

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, April 25, 2006

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Inspirational Moment

Dorsey High School Choir

Superintendent's Instructional Highlights

Ms. Veronica Arreguin, Principal of Dyer Elementary School and Ms. Loraine Mason, Principal of Haddon Elementary School - Supporting and Retaining Highly-Qualified Teachers

Student Input

Crissel Rodriguez from Elizabeth Learning Center and Sergio Sanchez and Noemi Garcia from Fremont 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 following items:

1. Conference with Legal Counsel

Potential Litigation (Government Code Section §54956.9(b)(1))

1 Case

2. Personnel (Government Code Section 54957)

Public Employment: Superintendent of Schools

Public Employee Evaluation: Superintendent of Schools

Adoption of Consent Items – Regular Meeting of April 25, 2006

1. Board of Education Report No. 358 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Authorization to Negotiate and Enter into Agreements for the Renewal of Existing Leases at Various Locations for the Educational Options Program – City of Angels and Community Day Schools) Approves renewal of existing leases at four locations to be occupied by the City of Angels and Community Day Schools in the Cities of Los Angeles, Carson, and Bell.
2. Board of Education Report No. 360 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Establishment of Imprest Accounts for Payment of Division of the State Architect (DSA) Fees) Approves two imprest checking accounts of \$150,000 each to facilitate the payment of DSA fees for planned new school construction and existing school improvement and modernization construction projects.

Receipt of Reports for Action at Next Board Meeting

3. Board of Education Report No. 377 – 05/06 (via Facilities Committee) **REGULAR**
Environmental Health and Safety
(Certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR), California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Valley Region Elementary School No. 8) 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 located located between Bromont Avenue in Los Angeles and 8th Street in the City of San Fernando.
4. Board of Education Report No. 378 – 05/06 (via Facilities Committee) **REGULAR**
Facilities Services Division
(Project Approval for Valley Region Elementary School No. 8) Authorizes site acquisition and construction for a 725 seat elementary school located between Bromont Avenue in Los Angeles and 8th Street in the City of San Fernando, East of Maclay Street at a projected total cost of approximately \$35 million.
5. Board of Education Report No. 379 – 05/06 (via Facilities Committee) **REGULAR**
Facilities Services Division
(Amendment to the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan to Add Five Charter School Expansion Projects) Authorizes staff to purchase furniture, equipment and portable classrooms and to lease them to 5 charter schools.
6. Board of Education Report No. 381 – 05/06 **CONSENT**
Facilities Services Division
(Authorization to Adopt the Pico Rivera Warehouse Energy Study and Award a Sole-Source Negotiated Energy Services Requirements Contracts to Greentech Energy Services, Inc.) Approves a contract for energy efficiency and conservation work at the District’s warehouse.

7. Board of Education Report No. 382 – 05/06 (via Facilities Committee) **CONSENT**
Facilities Services Division
(Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan Amendment for Crenshaw High School Track and Field Renovation Project) Authorizes the use of Measure K Joint Use funds and the revision of the Joint Use Agreement with the City of Los Angeles for the Crenshaw High School Track and Field Renovation Project.
8. Board of Education Report No. 383 – 05/06 (via Facilities Committee) **CONSENT**
Facilities Services Division
(Amendment to the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan for Projects at Montara Elementary, West Vernon Elementary, and Harding Elementary Schools) Approves amendment to Strategic Execution Plan to allow for construction projects at three schools including the installation of bungalows which will allow Montara Elementary to utilize the traditional school calendar.
9. Board of Education Report No. 384 – 05/6 **REGULAR**
School Management Services
(Establishment of New Schools for the 2006-07 School Year) Establishes 12 new schools to open in the 2006-2007 school year including 4 new high schools, one in Central Los Angeles and the other 3 in the East Valley area.
10. Board of Education Report No. 371 – 05/06 **CONSENT**
Office of the Chief Operating Officer
(Naming of Cesar Chavez Elementary School) Approves naming of Wilson New Elementary School No. 1 as Cesar Chavez Elementary School.
11. Board of Education Report No. 375 – 05/06 **CONSENT**
Office of the Chief Operating Officer
(Naming of Santee Education Complex) Approves naming of South Los Angeles Area New High School No. 1 as Santee Education Complex.
12. Board of Education Report No. 376 – 05/06 **CONSENT**
Chief Operating Officer
(Change of Name from Miguel Contreras High School to Miguel Contreras Learning Complex) Approves change of new school name to appropriately reflect instructional setting.
13. Board of Education Report No. 385 – 05/06 **CONSENT**
Office of the Chief Operating Officer
(Naming of Mariposa-Nabi Primary Center) Approves naming of Los Angeles Primary Center No. 5 as Mariposa-Nabi Primary Center.
14. Board of Education Report No. 394 – 05/06 **CONSENT**
Office of the Chief Operating Officer
(Naming of Hope Street Elementary School) Approves naming of State Street New Elementary School No. 1 as Hope Street Elementary School.

