

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

SPECIAL MEETING ORDER OF BUSINESS

333 South Beaudry Avenue, Board Room

1:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 17, 2006

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Adoption of Consent Items – Special Meeting of October 17, 2006

1. Board of Education Report No. 83 – 06/07 **ADOPTED**
Office of the General Counsel
(Ratification of Actions Taken by the Office of the General Counsel) Ratifies actions taken by the Office of General Counsel for attorney fees for special education, settlement and judgments totaling approximately \$1.3 million
2. Board of Education Report No. 85 – 06/07 **ADOPTED**
Charter Schools
(Amendment to Allow the Aspire Public Schools Los Angeles Secondary Charter School to Serve Grades 4-5) Approves amendment to the school charter to allow students in grades 4 and 5 to attend a school that had planned to serve grades 6 through 12 located at 2071 Saturn Ave, in Huntington Park.

Receipt of Reports for Action at Next Board Meeting

(The Board will assign these items to Consent or Regular Calendar)

3. Board of Education Report No. 88 – 06/07 **REGULAR**
Facilities Services Division
(Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan Amendment – Measures R and Y Upgrade and Redesign Campuses to Create Small Schools) Approves amendment to construction Strategic Execution Plan to utilize Measure R and Y funds to upgrade and redesign Banning, Jordan, Monroe, Narbonne and Polytechnic High Schools to create small schools at an estimated total project cost of approximately \$12 million.
4. Board of Education Report No. 89 – 06/07 **REGULAR**
Facilities Services Division
(Proposal to Amendment of Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan for Measure Y Fire Alarm Projects to Add 150 New Fire Alarm Projects and Cancel 65 Fire Alarm Projects)
Approves amendment to construction Strategic Execution Plan to add 150 fire alarm projects at an estimated total project cost of \$74 million.

5. Board of Education Report No. 90 – 06/07 **CONSENT**
Facilities Services Division
(Amendment to the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to Authorize Use of Measures K and R Joint Use Funds and Measure Y Board Member Priority Funds at Banning High School) Approves amendment to construction Strategic Execution Plan to authorize use of \$400,000 of Measure K and R Joint Use Funds and \$400,000 of Measure Y Priority Funds to match funds from the Amateur Athletic Fund and the Weingart Foundation for an artificial turf project at Banning High School.
6. Board of Education Report No. 92 – 06/07 **REGULAR**
Facilities Services Division
(Ratification of Contract Actions and Approval of Professional Services Contracts) Approves ratification of advertised construction contracts for approximately \$16.5 million; change orders totaling \$13.3 million; unadvertised and informal contracts for approximately \$3 million; completion of approximately 97 contracts; awards of architectural and engineering contracts; and amendments to professional services contracts for title and escrow services and technology projects.
7. Board of Education Report No. 93 – 06/07 **REGULAR**
Facilities Services Division
(Amendment to the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan to Add Two Charter School Expansion Projects) Approves amendment to authorize use of \$6 million of Measure K Charter School funds for proposed Vaughn Elementary Language Academy Charter and Vaughn International Studies Academy high school charter to be apportioned along with \$15.5 million of state construction bond funds and \$31.5 million from private sources.
8. Board of Education Report No. 91 – 06/07 **REGULAR**
Office of the General Counsel
(Revised Contractors' Code of Conduct) Approves specific revisions to Contractor's Code of Conduct as part of Contracting Integrity Program.
9. Board of Education Report No. 94 – 06/07 **CONSENT**
Accounting and Disbursements Division
(Authorization of Signature on All Orders (Drawn on the Funds of the Los Angeles Unified School District in the Name of the Governing Board)) Authorizes Chief Financial Officer, Controller, and Deputy chief Financial Officer to sign District warrants and the Director of Accounts Payable to approve District vouchers.
10. Board of Education Report No. 98 – 06/07 **CONSENT**
Business Services Division
(Authorization to Solicit Proposals, Conduct a Price Discovery Auction or Similar Process, and Execute Supply Contracts for Transportation Fuels and Other Energy Commodities and Related Services) Approves authorization for staff to conduct a price discovery auction for transportation fuels and to execute contracts based on the results.

