

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
333 South Beaudry, Board Room  
10:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 14, 2004

The Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles, acting as the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District, met in regular session on Tuesday, September 14, 2004, at the Los Angeles City Board of Education Administrative Offices, Board Room, 333 South Beaudry Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

President José Huizar called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

The following Members were present: Ms. Marlene Canter, Mr. Mike Lansing, Mr. David Tokofsky, and President José Huizar. Ms. Julie Korenstein arrived at 1:48 p.m., Ms. Marguerite Poindexter LaMotte arrived at 10:32 a.m., and Mr. Jon Lauritzen arrived at 10:18 a.m.

Superintendent Romer was present.

Ms. Canter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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President Huizar modified the Order of Business.  
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SPECIAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

SOUTH GATE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL MARIACHI ARIES BAND

Mr. Tokofsky stated that the purpose of this presentation was to promote cultural awareness and to observe Mexican Independence Day. Mr. Patrick Morieta, Principal of South Gate High School, introduced Mr. Richard Melendrez, Mariachi Band Director, and commended him for the great program that he runs. Mr. Morieta stated that most of the mariachi band students have learned to read, play, and perform music through the District's high quality elementary, middle, and high school performing arts programs. He continued by praising all the jazz, marching, and concert bands of the District. Mr. Jim Chacon, Principal of South Gate Community Adult School, stated that this presentation was a collaboration between South Gate High School and South Gate Community Adult School students. He introduced Ms. Gabriela Martinez, mariachi band member, and Mr. Marcos Hernandez, lead trumpet player. The mariachi band performed a few melodies for Board Members. Following the presentation, Mr. Tokofsky thanked Superintendent Romer and Mr. Dale Vigil, Local District 6 Superintendent, for their support of the Arts Program. He gave special thanks to Mr. Frank Lemus, Music Teacher at South Gate Middle School, for his contribution to the arts program. He concluded by presenting the Mariachi Band with a certificate of recognition on behalf of the Board and the Superintendent. President Huizar thanked and congratulated the members of the Mariachi Band for their performance and commended them for celebrating the Mexican culture.

RECEIPT OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION AT NEXT BOARD MEETING

Board of Education Report No. 63-04/05 - Small School Learning Communities: Assigned to Committee of the Whole

Superintendent Romer addressed the board regarding the Small School Learning Communities program in relation to local governance at the school sites. He briefly described the make up of a Small School Learning Community and spoke about administrative accountability.

Dr. Liliam Leis-Castillo, Executive Officer to the Superintendent, briefed the Board on the report. She emphasized the importance of smaller and individualized quality programs for students. Dr. Castillo described the procedures, District policy, improvements to the system, choices that engage students, student personalization and identity with the program, and accountability through periodic assessments. She stated that school staff in program improvement schools have shared their desire to change the structure in which they operate. Dr. Castillo also mentioned an intervention plan for staff, stakeholders and community involvement as part of this program.

Board Members shared their concerns regarding the need to further discuss the topic, as well as the need to sunshine the program out to the community highlighting the connection of the program to our values as a District.

Mr. Richard Alonzo, Ms. Sylvia Rousseau, and Mr. Robert Collins, Local District Superintendents, briefed Board Members and responded to their questions.

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President Huizar passed the gavel to Ms. Canter.  
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BOARD MEMBERS MOTIONS

ACTION

Mr. Jose Mireles, representing TIAA-CREF, addressed the Board regarding Mr. Huizar's motion on Declaring September as College Savings Month.