15. Board of Education Report No. 386 – 05/06 **CONSENT**
 Budget Services and Financial Planning Division
 (Increase of Revenues in the Regional Occupational Centers/Programs (ROC/P) Budget)
 Approves increase to General Fund revenues by approximately \$727,000 in recognition of increased Apprenticeship Program funding.
16. Board of Education Report No. 393 – 05/06 **REGULAR**
 Business Services Division
 (Approval of Agreements and Amendments) Approves contracts with four apprenticeship training programs, the County Office of Education for staff development, CDT for U. S. Department of Transportation mandated drug testing, and Arey Jones Educational Solutions and Gateway Computers for the purchase of computers.
17. Board of Education Report No. 395 – 05/06 **PUBLIC HEARING REGULAR**
 Charter School Office
 (Frederick Douglass Academy) Approves grades 6-8 school charter petition for 5 years to serve 300 students at a site to be located in the South area of Los Angeles.
18. Board of Education Report No. 396 – 05/06 **PUBLIC HEARING REGULAR**
 Charter School Office
 (Charter Academy Middle School) Approves grades 6-8 school charter petition for 5 years to serve 300 students at a site to be located in the South area of Los Angeles.
19. Board of Education Report No. 397 – 05/06 **PUBLIC HEARING REGULAR**
 Charter School Office
 (Crescendo Charter Academy) Approves grades K-5 school charter petition for 5 years to serve 200 students at a site to be located on Arlington Avenue in Los Angeles.
20. Board of Education Report No. 398 – 05/06 **PUBLIC HEARING REGULAR**
 Charter School Office
 (Crescendo Charter Conservatory) Approves grades K-5 school charter petition for 5 years to serve 200 students at a site to be located on Normandie Avenue in Los Angeles.

Special Reports and Presentations

Mr. Lauritzen and Ms. Korenstein - 21st Century Insurance and Junior Police Academy Magnet Schools

Recognition of Ms. Rowena Lagrosa, Executive Officer, Educational Services

Report Postponed from Special March 21, Regular March 28, 30, and Special April 4, 2006, Board Meetings

21. Board of Education Revised Report No. 302 – 05/06 **POSTPONED TO REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON 5-9-06**
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.
22. Board of Education Report No. 342 – 05/06 (Direct) **PUBLIC HEARING NO ACTION REQUIRED**
Charter Schools Division
(New Village Charter High School State Waiver Request) Requests a waiver from the State Department of Education to allow operation of a charter school for young women only.
23. Board of Education Report No. 315 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
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.
24. Board of Education Report No. 367 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
Office of the Chief Operating Officer
(Naming of Maywood Elementary School) Approves naming of Maywood Elementary School No. 5 site as Maywood Elementary School.

