citizens 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 five work days prior to the regular meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA: (Items 173 through 176)

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.

173 SUPERINTENDENT -- Norbert Genis (562) 801-5199

- . 1 Approve Resolution No. 20-2005/2006 declaring that Board Member Joe Rivera was absent from the February 9, 2006 regular board meeting due to a hardship deemed acceptable by the Board. Education Code 35120 allows Governing Board of Education members to be absent from board meetings and not have their monthly stipend affected.

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- . 2 Approve augmentation for increase in construction costs for the previously approved practice gym at El Rancho High School. Amount of \$879,870 to be funded by undesignated General Obligation Bond funds.
- . 3 Approve agreement with the Iceman Snow Company to provide a hands on sensory experience with snow appropriate for young children at Maizeland Early Learning Program March 1, 2006. Total expenditure not to exceed \$2,124.00 payable from the Parent Advisory Committee Fund.
- . 4 Approve Reimbursement for Asperger's Disorder, Diagnosis, Characteristics and Intervention Strategies for four El Rancho Unified School District Employees. Payable through Special Education Psychological account in the total amount of \$120.00.
- . 5 Approve/Ratify Master Contract and Individual Service Tuition Agreements through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between El Rancho Unified School District and SEEK Education non-public school for special education student, authorize identified and Board approved El Rancho pupil to attend this school as defined in item 18 under General Provisions with payment to be made by the District as specified in the Individual Service Agreements in accordance with Education Code Sections 56157, and 56365-56366.7 in the sum of \$1,257.00.
- . 6 Approve/Ratify Master Contract and Individual Service Tuition Agreements through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between El Rancho Unified School District and Therapy West, Inc. non-public school for special education students, authorize identified and Board approved El Rancho pupils to attend this school as defined in item 18 under General Provisions with payment to be made by the District as specified in the Individual Service Agreements in accordance with Education Code Sections 56157, and 56365-56366.7 in the sum of \$1,980.00.
- . 7 Approve/Ratify Individual Service Tuition Agreements through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between El Rancho Unified School District and Gallagher Pediatric Therapy Services non-public school for special education student, authorize identified and Board approved El Rancho pupil to attend this school as defined in item 18 under General Provisions with payment to be made by the District as specified in the Individual Service Agreements in accordance with Education Code Sections 56157, and 56365-56366.7 in the sum of \$3,608.00.
- . 8 Approve/Ratify Individual Service Tuition Agreements through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between El Rancho Unified School District and Gallagher Pediatric Therapy non-public school for special education student, authorize identified and Board approved El Rancho pupil to attend this school as defined in item 18 under General Provisions with payment to be made by the District as specified in the Individual Service Agreements in accordance with Education Code Sections 56157, and 56365-56366.7 in the sum of \$21,156.00.

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- . 9 Approve/Ratify Individual Service Tuition Agreements through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between El Rancho Unified School District and Gallagher Pediatric Therapy non-public school for special education student, authorize identified and Board approved El Rancho pupil to attend this school as defined in item 18 under General Provisions with payment to be made by the District as specified in the Individual Service Agreements in accordance with Education Code Sections 56157, and 56365-56366.7 in the sum of \$820.00.
- .10 Approve contract with Lindamood-Bell Learning Processes. Estimated expenditure for the Full Diagnostic Evaluation is \$645.00 and the Diagnostic Evaluation is \$200.00 totaling \$845.00. Contract begins February 24, 2006 and ends June 22, 2006. Payable through Special Education Psychological account.

