

**EL RANCHO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Pico Rivera, California

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Regular Meeting  
7:00 PM

February 22, 2005  
El Rancho High School Cafeteria  
6501 Passons Blvd.

**MINUTES OF BOARD ACTIONS**

*CALL TO ORDER:* 7:05 PM

*ADOPTION OF MINUTES:*

**164** Adopted the minutes of the Board of Education's regular meeting held February 8, 2005.

*CONSENT AGENDA: (Items 165 through 167)*

**165 SUPERINTENDENT --** Norbert Genis (562) 801-5199

- . 1 Approved educational field trips to the Santa Ana Zoo, April 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29, 2005. Entrance fees and District transportation costs for CDC not to exceed \$538.00 to be paid from Parent Advisory fund. Entrance fees and District transportation costs for State Preschool, not to exceed \$4,770.00 to be paid from Preschool fund.
- . 2 Approved/ratified reimbursement for one Special Day Class Teacher who attended Conference entitled Creative Strategies for Working with Children and Adolescents on January 24, 2005. Expenditures of \$164.90 payable from Special Education Instructional Materials (LH) funds.
- . 3 Approved attendance of one Speech/Language Pathologist to attend Technology and Persons Disabilities Workshop on March 14, 2005 through March 19, 2005 at Marriott and Hilton – LAX. Expenditure of \$987.00 payable from Special & Alternative Education Speech and Language account.
- . 4 Approved dental services provided by the Tzu Chi Foundation to students at South Ranchito Elementary, who do not have access to dental service, starting on March 9 and 10, 2005. Services are free of charge.
- . 5 Approved payment of invoice with the City of Pico Rivera for Special Event Law Enforcement Services, Truancy Officer from December 31, 2004 through January 31, 2005. Expenditure payable from Special & Alternative Education funds.
- . 6 Approved/Ratified 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 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.
- . 7 Approved/Ratified Individual Service Tuition Agreements through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between El Rancho Unified School District and Rossier Park Jr./Sr. High School 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.

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

- . 1 Approved attendance for two certificated staff members from Birney Elementary School to the "Motivating the Hopeless, Disinterested and Uninvolved Learner," conference on March 8 and March 9, 2005 in San Bernardino and Anaheim. This is a one-day conference and teachers will attend on different days and locations. Estimated expenditure of \$618.00, payable from Birney Elementary School SIP Funds.
- . 2 Approved attendance for five certificated staff members from El Rancho High School to the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) Conference on April 6-9, 2005 in Anaheim, California. Estimated expenditure of \$2,355.00, for registrations and substitute cost, payable from El Rancho High School Title V funds.
- . 3 Approved educational field trip for 20 outdoor club student members, and two teachers from El Rancho High School to the Strawberry Peak in La Canada, California on Saturday, March 19, 2005. Transportation will be provided by parents and faculty members. District driver insurance forms have been submitted for all drivers and students will be required to submit parent permission slip indicating that private transportation will be provided. There will be no cost incurred by the district.
- . 4 Approved educational whale watching field trip on a Coast Guard certified vessel for 95 fourth grade students, 3 certificated staff members and parent volunteers from Birney Elementary School to Pierpoint Landing Whale Watch in Long Beach, California on March 11, 2005; and transportation agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Total expenditure of \$1,425.00, payable from Birney Elementary School SIP Funds.
- . 5 Approved educational field trip for 81 third grade students, 4 certificated staff members and 8 parents from Rio Vista Elementary School to the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium of San Pedro, California on May 17, 2005; and transportation agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Total expenditure of \$570.00 payable from Rio Vista Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization Funds.
- . 6 Approved educational field trip for 90 second grade and L.H students, 6 certificated staff members, 2 instructional aides and 20 parents from Rio Vista Elementary School to the Discovery Science Center of Santa Ana, California on April 11, 2005; and transportation agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Total expenditure of \$610.00 payable from Rio Vista Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization Funds.
- . 7 Approved educational field trip for 97 fourth grade students, 3 certificated staff members and 15 parents from Rio Vista Elementary to the Page Museum/La Brea Tar Pits and Southwest Indian Museum of Los Angeles, California on April 5, 2005; and transportation agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Total expenditure of \$810.00, payable from Rio Vista Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization Funds.
- . 8 Approved consultant agreement with Academic Entertainment, Inc., to provide two technological music productions for Kindergarten through fifth grade students at Rio Vista Elementary School on March 17, 2005. Expenditure of \$750.00 payable from Rio Vista Elementary School II/USP Funds.
- . 9 Approved amendment to agreement with Marcy Romero, approved on July 27, 2004, Item #14.11, to provide Desktop Publishing and Translation services to various schools and departments for the 2004-2005 school year, effective July 28, 2004 through June 30, 2005. Amend allocated amount for North Ranchito translation services from \$500.00 to \$1,300.00, payable from North Ranchito Elementary School Title 1 and EIA Funds.