Adoption of Regular Calendar – Regular Meeting of April 25, 2006

25. Board of Education Revised Report No. 332 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Educational Services Division
(21st Century Community Learning Centers After School Service Providers Contract Amendments – Cohorts 1, 2, 3A and 3B – Senate Bill 854) Approves contract amendments with 32 specified after school providers for a total not to exceed amount of approximately \$4.3 million and approves rate increases for all existing 21st Century Community Learning Centers to a maximum of \$7.50 per student per day.
26. Board of Education Report No. 347 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Professional Services Contracts) Approves 5 inspection services contracts selected through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process to provide inspection services in support of the Facilities Services Division’s construction programs.

27. Board of Education Report No. 348 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Office of Environmental Health and Safety
(Certification of Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR), California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Valley Region Elementary School No. 7) Approves certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report, adopts Findings of Fact, the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, and Statement of Overriding Considerations for an elementary school to be constructed at Ben Ave. and Saticoy Street in the San Fernando Valley.
28. Board of Education Revised Report No. 349 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Project Approval for Valley Region Elementary School No. 7) Authorizes site acquisition and construction for an 800-seat K-5 elementary school to be constructed at Ben Ave. and Saticoy Street in the San Fernando Valley at a project total cost of approximately \$44 million.
29. Board of Education Report No. 352 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Office of Environmental Health and Safety
(Certification of Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR), California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Valley Region Elementary School No. 9) Approves certification of Final Environmental Impact Report, adopts Findings of Fact and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan for an elementary school to be constructed on Calhoun Street between Vanowen and Hart Streets in the San Fernando Valley.
30. Board of Education Report No. 353 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Project Approval for Valley Region Elementary School No. 9) Authorizes site acquisition and construction for an 800-seat K-5 elementary school to be constructed on Calhoun Street between Vanowen and Hart Streets in the San Fernando Valley at a project total cost of approximately \$36.8 million.
31. Board of Education Report No. 355 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Office of Environmental Health and Safety
(Adoption of Subsequent Mitigated Negative Declaration, California Environmental Quality Act, Narbonne High School Stadium Lighting and Improvements Project) Adopts the Final Subsequent Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan for stadium lighting and improvements project at Narbonne High School.
32. Board of Education Report No. 356 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Project Approval for Narbonne High School Repair and Athletic Fields Upgrade Project) Approves repair and upgrade of athletic field at a project total cost of approximately \$4.5 million.

33. Board of Education Report No. 357 – 05/06 **POSTPONED TO REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON 5-9-06**
 Facilities Services Division
 (Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan Amendment Measure Y Innovation Projects - Abram Friedman Occupational Center) Approves amendment to the June 2005 SEP to create modernization projects, including a career-themed Small Learning Community of 450 high school students from the Santee/Jefferson High School attendance area for a total cost of approximately \$9.6 million.
34. Board of Education Report No. 361 – 05/06 (via Audit, Business, and Technology Committee)
 Information Technology Division **PUBLIC HEARING ADOPTED**
 (Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) for District Computer Systems)
 Approves new Acceptable Use Policy for District Computer Systems and authorizes the Superintendent to enforce the implementation of the provisions.
35. Board of Education Revised Report No. 364 – 05/06 **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**
 Business Services Division
 (Approval of Agreements and Amendments) Approves agreements with AON Risk Services for broker and insurance services for 5 years and 3 years of insurance carrier premiums for approximately \$137 million; Citigroup for credit cards; and 21 Century Learning for online college courses for the L. A. Baptist Consortium.

Directs

36. Board of Education Report No. 369 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
 Pupil Services
 (Student Expulsion Issues) Approves expulsion and appropriate placement of 20 students, the suspension of enforcement for 18 of the students and the denial of enrollment of one student expelled from another district.
37. Board of Education Report No. 370 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
 Pupil Services
 (Student Reinstatements) Approves reinstatement of 9 previously expelled students.
38. Board of Education Report No. 372 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
 Specially Funded Program
 (Adoption of Revised Title I Parent Involvement Policy) Approves adoption of revised Title I Parent Involvement Policy developed and approved by the District Advisory Council.
39. Board of Education Report No. 373 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
 Human Resources
 (Provisional Internship Permits) Approves request to apply for Provisional Internship Permits for 36 teachers.

