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**Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District**  
**Board of Education Meeting**  
**MINUTES**

**April 3, 2008**

A regular meeting of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education was held on Thursday, April 3, 2008, in the District Administrative Offices: 1651 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Santa Monica, CA. The Board of Education called the meeting to order at 4:16 p.m. in the Board Conference Room at the District Offices: 1651 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Santa Monica, CA. At 4:17 p.m., the Board of Education moved to Closed Session regarding the items listed below. The public meeting reconvened at 6:02 p.m. in the Board Room.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

- A. Roll Call
- B. Pledge of Allegiance

**II. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY**

**III. CLOSED SESSION:**

- Receipt of recommendation for approval of the proposed settlement cases pursuant to GC §54956.9 (b), as cited in the Brown Act:  
DN-1065-07/08
- Conference with Superintendent regarding 2007-2008 Strategies for Negotiations with S.E.I.U. pursuant to GC §54957.6 as cited in the Brown Act.
- Conference with Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents regarding District Non-Represented Employees (management and confidential) pursuant to GC §54957.6, as cited in the Brown Act.
- Public Employee, to consider appointment, employment, performance evaluation, or dismissal of employee pursuant to GC §54957, as cited in the Brown Act (2 cases).

**IV. BOARD OF EDUCATION – COMMENDATIONS / RECOGNITIONS**

- Will Rogers Learning Community

*Ms. Lori Whitesell, PTA President at Will Rogers, reported that a new PTA President for the 2008-09 school year was elected last night. She thanked the board and district staff for listening to the needs of the school – the school has been painted, grass has been installed in front of the school, and the need for a multipurpose room has been acknowledged. She commended the incredibly dedicated staff, parents, Superintendent, district staff, and the board. Megan Franky, a math consultant from UCLA, has been reported as saying that nowhere in her other assignments does she see the level of achievement that she sees at Will Rogers. Ms. Whitesell reported that SMART Boards are being used throughout all the curriculum fields. She asked the board to help the school move towards being a designated math and science academy.*

*Principal Irma Lyons reported on the vibrancy at Will Rogers. She said that one of their teachers has been selected to be a teacher of teachers in LAUSD. Ms. Lyons showed a presentation on cognition. (The presentation can be found under Attachments at the end of the agenda.) Assistant Principal Mary Anna Novek introduced 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher Sarah Braff. Ms. Braff demonstrated how students are solving mathematical problems in a unique way. Five of her students were invited to take the Johns Hopkins University*

*test for elementary school children. She thanked Ms. Lyons and Ms. Novek for their gall and determination in getting successful programs implemented at the school. Ms. Lyons reported that this year, one of the students finished the Johns Hopkins test in record time, and he had the highest score. Fifth grade teachers Darwin Mendinueto and Sitara Contreras asked the board members to examine a specific problem from a fifth grade assessment. Mr. Mendinueto explained how students decompose numbers when solving problems. Ms. Contreras explained how her students solve the math problems using different strategies. Ms. Novek introduced Pam Drescher, who is working part time with the science lab. Ms. Drescher reported that the students are showing as much creativity in the science lab as they are showing in the math classes. Ms. Lyons then explained how new technologies help the students understand concepts, reason through problems, and present their ideas. Students are accustomed to sharing their thinking processes regarding problem solving. The fifth grade classrooms went to UCLA's science labs, where students worked with UCLA graduate students in the science lab. As a result, many of the elementary school students were inspired to attend UCLA when they got older. Students are now saying that they love math.*

*Ms. Pye asked them to explain the math and literature summer event. Ms. Sitara announced that the UCLA Young Writers and Mathematicians 2008 Summer Institutes would be held from July 7<sup>th</sup> through July 25<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Leon-Vazquez asked that the topic of Will Rogers becoming a math and science academy be agendized in the future. Ms. Talarico expressed her belief that Will Rogers has the highest level of professional development in the district. She commended the teaching staff for having the courage to take risks. Mr. Mechur applauded the Will Rogers staff for laying the groundwork for students to better understand more complicated math, like algebra. Mr. de la Torre said he was impressed with the questions and comments from fourth and fifth graders when he visited the campus.*

- Santa Monica High School Boys' Varsity Soccer Team – Division I CIF Southern California Regional Champions

*Board President de la Torre announced that the SAMOHI Varsity Boys' Soccer Team won the Division I CIF Southern California Regional Champions. The Superintendent said that she attended the semifinal and final game and was very impressed. Board President de la Torre congratulated the team on behalf of the board. One of the Team Captains, Nicholas Ferro, thanked the board and public for the acknowledgements. He thanked the community for helping to mold the team members into the gentlemen that they are. He explained why he brought a helmet to each game and to tonight's meeting: In the middle of the season, the mother of one of his teammates passed away. The helmet was one of the last gifts that the mother gave to her son, and Nicholas brings the helmet to games to honor her memory.*

## **V. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

*It was moved by Ms. Pye, seconded by Mr. Snell, and voted 7/0 to approve the agenda with the Update. The board agreed to time stamp Discussion Item No. D.01 for 8:00pm.*

## VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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	March 5, 2008	
	March 13, 2008	

## VII. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent agenda items are considered routine, as agreed by the President, Vice President and Superintendent, requiring no discussion, and are normally all approved at one time by the Board of Education. However, members of the Board of Education, staff, or the public may request an item be removed from the consent agenda for clarification and/or discussion. Consideration will occur during Section XI (Major Items).

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Public Comments is the time when members of the audience may address the Board of Education on items not scheduled on the meeting's agenda. All speakers are limited to three (3) minutes. When there are a large number of speakers, the Board may reduce the allotted time to two (2) minutes per speaker. The Brown Act (Government Code) states that Board members may not engage in discussion of issues raised during “VIII, Public Comments” except to ask clarifying questions, make a brief announcement, make a brief report on his or her own activities, or to refer the matter to staff. This Public Comment section is limited to 20 minutes. If the number of persons wishing to address the Board of Education exceeds the time limit, additional time will be provided in Section XVI, CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS.

- *Margarita Gonzalez, a member of the community, addressed the board regarding her daughter's graduation diploma. Superintendent Talarico clarified that staff has spoken with her, but that she can appeal the decision.*

## IX. COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications section provides an opportunity for the Board of Education to hear reports from the individuals or Committee representative listed below. All reports are limited to 5 minutes or less. However, if more time is necessary, or if a report will not be presented, please notify the Board secretary eight workdays prior to the date of the meeting.

7:00 pm

### **A. Student Board Member Reports**

Alec Richker – Santa Monica High School – *no report*  
Kristen Lambert – Malibu High School – *no report*  
John Shippey – Olympic High School – *no report*

**B. SMMCTA Update – Mr. Harry Keiley**

*Ms. Sarah Braff, SMMCTA Vice President, thanked the board and Superintendent for the independent review of the Special Education program. She thanked the district for being transparent and thanked Lou Barber & Associates. She said she was confident that the report would highlight the many positive aspects of the Special Education program and provide staff with areas that might need improvement. SMMCTA believes that the Small Schools Task Force has made some great progress this year and an Environmental/Tech High School is an appropriate theme for an alternative high school in SMMUSD. Ms. Braff said that SMMCTA would support a proposal that would empower the committee to continue to meet and further research the possibility of offering such a school in SMMUSD for the 2009-10 school year. Jenny Lipson, SMMCTA Secretary, commented on the Elementary Standards Based Report Card. She suggested amendments be made for the 2009-10 school year, and that SMMCTA leadership would be meeting with the Superintendent regarding this issue. CTA leadership will be meeting to discuss possible actions to address budget cuts in California. Ms. Lipson encouraged the board to rescind the six teacher layoffs if enrollment numbers increase.*

**C. S.E.I.U. Update – Ms. Keryl Cartee-McNeely – no report**

**D. PTA Council President Report – Rebecca Kennerly**

*Ms. Kennerly said she was grateful that the PTA Council was included in the selection process to chose Lou Barber & Associates for the Special Education review. She said she was interested in hearing the Superintendent's recommendations in response to the report at a future meeting. She was also interested in hearing about Discussion Item No. D.02 and the district's technology plan. The State PTA has implemented a program called Flunk Budget in response to the state's budget cuts to education. Ms. Kennerly acknowledged Dr. Kathy Wisnicki and her dedication to the PTA Council. She wished her good luck in the Malibu City Council election next week. PTA Council has asked President de la Torre to be the board liaison for next year.*

**E. Financial Oversight Committee – no report**

**F. Measure “BB” Advisory Committee – no report**

**X. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

*Superintendent Talarico asked for board member volunteers to participate in ad hoc committee for the Joint Use Agreements. Ralph Mechur, Maria Leon-Vazquez, and Oscar de la Torre volunteered, with Kelly Pye as an alternate.*

*Ms. Talarico announced that SAMOHI was named as a Grammy Foundation 2008 Signature School for its outstanding commitment to music education. Only fourteen high schools in the nation were selected for this honor. Each of the fourteen schools will receive an award and a monetary grant to benefit its music program; SAMOHI is receiving \$1,000. Ms. Talarico explained that the selection process begins in September when more than 20,000 public high schools receive notification of application information. She congratulated the staff and students at SAMOHI.*

## **MAJOR and DISCUSSION Items**

*As a general rule, items under MAJOR and DISCUSSION will be listed in order of importance as determined by the President, Vice President and Superintendent. Individual Board members may move to request a change in the order prior to consideration of any Major item. The Board may also move any of these items out of order to be heard immediately following PUBLIC COMMENTS if it appears that there is special interest by the public or as a courtesy to staff members making presentations to the Board.*

### **XI. MAJOR ITEMS**

These items are considered to be of major interest and/or importance and are presented for **ACTION (A)** or **INFORMATION (I)** at this time. Many have been reviewed by the Board at a previous meeting under the Discussion Items section of the agenda.

7:11 pm

- A.11 Amend Resolution No. 07-15 – Regarding the Nonreelection of Certificated Probationary Employees Serving in Certificated Staffing Positions Pursuant to Intern Credentials, Short-Term Staffing Permits, Provisional Internship Permits, Special Temporary Certificates, State-Issued Waivers and/or Emergency Permits..... 20-24
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- A.15 Approve Recommendations Regarding Staffing Allocation and Reductions for the 2008-2009 School Year..... 31-33

7:42 pm

### **XII. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

These items are submitted for information (FIRST READING) and discussion. Action will generally be considered at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.

8:20 pm

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These items are submitted by individual Board members for information or discussion, as per Board Policy 8320(b).

### **XV. REQUESTS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC OR DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEES TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

These items are submitted by members of the public to address the Board of Education on a matter within the jurisdiction of the Board, as per Board Policy 8320(c). Requests must be submitted to the Superintendent in writing ten days before the Board meeting or prior to agenda planning, in accordance with the established agenda planning schedule, whichever is less. The written request will not exceed 500 words and will include, as an attachment, brief background information and the reason for the request.

#### **XVI. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS**

A continuation of Section VIII, as needed. (If the number of persons wishing to address the Board of Education exceeds the time limit in section VIII, additional time will be provided in Section **XVI, CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS.**)

#### **XVII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Board Member Comments is the section where a Board member may make a brief announcement or make a brief report on his or her own activities relative to Board business. There can be no discussion under "BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS."

#### **XVIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Items for future consideration will be listed with the projected date of consideration. The Board of Education will be given any backup information available at this time.

- *Budget Study Workshop (discussion on 4/7/08)*
- *Small Schools Task Force Report (discussion on 4/17/08)*
- *Equity Fund Policy (discussion on 4/17/08)*
- *Math Instruction and Achievement (discussion on 4/17/08)*

#### **XIX. CLOSED SESSION**

The Board of Education will, if appropriate, adjourn to CLOSED SESSION to complete discussion on items listed for CLOSED SESSION following the regular business meeting.

#### **XX. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Dr. Escarce, seconded by Dr. Wisnicki, and voted 7/0 to adjourn the public session and return to closed session at 10:32 p.m. Closed Session was adjourned at 11:25 p.m. The next meeting, a workshop regarding the budget, will be held on **Monday, April 7, 2008, at 4:00 p.m.** in the **District Administrative Offices: 1651 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Santa Monica, CA.**

Approved: 4-17-08

  
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President

  
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Superintendent

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**Meetings held at the District Office and in Malibu are taped and rebroadcast  
in Santa Monica on CityTV2, Cable Channel 20 - Check TV listing.**

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# SMMUSD Board of Education Meeting Schedule 2007-2008

## Public Meetings begin at 5:30pm

July through December 2007					
Month	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	Special Note:
July		7/12 DO	7/19* DO		*Special Meeting
August		8/9 DO		8/23 DO	8/29: Board Retreat
September	9/6 DO			9/27 DO	9/4: Board Retreat 9/29: Closed Session
October	10/4 M		10/18 SM	10/25* DO	10/1: Brd Retreat 10/2: Special Mtg *Special Meeting
November	11/1 M		11/15 SM	11/30 WHERE (5th Thurs)	Thanksgiving 11/22-23
December		12/13 DO		winter break	12/10: Board Retreat
December 24 – 31: Winter Break					
January through June 2008					
January 1 – 4: Winter Break					
January	winter break		1/17 DO	1/31 WHERE (5th Thurs)	
February	2/7 M	2/11* DO	2/21 SM	2/26* DO 2/27* DO	*Special Meeting (DO)
March	3/5* DO	3/13 DO	spring break	spring break	*Special Meeting (DO) Stairway 3/6 & 3/7
March 17 – 28: Spring Break					
April	4/3 DO		4/17 SM		4/7: Special Meeting (DO) 4/12: Board Retreat (SAMOHI) 4/16: Special Meeting (DO) 4/24: Board Retreat (DO)
May	5/1 M		5/15 SM	5/29 WHERE (5th Thurs)	
June	6/5 DO			6/26 DO	Last day of school 6/20

District Office (DO): 1651 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Santa Monica.

