



MINUTES

BOARD STUDY SESSION

January 12, 2010

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. OPENING

A.1 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Mae Thomas, Board President, at 5:58 p.m., in the Board Room of the District Education Service Center, 501 South Santa Fe Avenue, Compton, CA 90221.

A.2 ROLL CALL

The following Members were present:

**Micah Ali
Fred Easter
Margie Garrett
Emma Sharif
Marjorie Shipp
Mae Thomas
Satra Zurita
Kaye E. Burnside
Oseas Chavaque
*Student Board Member***

A.3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Oseas Chavaque, Student Board Member, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A.4 INVOCATION

Elder Herles Holmes rendered the invocation.

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Board Member Easter requested a *Point of Special Privilege*: Stated that at the previous Board of Trustee Meeting a written request was submitted to entertain dialogue regarding the seating arrangement of the Board and Superintendent; offered a motion to hold said discussion; and requested that there be a Roll Call Vote.

09/10-056

MOTION by *MR. EASTER*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHIPP* to Place an Item on the Agenda regarding the seating arrangement on the Dais.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Ali - No

Mr. Easter - Yes

Mrs. Garrett - No

Mrs. Sharif - Yes

Mrs. Shipp - Yes

Mrs. Thomas - No

Ms. Zurita - No

MOTION FAILED

Board Member Shipp reported that she received numerous telephone calls concerning this matter; and requested clarification from the President as to why she chose to remove the Superintendent from the Dais.

Board President Thomas stated, "If you look at other school districts, the superintendent does not sit next to the president." Further stated that the seating arrangement came about from another superintendent who decided to sit on the Dais with the Board; commented that it should not matter where a person sits, but it is about the education of the children.

A.5 PUBLIC COMMENTS – CLOSED SESSION

The individual referenced below requested to address the Board during Closed Session.

- **MICHAEL FEINBERG**, *Attorney at Law, 6300 West Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 2000, Los Angeles CA 90048*
Requested to speak on behalf of his client.

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09/10-048a B. CLOSED SESSION

MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MS. ZURITA* to recess to Closed Session to consider matters within the purview of the Brown Act. (Time: 5:20 p.m.), specifically:

- **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS**
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)
 - Associate Superintendents
 - Senior Directors
 - Directors
 - Chief Facilities Officer
 - Administrators
 - Deputy Superintendent
 - Communications Coordinator
 - Program Manager
 - Teachers
 - Principals
 - Assistant Principals
 - Intervention Support Coordinator
 - Program Coordinator of Recruiting Services
 - Special Education-Transition Coordinator
 - Principal - Special Assignment
 - Instructional Support Administrators
 - Interim Principal
 - Interim Senior Director
- **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/SUSPENSION/RELEASE/
NONRELECTION/NONREEMPLOYMENT/LEAVE/RESIGNATION**
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)
- **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - (Existing Litigation)**
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a))
 - Compton Unified School District v. South Santa Fe Limited Partnership, et al. (LASC Case No. BC 297833)
(Case names unspecified: Disclosure would jeopardize service OF process or existing settlement negotiations)
 - SEHO Case No. SN05-00684; OAH Case Nos. N2005110837 and N2005120325; and Federal District Court - Case Nos. CV05-8860 R and CV06-0555R (VBKx)
 - Case No. TC019060 - (Case Name unspecified: Disclosure would jeopardize service of process or existing settlement negotiations)
 - Case No. LASC Case No. TCO20906 - (Case Name unspecified: Disclosure would jeopardize service of process or existing settlement negotiations)
 - GKK Works v. Compton Unified School District (LASC Case No. BC372955)
 - Compton Unified School District v. GKK Works (LASC Case No. BC 415131)
 - Williams v. Compton Unified School District, Case No. 07K18595
 - USDC Case No. CV08-02819; OAH Case No. N2007070980
 - Case No. TS 011754
 - LITIGATION REPORT:
 - 1) LASC BC 363613; LASC BC 363711; USDC CV-06-4717 AHM; OAH Case No. N2005110596; OAH Case No. N2005090626; OAH Case No. N2007070013; LASC Case No. CK 14016; OAH Case No. N2007070980; OAH Case No. N2007070980; OAH Case No. N2007070285; Employee Nos. 4901065; 4900547; 4900714; 4800005; 4800513; 4901288
 - 2) VC07-5476; BC 368843; TC19128; BC362696; TC018829; TC01932; BC355746; TS008862; BC376304; BC374540; TC020906; TC021281; 07C01470; TC020599; BC306593; BC308127; TC019377
 - In the Matter of the Personnel Commission Appeal - Employee/Client Number 007665.1085
 - 3) Legal Matters Update - Michael Declues - Declues, Burkett & Thompson
 - 4) Superior Court Case No. 0753134JW
- **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - (Anticipated Litigation)**
(Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b))
 - 4 Potential Cases
(Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c))
 - 4 Potential Cases
 - 6 Potential Defendants