40. Board of Education Report No. 387 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
 Business Services Division
 (Various Purchasing Transactions) Ratifies regular purchase orders and other transactions for approximately \$55 million and approves purchase orders for cafeteria meal tickets, paper, 5 technology work orders and authorizes utilization of contracts already in effect for gym equipment and plumbing products.
41. Board of Education Report No. 388 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
 Human Resources
 (Routine Personnel Actions) Approves 13,743 routine personnel actions such as promotions, transfers, leaves, etc.
42. Board of Education Report No. 389 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
 Human Resources
 (Nonroutine Personnel Actions)) Approves the dismissal of 7 classified employees, the amendment of the Statement of Charges of a previous dismissal, and the rescission of the dismissal of 3 classified employees.
43. Board of Education Report No. 390 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
 Accounting and Disbursements Division
 (Report of Warrants Issued, Request to Reissue Stale Dated Warrant, and Donations of Money)
 Approves warrants for things such as salary payments for a total value of approximately \$822 million and the acceptance of donations to schools.
44. Board of Education Report No. 391 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
 Risk Management and Insurance Services
 (Liability Insurance Claims) Ratifies employee reimbursement for losses of approximately \$20,000, payment of claims and legal fees for \$210,000, the payment of worker’s compensation claims for \$7.8 million, rejection of claims, collection of reimbursement from third parties for approximately \$9,000, and the payment of premiums and claims for the District’s Health Benefit Program of approximately \$60 million.

Board Members Resolutions

Action

45. Mr. Lansing, Ms. LaMotte – School Site Security Staffing (Notice March 28, 2006)
POSTPONED TO REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON 5-9-06

Whereas, It is the intent of the Los Angeles Unified School District to provide safe schools for its students and employees to attend; and

Whereas, Parents and community members look to a principal for maintaining the safety and security of a school campus; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That ~~all~~ secondary school principals have the option of substituting two School Safety Officers for a second ~~Campus~~ Police Officer to be reassigned to a school based on current District policy;

Resolved further, That all three-hour campus aides provided by the District and charged with supervision and security duties be increased to six-hours with support from the principal;

Resolved further, That increased funding for security at schools be ongoing and incorporated into the District's 2006-07 budget;

Resolved further, That all six-hour campus aides receive basic training that includes clear guidelines for interacting with students and staff and a be uniform in appearance so as to be easily identifiable to parents and students as a campus aide; from the Los Angeles School Police Department; and be it finally

Resolved further, That evaluation of campus police officers be shared by the Area Sergeant and school principal using a process developed by the Personnel Commission and the Los Angeles School Police Department;

Resolved further, That any issues which cannot be implemented due to contractual restrictions be included in upcoming negotiations with appropriate labor units; and be it finally

Resolved, That the School Safety, Student Health and Human Services and Human Relations Committees receive periodic updates on the progress of implementation.

46. Mr. Lauritzen – Charter Schools (Noticed April 4, 2006) **POSTPONED TO REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON 5-9-06**

Whereas, Under the California State Education Code, charter schools are recognized as legal entities that are required to be reviewed and approved if they plan to operate within a school district's boundaries;

Whereas, Charter schools are considered to be an important part of the public educational system, and were originally established to:

1. Improve pupil learning.
2. Increase learning opportunities for all pupils, with special emphasis on expanded learning experiences for pupils who are identified as academically low-achieving.
3. Encourage the use of different and innovative teaching methods.
4. Create new professional development opportunities for teachers, including the opportunity to be responsible for the learning program at the school site.
5. Provide parents and pupils with expanded choices in the types of educational opportunities that are available within the public school system.

6. Hold the schools established under this part accountable for meeting measurable pupil outcomes, and provide the schools with a method to change from rule-based to performance-based accountability.
7. Provide vigorous competition within the public school system to stimulate continual improvements in all public schools.