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- .10 Approved amendment to agreement, approved on September 14, 2004, item #31.5, with Delores B. Lindsey, Ph.D., Educational Consultant, to provide leadership development services to North Park Middle School for 20 days throughout the 2004/05 school year. Payment of expenditures to be amended as follows: \$30,000.00 to be paid from District Title I Improvement funds, not North Park Middle School funds.
- .11 Approved agreement with School Innovations and Advocacy, Inc. to assist the District in completing the enhanced School Accountability Report Cards (SARC) reporting requirements, for all District schools, as specified by the Williams settlement. Agreement will be for the 2004-05 school year, effective from February 23, 2005 through June 30, 2005. Total expenditure of \$20,400, at a cost of \$1,200 per school site, will be payable from Centralized Title I funds.
- .12 Approved/ratified consultant agreement with Jason McBeath to assist the El Rancho High School Advanced Placement Literature during the 2004-05 school year, effective December 8, 2004. Total expenditure not to exceed \$150.00 payable from El Rancho High School GATE funds.
- .13 Approved/ratified consultant agreement with Dianna Harper to assist the El Rancho High School English Department with Holt materials during the 2004-05 school year, effective January 24, 2005. Total amount not to exceed \$200.00 payable from El Rancho High School CSR funds.
- .14 Approved/ratified consultant agreement with Aaron Eschagary to provide Physical Fitness training for students in the After School Cal Works Enrichment Program at Magee Elementary School, effective October 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005. The cost of the services will be \$2,400.00 (\$1,200 payable on February 28, 2005 and \$1,200 payable on June 30, 2005), payable from Magee Elementary School After School Cal Works Enrichment Program funds. There will be no cost to the El Rancho Unified School District.
- .15 Approved/ratified agreement with the Rio Hondo Symphony Association to conduct Music Enrichment Programs for fourth and fifth grade students at seven elementary schools (Birney, Durfee, Meller, Pio Pico, Rio Vista, Selby Grove and Valencia). These programs will be conducted from January 11, 2005 through March 31, 2005, and scheduled by the principals and the Symphony Association. Estimated expenditures of \$1,875.00 payable from Birney Elementary SIP funds (\$250), Durfee Elementary PTO funds (\$250), Meller Elementary SIP funds (\$250), Pio Pico Elementary SIP funds (\$375), Rio Vista Title V funds (\$250), Selby Grove SIP funds (\$250) and Valencia SIP funds (\$250).
- .16 Approved the submission of the District's 2004-2005 Consolidated Application, Part II, to the California Department of Education.
- .17 Approved the submission of the 2004-05 Single Plan for Student Achievement Revision for all schools.
- .18 Approved Resolution No. 23-2004/2005 proclaiming March 7-12, 2005 as SAFE COMMUNITIES WEEK in the El Rancho Unified School District.
- .19 Pulled resolution No. 24-2004/2005 – A Resolution of the Governing Board Determining Sufficiency of Instructional Materials.

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

- . 1 Approved three-year contract agreement between El Rancho Unified School District and Vavinek, Trine, Day & Co. to perform Non-Audit Accounting and Consulting Services as needed. Total cost of services to be paid from the General Fund
- . 2 Approved contract agreement between El Rancho Unified School District and Keenan & Associates for Labor Compliance enforcement of the South Ranchito Hardship Project at a cost of \$12,000 payable from So. Ranchito Hardship Project Funds.
- . 3 Approved Change Order No. 2 for the Modernization Project at Obregon Elementary by EMS Construction Inc., in the amount of \$58,546.12 payable from the Modernization Fund.
- . 4 Approved donation of \$1,000 from Caliber Sales & Marketing, LLC in Santa Ana, California to Valencia Elementary School in the El Rancho Unified School District.

*DISCUSSION/ACTION:*

**168** Approved El Rancho Unified School District’s vote for 5-representatives to the CSBA Delegate Assembly for Region 24 (Southwest Crescent-Los Angeles County).

- Maria M. Calix, Centinela Valley Union HSD (incumbent)
- Sonya S. Cuellar, Paramount USD
- Oscar de la Torre, Santa Monica-Malibu USD
- Myra Demeter, Beverly Hills USD
- Gloria Duran, Los Nietos SD
- Alice B. Grigsby, Inglewood USD (incumbent)
- Cathy S. McCurdy, Hermosa Beach City SD (incumbent)
- Ralph S. Pacheco, Whittier Union HSD
- Ana M. Valencia, Norwalk-La Mirada USD (incumbent)

*ACTION ITEMS 169 THROUGH 176:*

- 169** Approved/Ratified Certificated Employment Register No. 14-2004/2005
- 170** Approved/Ratified Classified Employment Register No. 14-2004/2005
- 171** Approved Settlement Agreement with Continental Air Conditioning, Inc.
- 172** Student Expulsion: Student A
- 173** Student Expulsion: Student B
- 174** Student Expulsion: Student C
- 175** Student Expulsion: Student D
- 176** Student Expulsion: Student E

*ADJOURNMENT: 9:02 PM*