



Minutes

Board Study Session October 13, 2009

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. OPENING

A.1 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Marjorie A. Shipp, Board President, at 5:10 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
Joel Estrada
Emma Sharif
Marjorie Shipp
Mae Thomas
Satra Zurita
Kaye E. Burnside
Ernesto Villasenor

[Arrived at 5:15 p.m.]

Alternate Student Board Member

A.3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Member, Joel Estrada, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A.4 INVOCATION

Rev Herles Holmes rendered the invocation.

A.5 PUBLIC COMMENTS - CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

The following individuals requested and were granted the opportunity to address the Board during Closed Session:

- **DARRYL AND DONNA HEFFLIN** (*No address provided*)
- **RORY DAIRY**, 807 N. Nestor, Compton, CA 90220

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B. CLOSED SESSION

09/10-026a

MOTION by *MR. ALL*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHARIF* to recess to Closed Session to consider matters within the purview of the Brown Act. (Time: 5:12 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/
NONREELECTION/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
- ***STUDENT EXPULSION***
None Scheduled.

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MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHARIF* to recess to Closed Session to consider matters within the purview of the Brown Act. (Time: 5:12 p.m.), specifically:
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• ***CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS***

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Designated Representatives:

Mr. Barrett K. Green

Rick Werlin

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

Rick Werlin

Unrepresented Employee(s):

Certificated/Classified Management

Nonrepresented Classified

Deputy Superintendent

Associate Superintendents

Superintendent

Chief Facilities Officer

• ***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

B. OPEN SESSION

09/10-026b

MOTION by *MR. ESTRADA*, **SECOND** by *MR. EASTER* to reconvene into Open Session – Time: 6:35 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)

Board President Marjorie Shipp read the following report out of Closed Session.

- 1) In closed session the Board of Trustees took action to appoint Interim Associate Superintendent of Human Resources Services and Support to be presented for ratification at the October 27th meeting.

Roll call vote of the Board was as follows:

Board Member Easter	YES
Board Member Estrada	YES
Board Member Ali	YES
Board Member Sharif	YES
Board Member Thomas	ABSENT
Board Member Marjorie Shipp	YES
Board Member Satra Zurita	YES

This concludes the report out of Closed Session.

Board President Shipp adjusted the Agenda to introduce **Diane Walker, Captain, Compton Station - Los Angeles, County Sheriff's Department.**

C. COMMUNICATIONS

- C.2 **Introduction - Diane Walker, New Station Captain - Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Compton Station)**

Captain Diane Walker extended greetings to the Board, the community and addressed questions and concerns from the Board.

Board Member Estrada requested that Captain Walker provide the District with her contact information and expressed hope that the collaboration between the Sheriff's Department and School District would continue.

Board Member Ali acknowledged Kelly Beavers, teacher, King Elementary School, the cousin of Captain Diane Walker.

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Board Member Sharif requested a “*Point of Special Privilege*” on behalf of Lorraine Cervantes, Member, Board of Trustees, El Camino College Compton Center.

Lorraine Cervantes thanked the Superintendent for her presentation to the Compton City Council regarding the Compton Unified School District; and stated that the College, City Council and School District must continue to work together for the benefit of the students.

C. COMMUNICATIONS [The following agenda items do not follow sequential order.]

C.3 RESOLUTIONS:

- **Resolution No. 09/10-07 Proclaiming the Month of October 2009 as Character Education Month**
- **Resolution No. 09/10-08 Proclaiming the Month of October 2009 as Disability Awareness Month**
- **Resolution No. 09/10-09 Proclaiming the Week of October 19-23, 2009 as Red Ribbon Week**
- **Resolution No. 09/10-10 Proclaiming the Month of October as School Safety Month**
- **Resolution No. 09/10-11 Resolution in Support of Career and Technical Education**
- **Resolution No. 09/10-12 Proclaiming the Month of November as American Indian Heritage Month**

C.1 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Burnside briefly explained the new agenda format; introduced: “Watch Them Learn,” a new television production; Kids in Class (KICs), information to increase classroom attendance; the Master Plan for English Learners; acknowledged Miriam Lopez, student artist, Bunche Middle School, (designed of the English Learners Master Plan cover page); provided a brief update on Strategic Planning and the Board Budget Planning Committee, which consist of a Core Budget Committee and several Budget Subcommittees; asked that individuals interested in serving on one of the subcommittees should contact her via e-mail; reported that the minutes from the budget committee meetings and organizational charts (by division) will be posted on the website; requested that everyone encourage students to attend school.