Whereas, The Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District has approved or will soon approve an unprecedented 100 charter schools, which place a tremendous work load on our charter office in terms of oversight and review;

Whereas, The District has had little opportunity to assess the effect of Charter schools in relation to traditional school enrollment, traditional school attendance, student selection, racial and socioeconomic balances, segregation of charter school students, and other potential impact areas; and

Whereas, The charter office and the Program Evaluation Research Branch need time to evaluate the value, performance and effect of charters on the district; now, therefore, be it

~~Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District declare a one-year moratorium, effective May 1, 2006, on the approval of new charter applications;~~

Resolved further, That the Superintendent be directed to restructure the charter office to provide better oversight and support to charters already approved by the Board;

Resolved further, That the Superintendent initiate a study of the effect of charter schools on the District, and evaluate best practices, both academically and fiscally, and present this report to the Board for review within 6 months; and be it finally

Resolved, That pending the findings of the study, the Superintendent present a comprehensive plan for possible implementation of the aforementioned best practices in our non-charter schools throughout the District. °

47. Mr. Tokofsky – Textbook Selection Process (Noticed April 4, 2006) **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

Whereas, Public schools are widely recognized as the foundation of a free and democratic society;

Whereas, The teaching of history and all social sciences along with the textbooks, methods and discussions in these courses form a core content of our public schools;

Whereas, The students of the Los Angeles Unified School District are among the most diverse in origin, race, aspirations and skills;

Whereas, The textbook selection process ought to inventory District teacher academic background, experience, majors, knowledge in order to determine which concerns teachers might have for professional support and training, and thus to inform the selection guidelines;

Whereas, The textbook selection process ought to require a coherent course long professional training from publishers meeting faculty needs and wants in order to enrich any text series selected and to better inform such a textbook selection;

Whereas, A course of study, a periodic assessment, and an end of course examination akin to the California Golden State exam has not been developed nor pursued at this point in the process;

Whereas, A comprehensive inventory of textbooks/publishers currently in use by secondary teachers and the academic and financial reasons for previous adoptions ought to inform any textbook selection process; and

Whereas, Empirical data involving result form state tests, AP exams, students reading levels, and other school districts successes shall guide selection; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the following policies, guidelines or textbooks listed (see Tab 2, Board of Education Report No. 338—05/06, Exhibit A, and beyond) guide local districts and schools in their selection process To approve the top three text of each middle school series and allow local districts to select a single choice. An individual school could request an exception to the local district choice. The exception would be decided by the local district superintendent, an appeal to that decision could be made to the Board of Education.

- ~~A. Advanced Placement courses instructors must select from either Exhibit A or any text referenced in College Board course syllabi or College Board course trainings, institutes or instructional support materials,~~
- ~~B. After a selection process that requires explicit references to a school and local districts' exam results and schools' needs, World History, U.S. History, Geography, Economics, and Government/Politics course instructors may select from any text that legally met state standards,~~
- ~~C. A 4th year of social studies, be added to the District high school curriculum as a 9th grade elective in ethnic studies, geography, psychology, anthropology, sociology or others listed in the approved electives list; and those textbook adoptions be forwarded within a month to the Board,~~
- ~~D. The middle school and elementary text and curriculum be sent to and be approved by the Board of Education prior to May 1, and~~
- ~~E. The History Alive text be ascribed as a supplemental series.°~~

48. Mr. Tokofsky – Classified School Employees' Week (Noticed April 18, 2006) **ADOPTED**

Whereas, Classified professionals provide valuable services to the schools and students of the Los Angeles Unified School District;

Whereas, Classified professionals contribute to the establishment and promotion of a positive instructional environment by often being the first touch point for families/community members entering a school;

Whereas, Classified professionals serve a vital role in providing for the welfare and safety of District students; and