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MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MS. ZURITA* to recess to Closed Session to consider matters within the purview of the Brown Act. (Time: 5:20 p.m.), specifically:
(Continued)

- ***STUDENT EXPULSION***

- ***CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS***

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Designated Representatives: *Mr. Barrett K. Green
John Tennant*

Employee Organizations: *California School Employees Association
American Federation of Teachers
Police Officers' Association
Service Employees International Union
Compton Education Association*

Agency Designated Representatives: *Mr. Barrett K. Green
John Tennant*

Unrepresented Employee(s): *Certificated/Classified Management
Nonrepresented Classified
Deputy Superintendent
Associate Superintendents
Superintendent
Chief Facilities Office*

- ***PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION***

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)

- *Superintendent*
- *Deputy Superintendent*
- *Associate Superintendents*

- ***PUBLIC EMPLOYEE COMPLAINTS***

VOTE ON MOTION TO RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION CARRIED

09/10-048b B. OPEN SESSION

MOTION by *MRS. SHARIF*, **SECOND** by *MRS. GARRETT* to reconvene into Open Session – Time: 6:55 p.m.

VOTE ON MOTION TO RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

MOTION CARRIED

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B. OPEN SESSION

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- **Report Out of Closed Session**
(Pursuant to Govt. Code Section 54957.1)

Jaffe Dickison, Legal Counsel, read the following report out of Closed Session:

In accordance with the Government Code Section 54957.1, this is to report that in closed session, the Board of Trustees took action to:

1. To give notice of unprofessional conduct/unsatisfactory performance to one (1) certificated employee.

Roll call vote of the Board was as follows:

Board Member Fred Easter	Yes
Board Member Margie Garrett	Yes
Board Member Micah Ali	Yes
Board Member Emma Sharif	Yes
Board Member Marjorie Shipp	Yes
Board President Mae Thomas	Yes
Board Member Satra Zurita	Yes

IN FAVOR 7 **AGAINST** 0 **ABSTENTION** 0

2. The approved one (1) student expulsion from Dominguez High School.

Roll call vote of the Board was as follows:

Board Member Fred Easter	Yes
Board Member Margie Garrett	Yes
Board Member Micah Ali	Yes
Board Member Emma Sharif	Yes
Board Member Marjorie Shipp	Yes
Board President Mae Thomas	Yes
Board Member Satra Zurita	Yes

IN FAVOR 7 **AGAINST** 0 **ABSTENTION** 0

This concludes the report out of Closed Session.

09/10-050 **EXPULSION OF STUDENT - Case No. 025**
(See report out of Closed Session referenced above.)

C. COMMUNICATIONS

C.1 **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**
- None Scheduled.

C.2 **RECOGNITION**

Superintendent Burnside presented Marjorie A. Shipp with a Recognitions Award for her Service to the District as President of the Board of Trustees – 2009.

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C. COMMUNICATIONS

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C.3 INFORMATION ITEMS

- Establishment of New Classification - Textbook/Library Coordinator
- Establishment of New Classification - Instructional Assistant Secondary Transition

Superintendent Burnside reported that the above-referenced items did not require action by the Board; but that they were informational items only; and noted that there was a minor modification to the New Classification - Instructional Assistant Secondary Transition position as requested by the California School Employees Association (CSEA).

Board President Thomas adjusted the Agenda to receive the Public Comments.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA & NON AGENDA ITEMS

- **JOANN PEARSALL EVANS**, 446 W. Arbutus Street, Compton, CA 90220
Introduced the members of the Senior Citizens Scholarship Foundation, Dollarhide Senior Citizens Center, Marvin Hunt, Director; announced that the foundation would be presenting a \$500 scholarship award to Centennial, Compton, Dominguez and Cesar Chavez High Schools; that applications would be delivered to each high school; that the deadline for returning the application is March 5, 2010; that on April 14, 2010, scholarship winners would be notified; and the awards presentation would be held at the Dollarhide Community Center (Date TBA).
- **FRANCELLA HENDERSON**, 1626 Centinela Avenue, #11, Inglewood, CA
Shared information about her publication, "Hidden Secrets About Black History" in honor of Black History Month.
- **DAMON FIELDS**, President, SEIU Local 99, 12106 S. Wilmington, Compton, CA
Reported that the payroll checks of January 8, 2010, was not delivered to the school sites in a timely manner; expressed disappointment that the schools did not receive proper notification; and reported that members of the payroll staff were very unprofessional when addressing District employees concerning this matter.

Superintendent Burnside stated that upon receiving notification about the problem she promptly sent out an e-mail addressing the matter and assured employees, should this problem happen again, that they would be notified in a timely manner.

- **MARIE TRUBY**, President, CEA, 333 S. Santa Fe Avenue, Compton, CA
Requested that her three minutes be deferred to Rose Tapp.