Mr. Lauritzen moved:

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District is the second-largest public school district in the nation with a total student population of approximately 750,000 Districtwide and over 180,000 potential college-bound students in senior high schools;

Whereas, The District recognizes its responsibility to provide students with an educational environment that allows them opportunities to compete and succeed in California's global economy of the twenty-first century;

Whereas, It is in the interest of the State's prosperity to encourage families to save for college so that their children can take advantage of the educational opportunities that are available to students beyond high school;

Whereas, The annual amount of student loan debt for college graduates has risen significantly in recent years, leaving them with the burden of paying for their college education long after it has been completed;

Whereas, 1.2 million new jobs for college graduates were added over the last year, demonstrating the need for students to pursue higher education;

Whereas, ScholarShare provides families with an affordable way to save for college; and

Whereas, Funds deposited into the Golden State ScholarShare College Savings Trust (ScholarShare) can be used at nearly all United States colleges and universities, as well as accredited professional and trade schools, and selected schools worldwide; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That by the adoption of this resolution, the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles hereby declares and observes September as "College Savings Month," this year and every year thereafter; and be it finally

Resolved, That the Los Angeles Unified School District hereby expresses its commitment to organize activities and events to observe September as College Savings Month.

Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion.

Mr. Mireles responded to questions from Board Members.

Following discussion, and by general consent, the motion was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, and Mr. Lansing were absent.

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President Huizar assumed the Chair.  
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Ms. Lorena Jaramillo addressed the Board regarding Mr. Tokofsky and Mr. Lauritzen's motion on Small Learning Communities.

Mr. Lauritzen moved:

Whereas, The Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles is committed to increasing the numbers of students who graduate from high school and ensuring equal access to post-secondary opportunities;

Whereas, Educational research and experience demonstrate that students do better academically when they feel a connection with their schools, and small schools are a hopeful avenue for the improvement of urban public education;

Whereas, Small Learning Communities should have a distinct and compelling vision, mission, goals and objectives as well as identity that is clearly recognizable hence creating a spirit of collaboration among stakeholders;

Whereas, Small Learning Communities, generally ranging from 300-600 students, provide a personalized learning environment where every student is well known by a group of educators;

Whereas, Small Learning Communities have an inclusive admission policy reflective of the diverse student population and should mirror that of the former large comprehensive high school;

Whereas, Teacher learning and planning time are an integral part of Small Learning Communities; therefore, Small Learning Communities develop their own professional development component that will honor all District initiatives, while focusing on the needs of the students within a particular Small Learning Community;

Whereas, Small Learning Communities provide coherent, rigorous standards-based curriculum and culturally linguistically responsive pedagogy that provide a continuous educational experience across a range of grades;

Whereas, Students will be expected to demonstrate mastery of the California State standards in order to graduate; and

Whereas, Small Learning Communities seek out community partners, who identify help to shape and support the educational process inside and outside the school; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Superintendent and his staff provide timely and regular feedback on the progress of the implementation and receipt of grant awards and report by October 1 on all past federal, state, and private grants for Small Learning Communities as well as provide their evaluations and proposals;

Resolved further, That the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles instruct the Superintendent of Schools and his staff to redirect appropriate existing resources and seek additional outside funding in the form of grants to support planning, design, professional development, and implementation activities for Small School Learning Communities;

Resolved further, That each Small Learning Community will develop an assessment schedule as well as monitoring system for evaluating student progress and informing instruction in addition to state mandated assessments;

Resolved further, That Small Learning Communities curriculum will be developed by the Small Learning Community group and be fully aligned to state standards; and be it finally

Resolved, That the Small Learning Communities will be approved for a maximum of five years by the local school's governance structure model and may be submitted on appeal to the Central Small Learning Communities committee or local superintendent and alternatively or on second appeal to the Board of Education.

Mr. Tokofsky seconded the motion.

Following discussion, at which time, Mr. Tokofsky expressed a desire to amend, the motion was postponed and assigned to a Committee of the Whole meeting.

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President Huizar resumed the Order of Business.  
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### ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Ms. Ruth Sarnoff addressed the Board on the report.

Mr. Lauritzen moved the adoption of the following report designated as a Consent Calendar item in accordance with Board Rule 61:

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 54 - 04/05 Accounting and Disbursement Report of Warrants Issued

Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Canter and Ms. Korenstein were absent.

### STUDENT INPUT

Student Member Sylvia Torres from North Hollywood High School spoke about the Small Learning Communities Program. She mentioned the Highly Gifted Magnet and the Zoo Magnet programs at her school, stating that these programs allow students to better identify with teachers, and to get more individualized attention. She also mentioned the Saturday academy as well other activities that promote student involvement. Ms. Torres shared her concern regarding the loss of revenue due to changes in the District's snack policy. She commented on their sports program and concluded by requesting assistance with the graffiti problem at her campus.

