

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

**REGULAR MEETING ORDER OF BUSINESS**

333 South Beaudry Avenue, Board Room  
10 a.m., Tuesday, March 14, 2006

**Roll Call**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Inspirational Moment**

Sun Valley Middle School Leadership Class

**Superintendent's Instructional Highlights**

Valerie Plaisance, Welby Way Gifted Magnet Elementary School Teacher - Bravo Award Recipient

**Student Input**

Carolina Hernandez, Jose Ruiz, and Charlie Areola from Belmont High School, Grace Malinao and Bianca Molina from Downtown Business Magnet, Mirtala Sanchez, Evelyn Zepeda, and Yesenia Esquivel from Franklin High School, Mireya Lopez and Sinoi Mataalii from Hollywood High School, and Karen Castro from Marshall High School

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Board of Education will be recessing the Regular Board Meeting at 12 noon to convene into Closed Session regarding the followings items:

Personnel (Government Code Section 54957)

Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

**Adoption of Consent Items – Regular Meeting of March 14, 2006**

1. Board of Education Report No. 293 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**  
Office of the Chief Financial Officer  
(2006 General Obligation Refunding Bonds Resolution) Approves the refunding of up to \$800 million of existing bonds when financially advantageous.
2. Board of Education Report No. 300 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**  
Information Technology Division  
(Education Technology Plan) Approves a plan for integrating technology into the classroom as required for the application of several state and federal grant programs.

## Receipt of Reports for Action at Next Board Meeting

3. Board of Education Report No. 304 – 05/06 **REGULAR**  
Business Services Division  
(Agreements) Approves agreements with two companies for contract audit services and with New Technology Foundation for management support for four new small schools.
4. Board of Education Report No. 311 – 05/06 **REGULAR**  
Facilities Services Division **SPECIAL BOARD MEETING ON MARCH 28**  
(Adoption of a Resolution of Necessity and Authorization to Obtain Funds to Obtain Orders for Possession of Land Parcels Required for Central Region Elementary School No. 13, Located on the Southeast Corner of Washington Boulevard and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue) Approves a resolution of necessity allowing the District to acquire property by eminent domain for the construction of an elementary school.
5. Board of Education Report No. 312 – 05/06 **REGULAR**  
Facilities Services Division **SPECIAL BOARD MEETING ON MARCH 28**  
(Adoption of a Resolution of Necessity and Authorization to Obtain Funds to Obtain an Order for Possession of a Land Parcel Required for Central Region High School No. 13, Located on the Northwest Corner of San Fernando Road and Division Street (Taylor Yard)) Approves a resolution of necessity allowing the District to acquire property by eminent domain for the construction of a high school.
6. Board of Education Report No. 313 – 05/06 **REGULAR**  
Facilities Services Division **SPECIAL BOARD MEETING ON MARCH 28**  
(Adoption of a Resolution of Necessity and Authorization to Obtain Funds to Obtain Orders for Possession of Land Parcels Required for South Region Middle School No. 6, Located on the Southwest Corner of Western Avenue and 46<sup>th</sup> Street) Approves a resolution of necessity allowing the District to acquire property by eminent domain for the construction of a middle school.
7. Board of Education Report No. 314 – 05/06 **REGULAR**  
Facilities Services Division  
(Ratification of Contract Actions and Approval of Professional Services Contracts) Approves ratification of 34 advertised construction contracts for approximately \$15.2 million, job order contracts with a capacity of \$11.5 million, change orders for approximately \$2.4 million, awards 189 unadvertised and informal contracts awards totaling approximately \$2.8 million, 40 architectural and engineering contracts and amendments totaling approximately \$2.2 million, awards 4 professional services contracts below \$250,000 and option years to 5 previously approved contracts for below \$250,000 totaling approximately \$1.3 million, approves a short-term real estate consulting and management services contract with Overland, Pacific & Cutler for \$2.5 million, and approves amendments to professional services contracts with Johnson Fain for design services at two sites.

