

EL RANCHO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Pico Rivera, California

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting

February 25, 2003
City Council Chambers

MINUTES OF BOARD ACTIONS

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m. by Raul P. Salcido, President

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

167 Adopted the minutes of the Board of Education's regular meeting held February 11, 2003.

CONSENT AGENDA:

168 SUPERINTENDENT

- . 1 Approved Resolution No. 24-2002/03 declaring that Board Member Rita Jo Ramirez was absent from the January 28, 2003 regular board meeting due to 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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- . 1 Approved attendance for one certificated staff member from Pio Pico Elementary School to "Beyond Ritalin: Mega-Answers to AD/HD" seminar on April 2, 2003 in Buena Park. Expenditure of \$179 payable from Pio Pico High Priority Schools Grant fund.
- . 2 Approved attendance for one certificated staff member from North Park Middle School to the California Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Conference (CAHPERD) on March 20-23, 2003 (Thurs.-Sun.) in Sacramento. Expenditures of \$1,280 payable from North Park Middle School High Achieving/Improving Schools funds.
- . 3 Approved attendance for four certificated staff members from Rivera Middle School to attend the California Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Conference (CAHPERD) on March 20-23, 2003 (Thurs.-Sun.) in Sacramento. Expenditures of \$2,842.38 payable equally from Rivera Middle School Title-I and Governor's Performance Awards funds HAI. **(amended)**
- . 4 Approved educational field trip for 21 AP Environmental Science students, 1 certificated staff member and 1 California State University/Long Beach teaching credential student (volunteer chaperone) from El Rancho High School to the Tidelands Oil Company, Long Beach on February 27, 2003 (from 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.). Transportation provided by PTC. Expenditures of \$330 payable from AP Challenge Grant funds.
- . 5 Approved attendance/participation of the North Park Middle School Band (30 8th grade students) 1 band director, 1 administrator, 2 teacher chaperones, and 5 parent chaperones to the National Band Festival in Honolulu, Hawaii from March 27-April 1, 2003. Ground transportation to and from the airport provided by PTC at a cost of \$500 payable from North Park Middle School SIP **ASB** funds. Participants will be flying on Hawaiian Airlines. Approximate cost per student is \$1,500. North Park Band Boosters will raise funds and seek donations to cover all other costs. **(amended)**

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- . 6 Approved/ratified educational field trip to the Long Beach Marina for a "Whale Watch" for 96 fifth grade students and 3 teachers from Magee Elementary School on February 25, 2003. Land transportation provided by PTC. Water transportation provided aboard a US Coast Guard approved vessel. Expenditures of \$1,041 payable as designated from Magee Elementary School PTA and Governor's Grant Awards HAI funds.
- . 7 Approved incentive field trip for 17 AVID students and 3 teachers from El Rancho High School to Magic Mountain on March 28, 2003. This trip is private for program students and divisional office staff from all California. El Rancho AVID students are sponsored by the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) Region 11 AVID. Six Flags Magic Mountain will be closed to the public for this special event. Transportation provided by PTC. Expenditures of \$250 payable from El Rancho High School A.P. Challenge funds and \$120 through fundraisers.
- . 8 Approved educational field trip for 100-second grade students and 5 teachers from Durfee Elementary School to the SEA Laboratory/Sea Creatures at Redondo Beach on Saturday, May 3, 2003. PTC will provide transportation. There are no admission fees. Durfee Elementary School PTO will pay transportation expenditures, at no expense to the District.
- . 9 Approved educational field trip for 25 Outdoor Club/Fishing and Service Organization student members, 5 teachers and parent volunteers from El Rancho High School to the Angeles National Forest at Strawberry Peak on Saturday, March 1, 2003. Parents and faculty members will provide transportation. District Driver Insurance Forms have been submitted for all drivers and students will be required to submit a parent permission slip indicating that private transportation will be provided. No cost to the District will be incurred.
- .10 Approved educational field trip for the 18 Youth in Government and ASB officers and 2 teachers from El Rancho High School to the State Capitol in Sacramento on April 26-28, 2003. Air transportation provided through Southwest Airlines and ground transportation in Sacramento provided by Air West Coach Lines. Accommodations in Sacramento will be at the Hilton Hotel. Estimated expenditures of \$5,190 payable from El Rancho High School student fundraisers, donations from supportive organizations and ASB funds, at no cost to the District.
- .11 Approved/ratified Contract #C-4155:02:03 with the Los Angeles County Office of Education to provide consultant services effective January 13, 2003 through February 26, 2003. LACOE will provide the services of two consultants, Dr. Diane Watanabe and Mr. Dick Sholseth, for a three-day period. The on-site training for North Ranchito Elementary School teachers and administrator is titled "Instructional Strategies That Work: With Human Brain Update," Training scheduled for one pupil-free day January 13, 2003 and two modified days January 15, 2003 and February 26, 2003. Total expenditure of \$5,600 payable from the Governor's Grant Awards HAI funds.
- .12 Approved supplemental services agreement with Tutors of the Inland Empire to provide supplemental student academic services. Consultant will provide tutorial services twice weekly from March 12, 2003 through June 12, 2003 at a cost not to exceed \$1,500. Expenditures of \$1,500 payable from Centralized Title I, Part A funds.