174 DIVISION OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES -- Susanna Smith (562) 801-5206

- . 1 Approve attendance for four certificated staff members from North Ranchito Elementary School to Sopris West's two-day *Step Up to Writing Training* on February 27 & 28, 2006 in Long Beach, California. Expenditures of \$1,500.00 payable from North Ranchito Elementary School SIP funds.
- . 2 Approve attendance for two certificated staff members from El Rancho High School to the *California Association of Leaders for Career Preparation Spring Workshop* to be held on March 3, 2006 at the Los Angeles County Office of Education in Downey, California. Total expenditure of \$530.00 payable from El Rancho High School VEA/Perkins funds.
- . 3 Approve attendance for 11 certificated staff members from El Rancho High School to the *54th National Conference on Science Education* on April 6-9, 2006, in Anaheim, California. Estimated expenditures of \$5,423.00 payable from El Rancho High School Governors Incentive Award funds.
- . 4 Approve attendance for one certificated staff member and eight (8) ASB students from Salazar High School to the *Seventh Annual Leadership Training* on February 24, 2006 in Anaheim, CA. Expenditures of \$951.00 are payable from Salazar High School's ASB, Title I, and EIA/LEP funds. There is no cost to the district for transportation, which will be provided by attending certificated staff member.
- . 5 Approve attendance for one certificated staff member from Rivera Middle School to the *Annual California Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (CAHPERD) State Conference* on March 9-12, 2006 in Garden Grove, CA. Total expenditures of \$502.00 payable from Rivera Middle School SIP funds.
- . 6 Approve academic field trip for 20 students and 3 teachers from Magee and 18 students and two teachers from Rio Vista Elementary Schools to the Los Angeles County Science Olympiad event on Saturday, March 4, 2006, at Cal Poly Pomona. Transportation will be provided by PTC. Expenditures of \$400.00, for transportation, payable 50% by the Magee PTA account and 50% by Rio Vista PTO funds.

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- . 7 Approve educational field trip for 75 third-grade students, four (4) teachers, and several parent chaperones from Birney Elementary School to Descanso Gardens in Los Angeles, CA, on Friday, April 7, 2006; and transportation agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Expenditures of \$345.00 for transportation payable from Birney SIP funds. Parent chaperones will provide their own transportation; there are no admission fees.
- . 8 Approve educational field trip for 75 third-grade students, four (4) teachers, and several parent volunteers from Birney Elementary School to the J. Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles on Wednesday, March 15, 2006; and transportation agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Expenditures of \$395.00 for transportation payable from Birney Elementary School SIP funds. Parent chaperones will provide their own transportation; there are no admission fees.
- . 9 Approve educational field trip for 75 third-grade students, four (4) teachers and eight (8) parent chaperones from Birney Elementary School to the Southwest Indian Museum in Los Angeles, CA, on Wednesday, March 8, 2006; and transportation agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Expenditures of \$412.00 for transportation and admission payable from Birney Elementary School SIP funds.
- .10 Approve educational field trip for 75 students, three (3) certificated staff members, and 26 parent volunteers from Birney Elementary School to Pier Point Landing in Long Beach, CA for Whale Watching, March 10, 2006; and authorize transportation agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Parent volunteers are responsible for their own admission. Total expenditures of \$1,352.00 are payable from Birney Elementary School SIP funds.
- .11 Approve performance of the Rivera Middle School Chorus at Knotts' Berry Farm on April 27, 2006. Admission cost to be covered through fundraising and PTC will provide bus transportation. Total cost will not exceed \$1200.00 and will be funded through Rivera Middle School ASB Account and SIP Account.
- .12 Approve/ratify participation of the North Park Middle School Colorguard in the Vista, California Colorguard Competition on February 17-19, 2006. Participation will be at no cost to the District. Transportation to be provided by parent chaperones. North Park Band Boosters will raise funds and seek donations to cover the \$1,050.00 for students' costs.
- .13 Approve educational field trip for 160 students and four teachers from Rivera Middle School to the Mt. Sac Relays AAF Youth Days at Mt. San Antonio College in Walnut, California on March 31, 2006. Transportation to be provided by PTC. Total expenditures of \$ 1400.00 payable from Rivera Middle School SIP and ASB Funds.