Malibu City Council Chambers (M): 23815 Stuart Ranch Road, Malibu, CA

Santa Monica City Council Chambers (SM): 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica.

**Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District  
Board of Education  
April 3, 2008**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**4:16pm**

4:17pm

6:02pm

A. Roll Call

Oscar de la Torre – President  
Jose Escarce – Vice President

Maria Leon-Vazquez  
Ralph Mechur  
Kelly Pye  
Barry Snell  
Kathy Wisnicki

Student Board Members

Alec Richker, Santa Monica High School – *excused absence*  
Kristen Lambert, Malibu High School – *excused absence*  
John Shippey, Olympic High School – *excused absence*

B. Pledge of Allegiance

*Led by Dr. Wisnicki.*

**II. CLOSED SESSION**

*President de la Torre reported out of Closed Session: moved by Dr. Escarce, seconded by Dr. Wisnicki, and voted 7/0 to approve the following settlement cases pursuant to GC §54956.9 (b), as cited in the Brown Act:*

*DN-1065-07/08*

*The total district commitment toward these settlements is \$439.00.*



TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FROM: DIANNE TALARICO  
RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION  
04/03/08

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.01

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Minutes:

March 5, 2008  
March 13, 2008

MOTION MADE BY: Mr. Snell  
SECONDED BY: Mr. Mechur  
STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A  
AYES: All (7)  
NOES: None (0)

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## **CONSENT ITEMS**

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/CONSENT

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / CHIUNG-SALLY CHOU / MAUREEN BRADFORD

RE: APPROVAL OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.02

It is recommended that the Board of Education enter into an agreement with the following Independent Contractors. These contracts are included in the 2007/2008 budget.

<b>Contractor/ Contract Dates</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Site</b>	<b>Funding</b>
Marcela Avila 3/5/07 to 6/30/08 Not to exceed: \$450	To provide monthly parent meetings on various topics on how to be a parent of a teen today.	Olympic	01-709000-0-47600- 10000-5802-014-4140
Jill Strong 3/7/08 Not to exceed: \$489	Demonstrate jump rope skills to six classes of students on 3/6/08	John Adams	01-90150-0-11100- 10000-5802-011-4110

MOTION MADE BY: Ms. Pye  
SECONDED BY: Ms. Leon-Vazquez  
STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A  
AYES: All (7)  
NOES: None (0)

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/CONSENT

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / CHIUNG-SALLY CHOU / MAUREEN BRADFORD

RE: OVERNIGHT FIELDRIP(S) 2007-2008

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.03

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the special field trip(s) listed below for students for the 2007-2008 school year. No child will be denied due to financial hardship.

<b>School Grade # students</b>	<b>Destination Dates of Trip</b>	<b>Principal/Teacher</b>	<b>Cost Funding Source</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Purpose Of Field Trip</b>
Samohi 9-12 5	Seward, Alaska 4/23/08 to 4/29/08	Ingo Gaida	No fee. The students have won the right to compete in this competition. All expenses being paid by the Department of Energy, NOAA, and NASA	Science	The students will be competing in the National Ocean Sciences Bowl Competition.
Samohi 9-12 4	Washington DC 4/30/08 to 5/6/08	Ingo Gaida	No fee. The students have won the right to compete in this competition. All expenses being paid by the Department of Energy, NOAA, and NASA	Science	The students will be competing in the National Science Bowl.
Samohi 9-12 4	Chicago 5/22/08 to 5/26/08	Ingo Gaida	No fee. The students have won the right to compete in this competition. All expenses being paid by the Department of Energy, JPL, and NASA	Science	The students will be competing in the National Quiz Bowl.

Samohi 9-12 140	London, England  12/27/08 to 1/3/09	Terry Sakow	\$2550/ paid for by parents and fund raising	Music	Performance in the London Parade Festival/2009
Rogers 5 90	LACOE Outdoor Science School  5/27/08 to 5/30/08	Irma Lyons	\$220/ paid for by parents and fund raising	Science	Outdoor Science School Trip

MOTION MADE BY: Ms. Pye  
 SECONDED BY: Ms. Leon-Vazquez  
 STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A  
 AYES: All (7)  
 NOES: None (0)

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/CONSENT

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / JANECE L. MAEZ / PAT HO

RE: CONFERENCE AND TRAVEL APPROVAL/RATIFICATION

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.04

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve/ratify the following Requests for Absence on District Business (Conference and Travel) forms.

COMMENTS: Entries are alphabetical, by employee last name. In addition to the employee's name and site/location, each entry contains the following information: name, location and date (s) of the conference, complete account code, fund and program names, and the total estimated cost as provided by the site administrator. The average cost for substitute teachers is \$130/day. This figure is furnished for informational purposes and does not reflect the actual amount paid for an individual substitute.)

<u>NAME</u> <u>SITE</u> Account Number Fund – Resource Number	CONFERENCE NAME LOCATION DATE (S)	COST ESTIMATE
<u>BARBA, Maricela</u> Fiscal Services 01-00000-0-00000-73100-5220-051-2510 General Fund- <b>Function:</b> Conference and Travel.	Conquering District Budgets Garden Grove, CA April 3, 2008	\$200
<u>BLANCHARD, Cecile</u> Adams Middle 01-61610-0-11100-10000-5220-011-4110 General Fund- <b>Resource:</b> Arts and Music Block Grant	American Choral Directors' Association Conference/Convention Anaheim, CA February 27 –March 1, 2008	\$480 +1 Sub 2 days
<u>KRATZER, Cindy</u> Ed Services	CRP Training and Publisher Presentations Sacramento, CA April 7- 11, 2008	\$0 Paid by the State
<u>MAYORAL, Eva</u> Santa Monica High 01-73960-0-11100-10000-5220-015-4150 General Fund- <b>Resource:</b> Discretionary BL-School Site	2008 3 <sup>rd</sup> Biennial Education Trust West Conference San Francisco, CA February 24 - 26, 2008	\$999
<u>SAWAYA, Sherri</u> Adult Ed Center 11-62850-0-41100-10000-5220-095-2950 Adult Ed- <b>Resource:</b> Community Based Engl.	Effective Strategies for Accent Reductions Los Angeles, CA February 1, 2008	\$287
<u>WAX, Wendy</u> Santa Monica High 01-73960-0-11100-10000-5220-015-4150 General Fund- <b>Resource:</b> Discretionary BL-School Site	Personnel Institute Pomona, CA February 27-29, 2008	\$1,000

<u>YOUNG, Wilbert</u> Personnel Commission 01-00000-0-00000-77400-5220-027-2270 General Fund- <b>Function:</b> Personnel/Human Resources	Southern California Public Management Association- Human Resources Cerritos, CA April 24 -25, 2008	\$250
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<b>Adjustments</b> (Preapproved expenses 10% in excess of approved costs that must be approved by Board/Changes in Personnel Attendance)		
<b>NONE</b>		

**Group Conference and Travel: In-State**  
*\* a complete list of conference participants is on file in the Department of Fiscal Services*

<u>DIDION, Kelley</u> <u>GWYN, Melinda</u> Point Dume Elementary	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Sea World Field Trip San Diego, CA March 12 – 14, 2008	\$0
<u>FREIMAN ROSS, Susan</u> +7 Additional Staff Special Education 01-56400-0-00000-39000-5220-041-1400 General Fund- <b>Resource:</b> Medi-Cal Billing Option	Asperger Syndrome Pasadena, CA May 2, 2008	\$1,500 TOTAL
<u>MACON, Tristen</u> <u>SNOW, Angie</u> Roosevelt Elementary 01-40460-0-19100-10000-5220-035-1300 General Fund- <b>Resource:</b> Title II Part D ETT	CUE Conference Palm Springs, CA March 6, 2008	\$405 TOTAL + 1 Sub

**Out-of-State Conferences: Individual**

<u>WALKER, Timothy</u> District/Special Education 01-56400-0-00000-39000-5220-041-1400 General Fund- <b>Resource:</b> Medi-Cal Billing Option	Legal Issues on Educating Children With Disabilities Charlotte, NC May 4 – 7, 2008	\$3,000 TOTAL
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**Out-of-State Conferences: Group**

<b><u>NONE</u></b>		
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MOTION MADE BY: Ms. Pye  
 SECONDED BY: Ms. Leon-Vazquez  
 STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A  
 AYES: All (7)  
 NOES: None (0)

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/MAJOR

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / TIMOTHY R. WALKER / RUTH VALADEZ

RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACTS - 2007-2008

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.05

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Special Education Contracts for fiscal year 2007-2008 as follows:

NPS/NPA

2007-2008 Budget 01-65000-0-57500-11800-5125-043-1400

<b>Nonpublic School/Agency</b>	<b>Student DOB</b>	<b>Service Description</b>	<b>Contract Number</b>	<b>Cost Not to Exceed</b>
Oakgrove Institute - rate increase	6/3/92	NPS	#11 - UC08011	\$ 45
Heritage School - transportation	2/6/92	NPS	#43 - UC08274	\$ 1,200
Provo Canyon School	12/27/94	NPS	#46	\$ 13,680
Smart Start	10/20/92	Behavior Therapy	#57	\$ 14,400
Smart Start	5/6/94	Behavior Consultation	#58	\$ 1,000

Amount Budgeted NPS/NPA 07/08	\$ 3,000,000
Prior Board Authorization as of 3/13/08	\$ 2,627,579
Prior Board Authorization for Instructional Aides	\$ 68,145
Prior Board Authorization for Speech Therapy	\$ 130,739
Prior Board Authorization for Occupational Therapy	\$ 103,310
Balance	\$ 70,227
Positive Adjustment (See Below)	\$ 0
Total Amount for these Contracts	\$ 30,325
Balance	\$ 39,902

Adjustment					
NPA/NPS Budget 01-65000-0-57500-11800-5125-043-1400					
There has been a reduction in authorized expenditures of NPS/NPA contracts for FY 2007-08 in the amount of \$ 0 as of 4/3/08					
<b>NPA/NPS</b>	<b>Service Description</b>	<b>Contract Number</b>	<b>Reduce (R) Eliminate (E)</b>	<b>Adjusted Amount</b>	<b>Comment</b>



Instructional Consultants

2006-2007 Budget 01-65000-0-57500-11900-5802-043-1400

Instructional Consultant	Student DOB	Service Description	Contract Number	Cost Not to Exceed
Samantha Fogel	Various	DHH-Progress Reports	#79	\$ 210
The Speech Therapy Group	9/9/02	Speech Assessment	#80	\$ 1,125

Amount Budgeted Instructional Consultants 07/08	\$ 350,000
Prior Board Authorization as of 3/13/08	\$ 441,475
Prior Board Authorization for Occupational Therapy	\$ 52,297
Balance	\$ -143,772

Positive Adjustment	\$ 300
(See Below)	\$

Total Amount for these Contracts	\$ 1,335
Balance	\$ -144,807

Adjustment					
Instructional Consultant Budget 01-65000-0-57500-11900-5802-043-1400					
There has been a reduction in authorized expenditures of Instructional Consultants contracts for FY 2007/08 in the amount of \$300 as of 4/3/08					
Instructional Consultant	Service Description	Contract Number	Reduce (R) Eliminate (E)	Adjusted Amount	Comment
Samantha Fogel	DHH Assessment	#7 - UC08054	E	\$ 300	

Non-Instructional Consultants

2007-2008 Budget 01-65000-0-57500-11900-5890-043-1400

Non-Instructional Consultant	Student DOB	Service Description	Contract Number	Cost Not to Exceed
Parent Reimbursement	12/30/94	Transportation	#21	\$ 251

Amount Budgeted Non-Instructional Consultants 07/08	\$ 225,000
Prior Board Authorization as of 3/13/08	\$ 146,575
Balance	\$ 78,425

Total Amount for these Contracts	\$ 251
Balance	\$ 78,174

NPS-Legal

2007-2008 Budget 01-65000-0-57500-11900-5820-043-1400

Legal Contractor	Service Description	Contract Number	Cost Not to Exceed

Amount Budgeted Legal Services 07/08		\$ 195,000
Prior Board Authorization as of 3/13/08		\$ 200,000
	Balance	\$ -15,000
Total Amount for these Contracts		\$ 0
	Balance	\$ -15,000

COMMENT: According to the Education Code SEC.21 Section 56342, prior to recommending a new or continued placement in a non-public, non-sectarian school, the Individualized Education Program (IEP) Team must submit the proposed recommendation to the local governing board for its review and recommendation regarding the cost of such placement.

The recommendation for these severely handicapped students are made by the District IEP Teams in accordance with State and Federal laws. The mandates of IDEA require non-public school services be provided at no expense to parents if there is not an appropriate public school program available. Funding to come from a SELPA-wide non-public school/non-public agency reserve account.

MOTION MADE BY: Ms. Pye  
 SECONDED BY: Ms. Leon-Vazquez  
 STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A  
 AYES: All (7)  
 NOES: None (0)

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/CONSENT

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / JANECE L. MAEZ / VIRGINIA I. HYATT

RE: AWARD OF PURCHASE ORDERS - 2007-2008

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.06

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Purchase Orders and Changed Purchase Orders from March 4, 2008, through March 11, 2008, for fiscal /08.