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E. PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA & NON AGENDA ITEMS

- **MAISHA BYRD** 639 W. Magnolia Street, Compton, CA
Thanked the Board for assisting her daughter (Da'Monique Ballou), as the People-to-People Student Ambassador to Australia and deferred the remainder of her three minutes to Da'Monique Ballou.

- **DAMONIQUE BALLOU**, *People to People Ambassador Program – Student Ambassador to Australia, 639 W. Magnolia Street, Compton, CA*
Thanked the Board and community for their support; presented a pictorial presentation; shared personal highlights of her trip to Australia; and distributed lapel pens to each Board member and Superintendent (the pins were created by Da'Monique's delegation as a token of their appreciation to those provided financial support.)

- **ROCKEY THOMPSON**, 1262 East 76th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90001
Deferred his three minutes to Ron Bennett.

- **RON BENNETT**, 121 N. Long Beach Boulevard, Compton CA 90221
Thanked Board Member Zurita for her commitment to re-open the Head Start Program; reported that Chester Adult School offers courses in Child and Daycare Occupation; and expressed concern about the decision to give the Chief Facilities Officer a two-week suspension for falsifying information on his application.

- **TARA BONNER**, 2129 N. Nestor Avenue, Compton, CA 90222
Deferred two minutes of her time to Ron Bennett; announced Compton High School's Homecoming game on October 16, 2009; extended an invitation to everyone especially members of the Executive Cabinet, the Board and Superintendent; extended an open invitation to the Board and the community to attend Centennial and Dominguez High Schools' homecoming games.

- **RON BENNETT**, 121 N. Long Beach Boulevard, Compton CA 90221
Stated that Board Member Estrada has voted on several occasion in a manner that was not in the best interest of District employees.

- **MARGIE GARRETT**, 1109 W. 138th Street, Compton, CA 90222
Commented on the Superintendent's presentation to the City Counsel regarding the academic and physical status of the District; applauded the educators and support staff for their commitment to improve student achievement and raise test scores; commented about the Governor's signing of *Race to the Top*, a financial incentive to raise test scores (merit pay in disguise); stated that tying test scores of students to teacher evaluations is not a good idea; reported that neither research nor evidence of paying teachers, based on student test scores, improve education; but that research indicates such practices undermine school reform instead of advancing student education.

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D. SPECIAL SESSION

D.1 Public Hearing - 7:30 p.m.
Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials - 2009/2010 School Year

09/10-028a

MOTION by *MRS. SHARIF*, **SECOND** by *MR. EASTER* to open the Public Hearing regarding the *Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials - 2009/2010 School Year* - Time: 7:30 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Carlos Manrique, Associate Superintendent, Accountability and Compliance, provided a brief report on visits conducted by the Los Angeles County Office of Education regarding the Williams Settlement; reported that during the visits all CUSD schools were found to have sufficient materials for the 2009-2010 school year; acknowledged Janice Minifield for her work at school sites as the Liaison between the District and County Office; and for her efforts to ensure that textbooks/materials were delivered. Mr. Manrique addressed questions and concerns raised by the Board.

Public Comments:

- **ROUDOLFOR RUVAL**, *917 Golden Street, Compton, CA 90221*
Expressed concern about the number of textbooks that are not being used; suggested that consideration be given to smaller, light-weight textbooks; and shared information about supplemental materials.

JOY SHANAHAN, *In-Med Partnership for Children,*
(No address provided)

Thanked Carlos Manrique for his efforts in re-translating the Williams Uniform Complaint form (Spanish Translation).

09/10-028b

MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MR. ESTRADA* to close the Public Hearing regarding *Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials - 2009/2010 School Year* - Time: 7:45 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA & NON AGENDA ITEMS

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- **ROUDOLFO RUVAL**, *917 Golden Street, Compton, CA 90221*
Commented that students have too many books; recommended that instructional information be printed on both sides of the page; shared bilingual materials; and announced the following upcoming events: Compton clean-up, Saturday October 17, 2009, Raymond Street park at 7:00 a.m.; and School Painting Project at Dominguez High School, Saturday, October 17, 2009 at 7:00 a.m.

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- **JOHN TRAMMELL**, 5901 South Wilton Place, Los Angeles, CA
Encouraged everyone to speak truth when sharing information; reported that a gift certificate received during the Risk Management Benefits raffle could not be redeemed for the indicated face value; and requested that this matter be researched.