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- **ROSE TAPP**, *Executive Director, CEA, S. Santa Fe Avenue, Compton, CA*
Addressed the Board regarding the following issues:
 - School Site Concerns
Informed the Board about harassment and bullying (both verbally and written); that the stress factor that has been placed on teachers should be addressed; and that teachers feel they are not appreciated.
 - Budget Cuts
Make sure that the information is correct; that the questions were relative to the data that was being provided; and suggested that Board members view the web sites that were available to check the Budget information.
 - Race to the Top (RTTT)
Stated that in the absence of collaborative efforts, RTTT would not be successful.
 - Public/Community Relations
Stated that relationships were necessary.
- **ADRIAN CLEVELAND**, *Representative, SEIU Local 99, No Address Provided.*
Requested that her three minutes be deferred to Ron Bennett
- **RON BENNETT**, *Labor Representative, AFT – Local 6119, No Address Provided.*
Acknowledged that the Board has serious decisions to consider; expressed hope that the Board would find ways to retain all employees; asked that the Board seek to ensure that the information regarding the Budget was accurate; inquired as to the need for all of the Associate Superintendents, the additional consultants, and fees being paid for administrative coaches; reported on a meeting between AFT and the District; stated that AFT requested a copy of the District’s Financial Sheet that indicated the actual amount of funds received from the Obama Stimulus Package; that the amount reported by the Chief Business Officer was different from what was actually received (a difference of \$12 Million); reported that the District received \$21,628,952 from the Stimulus Package; and inquired as to when AFT would receive the requested information.

D. SPECIAL SESSION

D.1 Public Hearing - 7:30 p.m.

Direct Instruction Achievement Academy Charter School Petition

09/10-057a

MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHARIF* to Recess to Open the Public Hearing on the Direct Instruction Achievement Academy Charter School Petition.
Time: 7:35 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Public Comments:

- **ROUDOLFO RUVELL**, *917 Golden Avenue Street, Compton, CA*
Stated that it was good to allow parents to have a choice in the learning environment; spoke in support of the charter school proposal; and requested a monthly report regarding the Obama Charter School in the District.

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D. SPECIAL SESSION

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Public Comments - (Continued)

- **LORRAINE CERVANTES**, *Board Member, El Camino College-Compton Center, 425 S. Oleander Street, #507, Compton, CA*
Stated that it was appropriate procedure to request a presentation from the charter school applicant before receiving comments from the public.
- **LORETTA MCDONALD**, *Lead Petitioner, Direct Instruction Achievement Academy Charter School, 8117 W. Manchester Avenue, Los Angeles, CA*
Shared the school's mission statement, goals and philosophy; and addressed questions raised by the Board.

The following individuals spoke in support of Direct Instruction Achievement Academy Charter School:

- **MARIA MORSE**, *Board Member, 4515 Valleyridge Avenue, Los Angeles, CA*
- **RAVENDA FRANK**, *Board Member, 1126 Turmont Street, Carson, CA*

09/10-057b

MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHARIF* to Recess to Close the Public Hearing on the Direct Instruction Achievement Academy Charter School Petition.
Time: 7:55 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA & NON AGENDA ITEMS

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- **STACY WARD**, *1913 W. 133rd Street, Compton, CA*
Expressed concern about the classified employees' medical plan; stated that the cost has exceeded the employees' pay scale; that the medical cost was astronomical; and asked what could be done to lower the cost.
- **ELLIS COOKE**, *former CUSD Board Member, 530 W. Raymond Street, Compton, CA*
Asked how the action of moving the Superintendent from the Dais improved the decision making process of the Board of Trustees and how does the move enhance the education of students.

Board Member Shipp stated that she was not aware that the action was going to take place.

ELLIS COOKE inquired whether it was a Board action.

Board Member Shipp responded that it was not a complete Board action; and that not all Board Members were in agreement with the action taken.

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Board President Thomas stated that the action had nothing to do with children being educated; stated that it does not matter where a person sits; commented that he has not attended a Board meeting to ask why classrooms were crowded, why classified employees did not have better medical, why the District had so many consultants and Associate Superintendents; but stated that her purpose was to serve and to make sure that no child was left behind.