8. Board of Education Report No. 315 – 05/06 **CONSENT**  
Office of Environmental Health and Safety  
(Approval of Final Mitigated Negative Declaration, California Environmental Quality Act, Sun Valley Health Center at Sun Valley Middle School) Approves Final Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the County of Los Angeles for a health center to be constructed at a middle school located at 7330 Bakman Ave., Los Angeles.
9. Board of Education Report No. 316 – 05/06 **REGULAR**  
Office of Environmental Health and Safety  
(Certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR), California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), South Region Elementary School No. 4 and Early Education Center No. 2) Approves certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report, adopts Findings of Fact, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan for an elementary school and an early education center to be constructed at Firestone Blvd. and Kauffman Ave. in the City of South Gate.
10. Board of Education Report No. 317 – 05/06 **REGULAR**  
Facilities Services Division  
(Project Approval for South Region Elementary School No. 4 and South Region Early Education Center No. 2) Authorizes site acquisition and construction for a 775-seat K-5 elementary school and a 175 seat early education center located at Firestone Blvd. and Kauffman Ave. in the City of South Gate at a projected total cost of approximately \$67 million.
11. Board of Education Report No. 318 – 05/06 **CONSENT**  
Facilities Services Division  
(Designation of the Site Located at the Northeast Corner of Compton Avenue and East 90<sup>th</sup> Street as the Preferred Site for South Region Elementary School No. 7) Approves designation of preferred site to conduct planning and feasibility studies for the construction of a new elementary school for 950 students at an estimated cost of approximately \$66 million.
12. Board of Education Report No. 320 – 05/06 **CONSENT**  
Facilities Services Division  
(Authorization to Negotiate and Enter into a New Lease for an Existing Location at 14626 South Crenshaw Boulevard, Gardena (Division of Adult and Career Education-Gardena CAS)) Authorizes staff to enter into new three-year lease at an existing location until July 2009.
13. Board of Education Report No. 321 – 05/06 **REGULAR**  
Facilities Services Division  
(Amendment to the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to Add Local District 5 Projects at 49<sup>th</sup> Street Elementary, Stevenson Middle, Wadsworth Elementary and Jefferson High Schools) Approves an amendment to the 2005 Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to provide new playground equipment at 49<sup>th</sup> St. Elementary School and Wadsworth Elementary School, a portable building at Stevenson Middle School for a parent center, and library repairs at Jefferson High School.

14. Board of Education Report No. 322 – 05/06 **REGULAR**  
Facilities Services Division  
(Amendment to the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to Cancel Local District 5 Projects at Malabar, Nevin Elementary and Hammel Elementary Schools) Approves an amendment to the 2005 Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to cancel projects that have been deemed to be unnecessary at this time at three schools with the funding to be used for other BB Bond and Measure K projects at schools in Local District 5.
15. Board of Education Report No. 323 – 05/06 **CONSENT**  
Facilities Services Division  
(Amendment to the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan for Local District 3 Projects at Hamilton High School, Palms Middle School, and Local District 8 Project at Washington Preparatory High School) Approves an amendment to the 2005 Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to provide enhancements to the fitness room and gym at Hamilton High School; landscaping, parking lot resurfacing and fencing at Palms Middle School; and marquees at Washington Preparatory High School.
16. Board of Education Report No. 327 – 05/06 **CONSENT**  
Office of the Chief Operating Officer  
(Naming of Washington Primary Center) Approves naming of Washington Primary Center No. 1 site as Washington Primary Center.
17. Board of Education Report No. 328 – 05/06 **CONSENT**  
Office of the Chief Operating Officer  
(Naming of Arleta High School) Approves naming of East Valley High School No. 2 site as Arleta High School.
18. Board of Education Report No. 329 – 05/06 **CONSENT**  
Office of the Chief Financial Officer  
(Authorization to Make Interfund Transfers) Approves authorization for District staff to make interfund transfers between the General Fund, the Deferred Maintenance Fund and other funds.
19. Board of Education Report No. 330 – 05/06 **CONSENT**  
Office of Chief Operating Officer  
(Naming of Maywood Academy High School) Approves naming of Southeast Area New Learning Center site, opened in September 2005, as Maywood Academy High School.