Whereas, Classified professionals employed by the District strive for excellence in all areas relative to the educational community; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District hereby recognizes and wishes to honor the contribution of the classified professional to quality education in the State of California and in the Los Angeles Unified School District and declares the week of May 21-27, 2006, as Classified School Employees' Week in the District. °

49. Mr. Tokofsky – Support of District Students' Families and Opposition to H.R. 4437 (Noticed April 18, 2006) **ADOPTED**

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District is the second largest school district in the nation with over 720,000 students representing over 70 nations and speaking 86 languages in kindergarten through 12th grade;

Whereas, The District promotes the education of all regardless of immigration status, and recognizes the many contributions to the social, cultural, and economic life of California made by immigrants;

Whereas, The District guarantees equal education to all children in the District regardless of their immigration status;

Whereas, The District has played a leading role in protecting the rights of immigrant students and their families and has consistently promoted tolerance and respect for the rights, free speech, and lives of all its children, including immigrants and their families; and

Whereas, United States Congress Member Sensenbrenner's H.R. 4437, "Border Protection, Antiterrorism and Illegal Immigration Control Act," includes protests and walkouts in the District and throughout the nation rather than encourages moderation and discourse; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District opposes the provisions of H.R. 4437 as passed by the House of Representatives and any other federal legislation aimed at criminalizing undocumented people and those who provide assistance to said people and that would result in the dispersal of families;

Resolved further, That the District supports legislation that establishes a meaningful process by which said people can gain legal residency and citizenship after they meet specified conditions;

Resolved further, That the Board supports legislation that reunites and strengthens the integrity of families; and be it finally

Resolved, That the Board declares that our communities are stronger because of the contributions of immigrants, and that the Board encourages and supports constructive public dialogue to promote better understanding between the various cultures and ethnic groups that make up the Los Angeles area, as well as greater recognition and understanding of the complexity of issues surrounding the matter of immigration policies and practices.

50. Mr. Tokofsky – Recognition of the National Days of Remembrance in Honor of Holocaust Victims, Survivors, Rescuers and Liberators April 23rd to April 30th, 2006 (Waiver of Board Rule 72) **FOR ACTION AT SPECIAL BOARD MEETING ON 5-2-06**

Whereas, The Holocaust was the state-sponsored, systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jewry by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945. Jews were the primary victims – six million were murdered; Gypsies, the handicapped, and Poles were also targeted for destruction or decimation for racial, ethnic or national reasons. Millions more, including homosexuals, Jehovah's Witnesses, Soviet prisoners of war and political, dissidents also suffered grievous oppression and death under Nazi tyranny;

Whereas, The history of the Holocaust offers an opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies, and governments;

Whereas, It has been nearly 60 years since the Holocaust yet to survivors, the Holocaust remains real and ever-present, but for some others, sixty years makes the Holocaust seem part of ancient history;

Whereas, On April 12, 1951, the Knesset (Israel's parliament) proclaimed Yom Hashoah U'Mered HaGetaot (Holocaust and Ghetto Revolt Remembrance Day) to be the 27th of Nissan. The name later became known as Yom Hashoah Ve Hagevurah (Devastation and Heroism Day) and even later simplified to Yom Hashoah;

Whereas, In Israel, the Knesset made Yom Hashoah a national public holiday in 1959 and in 1961 a law was passed that closed all public entertainment on Yom Hashoah. At ten in the morning, a siren is sounded where everyone stops what they are doing, pull over in their cars, and stand in remembrance;

Whereas, The Days of Remembrance were set aside by the United States Congress when it established the Days of Remembrance as our nation's annual commemoration of the victims of the Holocaust April 23–30, 2006 including the International Day of Remembrance known as Yom Hashoah, April 25th;

Whereas, Yom Hashoah has been observed with candlelighting, speakers, poems, teach-ins and singing;

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District family must always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution and tyranny;

Whereas, We in the District community should actively rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

Whereas, It is incumbent upon those who educate students for the future to illuminate the past, including its darkest hours so that such horrors are not repeated; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District joins communities, organizations, and countries around the world in recognizing April 23–30, 2006, as Days of Remembrance in memory of the victims of the Holocaust, and in honor of the survivors, as well as the rescuers and liberators, and further proclaim that we shall continue working to overcome intolerance and indifference through learning and remembrance.