MOTION MADE BY: Ms. Pye  
SECONDED BY: Ms. Leon-Vazquez  
STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A  
AYES: All (7)  
NOES: None (0)

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PO NO.	VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	AMOUNT	
<u>*** CHANGED PURCHASE ORDERS ***</u>					
815507	ANDERSON PLYWOOD SALES INC	PRICE CHANGE	MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	30.53	R
815518	APPERSON PRINT MANAGEMENT SVCS	PRICE INCREASE	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	43.26	R
** CHANGED PURCHASE ORDERS TOTAL:				73.79	
<u>*** NEW PURCHASE ORDERS ***</u>					
815614	AARDVARK CLAY	OPEN ORDER/CLAY	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	150.29	CD
814874	ANZA RENTS	CHAIRS FOR GRADUATION	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	1,175.00	R
815313	APPLE COMPUTER CORP	COMPUTER SUPPLIES	OLYMPIC CONTINUATION SCHOOL	192.69	R
815398	APPLE COMPUTER CORP	COMPUTER SOFTWARE	JOHN ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL	42.22	R
815488	ASCD	BOOKS	LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL	102.88	R
815599	AVON CAR RENTAL	TRANSPORTATION	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	700.00	R
815511	BARNES & NOBLE/SANTA MONICA	BOOKS FOR TRISTEN MACON	STATE AND FEDERAL PROJECTS	794.73	R
815170	BORDERS BOOKS & MUSIC	OPEN ORDER/BOOKS/LANGUAGE ARTS	JOHN ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL	265.59	R
815647	BORDERS BOOKS & MUSIC	BOOKS/ENGLISH DEPT.	JOHN ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL	183.00	R
815612	CALUMET PHOTOGRAPHICS INC	ROP/PHOTOGRAPHY BACKGROUND	R O P	2,064.68	R
815514	CARRIER SALES & DISTRIBUTION	OPEN ORDER-HVAC/CARRIER PARTS	FACILITY MAINTENANCE	2,000.00	R
815495	CHEVRON U.S.A. INC.	GAS FOR MAINT VEHICLES-FEB 08	FACILITY MAINTENANCE	1,950.58	R
815600	CHEVRON U.S.A. INC.	OPEN ORDER OPERATIONS GAS	GROUND MAINTENANCE	1,200.00	R
815549	CITY OF SANTA MONICA-ACCTG OFF	OPEN ORDER-DUMP FEE CHARGES	FACILITY MAINTENANCE	3,000.00	U
815501	CITY OF SANTA MONICA-PKS/REC	FIELD TRIP/SWIMMING	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	357.50	CD
815466	CONSTRUCTION SERVICES CO	ASPHALT SLAB-SAMOH	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	4,000.00	DF
815417	CORPORATE EXPRESS	OFFICE SUPPLIES	BUSINESS SERVICES	40.00	R
815576	CORPORATE EXPRESS	COPY PAPER	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	371.51	U
815606	CORPORATE EXPRESS	Open Supplies	INFORMATION SERVICES	1,000.00	U
815648	CORPORATE EXPRESS	SCIENCE SUPPLIES	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	386.83	R
815499	CORPORATE EXPRESS/US OFFICE	SUPPLIES	STUDENT SERVICES	1,082.50	U
815504	CORPORATE EXPRESS/US OFFICE	PENCIL SHARPENER	EDISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	40.28	U
815534	CORPORATE EXPRESS/US OFFICE	OPEN ORDER/OFFICE SUPPLIES	ADULT EDUCATION CENTER	200.00	A
815594	CORPORATE EXPRESS/US OFFICE	OFFICE FURNITURE/BARNUM	BUSINESS SERVICES	1,558.80	R
815641	CORPORATE EXPRESS/US OFFICE	OPEN ORDER/COPIER PAPER	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2,950.00	R
815468	CULVER NEWLIN	TBLS & UMBRELLAS FOR SCH.GARD	FOOD SERVICES	1,886.58	R
815515	DAILY BREEZE,THE	LEGAL ADS	BUSINESS SERVICES	290.76	EX
815420	DISCOUNT SCHOOL SUPPLY	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	238.64	CD
815556	DISCOUNT SCHOOL SUPPLY	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	168.71	CD
815616	DISCOUNT SCHOOL SUPPLY	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	200.97	CD
815661	DISCOUNT SCHOOL SUPPLY	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	300.55	CD
815481	DOWNEY GLASS CO	OPEN ORDER-GLAZING SUPPLIES	FACILITY MAINTENANCE	1,200.00	R
815471	DURAY/JF DUNCAN INDUSTRIES	HOT CABINETS FOR CDS	FOOD SERVICES	5,607.35	F
815537	EAI EDUCATION	Supplies for 2nd. grade class	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	878.94	R
815449	EDUCATIONAL IMPRESSIONS INC	INST SUP/7TH TEAM	JOHN ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL	132.32	R
815601	EWING IRRIGATION PRODUCTS	OPEN ORDER GROUNDS IRRIGATION	GROUND MAINTENANCE	1,500.00	R
815470	EXECUTIVE ENVIRONMENTAL	HAZMAT ANALYSIS - PT.DUME	FACILITY MAINTENANCE	1,109.20	DF
815512	EXECUTIVE ENVIRONMENTAL	WATER INTRUSION-JAMS RM 89	FACILITY MAINTENANCE	289.03	U
815533	F & E HEDMAN - L.A. INC	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	2,244.13	R
815458	FLAGHOUSE	Occupational Therapy Materials	HEALTH SERVICES	683.73	R
815558	FOLLETT EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	TEXTBOOKS	OLYMPIC CONTINUATION SCHOOL	108.90	R
815608	FREESTYLE PHOTO SUPPLIES	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES/PHOTO	R O P	1,462.20	R
815370	GALE SUPPLY CO	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	321.72	R
815378	GALE SUPPLY CO	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	JOHN ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL	750.71	R

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815423	GALE SUPPLY CO	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	243.45	CD
815467	GALE SUPPLY CO	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL	495.79	U
815478	GALE SUPPLY CO	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	864.32	CD
815479	GALE SUPPLY CO	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	453.03	CD
815480	GALE SUPPLY CO	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	478.47	CD
815525	GALE SUPPLY CO	OPEN ORDER CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	FACILITY OPERATIONS	2,800.00	U
815526	GALE SUPPLY CO	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	256.99	CD
815635	GALE SUPPLY CO	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL	225.16	U
815642	GALE SUPPLY CO	flourscent lights	WEBSTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	139.64	R
815633	GANDER EDUCATION PUBLISHING	SEEING STARS CD SET	SPECIAL EDUCATION REGULAR YEAR	248.15	R
815437	GATEWAY 2000 MAJOR ACCOUNTS	Computer	HEALTH SERVICES	839.59	U
815461	GATEWAY 2000 MAJOR ACCOUNTS	Computers	HEALTH SERVICES	8,610.91	R
815464	GATEWAY 2000 MAJOR ACCOUNTS	Computers	SPECIAL EDUCATION REGULAR YEAR	1,632.09	R
815607	GATEWAY 2000 MAJOR ACCOUNTS	Monitor For Server Room	INFORMATION SERVICES	2,065.67	U
815343	HAMPTON BROWN BOOKS	BOOKS	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	840.73	R
815544	HANDWRITING WITHOUT TEARS INC	Classroom Supplies/1st.Grade	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	641.01	R
815463	HARCOURT ASSESSMENT INC	Teacher Protocols	SPECIAL EDUCATION REGULAR YEAR	182.11	R
814938	HARCOURT BRACE JOVANOVIICH	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	385.57	R
815505	HARCOURT BRACE JOVANOVIICH	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	244.19	R
815482	HIRSCH PIPE & SUPPLY	OPEN ORDER-PLUMBING SUPPLIES	FACILITY MAINTENANCE	2,000.00	R
814996	HOME DEPOT- L.A.	PRESSURE WASHER	MCKINLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	851.97	R
815496	HOME DEPOT- L.A.	OPEN ORDER/SCIENCE PROJECTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	200.00	CD
815589	HOME DEPOT- L.A.	OPEN ORDER/SCIENCE PROJECTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	50.00	CD
815536	IMED	VISUAL PRESENTER/DOCUMENT CAM	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2,338.20	R
815678	IMED	A.V. CART	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	264.13	R
815498	INSECT LORE PRODUCTS	INSTRUCTIONAL/BUTTERFLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	105.92	CD
815136	JAMES PUBLISHING	BOOK	ADULT EDUCATION CENTER	85.52	A
815609	KELLY PAPER/SANTA MONICA	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES/PHOTO	R O P	235.31	R
815472	LACOE:ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE UNIT	CA SCHOOL MONITORING GROUP	FACILITY MAINTENANCE	800.00	U
815484	LAKESHORE (PICK UP ONLY)	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	200.00	CD
815548	LAKESHORE (PICK UP ONLY)	OPEN ORDER/CONSUMABLES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	450.00	CD
815573	LAKESHORE (PICK UP ONLY)	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	JOHN MUIR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	100.00	R
815586	LAKESHORE (PICK UP ONLY)	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	125.00	CD
815590	LAKESHORE (PICK UP ONLY)	OPEN ORDER/CLASSROOM SUPPLIES	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	50.00	U
815591	LAKESHORE (PICK UP ONLY)	OPEN ORDER/CLASSROOM SUPPLIES	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	50.00	R
815596	LAKESHORE (PICK UP ONLY)	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL ITEMS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	125.00	CD
815660	LAKESHORE (PICK UP ONLY)	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	113.00	CD
815455	LAKESHORE CURRICULUM	Classroom Materials	HEALTH SERVICES	303.90	R
815543	LAKESHORE CURRICULUM	Draw & Write Journal	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	118.25	R
815457	LAW FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES	FIRE & LIFE SAFETY	FACILITY MAINTENANCE	6,800.00	DF
815538	LEARNING RESOURCE	Supplies for 2nd.Grade Classes	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	116.19	R
815294	LEE, LORA	GUEST SPEAKER	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	200.00	R
815637	MACMALL/PC MALL	OPEN ORDER/INST SUP/SPEC ED	JOHN ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL	100.00	R
815508	MALIBU SURFSIDE NEWS	LEGAL ADS	BUSINESS SERVICES	280.00	EX
815674	MERION PUBLICATIONS INC	ADVERTISING FOR OCCUP.THER.	PERSONNEL COMMISION	596.25	U
815583	MITTEL'S ART SUPPLY	ART CLASS SUPPLIES	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	400.00	R
815652	NASCO WEST - MODESTO	SCIENCE SUPPLIES	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	59.56	R
815454	NEXGEN	OPEN ORDER-PAINT/MAINT SUPPLYS	FACILITY MAINTENANCE	500.00	R
815368	OFFICE MAX	Office Supplies	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	3,000.00	R
815531	OLIVER WORLDCLASS LABS INC	SMART BOARD/LCD PROJECTOR	JOHN MUIR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	4,037.52	R
815550	ORCHARD SUPPLY HARDWARE	OPEN ORDER/PLANTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	100.00	CD