- **LORRAINE CERVANTES**, Board Member, El Camino College-Compton Center, 425 S. Oleander Street, #507, Compton, CA
Invited everyone to attend the Community College District Board Meeting, Tuesday, January 19, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.; announced that on Friday, January 22, 2010, the Board would be traveling to Sacramento, CA to meet with elected officials; reported on the progress of the college; stated that Governance is a key issue when dealing with accreditation; that disrespectful conduct was the responsibility of all Board Members; and that if one Board member violated his/her responsibility and other Board Members said nothing, all would be in violation.
- **TARA BONNER**, CUSD Personnel Commissioner, 2129 N. Nestor Avenue, Compton, CA
Introduced Jeanne Batey, the new Director of Personnel Commission.
- **GAYNELLE RICHARDSON**, 401 S. Mayo, Compton, CA
Spoke in support of the Obama Barak Charter School; requested the District's support for an after school tutorial program at the Salvation Army facility.
- **AARON BARBEE**, 160 W. Dameron Street, Compton, CA
Deferred his three minutes to Damon Fields.
- **DAMON FIELDS**, President, SEIU Local 99, 12106 S. Wilmington, Compton, CA
Expressed concern about the selection process for the Facilities Coordinator; asked why SEIU did not receive requested information (relative to questions raised by union members); previously requested that the item be tabled; and commented that another employee, who possessed the required qualifications, was excluded from the selection process due to a mix up in Personnel Commission Administration; and distributed packets to the Board that included the union's concerns.

Board President Thomas interjected that she was in agreement with Mr. Field's comments concerning the situation; stated that she never heard of anyone receiving an application for a position that no longer existed; that it was illegal to reopen a position and receive the application from a single individual if the position was closed; that staff should have known that the position was no longer opened; acknowledged that during the meeting of December 8, 2009, issues did arise; agreed that the item should have been tabled; and reported that the matter was being investigated.

DAMON FIELDS also reported that there was no recording device present during the second interviewing process.

Board Member Ali requested that the Director of Classified Personnel look into this matter and provide a report and recommendation to the Board at the next Board Meeting.

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RON BENNETT, *Labor Representative, AFT – Local 6119, No Address Provided*

Inquired about the Obama Stimulus money; asked about the amount to which the District received; and requested that AFT receive a copy of the financial sheet that stated the total amount.

Deborah Willard, Interim Chief Business Officer, clarified that the \$10 Millions that she specifically referred to as the State Fiscal Stabilization funds, were Unrestricted Funds that could be used to back-fill the loss of revenues; reported that the District received over \$20 Million; that there was \$10 Million allocated for Title I and an additional amount for Special Education (for SELPA - the Special Education Local Plan Area), of which the District could not use; and agreed to provide AFT with the requested information. Mrs. Willard also stated that her department would present a plan as to how the funds would be utilized to back-fill the loss of revenues.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Board President Thomas adjusted the Agenda to receive the Action Items (Non-Consent and Consent - Section G and H) and return to the Discussion Items (Section F) later in the agenda.

G. ACTION ITEMS (Non-Consent)

MOTION by **MRS. SHARIF**, **SECOND** by **MRS. GARRETT** to approved Item #09/10-049.

**09/10-049 Application to Attend Professional Conference/School
Business Meeting**

No Discussion

VOTE ON MOTION TO APPROVE Item #09/10-049.

MOTION CARRIED

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G. ACTION ITEMS (Non-Consent)

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MOTION by *MR. EASTER*, **SECOND** by *MR. ALI* to accept staff's recommendation to deny the petition for Item #09/10-052.

**09/10-052 DISCUSSION/ACTION - Barack Obama Middle
Charter School Proposal
(Accountability & Compliance)**

Comment: Staff analysis and recommendation of the proposed charter school proposal of the Barack Obama Middle Charter School was submitted to the Compton Unified School District on November 20, 2009. The public hearing on this petition was held at the District's Board of Trustees' meeting on December 8, 2009.

Recommendation: Approve staff's recommendation to deny the Petition to operate a charter school within the Compton Unified School District boundaries.

Fiscal Impact: *No appropriations required.*

Discussion

Board Member Sharif inquired whether the charter school was connected to the District.

Carlos Manrique, Associate Superintendent, Accountability and Compliance, responded that the Barack Obama Middle Charter School was connected to the District and clarified that Item #09/10-053 (Barack H. Obama Leadership Academy Charter School was not).

**VOTE ON MOTION TO ACCEPT STAFF'S
RECOMMENDATION TO DENY THE PETITION -
Item #09/10-052.**

MOTION CARRIED

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G. ACTION ITEMS (Non-Consent)
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MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MS. ZURITA* to accept staff's recommendation to deny the petition for Item #09/10-053.

**09/10-053 DISCUSSION/ACTION - Barack H. Obama Leadership Academy Charter School Proposal
(Accountability & Compliance)**

Comment: Staff analysis and recommendation of the proposed charter school proposal of the Barack H. Obama Leadership Academy Charter School was submitted to the Compton Unified School District on November 20, 2009. The public hearing on this petition was held at the District's Board of Trustees' meeting on December 8, 2009.

Recommendation: Approve staff's recommendation to deny the Petition to operate a charter school within the Compton Unified School District boundaries.

Fiscal Impact: *No appropriations required.*

No Discussion

**VOTE ON MOTION TO ACCEPT STAFF'S
RECOMMENDATION TO DENY THE PETITION -
Item #09/10-053.**

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by *MRS. SHARIF*, **SECOND** by *MS. ZURITA* to approve Item #09/10-055.