At Superintendent Burnside's request, Deborah Willard, Interim Associate Superintendent, Business and Administrative Services, was asked to research the matter and provide a report to the Board.



It was the consensus of the Board to adjust the Agenda to receive the English Learners (EL) Master Plan presentation.



F. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Presentation F.5 English Learners (EL) Master Plan

Comment: The Master Plan for English Learners is a requirement by Title III of the "No Child Left Behind" Act of 2001 under the accountability provisions for Districts. In addition to following legislative mandates, the Plan is based on sound educational theories and effective instructional evaluation practices for teaching English Learner (EL) students. The Plan must be reviewed and revised annually as needed to reflect current state and federal regulations.

Recommendation: Information only

Fiscal Impact: None

At Superintendent Burnside's request, Dr. Hazel Rojas, Associate Superintendent, Elementary Schools, provided a brief overview of the Master Plan of English Learners (PowerPoint Presentation); how the plan was developed; introduced Dr. Matty Zamora, EL Services, who explained the EL Master Plan process; recognized Miriam Lopez, student artist, Bunche Middle School, designer of the EL Master Plan cover page; acknowledged the EL Master Plan Committee and additional District staff who assisted with updating the master plan; and addressed questions raised by the Board.

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F. DISCUSSION ITEMS
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Presentation F.5 English Learners (EL) Master Plan
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Board Member Estrada requested that copies of the presentation be sent via e-mailed to members of the Board.

Board Member Ali expressed concern about the equitability factor with respect to the EL Plan; that the information was not evident in Appendix Seven; and requested that there be additional discussion concerning this matter.

Board Member Easter recommended that all changes to the master plan be highlighted.

Superintendent Burnside requested that the Board receive a revised copy of the EL Master Plan indicating sections that have been changed.

Board Member Sharif inquired as to what was being done to assist students who were not “moving forward,” according to the CELDT Test.

Superintendent Burnside reported that Board Member Sharif’s inquiry would be addressed at the November 10th Board Meeting.

Presentation F.1 "Watch Them Learn"

Comment: "Watch Them Learn" is a new television series which will air on CUSD-TV - Channel 26 that focuses on exemplary CUSD educators who demonstrate creativity, innovation and "rigor in the classroom". Each episode will be approximately 30 minutes in length and will focus on a particular educator. These programs will promote and make transparent the high quality instruction occurring in our classrooms.

Recommendation: Informational only

Fiscal Impact: None

Roger Alcocer, Multimedia Production Manager, provided a PowerPoint Presentation; reported that each episode of Watch Them Learn would be produced in English and Spanish; that episodes would air Monday thru Friday; stated that the program was intended also increase student enrollment by generating parent interest and providing an insider’s look into CUSD’s education methods; stated that consideration was being given to streaming on the District’s website; and addressed questions and concerns raised by the Board.

Board Member Estrada suggested that there be a logo for “Watch Them Learn” and suggested asking local vendors to sponsor an episode(s), which would generate revenue for the District.

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Presentation F.2 Operation: Kids in Class (KIC) - CUSD's Average Daily Attendance (ADA) Campaign

Comment: The Offices of Communication and Pupil Records have developed an Attendance Campaign Program which will raise awareness of Average Daily Attendance (ADA) among parents, students and District staff.

Recommendation: Approval to bring item back for October 27, 2009 Board to approve the Average Daily Attendance Campaign.

Fiscal Impact: *General Fund Budget, in the amount of \$10,000. (This is an estimated cost because most incentives will be donated).*

Dr. Joe Buenavista, Senior Director, Pupil Services/Child Welfare and Attendance, provided a PowerPoint presentation; explained that Operation KIC was a three-year comprehensive Average Daily Attendance campaign that would focus on increasing student attendance; stated that the objective are: raise awareness of ADA and its impact to the District, encourage and improve student attendance by using strategic communication methods, outreach and recognition programs. Dr. Buenavista addressed questions raised by members of the Board.

Board Member Estrada requested that a copy of the PowerPoint Presentation be sent via e-mail to the Board; requested a detailed explanation and/or presentation as to how ADA really works; requested detailed information about the Section 504 and Abolish Chronic Truancy (ACT) Program; requested that a data base be created to understand Section 504 and ACT, how the District measures their effectiveness, and why they still exist.