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- .14 Approve participation for 18 students and 3 teachers from Rivera Middle School in the Iolani Cross Country Invitational, September 22-26, 2006 in Kualoa, Hawaii. Expenditures of \$12,600.00 for students' registrations will be paid by student fundraisers, at no cost to the district. Total expenditures of \$1350.00, for substitutes, payable from Rivera Middle School SIP Funds.
- .15 Approve/ratify participation of the El Rancho High School Wrestling Program in the CIF Individual Duals at La Quinta High School in La Quinta, California on February 17 & 18, 2006. Students will be departing from El Rancho on Thursday, February 16 at 1:30 p.m. (4th period). El Rancho van transportation will be provided and driven by Mr. Alvarado. Accommodations will be at the Best Western Date Tree Hotel in Indio, CA, 3 miles from La Quinta High School. Total expenditures of \$1740.00, which includes lodging, transportation and meals, is payable from the El Rancho Wrestling Team Program at no cost to the District.
- .16 Approve consultant agreements with Toby Larson, Educational Consultant, to provide writing workshops and classroom demonstrations to certificated staff at Birney Elementary School on February 28, March 7, 14 and 28, 2006; to provide writing demonstration lessons and feedback to certificated and classified staff at Rivera Elementary School on March 7, 2006; to provide two half-day Step Up to Writing workshops to certificated staff at North Ranchito Elementary on March 8 and 22, 2006. Expenditures of \$6,550.00 payable from Birney Elementary School Title I funds (\$4,200), Rivera Elementary School Title I funds (\$750) and North Ranchito Elementary School Title I (\$800) and SIP funds (\$800).
- .17 Approve consultant agreement with Maria Elsa Barajas for a series of workshops for Selby Grove Elementary School parents on March 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, 2006. Expenditures of \$1500.00 are payable from Selby Grove SIP, ELAP and EIA/LEP funds.
- .18 Approve amendment of original date of January 23, 2006 to March 13, 2006 for consultant agreement with Thinking Maps, Inc. to train certificated staff at North Ranchito Elementary School. Original agreement was approved by the Governing Board on July 26, 2005, Board Item # 20.6, for the following dates: August 30, 2005, October 25, 2005, and January 23, 2006; the January date was changed due to conflicts in scheduling. Expenditures of \$3,600.00 payable from North Ranchito Elementary School Title I funds, as approved on the aforementioned Board Meeting date.
- .19 Approve amendment to item #30.9 approved on August 23, 2005 (amendment #10 to Los Angeles County Office of Education Contract No. C-5882: 99:206), in which the Los Angeles County Office of Education increases funding to the schools as follows: Magee Elementary School increased \$16,700 and Selby Grove Elementary School increased \$3,833. Total funding increased by \$20,533.00.

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- .20 Approve/Ratify the Rio Hondo Education Consortium GEAR UP Grant for North Park Middle School, effective February 24, 2006, to provide academic student support, enrichment programs, academic advisement, family field trips, parent education workshops for sixth grade students and their families, and professional development for teachers. The grant award is \$754,400 annually and will be shared by North Park Middle School, Los Nietos Middle School and Columbia Middle School, with El Monte Union High School District acting as the fiscal agent. All costs for the services to be funded by the GEAR UP Grant at no cost to the District.
- .21 Approve the submission of the District's 2005-2006 Consolidated Application, Part II, to the California Department of Education. *(The Consolidated Application is available for review in the Educational Services Office).*

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

- .1 Approve contract agreement between El Rancho Unified School District and Flewelling & Moody to provide architectural and engineering services for the District's "New Practice Gymnasium Project" at El Rancho High School. Total cost of \$348,000 payable from budgeted General Obligation Bond Funds.
- .2 Approve attendance for four classified staff members from the Maintenance and Operations Division to the "2006 Toro Irrigation Classes" on March 16-17 and April 26, 2006 to be held at the Toro Company in Riverside, California. Total cost of \$1,000 payable from restricted maintenance funds.
- .3 Approve the purchase of six relocatable classrooms and two library/media centers for Valencia Elementary, Rivera Elementary, Rio Vista Elementary and North Park Middle School from Modtech Holdings, Inc. under the Coachella Valley Unified School District Piggyback provision. Total cost of \$658,112, payable from budgeted bond funds.
- .4 Approve contract agreement with J.E. School Consulting to conduct a Level 1 Justification Study for Levying Developer Fees. Total cost of \$13,000 payable from Developer Fees.

176 DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES – Kathryn Enloe (562) 801-5216

- .1 Approve the District's Teacher Recruitment and Student Support Program Plan in order to receive funding from the California Department of Education in the amount of \$72,579.00.
- .2 Approve participation to local College and University Job Fairs for Spring 2006 at a cost of \$1,300 to be paid from the General Fund.
- .3 Approve consultant agreement with Catherine D. Daley for the presentation of "Bridging Cultures," a four-seminar series. Consultant will provide services to BTSA Induction teachers as well as other interested teachers, on March 16, April 27, May 18, and June 8, 2006. Expenditures are not to exceed \$2,000.00 payable from BTSA Induction Program funds.

176 DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES – Kathryn Enloe (562) 801-5216

- . 4 Approve/Ratify an increase in salary for R.O.T.C. Instructors in accordance with the new 2006 Pay & Allowances Scales for the United States Armed Forces which was signed into law by President Bush. These new military pay rates are effective January 1, 2006 and adjustments to John Mushallo’s and Steve Mick’s salary should be made accordingly.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 173 THROUGH 176:

M_____ S_____ Vote_____

(Exception:_____)

HEARING SESSION:

Citizens are invited to speak to any action item on the DISCUSSION/ACTION agenda.