09/10-055 CONSIDERATION/ACTION - Clarification of 2008/2009 Salary for Cabinet

Discussion

Board Member Sharif requested clarification as to whether action would be taken tonight or at the next Board meeting.

Board President Thomas responded that action would be taken at tonight's Board Meeting.

Jaffe Dickerson, Legal Counsel, stated that the item was agendaized; that the back-up materials were not included; and the Board agreed, during Closed Session, to Table the item until the next Board meeting.

MOTION NOT FULLY EXECUTED

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G. ACTION ITEMS (Non-Consent)

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SUBSEQUENT MOTION by *MR. EASTER*, **SECOND** by *MR. ALI* to accept the clarification of the 2008/2009 Salary for Cabinet.

09/10-055 CONSIDERATION/ACTION - Clarification of 2008/2009 Salary for Cabinet

Discussion

Board Member Sharif expressed concern about the amount; and stated that the amount to be paid to the specified individuals should have been available to the Board members prior to the voting process.

Board President Thomas stated that the figures for each individual would be provided at a later date.

Board Member Ali requested that Legal Counsel advise the public, that in the future, that when discussing dollar figures, such discussion should be an Open Session item.

**VOTE ON MOTION TO ACCEPT THE
CLARIFICATION OF THE 2008/2009 SALARY FOR
CABINET - Item #09/10-055.**

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MS. ZURITA* to approve the Consent Agenda Items (Section H).

H. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS

09/10-051 Resolution No. 09/10-26 In Support of Efforts to Substantially Increase the Ability of Local School Districts to Deliver Content and Services Through the Use of Broadband (Superintendent's Office)

Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution.

Fiscal Impact: None

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H. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS

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**09/10-054 Consultant Agreement - Yasinski & Jones, LLP
(Human Resources)**

Comment: The Law Firm of Yasinski & Jones was contracted to provide the District with legal services in the areas of negotiations and unfair labor practices. The firm's contract was not renewed for the 2009/10 school year and they were not notified which resulted in them continuing to provide legal services. We currently have approximately \$24,236.82 in outstanding invoices and anticipate incurring additional costs due to a pending unfair labor practice hearing the firm is handling. After this issue is settled, our professional relationship with Yasinski & Jones will end.

Recommendation: Approve consultant agreement.

Fiscal Impact: *General Fund Budget, not to exceed \$24,236.82.*

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**09/10-1150 Clinical Affiliation Agreements - Target Pharmacy
(Compton Adult School/Chester Adult Center)**

Comment: This agreement will allow Compton Adult School students to participate in the hands-on clinical experience for the Pharmacy Technician training class.

Recommendation: Approval affiliation agreement.

Fiscal Impact: *No Cost to the District.*

**09/10-1154 Consultant Agreement - Education 2020
(Office of High School Education)**

Comment: Education 2020 will provide our High Schools with an electronic web-based access to classes for CAHSEE preparation and credit recovery.

Recommendation: Approve consultant agreement

Fiscal Impact: *A total amount not to exceed \$176,556 to be funded as follows:
Enhancing Education through Education (EETT) Grant, in the amount of \$90,000 California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) Grant, in the amount of \$86,556.*

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H. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS
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**09/10-1155 Ratification - Travel - Modesto Christian High School,
Modesto, CA
(Centennial High School)**

Comment: Participation in this tournament will provide the members of the Centennial High School Varsity Boys' Basketball Team an opportunity to expose their athletic talents to college recruiters with the potential of obtaining a college scholarship, and experience playing basketball at a higher and more intensive level of competition outside of their league play.

Recommendation: Approval for eleven (11) members of Centennial High School Varsity Boys' Basketball Team and staff to travel to Modesto Christian High School in Modesto, California to participate in the Modesto Christian Holiday Hoop Classic Basketball Tournament.

Fiscal Impact: General Fund Budget, in the amount of \$4,550 (cost for transportation). (Costs for accommodations will be borne by Modesto Christian High School and costs for meals will be borne by the Association of Student Body (ASB) Club).

**09/10-1156 Ratification - Travel - Torrey Pines High School, San Diego, CA
(Compton High School)**

Comment: Participation in this tournament will provide the members of the Compton High School Varsity Boys' Basketball Team an opportunity to expose their athletic talents to college recruiters with the potential of obtaining a college scholarship, and experience playing basketball at a higher and more intensive level of competition outside of their league play.

Recommendation: Approval for twelve (12) members of Compton High School Varsity Boys' Basketball Team and staff to travel to Torrey Pines High School in San Diego, California to participate in the Torrey Pines MAXPRES HOLIDAY CLASSIC Basketball Tournament.

Fiscal Impact: General Fund Budget, in the amount of \$6,494.84 (cost for transportation and accommodations). (Costs for meals will be borne by the Basketball Booster Club).