### **Special Reports and Presentations**

President's Joint Commission on School Governance - Maria Casillas, David Cunningham, III

Recognition of Students from the United Coalition East Prevention Project – Mr. Lauritzen

Recognition of Rockdale and Aldama Elementary Schools – Mr. Tokofsky

## **Report Postponed from Special February 21, and Regular February 28, 2006, Board Meetings**

20. Board of Education Revised Report No. 212 – 05/06 **POSTPONED TO MARCH 28**  
Office of the Chief Financial Officer  
(Authorization to Conduct Competitive Procurements for Outdoor Billboard Advertisements and Graffiti Abatement on Construction Sites) Authorizes staff to conduct an RFP for generating revenue for the District by allowing outdoor advertising at two new school construction sites in Los Angeles.
21. Board of Education Revised Report No. 233 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**  
Business Services Division  
(Approval of Agreements and Amendments) Ratifies 2324 various agreements for amounts less than \$250,000; ratifies 81 Task and Work Orders totaling \$33,211,406; accepts the donation of 20 soccer courts and 400 soccer balls from Nike.

## **Adoption of Regular Calendar – Regular Meeting of March 14, 2006**

22. Board of Education Report No. 244 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**  
Facilities Services Division  
(Existing Facilities 2005 Strategic Execution Plan Amendment for Early Childhood Education Division Projects) Approves amendment to Strategic Execution Plan to add new Measure R projects, deletes projects previously approved for Measure R funding but funded by Measure K and provides Measure R funding for previously identified Measure K projects.
23. Board of Education Report No. 245 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**  
Facilities Services Division  
(Amendment to the Existing Facilities 2005 Strategic Execution Plan for Projects Funded by Measure Y) Approves amendment to the Strategic Execution Plan to incorporate designated funding from Measure Y and lists the selected projects.
24. Board of Education Report No. 285 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**  
Office of the General Counsel  
(Ratification of Actions Taken by the Office of the General Counsel) Approves payment of special education parent's attorney fees of approximately \$493,000 and legal settlements and judgments of approximately \$966,000 made between October 2005 and December 2005.
25. Board of Education Report No. 288 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**  
Office of the Superintendent  
(Request for Board Designation of Senior Management Position) Approves designation of Staff Executive, Small Learning Communities and Innovations, position as Senior Management.
26. Board of Education Revised Report No. 290 – 05/06 **POSTPONED TO MARCH 28**  
Office of the Chief Financial Officer  
(Annual Debt Management Policy) Approves new Debt Management Policy with specific changes to the current policy including the creation of a new Debt Report to be presented in March.

27. Board of Education Revised Report No. 299 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**  
 Business Services Division  
 (Contract Agreements and Amendments) Approves agreements with 7 firms for grant writing services, with Loyola Marymount University for private school teacher training and amendments to agreements with two health services providers for school based health clinics.
28. Board of Education Report No. 302 – 05/06 **TO BE POSTPONED TO MARCH 28**  
 Office of the General Counsel  
 (Revised Lobbying Disclosure Code) Approves revisions to the Lobbying Disclosure Policy requiring individuals or entities which are compensated by a client or individuals or entities which are expecting to expend \$10,000 or more to engage in activities to influence LAUSD officials to register as lobbyists.

**Directs**

29. Board of Education Report No. 305 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**  
 Pupil Services  
 (Student Expulsion Issues) Approves expulsion and appropriate placement of 15 students and the suspension of enforcement for 13 of the students.
30. Board of Education Report No. 306 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**  
 Pupil Services  
 (Student Reinstatements) Approves reinstatement of 5 previously expelled students.
31. Board of Education Report No. 307 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**  
 Business Services Division  
 (Various Purchasing Transactions) Ratifies regular purchase orders and other transactions for approximately \$8.8 million; awards technology work orders to West Coast Consulting and Gateway Science & Engineering; authorization to enter into a contract for student and parent notification telephone systems; authorization to utilize contracts already in effect with other public entities for play structures, furniture and equipment, and science supplies.
32. Board of Education Report No. 308 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**  
 Office of the Chief Financial Officer  
 (Second Interim Financial Report for Year 2005-2006) Approves submission of Positive Certification Second Interim Financial Report to the Los Angeles County Office of Education signifying that based on current projections this District will be able to meet its financial obligations for the current fiscal year and two subsequent years.
33. Board of Education Report No. 309 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**  
 Office of Risk Management and Insurance Services  
 (Liability Insurance Claims) Ratifies employee reimbursement payments for losses of approximately \$11,000; payment of claims for approximately \$191,000; legal fees and allocated claims expenses totaling \$109,985; workers' compensations claims in the amount of approximately \$7.6 million, and the receipt of \$9,540 in settlement of claims for damage to District property.