11. Board of Education Report No. 104 – 06/07 **CONSENT**
Office of the General Counsel
(2005-08 Memorandum of Understanding Between the Los Angeles Unified School District and the Los Angeles/Orange Counties Building Construction Trades Council for Unit E, Skilled Crafts) Adopts MOU covering specific changes to previous MOU, including compensation increases of 2.5% for salary as well as covering costs of maintaining health and welfare benefits and increases for mileage and flat rate with a budget implication of approximately \$5.81 million for the 2005-06 fiscal year.
12. Board of Education Report No. 105 – 06/07 **REGULAR**
Business Services Division
(Agreements and Amendments) Approves agreements for recycling and trash disposal, and adding 15 firms to the list available to provide technology support.
13. Board of Education Report No. 106 – 06/07 **CONSENT**
Business Services and Facilities Services Divisions
(Designation of Authorized Agents for Obtaining Financial Assistance for Disaster Relief)
Authorizes specific positions to execute applications for certain federal financial assistance for disaster relief.
14. Board of Education Report No. 108 – 06/07 **CONSENT**
Office of the Chief Operating Officer
(Name of Frank del Olmo Elementary School) Approves naming of newly constructed Belmont New Elementary School No. 6 as Frank del Olmo Elementary School.

Report Postponed from Regular Meeting of September 26, 2006,

15. Board of Education Revised Report No. 72 – 06/07 **ADOPTED**
Office of the General Counsel
(2005-08 Memorandum of Understanding Between the Los Angeles Unified School District and Teamsters for Unit S, Classified Supervisors) Adopts MOU covering specified changes to previous MOU including compensation increases of 2.5% for salary as well as covering increased costs of maintaining health and welfare benefits with a budget implication of approximately \$6.64 million for 2005-2006 fiscal year.

Adoption of Regular Calendar – Special Meeting of October 17, 2006

16. Board of Education Revised Report No. 81 – 06/07 **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**
Business Services Division **(POSTPONING ITEMS A.1 AND B.2.B)**
(Approval of Agreements and Amendments) Approves agreements and amendments to agreements for professional development and consulting services for implementation of organizational reform, the Better Tools for Schools project, and for review of the organizational structure and operations of the District.
17. Board of Education Report No. 82 – 06/07 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Approval of Professional Services Contracts) Approves professional service contracts for lead and asbestos services, and support of Facilities Division technology projects.

18. Board of Education Report No. 84 – 06/07 **ADOPTED**
Office of the Chief Financial Officer
(Issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds Series B, 2006) Authorizes preparation and distribution of an official statement in conjunction with the sale and issuance of General Obligation bonds and approves financing team.
19. No Materials
20. No Materials

Direct

21. Board of Education Report No. 96 – 06/07 (Direct) **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**
Business Services Division **(WITHDRAWING EXHIBITS F, G, AND H)**
(Various Purchasing Transactions) Ratifies regular purchase orders and other transactions for approximately \$29.5 million; authorizes award for work orders under ITD bench contracts to Millennium Consulting, Technical Resource Group and West Coast Consulting; ratifies contracts for furnishing materiel and general services; authorizes utilization of contract in effect with Dave Bang Associates for play structures and outdoor furniture; and authorizes extension of contract with Si-Nor to provide rubbish and recycling services.
22. Board of Education Report No. 97 – 06/07 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
Risk Management and Insurance Services
(Liability Insurance Claims) Ratifies employee reimbursement for losses of approximately \$38,000; payment of claims and legal fees for approximately \$1.7 million, the payment of worker's compensation claims for approximately \$9.6 million; rejection of claims; the payment of health benefit premiums and claims for approximately \$64 million, and collection of reimbursement from third parties for approximately \$5,000.
23. Board of Education Report No. 103 – 06/07 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
Accounting and Disbursements Division
(Report of Warrants Issued, Request to Reissue Stale Dated Warrants, and Donation of Money)
Approves warrants for things such as salary payments for a total value of approximately \$517 million.