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H. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS
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**09/10-1158 Memorandum of Understanding - "Ground Zero":
Free Throw Event**

Comment: **Ground Zero:** Free Throw Event at Compton High School is a live event and documentary film Contest that highlights the positive aspects of the Compton community and athletics. This dramatic week of student activities and filming will detail the positive impact of "**one lucky shot**" or "**one lucky break**" can have on the life of a student in Compton. Eight (8) Compton High School Seniors will participate in the Free Throw Event. A \$40,000 college scholarship will be given to the winner of the free throw contest and the other students will receive a \$1,000 participation incentive. Derek Fisher, Lakers basketball star, will host the kick-off event at Compton High School and the documentary will be shown at various film festivals around the country. The goal of the documentary is to show the positive aspects of a student's life in Compton and demonstrate the impact of the "lucky shot" that leads to the \$40,000 scholarship. Students must meet the 3.0 grade point average criteria to participate. This will prove to be an uplifting event for Compton High and the community.

Recommendation: Approve Memorandum of Understanding

Fiscal Impact: *No appropriations required.*

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**09/10-1159 Travel - The Bishop's High School, La Jolla, CA
(Centennial High School)**

Comment: Participation in this tournament will provide the members of the Centennial High School Varsity Girls' Basketball Team an opportunity to expose their athletic talents to college recruiters with the potential of obtaining a college scholarship, and experience playing basketball at a higher and more intensive level of competition outside of their league play.

Recommendation: Approval for twelve (12) members of Centennial High School Varsity Girls' Basketball Team and staff to travel to The Bishop's High School in La Jolla, California to participate in the San Diego MLK Hoop Fest Basketball Tournament.

Fiscal Impact: *General Fund Budget, in the amount of \$800 (cost for transportation).*

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MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MS. ZURITA* to approve the Consent Agenda Items (Section H).
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H. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS
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09/10-4118 **Amendment No. 7 to Item No. 05/06-4113 (2/14/06) Ratification - Award of Contract (RFP No. 038) - Mobile Mini, Inc. (formerly Royal Wolfe Portable Storage, Inc.)**
(All District School Sites & District Site located at 501 South Santa Fe Avenue)

Comment: Original contract was for \$250,000 annually for storage containers at various sites. In FY 08/09, the District initiated a project to return as many leased containers as possible in an effort to reduce cost. At the beginning of FY 09/10, the District only approved a seven month amendment to this contract for \$50,000 through January 31, 2010 to allow the District staff an opportunity to continue to empty and return more leased containers. This amendment amount is for \$30,000 for the period of February 2010 through June 2010. The District is committed to continuing the process of returning leased containers and has the option to return leased containers and stop payment within 30 days of notifying the vendor that a container is no longer needed. The District expects to continue to reduce the amount of this contract during the course of FY 09/10 and significantly reduce the total amount of the contract from the original amount of \$350,000 to a goal of zero annually.

Recommendation: Approve amendment No. 7 to extend the term of the contract and the funding through June 30, 2010 to renew leases for portable storage bins located throughout the District.

Fiscal Impact: *General Fund Budget, in the additional amount of \$30,000.*

09/10-5026 **Amendment No. 2 to Item No. 08/09-4125 (2/24/09) Consultant Agreement - Public Economics, Inc. (PEI)**

Comment: Consultant will work with the District to collect the past due redevelopment entitlements.

Recommendation: Approve amendment to extend the term of the contract through June 30, 2010 to allow completion of Phases 2 and 3 to assist the District in collecting redevelopment fees.

Fiscal Impact: *County School Facilities Fund, in the additional amount of \$25,000.*

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Discussion - 09/10-5026

Board Member Easter inquired as to the success of Phase 1 of collecting past due development entitlements.

Deborah Willard stated that a Friday memo was sent to the Board that indicated approximately \$2.7 million could possibly be recovered per the consultant; that the first phase was completed; that the item agendaized was Phase 2 of 3; that the amount being presented was the total cost of close-out; that the consultant issued a letter to the City of Compton requesting that the issuance of payment be sent directly to the Compton Unified School District; and as funds for each project is identified, the consultant would attempt to recapture all funds due the District. Mrs. Willard stated that she was uncertain as to the exact amount the District would be receiving from the City for the development fees.

Board Member Zurita stated, as published in a Friday memo, that the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) indicated that the City has a direct relationship with the District; that the City would be paying directly to the District; asked, if the City had a direct relationship with the District in the past, if so, why funds were never received; and recommended that such funds be received through LACOE.

Deborah Willard stated that her department was unsuccessful in locating documentation/agreements regarding the City and the District's relationship; stated that the consultant would ensure that the District would receive funds due us.

Board Member Zurita clarified that the said funds were redevelopment taxes; and that a portion would be distributed to the local college and the District.

Board President Thomas asked what was taking so long for the funds to be sent.