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815595	ORCHARD SUPPLY HARDWARE	OPEN ORDER/SCIENCE PROJECTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	50.00	CD
815584	ORIENTAL TRADING CO INC	LIBRARY SUPPLIES	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	75.35	R
815428	PAVILLIONS STORE #2231	OPEN ORDER/COOKING SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	150.00	CD
815462	PEARSON ASSESSMENTS	Teacher Protocols	SPECIAL EDUCATION REGULAR YEAR	391.41	R
815171	PEARSON EDUCATION #1	INST SUP/DICTIONARIES/LANG ART	JOHN ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL	129.78	R
815639	PIN DEPOT NETWORK LLC, THE	BUTTONS FOR 10 YR CELEBRATION	FOOD SERVICES	313.32	R
815522	PIONEER CHEMICAL CO	OPEN ORDER OPERATIONS SUPPLIES	FACILITY OPERATIONS	2,000.00	U
815561	POSTMASTER-MALIBU	POSTAGE STAMPS	MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	287.00	R
815497	POSTMASTER-SANTA MONICA	STAMPS	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	82.00	R
815570	PRENTICE HALL	TEXTBOOKS	MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	474.86	R
815107	PRO SOUND & STAGE LIGHTING	AV EQUIPMENT	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	676.55	R
815443	RALPHS MARKET	OPEN ORDER/COOKING PROJECTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	50.00	CD
815668	RAYVERN LIGHTING	FLOURESCENT LAMPS	WEBSTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	139.64	R
815673	RAYVERN LIGHTING	FLOURESCENT LAMPS	JOHN MUIR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	209.46	U
815540	REALLY GOOD STUFF INCORP	Supply order for 2nd.Grade	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	63.41	R
815620	RECREONICS INC	LIFT SUPPLIES	SPECIAL EDUCATION REGULAR YEAR	503.26	R
815307	REES ELECTRONICS OFFICE	COPIER TONER	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	129.97	U
815624	REES ELECTRONICS OFFICE	COPIER REPAIR COSTS	SPECIAL EDUCATION REGULAR YEAR	140.00	R
815632	REES ELECTRONICS OFFICE	Open PO for Copier Repair	SPECIAL EDUCATION REGULAR YEAR	150.00	R
815500	RICOH U.S.	COPIER SUPPLIES	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	227.33	R
815667	RIDDELL/ALL AMERICAN	FOOTBALL HELMET RECONDITIONING	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	5,268.68	U
815669	SAINT ANNE SCHOOL	REIMBURSE ST. ANNES	SAINT ANNE'S PRIVATE SCHOOL	160.00	R
815456	SAMMONS PRESTON INC	Occupation Therapy Materials	HEALTH SERVICES	934.19	R
815610	SAMY'S CAMERA SHOP	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES/PHOTO	R O P	1,415.59	R
815631	SANTA MONICA FORD	OPEN ORDER OPERATIONS VEHICLES	FACILITY OPERATIONS	1,000.00	U
815447	SANTA MONICA MUN BUS LINES	OPEN ORDER/BUS TOKENS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	112.50	CD
814872	SANTA MONICA POLICE DEPT	SECURITY FOR GRADUATION	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	1,500.00	R
815568	SCHOOL NURSE SUPPLY INC	NURSE SUPPLIES	MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	250.40	R
815571	SCHOOL NUTRITION SERVICES	SANITATION PROGRAM	FOOD SERVICES	6,100.00	F
815374	SCHOOL SPECIALTY INC	Bookshelf for classroom	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	142.76	R
815542	SCHOOL SPECIALTY INC	Classroom Supplies/1st.Grade	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	127.52	R
815322	SEHI COMPUTER PRODUCTS	PRINT CARTRIDGES/SANTIAGO	EDISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	378.27	U
815355	SEHI COMPUTER PRODUCTS	PRINTER INK CARTRIDGES	STATE AND FEDERAL PROJECTS	547.20	R
815517	SEHI COMPUTER PRODUCTS	TONER CARTRIDGE	PURCHASING/WAREHOUSE	114.53	U
815565	SEHI COMPUTER PRODUCTS	PRINTER CARTRIDGE	MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	166.56	R
815566	SEHI COMPUTER PRODUCTS	TONER CARTRIDGE	MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	343.36	R
815574	SEHI COMPUTER PRODUCTS	PRINTERS	HEALTH SERVICES	1,191.71	R
815593	SEHI COMPUTER PRODUCTS	INK CARTRIDGE	OLYMPIC CONTINUATION SCHOOL	191.81	R
815605	SEHI COMPUTER PRODUCTS	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	R O P	1,439.82	R
815527	SETON IDENTIFICATION PRODUCTS	INVENTORY BAR CODE LABELS	PURCHASING/WAREHOUSE	1,259.15	U
815285	SIR SPEEDY PRINTING #0245	CLASSIFICATION STUDY	PERSONNEL COMMISSION	22.69	U
815476	SMART & FINAL	REFRESHMENTS CAHSEE	OLYMPIC CONTINUATION SCHOOL	200.00	R
815483	SMART & FINAL	OPEN ORDER/COOKING PROJECTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	100.00	CD
815490	SMART & FINAL	OPEN ORDER/COOKING & SCIENCE	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	100.00	CD
815582	SMART & FINAL	OPEN ORDER/ALL PRESCHOOL PROG.	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	2,000.00	CD
815629	SMITH PIPE & SUPPLY INC.	OPEN ORDER IRRIGATION REPAIRS	FACILITY OPERATIONS	2,000.00	U
815563	SOCIAL STUDIES SCHOOL SVCS	AP HISTORY SUPPLIES	MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	176.76	R
815371	SOUTHWEST SCHOOL SUPPLY	Classroom Supplies	GRANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	84.01	R
815444	SOUTHWEST SCHOOL SUPPLY	Office/Classroom Supplies	CABRILLO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1,000.00	U
815459	SPORTIME	Occupational Therapy Materials	HEALTH SERVICES	788.01	R
815634	SPORTIME	Occupational Therapy Materials	HEALTH SERVICES	788.01	R

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815485	STAPLES/P-U/VENICE/LINCOLN BL	OPEN ORDER/OFFICE SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	108.25	CD
815492	STAPLES/P-U/VENICE/LINCOLN BL	OPEN ORDER/OFFICE SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	75.00	CD
815551	STAPLES/P-U/VENICE/LINCOLN BL	OPEN ORDER/OFFICE SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	200.00	CD
815575	STAPLES/P-U/VENICE/LINCOLN BL	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	JOHN MUIR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	100.00	R
815580	STAPLES/P-U/VENICE/LINCOLN BL	OPEN ORDER/OFFICE SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	110.00	CD
815587	STAPLES/P-U/VENICE/LINCOLN BL	OPEN ORDER/OFFICE SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	175.00	CD
815597	STAPLES/P-U/VENICE/LINCOLN BL	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	75.00	CD
815636	STAPLES/P-U/VENICE/LINCOLN BL	OPEN ORDER/INST SUP/8TH TEAM	JOHN ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL	100.00	U
815655	STAR EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS	MIMEO INTERACTIVE & CAPTURE	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	781.67	R
815626	SUNSTATE EQUIPMENT CO LLC	GROUPS EQUIPMENT RENTAL	GROUPS MAINTENANCE	382.95	R
815520	SURFAS INC.	SUPPLIES PURCHASED W/GRANT	FOOD SERVICES	840.00	R
815445	TARGET	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	150.00	CD
815442	TARGET STORES	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL ITEMS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	750.00	CD
815547	TARGET STORES	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	200.00	CD
815553	TARGET STORES	OPEN ORDER/ITEMS FOR NURSERY	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	154.00	CD
815554	TARGET STORES	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	200.00	CD
815659	TARGET STORES	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	80.00	CD
815465	TAYLOR TENNIS COURTS INC	TENNIS COURTS-SAMOH	FACILITY MAINTENANCE	885.49	R
815562	TEACHER'S DISCOUNT	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	126.49	CD
815564	THE DIVE BOAT "PEACE"	FIELD TRIP MARINE BIOLOGY	MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	1,700.00	R
815450	TOSHIBA	TONER CARTRIDGE	JOHN ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL	111.12	R
815446	TOYS-R-US	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	750.00	CD
815489	TOYS-R-US	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL GAMES	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	108.25	CD
815555	TOYS-R-US	OPEN ORDER/INSTRUCTIONAL TOYS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	300.00	CD
815516	UNITED LABORATORIES	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	FACILITY OPERATIONS	409.19	U
815491	VALENTINE, STACI	GRADUATION AWARD	ADULT EDUCATION CENTER	50.00	A
815621	VONDERLEITH, JADEANE	MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT	SPECIAL EDUCATION REGULAR YEAR	1,500.00	R
815422	VONS MARKET-SANTA MONICA	OPEN ORDER/COOKING PROJECTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	150.00	CD
815486	VONS MARKET-SANTA MONICA	OPEN ORDER/COOKING PROJECTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	100.00	CD
815539	VONS MARKET-SANTA MONICA	OPEN ORDER/COOKING PROJECTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	200.00	CD
815572	VONS MARKET-SANTA MONICA	OPEN ORDER/SCIENCE PROJECTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	50.00	CD
815588	VONS MARKET-SANTA MONICA	OPEN ORDER/COOKING PROJECTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	50.00	CD
815615	VONS MARKET-SANTA MONICA	OPEN ORDER/COOKING PROJECTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	100.00	CD
815441	VONS STORE #2262	OPEN ORDER/COOKING PROJECTS	CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	325.00	CD
815627	WARDS NATURAL SCIENCE	SCIENCE SUPPLIES	SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL	2,724.60	R
815567	WEST LA MUSIC INCORP	INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC EQUIPMENT	MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	648.42	R
815581	WEST LA MUSIC INCORP	AUDIO EQUIPMENT	LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL	1,347.50	R
** NEW PURCHASE ORDERS TOTAL:				143,850.91	

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/CONSENT

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / TIMOTHY R. WALKER / JUDY ABDO

RE: AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF CHILD  
CARE

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.07

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the Steps to Excellent Project (STEP) Mini-Grant awarded to Child Development Services from Los Angeles County Office of Child Care in an amount not to exceed \$49,999.00 for the preschool sites at Edison, Franklin, Grant, John Adams, Lincoln, McKinley, Muir, Pine Street, Rogers, and Washington West Head Start. The maximum mini-grant award for each site is \$4,999.

Funding Information

Source: Child Development Fund - Restricted

Currently Budgeted: No

Account Number: 12-94100-0-00000-00000-8699-000-0000

Description: Child Development Center Apportionment - CDC

COMMENT: STEP is a series of early education training and professional development opportunities to enhance the skills of early care and education staff and other professionals that support their work. When applying for this grant in November 2007, Child Development Services selected Component 3, Learning Environment, as the focus to request the funds. STEP is a project of the Policy Roundtable for Child Care.

MOTION MADE BY: Ms. Pye

SECONDED BY: Ms. Leon-Vazquez

STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A

AYES: All (7)

NOES: None (0)



TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/CONSENT

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / MICHAEL D. MATTHEWS

RE: CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL - Elections, Separations

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.08

Unless otherwise noted, the following items are included in the 2007/2008 approved budget.

**ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENTS**

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

Cerrato, Wendy	64 hrs @ \$26.06	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,668
Drymon, Cheryl	64 hrs @ \$34.88	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$2,232
Patton, Roxanna	64 hrs @ \$29.65	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,898
TOTAL OWN HOURLY			\$5,798

Comment: Spring Break Assignment, Lead Teacher  
12-CD: Gnrl Child Care (GTCR)

Lumsden, Peter	64 hrs @ \$40.28	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$2,578
TOTAL OWN HOURLY			\$2,578

Comment: Spring Break Assignment, Lead Teacher  
12-CD: Latchky (GLTK)

Cueva, Leo	64 hrs @ \$18.35	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,174
TOTAL OWN HOURLY			\$1,174

Comment: Spring Break Assignment  
12-CD: Latchkey (GLTK)

Alidina, Jamila	64 hrs @ \$29.49	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,887
Vissani-Lesko, Sonia	64 hrs @ \$19.40	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,242
TOTAL OWN HOURLY			\$3,129

Comment: Spring Break Assignment  
12-Head Start - Basic

Barba, Yesenia	64 hrs @ \$23.74	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,519
Chaheme, Yessenia	64 hrs @ \$26.97	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,726
Douglas, Jennifer	64 hrs @ \$31.64	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$2,025
Langley, Zoe	64 hrs @ \$27.18	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,740
Martinez, Emelita	64 hrs @ \$34.40	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$2,202
Ramirez, Laura	64 hrs @ \$23.37	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,496
Sterling-Molitch, P.	64 hrs @ \$24.71	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,581
Yadegari, Sholeh	64 hrs @ \$25.78	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,650
TOTAL OWN HOURLY			\$13,939

Comment: Spring Break Assignment  
12-Unrestricted Resource

Daanish, Daa'im	64 hrs @ \$21.23	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,359
Garcia, Veronica	64 hrs @ \$20.14	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,289
Gluck, Heidi	64 hrs @ \$32.72	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$2,094
Gonzalez, Yolanda	64 hrs @ \$24.71	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,581
Kern, Kimberly	64 hrs @ \$29.78	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,906
Landgraf, Heidi	64 hrs @ \$31.40	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$2,010
Mercier, Alisha	64 hrs @ \$26.97	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,726
Montelongo, Angie	64 hrs @ \$21.95	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,405
Norodom, Pachapor	64 hrs @ \$26.01	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,665
Proctor, Valerii	64 hrs @ \$25.17	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,611
Samimi, Leili	64 hrs @ \$26.72	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,710
Sanchez, Johanna	64 hrs @ \$21.57	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,380
Simpson, Darlene	64 hrs @ \$23.74	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,519

Smith, Courtnee	64 hrs @\$21.21	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,357
Smith, LaTonya	64 hrs @\$20.32	3/17/08-3/28/08	Own Hrly/\$1,300
		TOTAL OWN HOURLY	\$23,912
Comment: Spring Break Assignment			
12- CD: Gnrl Child Care (GTCR)			
<u>MCKINLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL</u>			
Marks, Jamie	5 hrs @\$40.46	2/27/08-3/14/08	Est Hrly/\$202
		TOTAL ESTABLISHED HOURLY	\$202
Comment: Intervention			
01-Unrestricted Resource			
Taslimi, Laila	105 hrs @\$40.46	1/19/08-6/20/08	Est Hrly/\$4,248
		TOTAL ESTABLISHED HOURLY	\$4,248
Comment: Reading Workshop			
01-IASA: Title I Basic-Lw Inc/Neg			
<u>SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL</u>			
Lipetz, Sarah	83 hrs @\$52.99	2/19/08-6/20/08	Own Hrly/\$4,398
		TOTAL OWN HOURLY	\$4,398
Comment: 6 <sup>th</sup> Period Assignment			
01-Unrestricted Resource			
Brown, Melissa	14 hrs @\$39.28	2/11/08-2/29/08	Est Hrly/\$550
		TOTAL ESTABLISHED HOURLY	\$550
Comment: Supervision of Lunch Detention			
01-Unrestricted Resource			
Ellis, Holly	30 hrs @\$40.46	1/7/08-6/20/08	Est Hrly/\$1,214
Marks, Patty	30 hrs @\$40.46	1/7/08-6/20/08	Est Hrly/\$1,214
		TOTAL ESTABLISHED HOURLY	\$2,428
Comment: IEP Testing			
01-Pupil Retention Block Grant			
Demirjian, Lisa	24 hrs @\$40.46	2/25/08-4/1/08	Est Hrly/\$971
Simone, Laura	24 hrs @\$40.46	2/25/08-4/1/08	Est Hrly/\$971
Trundle, Al	24 hrs @\$40.46	2/25/08-4/1/08	Est Hrly/\$971
		TOTAL ESTABLISHED HOURLY	\$2,913
Comment: 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meetings			
01-Tenth Grade Counseling			
Brown, Melissa	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/10/08	Est Hrly/\$809
Cierra, Jorge	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/6/08	Est Hrly/\$809
De la Cruz, Gilda	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/6/08	Est Hrly/\$809
Doughty, Lindsay	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/10/08	Est Hrly/\$809
Fragoso, Danielle	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/6/08	Est Hrly/\$809
Gaul, Pamela	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/6/08	Est Hrly/\$809
Gomez, Tony	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/6/08	Est Hrly/\$809
Langdon, Lance	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/10/08	Est Hrly/\$809
Orloff, Warren	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/6/08	Est Hrly/\$809
Parker, Trevor	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/10/08	Est Hrly/\$809
Reichle, Tisha	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/10/08	Est Hrly/\$809
Silvestri, Marisa	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/10/08	Est Hrly/\$809
Vollstedt, Todd	20 hrs @\$40.46	2/12/08-3/10/08	Est Hrly/\$809
		TOTAL ESTABLISHED HOURLY	\$10,517
Comment: CAHSEE Tutor			
01-CAHSEE Intensive Inst & Serv			