34. Board of Education Report No. 310 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**  
 Human Resources Division  
 (Notice of Release/Reassignment for Certificated Administrators) Authorizes District staff to send notices to an additional 19 specific employees advising them that they may be release from their positions for the 2006-07 school year.
35. Board of Education Report No. 325 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**  
 Human Resources Division **(Item A65689 Withdrawn)**  
 (Routine Personnel Actions) Approves 7,803 routine personnel actions such as promotions, transfers, leaves, terminations etc.
36. Board of Education Report No. 326 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**  
 Human Resources Division  
 (Nonroutine Personnel Action) Approves rescission of the dismissal of 1 classified employee and accepts resignation her from employment.

### Board Members Resolutions

#### Action

37. Ms. Canter, Mr. Lauritzen, Ms. Korenstein - District Transportation Capacity (Noticed February 14, 2006) **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

Whereas, More than 70,000 Los Angeles Unified School District students rely on school bus transportation to travel to and from school daily;

Whereas, District school bus drivers have an exemplary safety and on-time record;

Whereas, District should maximize the use of its currently owned transportation assets before contracting out for transportation services; and

Whereas, The Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles would prefer to have a majority of transportation provided by District bus drivers; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District directs the Superintendent to maximize in house transportation services to decrease contracted bus services by:

- 1) Examining current capacity (depot space, owned buses, staff, etc.) to bring proposed contracted routes in house and therefore reduce the amount of contracted routes
- 2) Eliminating some contracted routes as overall transportation needs decrease with the opening of newly constructed schools as current policy requires
- 3) Conducting a study and cost analysis to determine options for moving additional bus routes in house by maximizing current resources (depot space, owned buses, etc.)

Resolved, That the Board directs the Superintendent to present to the Board a plan to reduce contracted busing by maximizing existing resources (buses, depots, staff, current budget, etc.) by the end of March 2006 so that the plan may be considered for implementation and activation by July 2007. Said reduction shall be no less than 20 buses.

38. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, Mr. Lauritzen – Support of Live Violence Free Pledge (Noticed February 28, 2006) **ADOPTED**

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District is committed to improving the academic achievement of all students;

Whereas, Students learn best and achieve their full potential in safe and orderly classrooms;

Whereas, This positive academic environment begins with safe families and safe communities;

Whereas, By choice, design, or necessity, schools are largely responsible for socializing America's youth;

Whereas, The number of students who are victims of violence is not acceptable;

Whereas, Victims and perpetrators of violence represent all racial, ethnic, and economic groups;

Whereas, The Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles strongly supports the theme of nonviolence and recognizes that everyday should be a day of nonviolence;

Whereas, All students in District schools will be participating in the Live Violence Free Pledge activity on Friday, March 17, 2006;

Whereas, The goal of the Live Violence Free pledge is to motivate students and staff to continue to work vigorously to promote school safety; and

Whereas, The objectives of this campaign are to encourage schools to use the Live Violence Free pledge as a tool for school violence prevention and to support student leadership in planning and implementing positive human relations programs; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles encourage students and staff to support activities related to nonviolence and positive human relations;

Resolved further, That the Board declares that on March 17, 2006, every school will hold a Live Violence Free activity;

Resolved further, That all students and staff of the District will receive black wrists bands recognizing all of those who have lost their lives to violence; and be it finally

Resolved, That the Board and the Superintendent of the Los Angeles Unified School District encourage the entire school community to pledge to Live Violence Free.

39. Ms. LaMotte, Ms. Canter, Mr. Lauritzen – March 2006 as National Women’s History Month - "Women: Builders of Communities And Dreams" (Noticed March 7, 2006)(Waiver of Board Rule 72) **ADOPTED**

Whereas, As recently as the 1970's, women's history was virtually an unknown topic in the K-12 curriculum or in general public consciousness and to address this situation, the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County (California) Commission on the Status of Women initiated a "Women's History Week" celebration for 1978;

Whereas, In 1979, national leaders of organizations for women and girls were invited to participate in Women's History Institutes at Sarah Lawrence College, and in 1981, Senator Orrin Hatch (R-UT) and Congresswoman Barbara Mikulski (D-MD) successfully co-sponsored the first Joint Congressional Resolution declaring a "National Women's History Week”;

Whereas, As word spread rapidly across the nation, state departments of education encouraged celebrations of National Women's History Week as an effective mean to achieving equity goals within classrooms. Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York, Oregon, Alaska, and other states developed and distributed curriculum materials to all of their public schools and within a few years, thousands of schools and communities were celebrating National Women's History Week, supported and encouraged by resolutions from governors, city councils, school boards, and the U.S. Congress;