Board Member Zurita responded that she was uncertain as to why it was taking so long, but stressed the importance that the District should receive funds as a "pass through" directly from LACOE.

Deborah Willard reported that a small payment as been received as a pass through directly from LACOE.

Board Member Ali stated that there was an Assembly Bill that directed governmental entities (Redevelopment Development Agencies and County Auditor) to perform a report as it relates to the actual pass through dollars to taxing entities.

Discussion - 09/10-1155, 1156 and 1159

Board Member Sharif asked if Dominguez High School would be participating in any (travel) tournaments.

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Discussion - 09/10-1155, 1156 and 1159 - (Continued)

Dr. Gunn Marie Hansen, Associate Superintendent, High Schools, reported that Dominguez High School has participated in local weekend tournaments; agreed to check the school's athletic schedule to determine whether requests for travel tournaments were forthcoming; and stated that the information would be provided in a Friday memo.

Discussion - 09/10-4118

Board Member Zurita inquired about the inventory for the portables.

David Azcárraga, Chief Facilities Officer, reported that the inventory was not available in time for the Friday memo; but that the information was now available and would provide copies to the Board; reported that twenty-seven (27) containers have been removed; and that the target was to remove every leased container in the District by the end of the Fiscal year to realize a total savings of \$76,000 starting next year.

Board Member Ali requested that the Superintendent direct staff to include any corresponding Friday memos as back-up materials to all agenda items.

Superintendent Burnside agreed to provide any correlating information to the Board.

Discussion – Section C.3 (Information Items)

Board Member Ali inquired as to whether action(s) would be taken during the January 26, 2010, Board of Trustee Meeting for items listed in the Communications Section - C.3, the Establishment of New Classifications.

Superintendent Burnside responded in the negative; stated that the items were presented as informational items; further explained that the items have been approved by the Personnel Commission; and that a recommendation would be forthcoming regarding filling said positions.

Board Ali inquired of Jeanne Batey, Director, Personnel Commission, whether the Board approves newly established positions and the Personnel Commission approves the minimum qualifications.

Jeanne Batey responded that pursuant to the Code, the Board approves duties/responsibilities of any job to be performed in the District; that the Personnel Commission classifies such duties/responsibilities, sets the salary schedule; and stated that this was the first informational item pertaining to the establishment of new classifications.

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Discussion – Section C.3 Information Items – (Continued)

Board Member Ali stated that the proper process/procedures were not followed; that the Board never approved the establishment of the said classification; and suggested that the process be corrected.

Board Member Sharif requested clarification.

Board Member Ali explained that the Board should ascribe the duties pursuant to the Education Code; the Personnel Commission was responsible for assigning and ascribing the minimum qualifications pursuant to the Personnel Commission Rules and the California Education Code.

Board President Thomas interjected that the Board approves everything in the District; that the Commission prepares the job specification, prepares it for classification and testing; and requested that Jeanne Batey conduct a Board Study Session regarding the duties of the Personnel Commission.

Jeanne Batey agreed to do so and recommended a joint meeting of the Board and Personnel Commission.

**VOTE ON MOTION TO APPROVE THE INDICATED ITEMS
IN SECTION H (Exclusive of Item No. 09/10-054 [Tabled] and
09/10-1158 [Tabled]).**

MOTION CARRIED

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS

**Presentation F.1 Budget Reduction Discussions
(Fiscal Services)**

Comment: The Board will receive recommendations on maintain district solvency and a "Positive Certification", which means that we are able to meet our financial obligations in current year and reductions that may need to take place in order to two (2) subsequent years.

Recommendation: Information only.

Fiscal Impact: None

NO ACTION TAKEN

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F. DISCUSSION ITEMS

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**Presentation F.2 "Ground Zero" Free Throw at Compton High School
(Deputy Superintendent)**

Comment: **Ground Zero:** Free Throw Event at Compton High School is a live event and documentary film Contest that highlights the positive aspects of the Compton community and athletics. This dramatic week of student activities and filming will detail the positive impact of "**one lucky shot**" or "**one lucky break**" can have on the life of a student in Compton. Eight (8) Compton High School Seniors will participate in the Free Throw Event. A \$40,000 college scholarship will be given to the winner of the free throw contest and the other students will receive a \$1,000 participation incentive. Derek Fisher, Lakers basketball star, will host the kick-off event at Compton High School and the documentary will be shown at various film festivals around the country. The goal of the documentary is to show the positive aspects of a student's life in Compton and demonstrate the impact of the "lucky shot" that leads to the \$40,000 scholarship. Students must meet the 3.0 grade point average criteria to participate. This will prove to be an uplifting event for Compton High and the community.

Recommendation: Information only.