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- .13 Approved consultant agreement with Estelle Pantages, technology consultant, to provide evening Parent Computer Classes at El Rancho High School from February 26, 2003 to June 30, 2003. The consultant will be paid at the hourly rate of \$30.80, not to exceed \$1,663.20. Total expenditures of \$1,663.20 payable from El Rancho High School Comprehensive School Reform Demonstration Program (CSRD) funds.
- .14 Approved consultant agreement with Randall B. Lindsey, Ph.D., consultant, to inservice staff at El Rancho High School in the use of effective teaching strategies in the classroom, higher student expectations, shared leadership responsibilities, and stronger parent/community communication. Agreement will be effective from February 26, 2003 to June 30, 2003. The consultant will be paid a total of \$13,500 in five equal installments of \$2,700 per month. Expenditure of \$13,500 payable from El Rancho High School Comprehensive School Reform Demonstration Program (CSRD) funds.
- .15 Approved consultant agreement with Community Communication Services to assist with the development of a newsletter for Selby Grove Elementary School, effective February 26, 2003 through June 19, 2003. Expenditures of \$1,000 payable from Selby Grove Elementary After School Enrichment funds.

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- . 1 Approved/Ratified consultant agreement with Dr. Elizabeth Pena of the University of Texas to conduct training for student study team and assessment team members of the El Rancho Unified School District, on October 15, 2002. Payment of \$1,720.00 to be charged to the ASHA grant (American Speech-Language Hearing Association) account.
- . 2 Approved consultant agreement with Valerie S. Adams, Consultant, to conduct an Individual Education Evaluation (IEE) for an El Rancho Unified School District student. Services to be provided by June 30, 2003. The fee for her service is \$65.00 per hour, not to exceed \$650.00, payable from Special & Alternative Education/Severely Handicapped funds.
- . 3 Approved/Ratified agreement with Brandi Rosen of SLG Consulting to provide an intensive on-site teacher training on October 21, 2002 for our teacher of the Emotionally Disturbed (ED). The services provided at the rate of \$1,750.00 are payable from Special & Alternative Education/Emotionally Disturbed account to be reimbursed by the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program (WACSEP).
- . 4 Approved/Ratified contract with the Pediatric Therapy Center of the Glendale Adventist Medical Center to provide an occupational therapy evaluation for an El Rancho Unified School District, at a fee not to exceed \$740.00. Services to be provided by February 17, 2003, payable from Special & Alternative Education/Non-Public School funds.
- . 5 Approved/Ratified Individual Service Tuition Agreement through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between ERUSD and Gallagher Pediatric Therapy, effective October 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, as per Occupational Therapy sessions, not to exceed 108 sessions, for a total sum not to exceed \$8,100.00.
- . 6 Approved/Ratified Individual Service Tuition Agreement through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between ERUSD and Rossier Park Elementary School, effective January 7, 2003 through June 25, 2003, for a total sum not to exceed \$29,939.00.