**TOTAL ESTABLISHED HOURLY, AND OWN HOURLY = \$72,786**

**ELECTIONS****SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS**  
**PREFERRED SUBSTITUTES**  
**(@\$162.00 Daily Rate)**

	<u>Effective</u>
Brown, Marie	2/19/08
Garcia, Veronica	3/7/08
Keller, Joyce	3/6/08

**REGULAR DAY-TO-DAY SUBSTITUTES**  
**(@\$138.00 Daily Rate)**

Kohot, Griffin	3/6/08
Wood, Michael	3/6/08

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**  
**(@\$16.19 Hourly Rate)**

Gheewala, Nasreen	3/17/08-3/28/08
Rodgers, Rodney	3/17/08-3/28/08

**CHANGE IN ASSIGNMENT**

	<u>Effective</u>
Berman, Wendy	2/28/08-6/20/08
Webster Elementary/1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	
From: 100%	
To: 20%	

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE (with pay)**

<u>Name/Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Mccomas, Shanti	1/28/08-6/13/08
Rogers Elementary	[maternity]
	(Revision of dates from 3/13/08 Agenda)
Higginson, James Samuel	3/3/08-3/31/08
Special Education	[medical]

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE (without pay)**

<u>Name/Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Berman, Wendy	2/28/08-6/20/08
Webster Elementary	[CFRA]- 80%
Mccomas, Shanti	6/14/08-6/20/08
Rogers Elementary	[maternity]

**RESIGNATION**

<u>Name/Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Berukhim, Niloufar	6/20/08
Roosevelt Elementary	
Garcia, Veronica	6/20/08
Child Development Services	
Khaefi, Arian	6/20/08
Malibu High School	
Kim, Elizabeth	6/20/08
Santa Monica High School	
King, Keri	6/20/08
Educational Services	

Landgraf, Heidi Child Develop Svcs	6/20/08
Moulton, Evan Santa Monica High School	6/20/08
Mullen, Phillip Cary Muir Elementary	6/20/08
Ramirez, Abel Santa Monica High School	6/20/08
Romano, Becky Santa Monica High School	6/20/08
Uema, Kazuki SMASH	6/20/08
Zimmermann Wolff, Amelia Malibu High School	6/20/08

**RETIREMENT**

<u>Name/Location</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Casey, John Olympic High School	6/20/08

MOTION MADE BY: Ms. Pye  
 SECONDED BY: Ms. Leon-Vazquez  
 STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A  
 AYES: All (7)  
 NOES: None (0)

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/CONSENT

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / TIMOTHY R. WALKER /  
WILBERT YOUNG

**UPDATE**

RE: CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL - MERIT

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.09

It is recommended that the following appointments for Classified Personnel (merit system) be approved and/or ratified. All personnel will be properly elected in accordance with District policies and salary schedules.

**ELECTION**

		<b><u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u></b>
BURTON, LISA	ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN	3/3/08
FISCAL SERVICES	8 HRS/12 MO/RANGE: 29 STEP: A	
QUINTANILLA, ALBERT	INST ASST - SPECIAL ED	3/6/08
MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	6 HRS/SY/RANGE: 20 STEP: D	

**TEMP/ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENTS**

		<b><u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u></b>
CONRAD, WEIJIN	INST ASST - CLASSROOM	2/28/08-6/20/08
WEBSTER ELEMENTARY		
COOPER, RAYMOND	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES		
CRAWFORD, CYNTHIA	ELEMENTARY LIBRARY ASSISTANT	2/28/08
JOHN ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL		
CURETON, JR, CLARENCE	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES		
GREENE, MILTON	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES		
JONES, CHANCY	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES		
KIRBY, CAROLINE	INST ASST - SPECIAL ED	9/1/07-12/31/08
SPECIAL EDUCATION		
LOPEZ, VICTORIA	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES		
LOZA, ADELSA	INST ASST - SPECIAL ED	2/18/08-6/20/08
LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL		
MANGUM, DON	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES		
MARTIN, CHARLES	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES		
MARTIN, KEVIN	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES		

NUNEZ, SHERRY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
PENA, JAIME EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
SMART, HOWARD EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
SMITH, DUNELL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
THOMPSON, TIANI EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
USHER, ALAN MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	INST ASST - SPECIAL ED	3/3/08-3/5/08
WILSON, STANLEY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICER	3/6/08-3/7/08
<b><u>SUBSTITUTES</u></b>		<b><u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u></b>
ACEVEDO, MARGARTIA OPERATIONS	CUSTODIAN I	2/28/08-6/30/08
BAYLARK, VIVIAN FOOD SERVICES	CAFETERIA WORKER I	2/22/08-6/20/08
BILEN, HATICE SPECIAL EDUCATION	INST ASST - SPECIAL ED	1/24/08-6/20/08
ESPINOZA, LEIDY OPERATIONS	CUSTODIAN I	2/28/08-6/30/08
LAMBERT, DANIEL PERSONNEL COMMISSION	OFFICE SPECIALIST	2/18/08-6/30/08
MORRIS, SR, SEAN OPERATIONS	CUSTODIAN I	2/28/08-6/30/08
SEKLAWI, SARA FOOD SERVICES	CAFETERIA WORKER I	2/23/08-6/20/08
SHAMSIAN, DALIA SPECIAL EDUCATION	INST ASST - SPECIAL ED	2/1/08-6/20/08
VEGA, MARIE OPERATIONS	CUSTODIAN I	2/28/08-6/30/08
VIELMAN HERNANDEZ, MIRIAM FOOD SERVICES	CAFETERIA WORKER I	2/23/08-6/20/08
<b><u>LEAVE OF ABSENCE (PAID)</u></b>		<b><u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u></b>
CERON, GLORIA CHILD DEVELOP SVCS	CHILDREN CENTER ASST PERSONAL	2/19/08-3/31/08
O'ROURKE, THOMAS SANTA MONICA HS	CUSTODIAN I MEDICAL	2/26/08-5/1/08
PADILLA, GLORIA ROGERS ELEMENTARY	INST ASST - SPECIAL ED MEDICAL	2/29/08-3/14/08

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE (UNPAID)**

ELVIRA, JR, RICARDO  
SANTA MONICA HS

SWIM INSTRUCT/LIFEGUARD  
PERSONAL

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

2/19/08-6/20/08

**LAYOFF/REDUCTION OF HOURS**

PURSELL, ROBYN  
SPEICAL EDUCATION

INST ASST - SPECIAL ED  
6 HRS/SY  
FR: 7 HRS/SY

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

5/5/08

**DISQUALIFICATION FROM PROBATION**

~~9387-770-08~~  
~~CHILD DEVELOP SVCS~~

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

~~CHILDREN CENTER ASST~~

~~3/28/08~~

MOTION MADE BY: Ms. Pye  
SECONDED BY: Ms. Leon-Vazquez  
STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A  
AYES: All (7)  
NOES: None (0)

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION ACTION/CONSENT  
04/03/08  
FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / TIMOTHY R. WALKER / WILBERT YOUNG  
RE: CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL - NON-MERIT

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.10

It is recommended that the following be approved and/or ratified for Classified Personnel (Non-Merit). All personnel assigned will be properly elected on a temporary basis to be used as needed in accordance with District policies and salary schedules.

**COACHING ASSISTANT**

GALLO, PAUL	MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	1/1/08-6/30/08
LEHMKUHL, ROBERT	MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	1/1/08-6/30/08
WALDBAUM, JOSHUA	MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL	2/28/08-6/30/08

MOTION MADE BY: Ms. Pye  
SECONDED BY: Ms. Leon-Vazquez  
STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A  
AYES: All (7)  
NOES: None (0)



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## **MAJOR ITEMS**

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/MAJOR

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / TIMOTHY R. WALKER /  
MICHAEL D. MATTHEWS

RE: AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 07-15 - REGARDING THE NON-  
REELECTION OF CERTIFICATED PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES  
SERVING IN CERTIFICATED STAFFING POSITIONS PURSUANT TO  
INTERN CREDENTIALS, SHORT-TERM STAFFING PERMITS,  
PROVISIONAL INTERNSHIP PERMITS, SPECIAL TEMPORARY  
CERTIFICATES, STATE-ISSUED WAIVERS AND/OR EMERGENCY  
PERMITS

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.11

It is recommended that the Board of Education amend Resolution No. 07-15 regarding the non-reelection of certificated probationary employees (Intern Credentials, Short-Term Staffing Permits, Provisional Internship Permits, Provisional Internship Permits, Special Temporary Certificates, State-Issued Waivers and/or Emergency Permits) pursuant to Education Code Section 44929.21(b), effective June 2008.

COMMENT: The Board of Education approved Resolution No. 07-15 on March 5, 2008; however, the change was not received before the meeting began. (The correction is in bold, underlined font.)

MOTION MADE BY: Mr. Mechur

SECONDED BY: Mr. Snell

STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A

AYES: All (6) (Ms. Pye was absent for the vote)

NOES: None (0)

BEFORE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE  
SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

AMENDED RESOLUTION NO. 07-15

**RESOLUTION NON-REELECTING CERTIFICATED PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES  
SERVING IN CERTIFICATED STAFFING POSITIONS PURSUANT TO INTERN  
CREDENTIALS, SHORT-TERM STAFFING PERMITS, PROVISIONAL INTERNSHIP  
PERMITS, SPECIAL TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES, STATE-ISSUED WAIVERS  
AND/OR EMERGENCY PERMITS:**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Education Code Section 44929.21(b), the Board is required to notify probationary employees on or before March 15 of the employee's second complete consecutive school year of employment of its decision to not reelect the employee for the next succeeding school year; and

**WHEREAS**, the time served by those employees possessing only intern credentials, short-term staffing permits, provisional internship permits, special temporary certificates, state-issued waivers and/or emergency permits cannot be included in computing the services required as a prerequisite to attainment of/or eligibility to classification as a permanent employee (Education Code Section 44911);

**WHEREAS**, the following employees have been employed by this District in certificated staffing positions pursuant to temporary contracts and/or as employees serving solely pursuant to and possessing only intern credentials, short-term staffing permits, provisional internship permits, special temporary certificates, state-issued waivers and/or emergency permits, as indicated below:

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**WHEREAS**, the performance of each of the above-named employees during his/her probationary period has not been sufficient to warrant the continuation of his/her probationary status; and

**WHEREAS**, as this Board reviews the educational priorities of this District and the methods and means of providing educational services and determines the kinds of personnel required, this Board intends to decrease, where possible, reliance upon employees serving in certificated staffing positions pursuant to and possessing only provisional certificates/credentials such as intern credentials, short-term staffing permits, provisional internship permits, special temporary certificates, state-issued waivers and/or emergency permits and recognizes such effort to be consistent with state

and federal laws (including especially the federal No Child Left Behind Act) and with elevating the training and/or experience levels of its certificated staff to provide the most highly qualified certificated staff available for this District's students;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission on Teacher Credentialing and its representatives have been discussing a higher level of due diligence as to local districts' diligent searches to recruit a sufficient number of certificated teachers;

**WHEREAS**, this Board understands representatives of this District will conduct appropriate diligent searches intended to successfully recruit a sufficient number of certificated staff to replace various current employees holding only intern credentials, short-term staffing permits, provisional internship permits, special temporary certificates, state-issued waivers and/or emergency permits, including those individuals named above in this Resolution, so that:

- A. the Board would not be able to approve the required Declaration of Need to the extent allowing the employees listed above and possessing only emergency permits to be reemployed:
- B. it is appropriate to non-reelect, release and non-renew the employment of the employees listed below in order to ensure available staffing space for the qualified, regularly credentialed employees who are intended to be hired instead of those individuals holding only intern credentials, short-term staffing permits, provisional internship permits, special temporary certificates, state-issued waivers and/or emergency permits;

**WHEREAS**, for the above reasons whether considered individually or cumulatively, this Board wishes to terminate the services of the above listed employees effective upon the close of the current school year or upon the expiration of any applicable temporary employment contract (whichever occurs first);

**WHEREAS**, nothing within this Resolution is based upon financial reasons nor reduces the number of certificated staffing positions in this District, and this Resolution shall remain in effect and take precedence over any Resolution commencing a layoff of certificated employees, so that these listed individuals' employment will be terminated by this

Resolution regardless of any certified layoff and rights to reemployment following a certified layoff;

**WHEREAS**, whether or not this formal action and notice are required, this Board wishes to provide notice to these employees whose services will not be continued into next school year, of their non-reemployment and release from employment (effective upon the close of the 2007-2008 school year), so such individuals may commence considerations of employment alternatives elsewhere for the next school year;

**WHEREAS**, this Board reserves the right to identify additional similarly situated employees as planning for educational services for the coming school year continues;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that each of the individual employees indicated above, serving in certificated staffing positions pursuant to and possessing only intern credentials, short-term staffing permits, provisional internship permits, special temporary certificates, state-issued waivers and/or emergency permits, be released from employment with this school district effective upon each employee's last working day of this current school year or upon the expiration of any applicable temporary employment contract (whichever occurs first) and are not reemployed and not reelected for the next succeeding school year;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee provide notice to each of the above of his or her release and non-reelection effective upon each employee's last working day of this current school year or upon the expiration of any applicable temporary employment contract (whichever occurs first), and that his or her employment with the District is thereby ended accordingly.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee engage in due diligence searches to recruit a sufficient number of regularly credentialed certificated employees to replace those holders of intern credentials, short-term staffing permits, provisional internship permits, special temporary certificates, state-issued waivers and/or emergency permits listed above, in accordance with the requirements of law.

