

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

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Regular Meeting  
7:00 PM

April 26, 2005  
El Rancho High School Cafeteria  
6501 Passons Blvd.

**MINUTES OF BOARD ACTIONS**

*CALL TO ORDER:* 7:05 PM

*ADOPTION OF MINUTES:*

**211** Adopted the minutes of the Board of Education's regular meeting held April 12, 2005.

*CONSENT AGENDA: (Items 212 through 215)*

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

- . 1 Approved agreement with Interquest Detection Canines of Los Angeles for contraband detection services from April 2005 through June 2005. Interquest agrees to provide 6-half day visits at \$200 per visit. Expenditure of \$1200 is payable from Safe and Drug Free Schools account.
- . 2 Approved/Ratified Individual Service Tuition Agreements through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between El Rancho Unified School District and Switzer Center 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.
- . 3 Approved/Ratified Individual Service Tuition Agreements through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between El Rancho Unified School District and DG Therapy Group, Inc. 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.
- . 4 Approved/Ratified Individual Service Tuition Agreements through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between El Rancho Unified School District and South Coast Priority School 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.

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

- . 1 Approved conference attendance for one certificated staff member and one administrator from Rivera Elementary School to the Student Success Team (SST) Training on May 19, 2005 in Duarte, California. Estimated cost of \$330.00 to be paid through the Rivera Elementary School SIP funds.

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- . 2 Approved educational field trip for 97 students and 3 teachers from Magee Elementary School to the Long Beach Aquarium on Friday, May 20, 2005; and Transportation Agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Total expenditures of \$980.00 payable from Magee Elementary School PTA funds.
- . 3 Approved educational field trip for 95 1st grade students and 5 teachers from Magee Elementary School to the Natural History Museum and IMAX Theatre on Monday, May 9, 2005; and Transportation Agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Total expenditures of \$1,145.00 payable from Magee Elementary School PTA funds.
- . 4 Approved educational field trip for 104 kindergarten students and 3 teachers from Magee Elementary School to the Santa Ana Zoo on Thursday, May 12, 2005; and Transportation Agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Total expenditures of \$544.00 payable from Magee Elementary School PTA funds.
- . 5 Approved/ratified educational field trip for 98 second grade and Special Education students, six teachers and parent volunteers from Birney Elementary School to the Long Beach Aquarium of the Pacific on February 10, 2005; and authorize transportation agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Expenditures of \$1,244.00, for transportation and admission fees, payable from Birney Elementary School SIP funds.
- . 6 Approved educational field trip for 100 fifth grade students, four teachers and parent volunteers from Birney Elementary School to Eaton Canyon Nature Center in Pasadena on May 31, 2005; and transportation agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Transportation costs of \$650 payable from Birney SIP funds. There is no admission cost.
- . 7 Approved educational field trip for 90 fourth grade students, three teachers and parent volunteers from Birney Elementary School to Mission San Gabriel and Olvera Street on May 25, 2005; and transportation agreement with Richmond Bus Company. Expenditures of \$920, for transportation and admission fees, payable from Birney Elementary School SIP funds.
- . 8 Approved educational field trip for 20 Outdoor Club student members and 2 teachers from El Rancho High School Mt. Wilson via Little Santa Anita Canyon above Sierra Madre, California on Saturday, May 14, 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.
- . 9 Approved El Rancho High School Football program to participate in a football passing game at Big Bear High School in Big Bear, California, on Friday, July 15 through Sunday, July 17, 2005. PTC will provide transportation. Expenditures to be paid through donations from supportive organizations, at no cost to the District.
- .10 Approved consultant agreement with the Discovery Science Center to provide a Science Assembly titled "Insects-Life Cycle" for 2nd grade students at Magee Elementary School on May 18, 2005. Total expenditures of \$480.00 payable from Magee Elementary School PTA funds.

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- .11 Approved/ratified consultant agreement with Steve Meltzer Puppets for the presentation of three literacy assemblies to students at South Ranchito Elementary School on March 24, 2005. Expenditures of \$850.00 payable from South Ranchito Elementary School SIP Funds.
- .12 Approved acceptance of grant from the Italian Consulate to offer Italian language classes for students at South Ranchito Elementary for the 2004-2005 school year. The Italian Consulate, according to the terms of the Grant, will fund the program; the instructor David Tice will be paid at an hourly rate of \$30.80 plus \$2.96 per hour for benefits between April 27 and July 15, 2005 not to exceed \$1,780.00. South Ranchito Elementary will pay the instructor(s), the Italian Consulate will reimburse the school for the hourly rate and the school will pay for the benefits cost of the program through the school Title V funds.
- .13 Approved the participation of the El Rancho Unified School District in the Community Based English Tutoring (CBET) Program for the 2005-2006 school year. This program will allow the district to provide free English language acquisition instruction (ESL) to adults who pledge to tutor the limited English proficiency students of Pico Rivera.

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

- . 1 Approved final payment and project acceptance for EMS Construction, Inc. for the completion of the Obregon Elementary School Modernization Project. Total final payment cost of \$41,996.98 payable from Modernization Funds.
- . 2 Approved contract agreement with RMA Construction Service, Inc. for school-site needs assessment inspections at six school sites at a cost not to exceed the fund amount of \$48,340.00 provided by the State legislature. Total costs payable from School Facilities Assessment Grant Program funds.
- . 3 Approved Change Order No. 7 for the Modernization Project at Birney Elementary School by ACC Contractors, Inc. in the total amount of \$116,371.94 payable from the Modernization Fund.
- . 4 Approved donation of surplus furniture from the Los Angeles County Office of Education for use in district libraries.

**215 DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES, BUSINESS & SUPPORT SERVICES –  
(562) 801-5216**

- . 1 Approved/ratified consultant agreement with Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) to provide workshops on Sexual Harassment Prevention to forty-six (46) Supervisors in the District. Expenditures of \$1,600.00 payable from Centralized Title II funds.
- . 2 Pulled Tentative Agreements between El Rancho Unified School District and El Rancho Classified Employees Union, Inc. for the 2004-2007 school years.

*GENERAL PUBLIC:*

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Approve/ratify Superintendent Genis' unilateral decision to provide salary increases to the Director of Information Technology and former Director of Purchasing.

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Approve a retroactive salary step increase and negotiation with bargaining units if necessary for all District employees maintaining membership in bargaining units throughout the district in order to achieve salary increase parity as a result of Superintendent Genis' unilateral salary increase to the Director of Information Technology and former Director of Purchasing.

**218 Died for lack of a second**

Approve deduction of funds, with Superintendent Genis' permission, from Superintendent Genis' salary an amount equal to the aggregate salary payments made as a result of the Superintendent Genis' unilateral salary increase to the Director of Information Technology and former Director of Purchasing and a monthly reoccurring deduction from Superintendent Genis' monthly salary an amount equal to the Director of Information Technology's month longevity increase until such time Superintendent Genis retires from the District's service.

*CLOSED SESSION: (Items 219 through 227)*

**219** Failed a longevity increase for the Director of Information Technology and former Director of Purchasing.

**220** Approved/Ratified Certificated Employment Register No. 18-2004/2005

**221** Approved/Ratified Classified Employment Register No. 18-2004/2005

**222** Student Expulsion: Student A

**223** Student Expulsion: Student B

**224** Student Expulsion: Student C

**225** Student Expulsion: Student D

**226** Student Expulsion: Student E

**227** Expulsion Review: Student F

*ADJOURNMENT: 11:50 PM*