Student Member Cesar Lombera from Francis Polytechnic High School briefly mentioned some of the Small Learning Community Academies at his school such as the Freshman Academy. He shared that he is happy to be a member of the Teachers Academy. He thanked Polytechnic's teachers for their dedication to preparing students for testing and shared that this year their API scores increased by 54 points. Mr. Lombera was happy to report that his school has undergone some renovations which give the campus a clean and fresh feel. He also shared his concerns regarding overcrowding at his campus and long lunch lines. He concluded by thanking his principal, Ms. Janis Fries-Martinez for her leadership.

Student Member Carmen Soto from Sylmar High School mentioned the remarkable renovations that have taken place at her school, such as the new lawn, sprinkler system, newly painted buildings, and new metal stands in the football stadium. She spoke about the different programs and clubs at her school and thanked the faculty for their efforts and dedication to the students. She also shared her concerns regarding overcrowding at Sylmar and the busing of students to other campuses. Ms. Soto concluded by thanking the Board for the opportunity to share with them, her pride for Sylmar High School.

The Student Members shared their future plans for a higher education.

RECEIPT OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION AT NEXT BOARD  
MEETING (Continued)

Board of Education Report No. 65 - 04/05 - Ratification of Advertised Contracts, Change Orders, Completion of Contracts, Award of Unadvertised and Informal Contracts, Rejection of Bids, Termination of Contracts, and Award of Architectural and Engineering Contracts: Assigned to Regular Calendar

Mr. Mark Hovatter, Director of Facilities Contracts, and Mr. Jim Delker, Acting Deputy Chief, Existing Facilities, responded to questions from Board Members.

President Huizar requested an informative on the status of the East Los Angeles Skill Center.

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President Huizar modified the Order of Business.

SPECIAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS (Continued)

FRANCIE ALEXANDER - DONATION OF FULL DAY  
KINDERGARTEN EQUIPMENT

On behalf of the Board, Mr. Tokofsky, Ms. Ronnie Ephraim, Chief Instructional Officer, and Mr. Jim Morris, Assistant Superintendent, thanked Ms. Francine Alexander, and Scholastic, for their generous donation of books and materials to the full day kindergarten program. The donation included 180 pallets of books, puppets, and puzzles.

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President Huizar passed the gavel to Ms. Canter and left the meeting.

RECEIPT OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION AT NEXT BOARD  
MEETING (Continued)

Board of Education Report No. 70 - 04/05 - Approval of Revised Project Definitions and Amendment of New Construction Strategic Execution Plan for Selected Phase II Projects: Assigned to Special Board Meeting of September 21, 2004

Board of Education Report No. 71 - 04/05 - Designation of the Site Located at the Northwest Corner of Santa Ynez Street and North Alvarado Street as the Preferred Site for the Location of the New Central Region Elementary School No. 14: Assigned to Special Board Meeting of September 21, 2004, Board of Education Report No. 72 - 04/05 (via Facilities Committee) - Designation of the Site Located Northeast Corner of Western and La Mirada Avenues as the Preferred Site for the Location of the New Central Region Middle School No. 5: Assigned to Special Board Meeting of September 21, 2004

Board of Education Report No. 73 - 04/05 (via Facilities Committee) - Designation of the Site Located Southwest Corner of Compton Avenue and Adams Boulevard as the Preferred Site for the Location of the New Central Region Middle School No. 7: Assigned to Special Board Meeting, September 21, 2004

Board of Education Report No. 74 - 04/05 (via Facilities Committee) - Facilities Services Division Designation of the Site Located South Side of Hubbard Street, East of Herrick Avenue, in the Area of Los Angeles as the Preferred Site for the Location of the New Valley Region Elementary School No. 8: Assigned to Special Board Meeting of September 21, 2004