Whereas, In 1987, the National Women's History Project petitioned Congress to expand the national celebration to the entire month of March. Since then, the National Women's History Month Resolution has been approved with bipartisan support in both the House and Senate;

Whereas, the President of the United States of America has proclaimed March 2006 as Women's History Month; and

Whereas, today, the United States of America remains a country that offers the greatest freedom and believes in the promise of all individuals, women continue to strengthen our nation and the world by excelling as leaders in all walks of life, including business, law, politics, family life, education, community service, science, medicine and the United States Armed Services; now, therefore; be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles join with the governors of states, city councils, school boards, U.S. Congress and the President of the United States in celebrating the extraordinary achievements and contributions of American women by observing this month of March with appropriate ceremonies and activities to honor the history, accomplishments, and contributions of ALL women.

#### Initial Announcement

40. Mr. Lansing, Mr. Lauritzen - Secondary After-School and Parks Program

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District is interested in expanding its partnerships with municipalities and community groups in building, modernizing, staffing, operating and maintaining facilities for the mutual benefit of students and community members;

Whereas, Schools are the cultural and recreational center of their communities serving many different needs and interests beyond their daily function of public education;

Whereas, The City of Los Angeles is interested in working with the District to develop a joint-use agreement for middle school campuses to provide recreational space for communities and after-school programming for our middle and high school students;

Whereas, Measures K, R and Y provide joint-use and innovation funding to encourage creative partnerships in support of the district's stated goals to eliminate the achievement gap for all student subgroups, increase the high school graduation rate and provide a modern and safe learning environment;

Whereas, Small learning communities, A-G curriculum, career and technical education and several other district initiatives are improving the instructional program offered to secondary students, however, the District must continue to improve the way students relate to their educational experience before, during and after school in order to forge stronger ties with peers and adults, thereby reducing the risk of dropping out;

Whereas, After-school and intramural sports programs support the district's educational goals and objectives by engaging at-risk students in appealing athletic, arts enrichment and academic intervention activities;

Whereas, Youth centers represent an opportunity for the District to collaborate with community organizations and municipalities in providing after-school facilities and intramural sports programs for middle and high school students that currently do not participate in competitive athletics or campus-related organizations; and

Whereas, Through new school design or existing school facilities use, youth centers would be located on a middle or high school campus and operated by a third party community organization, Beyond the Bell or City of Los Angeles Recreation and Parks program; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Schools bring instructional, operations and facilities staff together to identify new and existing secondary schools best suited for youth centers, after-school programming and parks for community use during non-school hours;

Resolved further, That District staff determine how best to provide secondary after-school programming using community organizations, Beyond the Bell or City of Los Angeles Recreation and Parks at the identified schools and take necessary steps to establish an after-school program;

Resolved further, That Measures K, R and Y joint-use and innovation funding be used when appropriate to address facilities needs of after-school programs; and be it finally

Resolved, That the Superintendent designate appropriate facilities, legal or other staff to work with the Chairs of the District Facilities Committee and the City of Los Angeles Arts, Parks, Aging and Health Committee and its designees to develop a joint-use agreement (JUA) that will serve as a template for addressing liability, maintenance, supervision and replacement costs when the two entities wish to partner on specific projects.

### **Correspondence and Petitions**

41. Report of Correspondence **APPROVED**

### **Miscellaneous**

#### **Approval of Minutes APPROVED**

42. 10 a.m., Special Closed Session, February 21, 2006  
11:30 a.m., Special Closed Session, March 7, 2006

### **This Week in Education**

#### **Announcements**

Finding Mr. Tokofsky absent from Special 4:30 p.m., March 7, 2006, Board Meeting  
2 p.m., Special Board on March 21, 2006 regarding Charter Petitions  
Cancel March 21, 2006, Committee of the Whole  
March 16, 2006, Facilities Committee to meet at 9 a.m.  
9:30 a.m., Special Board on March 28, 2006 regarding Resolutions of Necessity  
3 p.m., March 30, 2006, Committee of the Whole – “Kids Come First- City and Schools  
Working Together”  
9 a.m., March 30, 2006, Curriculum and Instruction Committee Meeting

### **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 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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