The foregoing Resolution was amended by the Board of Education of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District on the 13th day of March 2008 by the following vote:

Ayes:	<u>6</u>
Noes:	<u>0</u>
Absent:	<u>1</u>



Oscar de la Torre, President  
Board of Education of the  
Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District

I, Dianne Talarico, Secretary of the Board of Education of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, do certify that the foregoing Resolution was regularly introduced, passed, and amended by the Board of Education at its regular meeting held on March 13, 2008.



Dianne Talarico, Secretary  
Board of Education of the  
Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/MAJOR

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / CHIUNG-SALLY CHOU / PEGGY HARRIS /  
TRISTEN MACON / ROSA SERRATORE

RE: MATHEMATICS TEXTBOOK ADOPTION

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.12

It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt the following state standards-aligned mathematics texts and instructional materials for use in district classrooms:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Grade/ Course</u>
enVision	K-5*
Holt "California Mathematics"	6*, 7, Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II
Glencoe/McGraw-Hill "California Algebra Readiness: Concepts, Skills, and Problem Solving"	Algebra Readiness

\* These materials will be used for mathematics instruction in all district classrooms with the exception of SMASH. As an alternative school, SMASH requests approval to use the following state standards aligned materials for grades K-6. They will use the Holt Grade 7 and Algebra I texts and materials.

Wright Group/ McGraw                      K-6 (**SMASH Only**)  
"California Everyday Mathematics"

COMMENTS:

Since November 2007, K-8 and high school mathematics teachers have met and deliberated over recommendations for adoption of new mathematics textbooks. The committee used a protocol developed by the State Department of Education that utilized a District Needs Assessment, and data to review content and format of texts on the new state-adopted list. The committee piloted lessons and solicited and shared input from their colleagues, students, and site administrators.

These materials have been on display for public viewing at all site libraries since January 2008 and at the District Office since February 27, 2008. The board discussed the textbook adoption at its March 13, 2008, meeting.

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*Ms. Talarico asked how the district disposes of the old books. Ms. Serratore and Ms. Macon said that a possibility would be for librarians to allow students to check the books out for homework.*

*The board would like to hear from SMASH regarding past practices for that site using a different textbook, including their achievement data.*

MOTION MADE BY: Mr. Mechur  
SECONDED BY: Mr. Snell  
STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A  
AYES: All (7)  
NOES: None (0)

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/MAJOR

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / JANECE L. MAEZ

RE: ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 07-21 - DECLARING THE CANVASS OF  
VOTES CAST AND RESULTS OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE GENERAL  
ELECTION HELD ON February 5, 2008

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.13

It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt the attached Resolution No. 07-21, Declaring the Canvass of Votes Cast and Results of the California State General Election Held on February 5, 2008.

COMMENT: During the February 5, 2008, general statewide election, Measure "R" received the required 2/3 approval by the voters of Santa Monica and Malibu.

The election results (provided by the Los County Registrar's Office online) are attached following the Resolution.

MOTION MADE BY: Ms. Leon-Vazquez

SECONDED BY: Dr. Wisnicki

STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A

AYES: All (7)

NOES: None (0)



**RESOLUTION NO. 07-21**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE  
SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
DECLARING THE CANVASS OF VOTES CAST AND RESULTS  
OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE GENERAL ELECTION  
HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2008**

**WHEREAS**, a California State General Election was held and conducted within the boundaries of the Cities of Santa Monica and Malibu on Tuesday, February 5, 2008, as required by law, for the object and purpose of passing Measure “R”; and

**WHEREAS**, said California State General Election was held on said date in accordance with law, and the votes thereat received and canvassed by the Registration-Elections Division for the County of Los Angeles, and the returns thereof ascertained, determined and declared in all respects as required by law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Education of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, as follows:

1. That the Secretary of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District be and is hereby instructed to enter this Resolution into the Minutes of this Board of Education meeting as a statement of the result of said election.
2. That Measure “R” hereinafter set forth to be filed at said California State General Election and the Measure which was set forth in the petitions assembled and filed with the County Clerk, as required by law, and the number of votes cast in favor of Measure “R” is set forth in the Certificate of the County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, are attached hereto.
3. That MEASURE “R” received the required number of votes to pass, and that the County Clerk is hereby authorized to sign and deliver thereto a Certificate of Statement of Votes Cast.

I, Dianne Talarico, Secretary of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Board of Education Resolution was duly passed and adopted at a regular meeting held by said Board of Education of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District on the 3rd day of April, 2008, by the following vote:

AYES: 7  
NOES: 0  
ABSENT: 0  
ABSTAIN: 0

Board Members: de la Torre, Escarce, Snell, Mechur, Leon-Vazquez, Pye,  
Board Members: Wisnicki  
Board Members:  
Board Members:

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Official Seal of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, this day of April 3, 2008.



Dianne Talarico  
Superintendent  
Secretary to the Board of Education

*Los Angeles County*  
*Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk*

**Certificate of the Canvass of the Election Returns**

I, DEAN C. LOGAN, Acting Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, of the State of California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that pursuant to the provisions of Section 15300 et seq. of the California Elections Code, I did canvass the returns of the votes cast for each elective office and/or measure(s) in the

*Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District*

At the Presidential Primary Election, held on the 5th day of February, 2008.

*I, FURTHER CERTIFY that the Statement of Votes Cast, to which this certificate is attached, shows the total number of ballots cast in said jurisdiction, and the whole number of votes cast for each candidate and/or measure(s) in said jurisdiction in each of the respective precincts therein, and the totals of the respective columns and the totals as shown for each candidate and/or measure(s) are full, true and correct.*

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 4th day of March, 2008.



*Dean C. Logan*

DEAN C. LOGAN

Acting Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk  
County of Los Angeles

# **Election Results of the California State General Election February 5, 2008**

SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIF

<b>MEASURE R – SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT BONDS</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>27,525</b>	<b>73.03%</b>
(2/3 OF VOTES CAST)	NO	10,165	26.97%

TOTAL PRECINCTS:	71
PRECINCTS REPORTING:	71
	100.00 %
REGISTRATION:	70,107

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/MAJOR

03/13/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / CHIUNG-SALLY CHOU

**UPDATE**

RE: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ~~AMONG~~ BETWEEN THE SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (SMMUSD) ~~AND THE SANTA MONICA-MALIBU EDUCATION FOUNDATION (SMMEF)~~ ~~AND SANTA MONICA-MALIBU CLASSROOM TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (SMMCTA)~~

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.14

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) ~~among~~ between the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) ~~and the Santa Monica-Malibu Education Foundation (SMMEF)~~ ~~and the Santa Monica-Malibu Classroom Teachers Association (SMMCTA)~~.

COMMENT: The MOU provides a collaborative effort for SMMEF to operate a fee-based and credit-earning High School Summer Program on the Santa Monica High School campus on a one-year pilot basis. This item was brought to the board for discussion on March 13, 2008.

A copy of the MOU is available in the Superintendent's Office.

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*Dr. Escarce inquired as to a plan for student evaluation. Ms. Jodi Brooks of the Education Foundation explained that the following assessments would be used: honors class summative exams, subjective assessments, and mid-year evaluations.*

*Mr. de la Torre asked if scholarships would be available for students who could not afford the classes. Ms. Brooks replied that the mission of the Ed Found has always been to support all students and increase access for all students.*

MOTION MADE BY: Mr. Mechur

SECONDED BY: Ms. Leon-Vazquez

STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A

AYES: All (6) (Dr. Wisnicki was absent for the vote)

NOES: None (0)

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

ACTION/MAJOR

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / TIMOTHY R. WALKER /  
MICHAEL D. MATTHEWS

RE: APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING STAFFING ALLOCATIONS  
AND REDUCTIONS FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

RECOMMENDATION NO. A.15

It is recommended the Board of Education approve the staffing allocations and reductions as discussed during the March 13, 2008, board meeting. It is further recommended the board direct staff to incorporate these allocations and reductions into the 2008-09 budget.

COMMENT: Reductions in staffing are planned for the 2008-2009 school year due to declining enrollment.

The reductions are based upon all secondary schools being staffed at a student-to-teacher ratio of 31:1, except for John Adams Middle School, which will be staffed at 30:1. John Adams was staffed at a 29:1 ratio in the 2007-08 school year.

In 2008-2009, grades K-3 will continue to be funded at 20:1. Grades 4-5 will be funded at 30:1, with the exception of Will Rogers Learning Community and Edison Language Academy, which are recommended to be staffed at 25:1 ratios. Rogers was staffed at 20:1 in grades 4 and 5 for the 2007-08 school year. Utilizing these staffing ratios and the enrollment projections provided by DecisionInsite, the Board of Education took action at the March 5, 2008, meeting to implement these reductions as they impact certificated staffing. The board will finalize these budgetary reductions when the budget is adopted in June, but it is important that decisions are made by April 3<sup>rd</sup>, to allow scheduling decisions regarding students to occur in a timely manner.

Staff continues to examine administrative and classified staffing ratios, and will be recommending reductions in those areas as well. In determining its recommendation, staff has considered many possible reductions, including reductions in central office administrators and staff; reducing Santa Monica High School by one "House"; and staffing school administrators and classified staff by a clear and consistently-applied ratio, which would result in a

decrease of staff at some sites, while increasing staff at others.

After careful consideration, staff is not recommending the reduction of one "House" at SAMOHI for the 2008-09 school year. Although enrollment is projected to continue to decline there, staff is recommending that the district takes another year to more closely examine enrollment, and perhaps open this discussion again next year if enrollment indeed declines as expected.

The chart below reflects recommended reductions in the 08-09 budget. Again, these recommendations are primarily related to making prudent staffing decisions based on declining enrollment.

Item	Potential Savings
Reduced Teaching Positions at JAMS (30:1)	\$448,000
Reduced Teaching Positions at Malibu (31:1)	\$368,000
Reduced Teaching Positions at Samohi (31:1)	\$560,000
Reduced Teaching Positions at Elementary Schools	\$720,000
Reduction of Temporary Elementary Music Teacher	\$80,000
Reduction in Site Administrators	\$250,000
Reduction in Central Office Administration	\$160,000
Reduction in Classified Reductions at Sites	\$250,000
Reduction in Central Office Classified	\$260,000
Reduction in Contracts	\$150,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,246,000</b>
Reduction in current projection	\$760,000
<b>Total Potential Savings</b>	<b>\$2,486,000</b>

There are other reductions being examined that are funded through categorical programs. Reductions of these positions will not impact the district's general fund.

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Staff will continue to examine possible reductions. At this time staff recommends that the Board consider the recommendations above, advise staff on possible increases or decreases, then take action on the reductions at the April 3, 2008, board meeting.

NOTE: This agenda went to print prior to the discussion on March 13, 2008. Therefore, any changes the board requested on March 13<sup>th</sup> will be incorporated into an Update prior to the April 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

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Public Comments:

- *Kerri Johnson, Lisette Bauersachs, and Francesca Taylor, members of the public, addressed the board regarding this topic.*

*Dr. Escarce asked how the district was staffed this year, and what could Principals do to prevent classes from becoming too crowded. Dr. Matthews replied that for the 07-08 school year, secondary schools were staffed at 32:1 and JAMS at 29:1. The staffing recommendations for 08-09 are 31:1 for secondary schools and JAMS at 30:1. He explained that sometimes a grade level is larger than other grades, causing class sizes in that grade to be a little over the average. He continued that master scheduling is a complicated process and staff does everything they can to make sure classes do not go over 35:1.*

*Dr. Wisnicki asked about capping core classes and adjusting FTEs. Dr. Matthews replied that staffing is based on enrollment projections. He explained that just as middle schools have class size issues because of core classes, elementary schools have issues with split classes.*

*Ms. Pye suggested the board approve the item with a commitment from staff to continue to monitor class sizes. Ms. Talarico replied that staff would make any necessary staffing adjustments in September and January, after each semester begins. She said that staff gave data regarding class sizes to the board earlier, but could give quarterly reports if the board so desired.*

*The board agreed to approve the item with the following requests to staff: monitor core class sizes, regular update reports to the board, consider possible caps to core classes.*

MOTION MADE BY: Dr. Escarce  
SECONDED BY: Dr. Wisnicki  
STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: N/A  
AYES: All (7)  
NOES: None (0)



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## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

DISCUSSION

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO

RE: REPORT OF FINDINGS FROM LOU BARBER & ASSOCIATES REGARDING  
INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

DISCUSSION ITEM NO. D.01

The Board of Education will hear a report of findings regarding the independent review of SMMUSD's Special Education program that was conducted by Lou Barber & Associates.

Lou Barber & Associates was retained by the Board of Education to perform the independent. A broad based committee comprised of staff, parents, and community members selected Lou Barber & Associates from among three service providers who submitted proposals.

During the months of January, February, and March, Lou Barber & Associates has held meetings with community members, teachers, Special Education staff, board members, and other district staff, has conducted interviews, and visited school sites. A detailed schedule of these activities is attached.

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Public Comments:

- Amy Brunell, John Petz, Debra Shepherd, Tricia Crane, Meredith Hight, Craig Hamilton, Richard Milanesi, Karen Paris, Shiela Forsander, Lee Jones, Stephanie Shulenberg, Wendy Ackerman, Luis Mestizo, Hyman Katz, and Lynn Kilmroy, members of the public, addressed the board regarding this issue.