Fiscal Impact: None

NO ACTION REQUIRED

At Superintendent Burnside's request, **Deborah Willard** provided a detailed PowerPoint presentation on Balancing the Budget for 2010-2011; shared some key components and options to assist the Board with the decision making aspect of balancing the budget; announced that she would be attending a meeting regarding updates to the Governor's Budget Release on January 13, 2010, that a Budget Board Study Session has been scheduled for January 19, 2010; a Budget Update on January 26, 2010, Preliminary Discussion on Budget Reductions; and addressed questions and concerns raised by members of the Board.

Board Member Shipp commented that the District's budget deficit was also attributed to the decline in enrollment.

Carlos Manrique stated that the District was looking into bringing back programs and services to address CUSD special need students who were currently being serviced by LACOE; and requested that parents with concerns and/or questions should contact Ruth Dickens, Director, Special Education or himself to schedule an appointment.

Board President Thomas suggested that there be a Towne Hall Meeting to update the public regarding the Budget; recommended that the employees be involved; and stated that the seniority list and the process must be done right.

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I. COMMENTS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND SUPERINTENDENT

- **BOARD MEMBER SHARIF**

Congratulated Rosecrans and Burche Elementary Schools for being chosen by the California Business for Education Excellence; suggested that the Board give consideration to scheduling a Board/Superintendent Retreat; and requested that she be excused for the remainder of the meeting.

- **STUDENT BOARD MEMBER OSEAS CHVAQUE**

Reported that many student activities were implemented within and outside of the School District; and thanked the Superintendent for supporting the event at Compton High School.

- **BOARD MEMBER SHIPP**

Announced the Math Spelling Bee at Enterprise Middle School from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., on January 15, 2010; reported on her school site visits; thanked Strategic Planning for keeping the District informed regarding the new bills presented to Assembly Member, Isadore Hall, III, that would provide funding that could be used to benefit the homeless children; acknowledged Rosecrans and Burche Elementary School students, staff and principal; thanked David Azcárraga for his report on the Portables; reported that there were classrooms at Kelly Elementary School (Building H) that were not in use; thanked staff for the information provided in the Friday memos; and requested that the meeting close in memory of Rashon Williams-Ashbury, family member of Assembly Member, Isadore Hall, III.

- **BOARD MEMBER EASTER**

No Comments

- **BOARD MEMBER GARRETT**

Congratulated Burche and Rosecrans Elementary Schools for making the Honor Roll list for California Business for Education Excellence; reported on her school site visits; recognized the Facilities and Maintenance Departments for preparing the school campuses for the awards that they were going to receive; commended the teacher at Rosecrans Elementary School for her beautiful (mural) artwork; reported on the State Preschool Pancake event on December 19, 2009; acknowledged Mrs. Briones for her leadership efforts; and requested that the meeting close in memory of Michael Douglas, Compton High School Student, Class of 1973.

- **BOARD MEMBER ZURITA**

Announced that the “*History Comes Alive*” essay winners would be receiving their monetary awards very soon; commended Burche and Rosecrans Elementary Schools on their Honor Roll Recognition for Education Excellence; announced that there would be a Senior Financial Aide Workshop at Centennial High School on January 13, 2010, from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.; expressed concern that the Outside Classroom has become a great liability; that it should be monitored on a regular basis and locked; reported on “Hub City Living” website and encouraged the community to also visit the website; asked that her colleagues join her in working cohesively to make decisions that are in the best interest of the children and community; and requested that the meeting close in memory of Martha Childs, Senior Queen of the City of Compton.

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• **BOARD MEMBER ALI**

Requested that the meeting close in memory of Roberto "Bobby" Salcedo, El Monte City School District board member and educator; Nancy Jones, (mother of Fannie Huntley long time Compton resident and the former Lynwood Unified School District Teachers Association President); commended Burche and Rosecrans Elementary Schools; congratulated the Maintenance staff for their efforts in beautifying the school sites; commented on the impending budget cuts; and asked that the community look at the matter and provide suggestions regarding collaborative efforts that could be implemented.

• **SUPERINTENDENT BURNSIDE**

No Comments

• **BOARD PRESIDENT THOMAS**

Expressed concern that the back walk-way at Jefferson Adult School was recently cemented; that teachers, staff and students who park in the back parking area, especially in the evening, must walk to the front of the campus to access the parking facility; that it has become a safety issue; stated that the matter should have been discussed with the Board; reported that Emerson Elementary School was still looking badly; commended Adriana for her work at the school sites; and requested that the meeting close in memory of Martha Childs, Nancy Jones, Rashon Williams-Ashbury, Michael Williams and Roberto Salcedo.

J. THE NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Education Service Center Board Room - January 26, 2010

ADJOURNMENT

09/10-9011

MOTION by *MRS. SHIPP*, **SECOND** by *MR. ALI* to adjourn the Board Study Session of the Board of Trustees - the time being 10:30 p.m.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Martha Childs, Nancy Jones, Rashon Williams-Ashbury, Michael Williams and Roberto Salcedo.

Respectfully submitted:

Kaye E. Burnside, Ed. D.
Superintendent

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