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- . 7 Approved/Ratified Individual Service Tuition Agreement through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between ERUSD and Alton School, effective February 3, 2003 through June 13, 2003, for a total sum not to exceed \$2,561.00.
- . 8 Approved/Ratified General and Individual Service Tuition Agreement through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between ERUSD and Goodwill High School, effective January 27, 2003 through June 20, 2003, for a total sum not to exceed \$13,097.05.
- . 9 Approved/Ratified General and Individual Service Tuition Agreement through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between ERUSD and The Cleta Harder Developmental School, effective January 13, 2003 through June 12, 2003, for a total sum not to exceed \$12,858.00.
- .10 Approved/Ratified Addendum to General and Individual Service Tuition Agreement, approved on October 22, 2002, Bd. Item 71.12, through the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program between ERUSD and Rosemary Johnson & Associates Clinic, under General Agreement October 7, 2002 through June 27, 2003, add Occupational Therapy, change hourly rate from \$75.00 to \$50.00 per 1/2 hr. session, change original contract from \$2,775.00 to \$3,700.00.
- .11 Approved/Ratified the contract of the parent of an ERUSD student to provide transportation to Total Communication Center, in Whittier, CA, commencing April 18, 2002 through July 26, 2002, twice a week, and effective August 7, 2002 through June 19, 2003, three times a week. The expenditure, not to exceed five dollars and ten cents (\$5.10) per day, payable from Special Education Non-Public School funds.

171 DIVISION OF BUSINESS SERVICES

- . 1 Approved Change order No. 2 for the Modernization Project of the "New Entrance Design" at El Rancho High School by Universal Construction & Maintenance in the amount of \$3,835.71 payable from Facilities Funds.

172 DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES, BUSINESS & SUPPORT SERVICES

- . 1 Approved reduction of Day-To-Day Substitute Teacher Pay.
- . 2 Approved Live Scan Maintenance Agreement.

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

- 173** Approved El Rancho Unified School District's vote for ~~6~~ **4**-representatives to the CSBA Delegate Assembly for Region 24 (Southwest Crescent-Los Angeles County). (**amended**)

- William Warren Brien, Beverly Hills USD
- Maria M. Calix, Centinela Valley Union HSD
- Linda Garcia, Paramount USD
- Teri Greene, Manhattan Beach USD
- Alice B. Grigsby, Inglewood USD
- Cathy McCurdy, Hermosa Beach City SD
- Alison K. Pigott, East Whittier City SD
- Eveline Ross, Inglewood USD
- Ana M. Valencia, Norwalk-La Mirada USD

GENERAL PUBLIC:

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Submitted by the Committee to Improve Education in Pico Rivera

- . 1 Failed – Order the layoff and/or termination of the Computer Resource Teacher position due to lack of funds and transfer the incumbent employee to the previously held position of counselor (expected vacancy) for the 2003/2004 fiscal year without cut in salary upon verified retirement of incumbent counselor with the requirement that if the vacancy does not occur, order the layoff shall immediately be nullified.
- . 2 Failed – Direct the Assistant Superintendent of Business, Support and Human Resources to apprise the El Rancho Unified School District Board of Education of the accrued vacation (unfunded liability) of administrators on a per title/site basis impacting the general fund.
- . 3 Failed – Direct the Assistant Superintendent of Business, Support and Human Resources to apprise the Budget Development Process (Phase I) committee members and community of accrued vacation (unfunded liability) of administrators impacting the general fund.
- . 4 Failed – Direct the Superintendent to ensure that audio recordings of Board of Education meetings be safely maintained in the district vault for one year.
- . 5 Failed – Order compliance with Education Code Section 42141.
- . 6 Failed – Order the layoff of the Director of Purchasing for the 2003/2004 year due to lack of funds and/or work.

CLOSED SESSION:

175 Approved/Ratified Certificated Employment Register No. 14-2002/2003

176 Approved/Ratified Classified Employment Register No. 14-2002/2003

ADJOURNMENT: 8:43 PM