Board of Education Report No. 75 - 04/05 (via Facilities Committee) - Designation of the Site Located on Borden Avenue, Adjacent to the Maclay New Primary Center, in Pacoima, as the Preferred Site for the Location of the New Valley Region Maclay Elementary School Addition: Assigned to Special Board Meeting of September 21, 2004

Board of Education Report No. 77 - 04/05: was withdrawn prior to the Board

Board of Education Report No. 78 - 04/05 - Renaming of Robert Fulton Middle School to Fulton College Preparatory School: Assigned to Consent Calendar

Board of Education Report No. 79 - 04/05 - Ratification of Actions Taken by the Office of General Counsel: Assigned to Regular Calendar

Ms. Floria Trimble responded to questions from Board Members.

Board of Education Report No. 81 – Contract Agreements and Amendments: Assigned to Regular Calendar

Mr. Richard Burrows, Director, Arts Education Branch, Ms. Ephraim, Mr. Duane Johnson, Director, Contract Administration Branch, and Ms. Rita Caldera, Assistant Superintendent, Specially Funded and Parent/Community Services Branch, responded to questions from Board Members.

Board of Education Report No. 82 - 04/05 - Advanced Placement Fees Reduction Payment, Educational Testing Services, AB 2216: Assigned to Consent Calendar

Ms. Sheila Smith, District Coordinator, Gifted/Talented Programs Unit, responded to questions from Board Members.

REGULAR CALENDAR

BOARD OF EDUCATION REVISED REPORT NO. 53 - 04/05  
Contract Agreements and Amendments

Ms. LaMotte moved that the report be adopted. Ms. Canter seconded the motion.

Mr. Michael Eugene, Business Manager, Mr. George Silva, Director, Purchasing Branch, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Morris, Mr. Kevin Reed, General Counsel, Ms. Liza Scruggs, Assistant Superintendent, Secondary Instruction, Mr. Matthias Vheru, Coordinator, Mathematics Program Branch, and Ms. Ephraim responded to questions from Board Members.

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President Huizar Assumed the Chair.  
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Following discussion and on roll call, the report was adopted 5 ayes with Mr. Lauritzen voting no on Contract Nos. 0500302, 0400588, and 0500176.

Mr. Lansing and Mr. Tokofsky were absent.

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President Huizar Resumed the Order of Business.  
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RECEIPT OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR ACTION  
AT NEXT BOARD MEETING (Continued)

Board of Education Report No. 68-04/05 - Renaming of Manual Arts Elementary School No. 1 to Dr. Theodore T. Alexander, Jr., Science Center School: Assigned to Regular Calendar

With the consent of the Board, the following speakers address the Board:

State Assemblyman Melvyn Dymally

Ms. Joi L. Williams representing Councilmember Bernard Parks

Ms. Marilyn Bush

Ms. Linda Guthrie

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President Huizar Modified the Order of Business.  
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PUBLIC COMMENT

The following speakers addressed the Board on the subjects indicated:

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| Sheriff Lee Baca                                    | Student Safety                                       |
| Mr. Richard Selby                                   | Professionalism                                      |
| Mr. Arthur Yih                                      | Procurement Policy                                   |
| Mr. Charles Wilken                                  | LAUSD Computer Procurement Policy                    |
| Mr. John Garcia                                     | Against Military Recruitment in Schools              |
| Mr. Larry Aubry, in place of Mr. Bill Clay          | Action Plan; Senior Staff                            |
| Mr. James Ransom                                    | Cancellation of AP Classes at University High School |
| Mr. John Fernandez                                  | Character Education                                  |
| Ms. Zella Knight, District Advisory Committee (DAC) | Parent Involvement                                   |
| Ms. Ruth Sarnoff, in place of Mr. Francisco Torrero | Parent Involvement                                   |

Mr. Michael Eugene, Business Manager, Mr. Cary Peck, Manager Vendor Services, and Mr. Silva responded to questions from Board Members.

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President Huizar resumed the Order of Business.