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

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

177 First Reading of revised Board Bylaw 9220 – Governing Board Elections.

M_____ S_____ Vote_____

No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda. Board members may ask a question for clarification, provide a reference to staff for factual information, or request staff to report back to the Board at a subsequent meeting.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF PURPOSES OF CLOSED SESSION:

Numbers 1 through 4 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.

CLOSED SESSION:

- (1) Public Employee Appointment/Evaluation/Resignation/Dismissal/Release: Certificated Register No. 14-2005/2006
- Teacher (2) Long-Term Substitute Teacher for the 2005-2006 school year.
 - Teacher (1) certificated Adult Ed. Teacher for the 2005-2006 school year.
 - Teacher (2) certificated Adult Ed. Substitute Teacher for the 2005-2006 school year.
 - Teacher (1) extra-duty, extra-pay assignment to collaborate with inexperienced teachers in the classroom, effective February 24, 2006 through June 21, 2006/El Rancho High School.
 - Teacher (6) extra-duty, extra-pay assignment to provide after-school reading and math intervention services for students who are performing below grade level, effective February 27, 2006 through June 9, 2006/Magee Elementary School.
 - Teacher (2) extra-duty, extra-pay assignment increase of hours for Math Counts, effective January 11, 2006 through January 21, 2006/North Park Middle School
 - Teacher (11) extra-duty, extra-pay assignment to teach the afterschool English Learner program, effective March 6, 2006 through May 4, 2009/North Park Middle School.
 - Teacher (1) stipend pay assignment to serve as vocal choir advisor during the 2005-2006 school year, effective November 9, 2005 through June 22, 2006/Rivera Middle School.
 - Teacher (1) stipend pay assignment to implement a Reading Club, effective March 6, 2006 through June 22, 2006/Rivera Middle School.
 - Teacher (2) stipend pay assignment to serve as facilitators for the 2005-2006 CST/STAR/CAPA Testing Program, effective February 24, 2006 to June 30, 2006/Rio Vista Elementary School.
 - Teacher (4) supplemental pay assignment to serve in the positions of Newspaper, annual, and marching band for the 2005-2006 school year/Burke Middle School.
 - Teacher (1) extra-duty, extra-pay assignment to educate and instruct pupils in the Independent Study and Home/Hospital Teaching programs for the 2005/2006 school year.
- (2) Public Employee Appointment/Evaluation/Resignation/Dismissal/Release: Classified Register No. 14-2005/2006
- Probationary Employment (1) Plumber
 - Probationary Employment (3) Custodian
 - Substitute Employment (10) Cafeteria Helper I
 - Substitute Employment (1) Child Care Attendant
 - Substitute Employment (2) Custodian
 - Substitute Employment (8) Instructional Aide/Special Education
 - Substitute Employment (2) Noon Supervisor
 - Temporary Employment (3) Speech and Language Aide
 - Out of Category Employment (2) Cook/Baker
 - Out of Category Employment (2) Cafeteria Manager I
 - Request for Extension of Unpaid Leave (1) Custodian
 - Assignment in Addition to Prime Assignment (1) Custodian
 - Unclassified Employment (1) Cafeteria Worker
 - Unclassified Employment (2) College Tutor
 - Unclassified Employment (3) Noon Supervisor
 - Unclassified Employment (1) Walk-on Coach/Baseball
 - Unclassified Employment (1) Walk-on Coach/Basketball
 - Unclassified Employment (1) Walk-on Coach/Soccer
 - Unclassified Employment (2) Walk-on Coach/Track
- (3) Student Disciplinary Matters: Students A through C

CLOSED SESSION:

- (4) 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) _____
- (3) _____
- (4) _____

CLOSED SESSION: (Items 178 through 182)

- 178** Approve/Ratify Certificated Employment Register No. 14-2005/2006
- 179** Approve/Ratify Classified Employment Register No. 14-2005/2006
- 180** Approve Student Expulsion: Student A
- 181** Approve Student Expulsion: Student B
- 182** Approve Student Review: Student C

ACTION ITEMS 178 THROUGH 182:

M _____ S _____ Vote _____

(Exception: _____)

ADJOURNMENT:

M _____ S _____ Vote _____