Board Member Resolution

Action

24. Ms. LaMotte. - Declaring October 2006 as College Month in the Los Angeles Unified School District and Supporting a K-12 College-Going Culture Initiative (Waiver of Board Rule 72)
ADOPTED

Whereas, The mission of the Los Angeles Unified School District is to educate all students to a high level of achievement that will enable them to be responsible individuals and productive members of the greater society;

Whereas, The vision of the District is to be among the first major urban school districts to eliminate the achievement gap among all subgroups of our student population;

Whereas, A guiding principle of the District is that all students will learn to high levels, maximizing their highest potential;

Whereas, Indicators for closing the achievement gap include positive changes in the SAT and ACT scores and participation rates;

Whereas, An indicator of progress towards Proficiency Plus is an increase in the percentage of high school graduates going to colleges and universities and the percentage of students going to advanced career and technical schools;

Whereas, Performance goals for eliminating the achievement gap include: increasing the number and percentage of African American and Hispanic students who successfully complete upper level mathematics courses; increasing the number and percentage of African American and Hispanic students enrolled in and who successfully complete Honors and Advanced Placement Classes; and increasing the number and percentage of African American and Hispanic students who take the SAT and score 500 or higher on both verbal and math components;

Whereas, The College-Going Culture Task Force has made recommendations related to school counseling teams, counseling case loads, multiple measures of achievement, school-wide academic opportunities, master schedules reflecting access equity and opportunities for success, professional development, counselor resources and counseling norms;

Whereas, The Board of Education has adopted the University of California A-G College preparatory course requirement for all students, effective in 2008;

Whereas, Through Destination 2008 and the new model for professional development in core content areas, the Board of Education has approved that the Class of 2012 will be the first class required to meet the 15 units of A-G requirements in order to graduate from the Los Angeles Unified School District;

Whereas, The District has offered CollegeEd, a middle school curriculum through 8th grade homeroom or advisory that encourages students to think about education after high school and to prepare and plan for educational success;

Whereas, The District distributed the CD *Creating Parent/Student Engagement in a College-Going Culture* to approximately 300,000 households with students currently enrolled in grades 7-12 as an informational resources for parents and students that links to many universities, organizations and community resources;

Whereas, The District provided additional college reference materials and technology to school libraries and college counseling offices;

Whereas, There has been an increase in the number of middle, high and span schools in each Local District offering Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) programs that provide social scaffolding and tutorial support for secondary students;

Whereas, The District promotes a college-going culture for all students through instructional programs such as AVID, GEAR-UP, My Road and CollegeEd and has distributed suggested activities for administrators, counselors and teachers in all K-12 schools; and

Whereas, District will continue to provide professional development to counselors and teachers during the month of October regarding the contents and use of middle and high school guides, *Life After High School: A-G: The Key to College and Career Success: A Guide for Students and Their Families* for all students in grades 9-12 and *Planning for High School* for students in grades 6-8; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District directs the Superintendent to declare the month of October 2006 as College Month in the Los Angeles Unified School District;

Resolved further, That the Board directs the Superintendent to ensure the implementation of the District's K-12 College-Going Culture initiative by giving full support to the use of suggested college month activities in all elementary, middle and high schools during College Month and consistently throughout the year;

Resolved further, That the Board authorizes the Superintendent to approve the expenditure of approximately \$530,000 for the *Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT)* to be administered to all tenth grade students on *College Day*, Wednesday, October 18, 2006, the date endorsed by the District for the administration of the PSAT;

Resolved further, That the Board authorizes the Superintendent to encourage the administration of the *PSAT/NMSQT* to high school freshmen and juniors and to students in grade 8 at participating middle schools;

Resolved further, That the Board directs the Superintendent to support the development of a College Information Night for students, parents, and community members and held at all high schools in connection with College Month activities; and be it finally

Resolved, That the Board direct the Superintendent to join the City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, LA City Workforce Investment Board, Los Angeles Community College District, UNITE-LA and a number of other sponsors in extending an invitation to parents and students to attend the 5th Annual College and Career Convention to be held on Thursday, October 26, 2006, and Friday, October 27, 2006, at the Los Angeles Convention Center.

25. Ms. Canter – Cash for College (Waiver of Board Rule 72) **ADOPTED**

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District is the second largest district in the country responsible for educating over 700,000 students;

Whereas, The priorities of the District are to promote high academic achievement and a college-going culture in every school;

Whereas, A fundamental principle in sustaining a college-going culture is the belief that college is an achievable goal for all students;

Whereas, The cost of a college education is beyond the means of many families;

Whereas, 75% of District students are on the free or reduced lunch program;

Whereas, Approximately 70% of District students are first generation college-bound;

Whereas, Sources of financial aid are available; and

Whereas, It is the role of the College Counselor to make available information about financial aid and assist seniors with financial aid applications; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That high school campuses will continue to work with AVID, community based organizations, and college and university representatives to assist students with financial aid applications; and be it

Resolved further, That Los Angeles Unified School District will continue its partnership with the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, UNITE-LA, the Mayor's Office, and the California Student Aid Commission to conduct Cash for College: College and Career Convention, October 26-27 at the Los Angeles Convention Center and the Cash For College financial aid workshops in February 2007 to increase opportunities for students.