REGULAR CALENDAR (Continued)

REPORT POSTPONED FROM REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 27, 2004

BOARD OF EDUCATION REVISED REPORT NO. 17 - 04/05

Board Authorization to (i) Use the Authorized COPs Funding to Accommodate Approximately 626 Additional Workstations in the Beaudry Building (ii) Reallocate Budget Authority Between Categories and (iii) Redistribute Expenditures Between General Funds and COPs to Cover Future Costs Not Eligible for COPs Funding

Ms. Bahar Tolou, representing Service Employee International Union (SEIU), addressed the Board on the report.

Mr. Delker and Mr. Bruce Kendall, Director of Maintenance and Operations, briefed the Board on the Report.

Mr. Richard Sheehan, Special Counsel to the Board, responded to questions from Board Members.

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President Huizar passed the gavel to Ms. Canter and left the meeting.  
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At the request of Superintendent Romer, this report was postponed to the Regular Board meeting of September 28, 2004.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 56 - 04/05  
Ratification of Advertised Contracts, Change Orders, Completion of Contracts,  
Award of Unadvertised and Informal Contracts, Rejection of Bids, Termination  
of Contracts, and Award of Architectural and Engineering Contracts

Mr. Lauritzen moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lansing seconded the motion.

Mr. Hovatter and Mr. Reed responded to questions from Board Members

At the request of staff, Change Order No. 04-31-B was withdrawn from the report.

By general consent, the report as amended was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Huizar were absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Huizar recorded an aye vote on the report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 57 - 04/05  
Authorization to Negotiate and Enter into Agreements to  
Renew Lease at 2801 West 6th Street, and Renew Lease and  
Increase Square Footage at 520 South Lafayette Place  
[Adult Education - Metropolitan Skills Center]

Mr. Lansing moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Huizar were absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Huizar recorded an aye vote on the report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 58 - 04/05  
Authorization to Negotiate and Enter into an Agreement  
Extending the Term and Consolidating the Original Lease and  
Amendments at 316-318 South Lincoln Boulevard, Venice  
[Adult Education - Venice Skills Center]

Mr. Lansing moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Huizar were absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Huizar recorded an aye vote on the report.

DIRECTS

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 62 - 04/05 (Direct)  
Student Expulsions

Mr. Lansing moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion.

Following discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Huizar were absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Huizar recorded an aye vote on the report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 64 - 04/05 (Direct)  
Student Reinstatements

Mr. Tokofsky moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Huizar were absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Huizar recorded an aye vote on the report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 66 - 04/05 (Direct)  
Resolution of Intention to Dedicate Easement at East Valley Area New  
High School No. 3 to the Department of Water and Power

Mr. Lansing moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Huizar were absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Huizar recorded an aye vote on the report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 67 - 04/05 (Direct)  
Liability Insurance Claims

Mr. David Dizenfeld addressed the board on the report.

Mr. Tokofsky moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lansing seconded the motion.

Mr. Reed, Mr. Sheehan, and Mr. David Holmquist, Director, Office of Risk Management and Insurance Services, responded to questions from Board Members.

Following discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Huizar were absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Huizar recorded an aye vote on the report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 69 - 04/05 (Direct)  
Nonroutine Personnel Actions

Mr. Lansing moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion.

Mr. Eugene and Mr. Sheehan responded to questions from Board Members.

Following discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Huizar were absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Huizar recorded an aye vote on the report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 76 - 04/05 (Direct)  
Routine Personnel Actions

Mr. Lansing moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion.

Mr. Sheehan and Superintendent Romer commented on the report.

Ms. Deborah Hirsh, Chief Human Resources Officer, responded to questions from Board Members.

Following discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted. Ms. Korenstein and Ms. LaMotte were absent.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 80 - 04/05 (Direct)  
Various Purchasing Transactions

Mr. Lauritzen moved that the report be adopted. Ms. Canter seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein and Ms. LaMotte were absent.

BOARD MEMBERS MOTIONS (Continued)

ACTION

Mr. Lauritzen's motion on Independent Analysis of the District's Central and Local District Administrative Structure was postponed to the Regular Board Meeting of September 28, 2004.