Initial Announcements

51. Ms. Korenstein, Mr. Lauritzen – Support of SB 840 (Kuehl), California Health Insurance Reliability Act (CHIRA)

Whereas, Research has identified an indisputable link between students' physical and emotional health and their academic achievement;

Whereas, Skyrocketing health care costs are threatening the solvency of pension funds and placing undue economic strain on public and private entities at the local, state, and national levels;

Whereas, Health plans and insurance companies have reaped windfall profits from the premiums they have established while failing to stabilize costs and develop reliable standards for service delivery;

Whereas, Even where health insurance coverage is available, individuals and health care providers face a bewildering array of programs, out-of-pocket costs, and administrative barriers that hinder the delivery of effective and affordable treatment, often creating inferior outcomes while escalating costs;

Whereas, Previous, piecemeal approaches to this crisis have not only failed to establish universal, comprehensive, affordable health care for Californians, but have even further complicated an already fragmented, profoundly inequitable system;

Whereas, California, as a bell-weather state, can set the example for a socially responsible and fiscally sound system that affords universal access without raising costs by creating greater efficiencies through a single-payer administrative process;

Whereas, A January 2005 analysis of the proposed Health Care for All Californians Act, SB 921, the initial version of Senator Kuehl's single-payer health care bill, conducted by the Lewin Group, has confirmed that passage of such a bill would allow all Californians to receive effective and comprehensive health care, while reducing the costs borne by individuals, government, and business; and

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District can achieve an estimated savings in the hundreds of millions of dollars if SB 840 is implemented; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of The Los Angeles Unified School District affirms its support for a single-payer universal health care plan for California residents, and encourages the California Legislature to work for passage of SB 840, the California Health Insurance Reliability Act (CHIRA).

52. Mr. Lansing - Measure Y Innovation Fund

Whereas, Measures K and R provided a total of \$30 million in Joint-Use funding to be shared equally between new and existing facilities, which has resulted in several new projects and partnerships (LAUSD Joint-Use Program resolution (Lansing), September 27, 2005);

Whereas, The Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District also approved language stating that any future joint-use funding would support partnerships on existing as well as newly constructed schools using the principles outlined in the District Joint-Use Program resolution and existing District policy; and

Whereas, The Board set aside \$90 million in Measure Y bond funding to promote “innovative” projects in the areas of joint-use, small learning communities and charter schools; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That Measure Y Innovation Funding in the amount of \$30 million be set aside for the purpose of joint-use partnerships with community organizations and municipalities and dispersed according to current District policy.

Correspondence and Petitions

53. Report of Correspondence including Williams Settlement Uniform Complaint - Quarterly Report Summary **PUBLIC HEARING** **APPROVED**

Miscellaneous

Approval of Minutes **APPROVED**

54. 10:30 a.m., Regular Meeting, January 25, 2005
3 p.m., Special Meeting, November 15, 2005
10 a.m., Regular Meeting, January 10, 2006
11 a.m., Regular Meeting, February 14, 2006
10 a.m., Special Closed Session Meeting, March 21, 2006
3 p.m., Special Meeting, March 21, 2006
9:30 a.m., Special Meeting, March 28, 2006
12:30 p.m., Special Meeting, March 30, 2006
10 a.m., Special Closed Session Meeting, April 4, 2006
11 a.m., Special Closed Session Meeting, April 18, 2006

This Week in Education

Announcements

Committee of the Whole regarding Early Education Improvement Plan Phase II – 10 a.m. on April 27, 2006

Select Committee on the Modified Chanda Smith Consent Decree rescheduled from 1 p.m. to 10 a.m. on May 25

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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