Superintendent Talarico introduced the presentation by saying that third party reports have the potential to help organizations improve their practices, as was demonstrated when FCMAT reviewed the district's finances. She said that as a learning organization, the district is always willing to determine ways to provide better services to the children in the district. She continued that the district is striving to become more customer service oriented in all areas of the organization, not just the Special Education Department. She suggested that the district celebrate the commendations in the report and take the recommendations into consideration when preparing the district's response. Ms. Talarico concluded that the report shows the district is doing a good job and has met the requirements that the Santa Monica City Council put forth in June 2007.

Dr. Lou Barber, Tammy VonBuck, and Francine Heim reported their findings to the board.

Ms. Leon-Vazquez suggested that the Superintendent, when writing her preliminary recommendations in response to the report, should review the Special Education Strategic Plan. She would also like information regarding programs that have been established in the past couple years. She expressed her concern regarding overstaffing and the budget.

Mr. Snell asked why settlement agreements should be included in IEPs. Dr. Barber responded that settlement agreements are legal, but he suggested building a professional development team with a parent liaison as a means of reaching solutions at the school site level. He added that the number of settlement agreements illustrated the district was trying to find solutions within the district, rather than outside sources. Dr. Barber commended the district for having programs at every site and increasing services for autism; he said that there are very dedicated teachers in the district.

Dr. Wisnicki asked about the response to intervention model. Dr. Barber suggested that general education teachers look to intervention strategies prior to referring a student to Special Education. Dr. Wisnicki responded that the district has intervention programs in place at every site.

Dr. Escarce asked if SMMUSD was the only district in the Tri City SELPA that could participate more. Dr. Barber believed that all three of the districts in the SELPA are not collaborating as they should. Dr. Escarce encouraged the Superintendent to approach the report holistically when writing her recommendations.

Ms. Pye said she was heartened to read about a lot of good things the district is doing. She reminded the community that the district is in the first steps of the review process, and she has full confidence in the recommendations that the Superintendent will be bringing forward.

Mr. Mechur commented that it can often be difficult to find a balance between meeting the needs of children and a lack of resources. Dr. Barber urged board members to continue to remind congress that IDEA is expensive legislation to implement.

Mr. de la Torre suggested an orientation process for parents with students in Special Education to inform them of their rights and different support groups. He thanked the parents and acknowledged that there were many staff members doing a very good job in the program. He expressed his belief that what was lacking in the district was a sense of empathy toward parents whose students were in Special Education.

Ms. Talarico thanked the parents for coming and for their frankness, and thanked Lou Barber for his report. She said that based on the range of the recommendations in the report, she would aim to bring forward staff's first set of preliminary recommendations at the April 17<sup>th</sup> board meeting; more complex recommendations would come forward later.

## **Special Education Independent Review Activities and Timeline**

### **Updated March 12, 2008**

#### **January 9, 2008**

- Lou Barber & Associates met with the Superintendent for three hours. All materials that were initially requested by Lou Barber & Associates were provided during this meeting.
- Luncheon meeting with Dianne Talarico (Supt.), Tim Walker (Deputy Supt.), and Ruth Valadez (Dir., Sp Ed)
- A district email address (lou.barber@smmusd.org) was created for Lou Barber so that any member of the public would be able to provide input during the review from January 10, 2008 – March 7, 2008.

#### **January 10, 2008**

- Morning meetings: Ruth Valadez (Dir., Sp Ed) and special education staff
- Afternoon meetings: Tim Walker (Deputy Supt.)
- Debrief with Superintendent Talarico

#### **January 11, 2008**

- 9:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. – Harry Keiley (SMMCTA President)
- 9:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. – Barry Snell (Board Member)

#### **January 15, 2008**

- 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. – Special Education District Advisory Committee

#### **January 16, 2008**

- 8:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m. – Dianne Talarico & Sarah Wahrenbrock (Supt. & Exec. Asst.)
- 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. – Jan Maez (Asst. Supt. / CFO)
- 8:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m. – Kelly Pye (Board Member)
- 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. – Dianne Talarico (Supt.)
- 1:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m. – Mike Matthews (Asst. Supt.)
- 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. – Sally Chou (Chief Academic Officer)

#### **January 17, 2008**

- 8:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m. – Mary Ellen Toomey & Michael Jason (Sp Ed Coordinators)
- 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. – Principal Panel [Hugo Pedroza (Santa Monica HS), Martha Shaw (John Adams MS), Janie Gates (Olympic HS), Tara Brown (Franklin ES)]
- 1:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m. – Oscar de la Torre (Board President)
- 2:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. – Jose Escarce (Board Vice President)
- 2:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. – Ralph Mechur (Board Member)

#### **January 31, 2008**

- School Site Visits
  - McKinley Elementary
  - Grant Elementary
  - Lincoln Middle School
  - Santa Monica High School

**February 1, 2008**

- Teacher Panel Interviews
  - 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. – Elementary School Teacher Panel (SMMCTA Office)
  - 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. – Middle & High School Teacher Panel (SMMCTA Office)
  - 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. – Malibu Teacher Panel (Malibu High School)

**February 6, 2008**

- 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. – Dianne Talarico (Supt.)

**February 6, 2008 and February 7, 2008**

- Community Input Sessions:
  - February 6, 2008 – 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (District Office Boardroom)
  - February 7, 2008 – 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (District Office Boardroom)
  - February 7, 2008 – 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. (District Office Boardroom)
  - February 7, 2008 – 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (Malibu High School Library)

**February 7, 2008**

- 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. – Kathy Wisnicki (Board Member)

**February 12, 2008**

- 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. – Tim Walker (Deputy Supt.) & Ruth Valadez (Dir., Sp Ed)

**March 6, 2008**

- 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. – Panel of School Psychologists (District Office Boardroom)
- 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. – Panel of Speech and Language Pathologists (SMMCTA Office)

**March 7, 2008**

- 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. – Dr. Wilbert Young (Dir., Personnel Commission)

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

DISCUSSION

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO / JANECE L. MAEZ /  
VIRGINIA I. HYATT

**POSTPONED**

RE: TECHNOLOGY STUDY, BUDGET IMPLICATIONS, AND  
IMPLEMENTATION - MEASURE "BB" PROGRAM

DISCUSSION ITEM NO. D.02

As part of the district's Measure "BB" bond program, the Board approved an allocation of funds to be used to enhance, upgrade, and support the district's technology program. This allocation is intended to begin a process bringing the district to a place utilizing current technology in both the classroom and administrative functions. It is the district's belief that "World Class Schools" require technology systems with the ability to support them.

In order to develop a road map for this process, Networld Solutions was hired under the Measure "BB" program to provide the following tasks:

1. Assess infrastructure for power, cabling, and electrical needs for future technology
2. Set and define new technology standards with stakeholders
3. Develop budgets and implementation timelines
4. Work with other district consultants and stakeholders to set standards and specifications for the development of detailed districtwide system design and performance requirements for architectural design standards

It is critical that the district establishes these standards and specifications as it moves forward with the technology portion of the Measure "BB" program.

Mr. Darryl Vidal of Networld Solutions will present his findings and recommendations to the Board of Education at this meeting. The discussion will include implementation and budget strategies moving forward with the Measure "BB" program.

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*The board agreed to postpone this item for a special workshop on Wednesday, April 16, 2008.*

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## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

INFORMATION

04/03/08

FROM: DIANNE TALARICO

RE: NOTICE OF RECOMMENDATION NOT TO REEMPLOY PERMANENT OR  
PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES

INFORMATION ITEM NO. I.01

**NOTICE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE  
SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF  
RECOMMENDATION NOT TO REEMPLOY  
PERMANENT OR PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES**


TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED  
SCHOOL DISTRICT:

This communication is forwarded to the Board as one of the steps required by the certificated layoff procedures, in accordance with Education Code section 44949(a). The undersigned, Superintendent of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, hereby recommends to the Board of Education that the following employees of the District not be reemployed for the following school year and that they be given notice as required by Education Code Sections 44949 and 44955 that their services will not be required for the following school year:

See Exhibit A attached hereto

The reason for this recommendation is that the services enumerated in Resolution No. 07-20 are to be reduced or discontinued no later than the beginning of the 2008-2009 school year. You are further notified that there is no probationary or permanent certificated employee with less seniority retained who is rendering a service which the certificated employees who will receive Notices of Non-Reemployment are certificated and competent to render.

Respectfully submitted,



Dianne Talarico, Superintendent  
Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District



## **EXHIBIT A**

1. # 6075
2. # 5549
3. # 3821
4. # 9999
5. # 0104
6. # 1229
7. # 1463

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

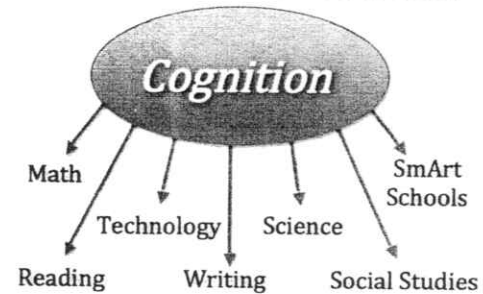
**ATTACHED ARE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:**

- Presentation: "The Brain Based Approach to Learning" from Will Rogers Learning Community
- Document: "Mathematics Textbook Recommendation to Board for Approval on April 3, 2008"

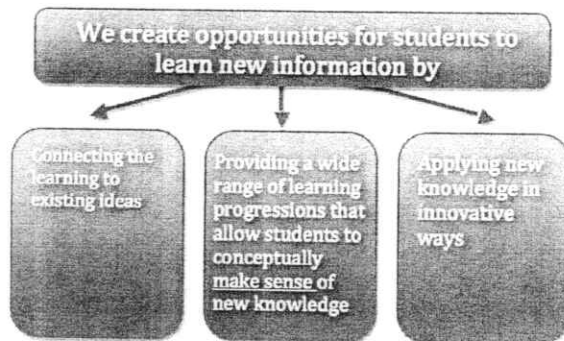
## The Brain Based Approach to Learning



Ways we can help students access and connect learning across the curriculum.



Here's what we know about learning.



## What Research Says About Cognition

- The capacity to apply facts, concepts and skills in new situations in appropriate ways.
- The research message is strong: Teach for meaning initially, or risk never getting students beyond a superficial understanding that leaves them unprepared to apply their learning.

*Howard Gardner*

*Steve Leinwand and Steve Fleischman from the American Institute for Research, specializing in the identification and successful implementation of high quality, effective education programs and practices.*

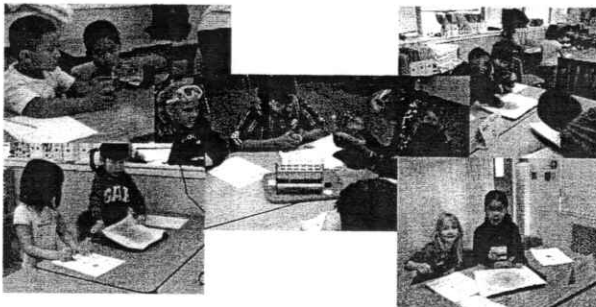
*Here's what we see in our students:*

- Students are metacognitive thinkers; they know how to think through varied tasks.
- Students are innovative problem solvers.
- Students are critical thinkers who confidently and persistently apply knowledge to new tasks.

To gain a deep understanding of **scientific concepts**, learners must actively grapple with the content.

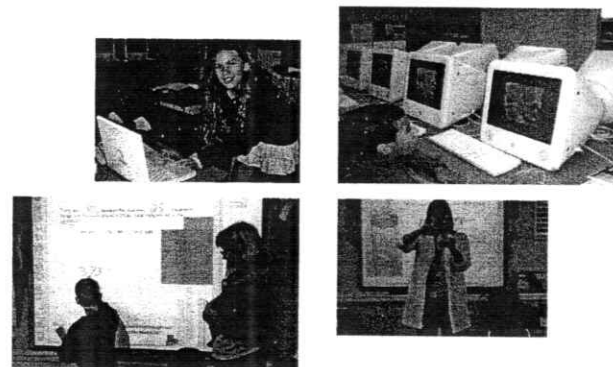


*As we interact with the world, the world becomes mapped in our brain.*



This cognitive development is further internalized as students hypothesize, experiment, observe, measure, record results, and draw conclusions while effectively sharing their thinking.

Technology tools make learning interactive, engaging, collaborative and link students to the world outside the classroom.



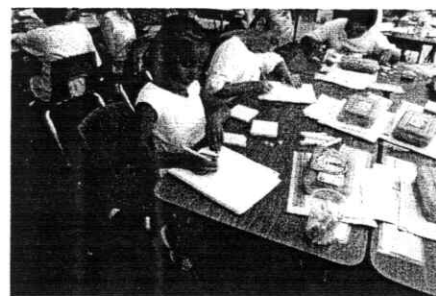
New technologies help students understand concepts, methods of reasoning, and effective ways of presenting their ideas in many subject areas.



Multimedia resources such as Smart Boards, KidBiz3000, Elmo's, and videostreaming extend the teacher's repertoire of traditional tools to make learning more meaningful.

## MATHEMATICS

*CGI: Cognitively Guided Instruction*  
Creating opportunities to build on the development of children's mathematical thinking



Routines have been created to highlight what it means to learn, understand, and do mathematics.