Resolved, That the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles establishes under its direction an independent analysis of the District's central and local district administrative structure. The analysis will at a minimum investigate the efficiency and the effectiveness of the central and local district administrative structures. The District's stakeholders will be a party to this analysis.

Mr. Tokofsky's motion on Expenditure of Measures R and K Bond Monies was postponed to the Regular Board Meeting of September 28, 2004.

Resolved, That the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles authorizes the use of Bond funds for Accounts Payable Branch salaries in accordance with the Strategic Execution Plan; and

Resolved further, That the Chief Financial Officer establishes the positions funded by Measures R and K.

#### MOTION REQUESTED BY SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Lauritzen moved:

Resolved, That Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles ratify the appointment of Elizabeth Diaz, representative from the Mayor's Office, to the School Bond Citizen's Oversight Committee.

Mr. Lansing seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Huizar were absent.

#### INITIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Lauritzen - Board Policy on Leasing of Facilities

Whereas, Long-term leasing of facilities can result in unnecessary expenses and constantly escalating costs to the Los Angeles Unified School District;

Whereas, The ownership of property results in a fixed cost of a facility as opposed to the probability of constantly increasing cost of leased facilities;

Whereas, Capital improvements cannot reasonably be made on leased property; and

Whereas, The District will recognize benefit from the appreciated value through ownership of real property as opposed to leasing; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it shall be the policy of the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles that whenever possible any and all facilities shall be owned rather than leased;

Resolved further, That before any facility is leased it must be demonstrated that (1) no existing District facility can functionally accommodate the request, (2) rental rates are significantly below cost of ownership, or (3) only a short term need exists; and be it finally

Resolved, That any exceptions to this policy shall require a two-thirds vote of the Board.

Ms. Korenstein, Mr. Lauritzen - Measure R Funding of Remaining Air Conditioning Projects for Year-Round Schools

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District modernization program has, for the past five years, included an effort to air condition the gymnasiums and auditoriums of year-round schools, funded by Certificates of Participation (COPs);

Whereas, Most of the projects that were completed or are currently under construction, have higher costs than projected 3-5 years ago, and some schools have been added to the year-round schools' list since the program's inception;

Whereas, There is not sufficient COPs funding to complete the remaining 35 unfunded projects and 2 recently added projects to air condition gymnasiums and auditoriums at year-round schools;

Whereas, These 37 unfunded projects will require a budget of an additional \$27 million to complete;

Whereas, The issuance of additional COPs at this time to fund these remaining projects would further burden the general fund budget of the District; and

Whereas, Measure R was passed by the voters on March 2, 2004, and provides approximately \$300 million for new major repair projects; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles hereby amends the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to provide Measure R funding, in the amount of \$27 million, to complete the 37 remaining projects, to provide air conditioning for gymnasiums and auditoriums at year-round schools.

Mr. Huizar - Resolution to Support Hotel Workers

No wording was available.

## CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS

### REPORT OF CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Crain announced:

Before action is taken on the Report of Correspondence regarding correspondence from Jack O'Connell, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, concerning receipt of a notification of non-compliance, Compliance Investigation Case Nos. S-1100-03/04, a public hearing must be held.

This constitutes a public hearing and those individuals who wish to address the Board on this item will be heard. Speakers should go to the recording booth and fill out a card. Those individuals will be heard after any speakers already on the list.

There were no speakers.

Mr. Lansing moved that the recommended disposition of the items of correspondence as indicated in the report be approved. Mr. Tokofsky seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Huizar were absent.

MISCELLANEOUS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Lauritzen moved that approval of the following minutes of the governing board of the Los Angeles Unified School District:

9:30 a.m., Closed Session, August 24, 2004  
9:30 a.m., Closed Session, September 7, 2004

Ms. Canter seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Huizar were absent.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Lauritzen moved that the meeting be adjourned. Ms. Canter seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Huizar were absent.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD: October 25, 2005

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JOSE HUIZAR  
PRESIDENT

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JEFFERSON CRAIN  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD

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