25A. Ms. Korenstein - School Safety Month/Safe Schools Week (Waiver of Board Rule 72)
ADOPTED

Whereas, Excellence in education is dependent on safe, secure and peaceful school settings;

Whereas, Schools make substantial contributions to the future of America and to the development of our nation's young people as knowledgeable, responsible and productive citizens;

Whereas, School safety for the protection of students and staff should be a top priority for a positive learning environment;

Whereas, Threats to maintaining school safety may be caused by a variety of factors both within and outside the school environment;

Whereas, Prevention of disruption and violence is a key component for long-term, effective school safety;

Whereas, Recent statistics have shown that school crime and violence in the Los Angeles Unified School District have dramatically declined since 2004;

Whereas, Staff and students of the District take pride in the fact that schools remain the safest places for children;

Whereas, October has historically been known as School Safety Month and the National School Safety Center has proclaimed that October 15-21, 2006, as America's Safe School's Week;

Whereas, Every school in the District is part of a safe school zone; and

Whereas, This is an excellent opportunity to focus on the Districtwide ongoing theme of Live Violence Free; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District supports and encourages the collaboration of District staff, parents, elected officials, law enforcement agencies, other public health and welfare agencies and interested parties to focus on school safety needs, crisis management, crime prevention and related activities to make our schools safe, secure and peaceful places for learning, teaching and working, free of drugs, alcohol, weapons and fear.

Motion Requested by the Superintendent

26. Appointments to Community Advisory Committee (CAC) **ADOPTED**

Resolved, That Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles appoint 4 new members and reappoint 21 current members, as listed, to the Community Advisory Committee (CAC), a State-mandated committee established to advise the Board of Education and the Division of Special Education on the Special Education Local Plan:

New Candidates

Nettie Broomfield, Grandmother, Local District 3
Bonnie Sayels, Mother, Local District 4
Bertha Rios, Grandmother, Local District 5
Olga Solis, Mother, Local District 7

Current Appointed Members Who Have Requested Reappointment

Sandra Baker, Mother, Local District 1
Jacquelyn Smith Conkleton, Grandmother, Local District 3
Ana Contreras, Mother, Local District 7
Patricia Crenshaw, Mother, Local District 3
Diane Evans, Legal Guardian, Local District 3
Jodhi Givhan, Parent Educator, Local District 3
Pamela Jackson, Mother, Local District 7
Sonja Luchini, Mother, Local District 3
Charline Nuñez, Aunt and Social Work Student, Local District 7
Maya Osborne, Grandmother, Local District 8
Beatriz Quiroz, Mother, Local District 8
Mary Ramirez, Mother, Local District 3
Lola Rhone, Grandmother, Local District 3
Carla Vega, Mother, Local District 7
Rosa Villegas, Mother, Local District 2
Stella Voce, Mother, Local District 4
Julie Woods, Mother, Local District 3
David Wyles, Father, Local District 3

Jeremy Mohr, Special Education Teacher, United Teacher Los Angeles (UTLA)
Dr. Myrtice Irish, Special Education Administrator, Associated Administrators of
Los Angeles (AALA)
Terry Wetzel, Adult and Career Education

Correspondence and Petitions

27. Report of Correspondence **APPROVED**

Miscellaneous

This Week in Education

Announcements

Public Comment

Adjournment

Please note that the Board of Education may consider at this meeting any item referred from a Board Meeting five calendar days prior to this meeting (Education Code 54954.3(b)(3))

The Board of Education may also refer any item on this Order of Business for the consideration of a Standing Committee of the Board of Education, which meets on the Tuesday or Thursday immediately after this meeting.

Members of the public who wish to address the Board regarding items on this agenda should contact the Board Secretariat in person or by calling (213) 241-7002 or toll free (877) 772-6273, extension 128, prior to 5 p.m., the Monday, prior to the meeting to determine if they may be added to the speakers' list. Requests for disability related modifications or accommodations shall be made 24 hours prior to the meeting to the Board Secretariat.

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