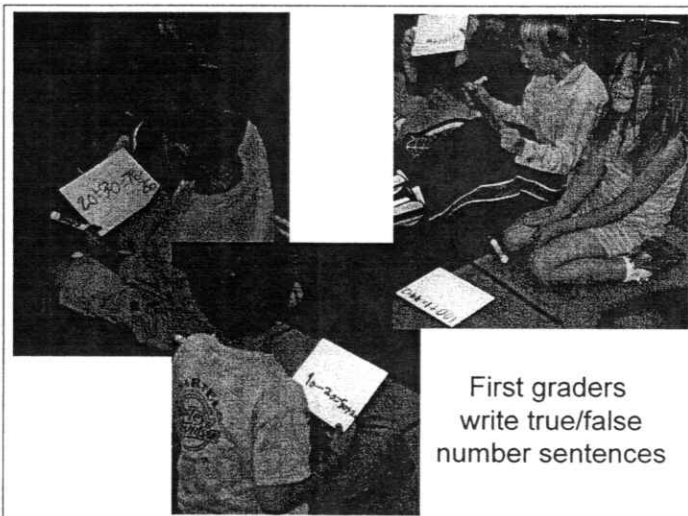


*CGI Classrooms Do Not all look the Same*

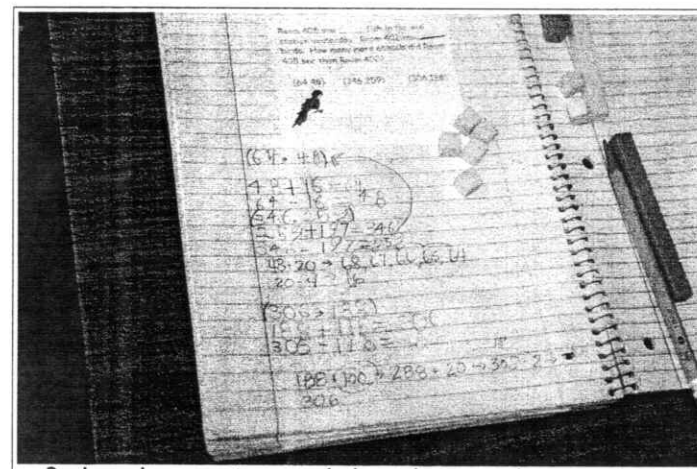
But if you look closely, you will see, in each room, opportunities for students to share their own thinking.



Kindergartners using ten as a unit to solve problems



First graders  
write true/false  
number sentences



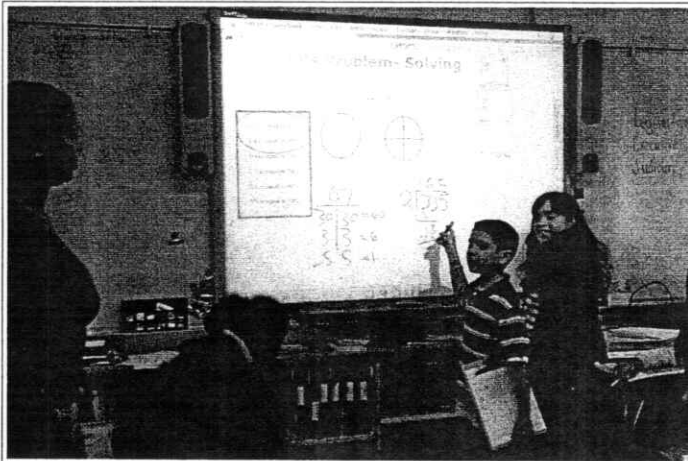
2nd grader uses invented algorithm to solve a compare  
problem



3rd graders figure out volume of a cube conceptually



4th grade student's proportional reasoning:  
"As the brown ones get more the white ones get less"



5th graders solve 25% of 67 with conceptual understanding



Students share multiple strategies for solving word problems



Students share multiple solutions on the board



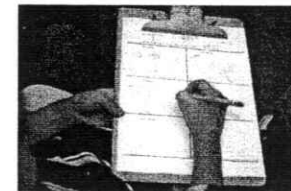
Students use white boards to check in



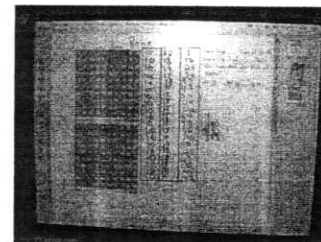
*Students are accustomed to explaining their thinking, solving problems in multiple ways, representing mathematical ideas, and making connections across mathematical concepts.*



Students use white boards



Students use graphic organizers to support and record their thinking



Students use Smart Boards to organize and record thinking



*Teachers Conferencing with Students  
and Asking Questions*



We are listening to our students'  
mathematical thinking



and using it to make instructional  
decisions

At Will Rogers Learning  
Community

Students are doing amazing  
things...

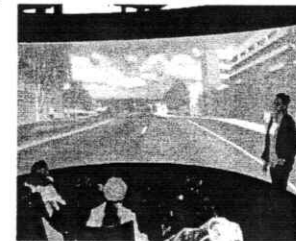
And so are the teachers...

What is next?

**UCLA Experiences**

*Building Partnerships*

Science Lab - Students participating in  
a rat dissection with graduate students.



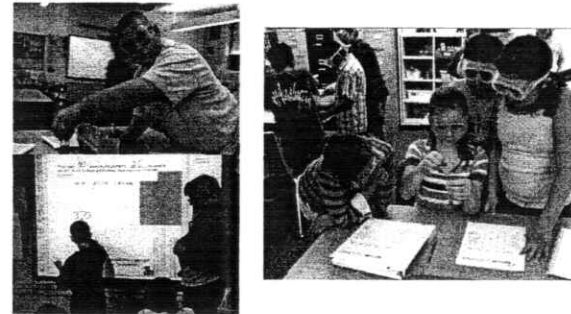
The Visualization lab used the  
fields of math and engineering to  
represent architectural designs.

## Los Angeles County office of Education Digital Voice Award Recipients



## STEM Education

National push to improve Science,  
Technology, Engineering and Mathematics



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate whether the following equations are true.

1.  $184 \times 179 = (184 \times 100) + (184 \times 7) + (184 \times 9)$

True or False? Explain your thinking.

2.  $(200 \times 100) + (40 \times 100) + (3 \times 100) + (200 \times 96) + (40 \times 96) + (3 \times 96) = 243 \times 196$

True or False? Explain your thinking.

What is the value of the variable  $n$ ? Explain your thinking.

3.  $149 \times 62 = (100 \times 60) + (n \times 60) + (9 \times 60) + (100 \times 2) + (n \times 2) + (9 \times 2)$

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date Jan. 31, 2008

Mrs. Lyons bought 6 computers for our school. Each computer cost \$ 7,429. How much money did she spend?

(8; \$169) (3; \$3,671) (6; \$7,429)

This is a picture to represent my thinking:

Diagram illustrating the calculation of the total cost of 6 computers, each costing \$7,429.

Row 1:  $7429 + 7429 = 14858$

Row 2:  $7429 + 7429 = 14858$

Row 3:  $7429 + 7429 = 14858$

Vertical addition for the third row:

$$\begin{array}{r} 14858 \\ + 14858 \\ \hline 29716 \end{array}$$

My equation (number sentence) that matches my thinking.

$$7429 + 7429 = 14858$$

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date 2/29/08

Mrs. Lyons bought 8 computers for our school. Each computer cost \$ \$169. How much money did she spend?

1, (8; \$169) 2, (3; \$3,671) 3, (6; \$7,429)

This is a picture to represent my thinking:

1.

$$\begin{array}{r} 57 \\ 169 \\ \times \quad 8 \\ \hline 1352 \end{array}$$

2.

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \quad 2 \\ 3 \quad 6 \quad 7 \quad 1 \\ \times \quad 3 \\ \hline 11 \quad 073 \end{array}$$

3.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \quad 1 \quad 5 \\ 7 \quad 4 \quad 2 \quad 9 \\ \times \quad 6 \\ \hline 44 \quad 574 \end{array}$$

My equation (number sentence) that matches my thinking.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date 4, 1, 08

Mrs. Lyons bought 6 computers for our school. Each computer cost \$ 7,429. How much money did she spend?

(8; \$169) (3; \$3,671) (6; \$7,429)

This is a picture to represent my thinking:

$$\begin{array}{r} 1. \quad \overset{215}{7,429} \\ \times \quad 6 \\ \hline 44,574 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2. \quad \overset{22}{3,671} \\ \times \quad 3 \\ \hline 11,013 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3. \quad \overset{52}{769} \\ \times \quad 8 \\ \hline 1352 \end{array}$$

My equation (number sentence) that matches my thinking.

\_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date 2/29/08

Mrs. Lyons bought \_\_\_\_\_ computers for our school. Each computer cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_. How much money did she spend?

(8; \$169) (3; \$3,671) (6; \$7,429)

This is a picture to represent my thinking:

**(A) way 1**

$$\begin{array}{r} 169 \\ \times 8 \\ \hline 1,352 \end{array}$$

**way 2**

$$\begin{array}{r} 169 \\ 169 \\ 169 \\ 169 \\ 169 \\ 169 \\ 169 \\ 169 \\ \hline 1,352 \end{array}$$

**(B) 3,000 + 3,671 = 11,013**

way 1

way 2

**(C)**

$$\begin{array}{r} 7,429 \\ \times 6 \\ \hline 44,574 \end{array}$$

My equation (number sentence) that matches my thinking.

$169 \times 8 = 1,352$  |  $3,671 \times 3 = 11,013$  |

$7,429 \times 6 = 44,574$

## Mathematics Textbook Recommendation to Board for Approval on April 3, 2008

- I. **Understanding the Mathematics Adoption Toolkit**—A Data-Driven Review of Instructional Materials—LACOE inservice October 2007 attended by Peggy Harris, Tristen Macon, and Rosa Serratore
- II. **Needs Assessment** sent to all sites November 2007 for input and recruitment of adoption committee
  - Received 107 elementary and 44 secondary replies = **151 teachers' input**
  - Ranking of Components of Effective Mathematics Program
    - i) Problem solving ranked #1 most often
    - ii) Strategies for differentiation and math communication #2
    - iii) Real world applications #3
- III. Samples from publishing companies sent to PDLC Nov/Dec
- IV. **Mon Dec 17/Thurs Jan 10 teachers invited to after school viewing of materials 44 Attendees**

Agenda: Overview of process and Narrowing of choices to three

Houghton-Mifflin/ Everyday Math/ enVision Scott Foresman—elementary  
Glencoe/ Pearson Prentice Hall/ Holt—middle school  
McDougal-Littell/ Pearson Prentice Hall/ Holt—secondary level

Samples sent to all sites for grade level and department review prior to committee members' selection meeting.
- V. **January 31, 2008 Adoption Selection made by committee members**

Committee composed of lower and upper elementary rep per elementary site; grade level reps per middle school; and course reps per high school—**36 members**

Agenda:

  - i) Publisher presentations
  - ii) Looking at Teachers' Needs Assessment; District Needs and Data; State and National Data—look at texts via standards that are poorly understood—how do the lesson suggestions, materials, technology address the instruction needed?
  - iii) Review of Teacher Kits from a New Teacher's Perspective
  - iv) Review of materials from committee rep's teaching perspective

Committee Representatives narrowed further to two choices:  
Everyday Math and enVision for elementary; Prentice Hall and Holt for secondary

They requested to take materials back to their classrooms to review and pilot lessons and to get students and faculty input prior to making final decision.
- VI. **February 25, 2008 Decision Announced to teachers and site administrators**

**Reasons for preferring Envision by Scott Foresman for K-5:**

Teachers felt the enVision curriculum encouraged problem-solving and application of math concepts. Program includes differentiation and intervention for every lesson and provides ongoing opportunities to make connections as students move from the concrete to the abstract.



**Reasons for preferring Holt California Mathematics for grades 6-Algebra II:**

In comparing several lessons directly it seems that the Holt book offers more opportunities for ramping up, or down the rigor depending on what you need. Both books do an excellent job of integrating word problems, but Holt book seems to provide more strategies and support to solve them. Finally, the "deal breaker" for me was when I started noticing concepts in the Prentice book that were introduced basically as memorize this formula. A textbook needs to make at least some effort to explain the origins the material; otherwise it is just a bunch of trivial information.

Great step-by-step explanations, on-line help for students and parents, good "practice" worksheets, and great TE layout of lessons.

I taught a guided step-by-step Algebra lesson from Holt and several students commented on the clarity of the lesson.

Based on the student responses. I feel Holt would be a better fit. I also like how they incorporate the problem solving throughout each lesson with examples of how to work them. I don't really care for the GPS in Prentice Hall because they take the "problem solving" part out of each one by providing the leading questions

When we left the meeting, I was voting for Prentice Hall. These results have really made me rethink my decision. I remember some of the discussions we were having about the possibility that the Holt books might be too distracting, but my students have quite the opposite opinion. The following are some of the comments I thought I would share from my students' lists:

*"Holt explains the steps clearly and specifically in terms I understand."*

*"Good use of color to call attention to details"*

*"I like the examples they provide using my calculator."*

*"Holt explains things in 'my language'."*

*"There are more examples dealing with the real world."*

*"I like how they color coordinate the steps."*

*"Holt does a better job relating the concepts I have to learn to possible future careers."*

*"I like the Holt note sheet better because it is not as crowded as the other and provides me more room to add extra hints."*

VII. **SMASH recommends** Everyday Mathematics for their K-6 program and CA Holt for their 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade courses. Faculty and administration are familiar with the Everyday Math program and feel it meets their students' needs.

VIII. **Essentials I for Algebra 8<sup>th</sup> Grade—Algebra Readiness** text review and selection made on March 3, 2008 by JAMS and LMS teacher reps of this course.

**Glencoe's Algebra Readiness** is recommended due to its providing lots of extra supplements and enrichments, to it not being too wordy, to giving students a text that looks like an 8<sup>th</sup> grade text, and to its not being totally "traditional"

IX. **Essentials II for Algebra 9<sup>th</sup> Grade and Essentials High School Special Education**  
Review of options continues