Board Member Sharif inquired as to the number of students who reside in Compton but are attending schools outside of the District; and asked what was being put in place to encourage those students to return.

Dr. Buenavista responded that there are students who attend alternative schools outside of the District; explained that their specific circumstances does not allow them to attend CUSD schools; and further explained that other students have elected to attend schools outside of the District.

Superintendent Burnside stated that a comprehensive plan is being established to promote the positive things that are being done in the District; and that Channel 26 would be highlighting individual schools that currently have phenomenal programs/activities in place.

Board Member Ali inquired as to how many students are out of the District; and suggested that "Watch Them Lean" be placed on the website.

Dr. Buenavista agreed to provide the requested information.

Board Member Ali expressed concern about sending uniform officers to the home and suggested establishing Truant Officers.

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS
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Presentation F.2 Operation: Kids in Class (KIC) - CUSD's Average Daily Attendance (ADA) Campaign
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Board Member Zurita stated that the facility at 417 Alondra was not aesthetically appealing to parents/guardians who come to the District to enroll their children.

Board Member Easter stated that it is the responsibility of the Compton Community to encourage students to return and remain with the District.

Presentation F.3 Strategic Planning for Compton Unified School District

Comment: Compton Unified School District is in a state of transformation. A strategic plan will provide the structures, goals and targets that will aid in launching and taking to scale the initiatives that yield the greatest gains in student achievement. The plan will serve as a tool for the Board and community to monitor district progress, provide ongoing direction and input, and ensure that our resources are in alignment with our goals.

Recommendation: It is requested that the Board of Trustees approve Strategic Planning.

Fiscal Impact: *District Assistance Intervention Team (DAIT) Funds, not to exceed \$160,000. (Funds can only be used to implement the DAIT Plan and must be used by June 30, 2010. After that date all remaining funds must be returned to the State. The Strategic Plan is the Board approved DAIT Plan).*

Superintendent Burnside reported that the District has approximately \$480,000 remaining in District Assistance and Intervention Team (DAIT) Fund; that the funds were initially to be used by December 31, 2009; but that the Interim Associate Superintendent of Business and Administrative Services requested an extension to June 30, 2010; restated that the funds must be used for items specified in the DAIT Plan; re-emphasized that the District would be required to return any unused funds back to the State as of June 30, 2010; and recommended that a portion of the remaining DAIT funds be used for Strategic Planning.

James Randle provided a detailed presentation that included what Strategic Planning was about, its purpose, the process, areas of focus, the benefits, the outcomes; and addressed questions raised by the Board.

Board Member Estrada requested that the presentation include more specifics; inquired about the Broad Prize for Urban Education; and asked if the District was eligible for such an award.

Mr. Randle responded in the affirmative regarding the District eligibility.

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS
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Presentation F.3 Strategic Planning for Compton Unified School District
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Board Member Ali clarified (based on information provided on the organization's website), that CUSD was not one of the eligible school districts.

(The Broad Prize is an annual award presented to honor urban school districts that demonstrate the greatest overall performance and improvement in student achievement while reducing achievement gaps among low-income and minority students.)

Superintendent Burnside stated although the District is not eligible for the Broad Prize (because of the District's size), that using the stringent criteria as markers and/or targets would be a benefit to the District.

Board Member Easter recommended the development of a District Strategic Plan to be reviewed annually.

Presentation: F.4 Response to Instruction/Intervention (RTI2) and Data Management Improvement

Comment: Response to Instruction/Intervention has been introduced to all K-12 administrators, counselors, special education support staff and high school leadership teams comprised of department chairs and teacher leaders. Mr. Tollestrup will provide technical support for developing a 3-year implementation plan for RTI2 in CUSD. This initial year of training will continue with various teacher groups and parents. This year will also require a survey of district capacity to support school level implementation. Pilot site will also be identified for year 2 and 3 implementation. An additional consultant will be hired to work on implementation from the RTI2 technical group.

Recommendation: Discussion only

Fiscal Impact: *District Assistance Intervention Team (DAIT) Funds, not to exceed \$290,000. (Funds can only be used to implement the DAIT Plan and must be used by June 30, 2010. After that date all remaining funds must be returned to the State).*

Dr. Gunn Marie Hansen provided a brief overview about RTI2; explained Response to Instruction/Intervention (RTI2), its implementation and problem solving process; shared the challenges that the District has encountered with the current data management system; stated that the District was in need of accurate data in order to ascertain what issues students were experiencing so that appropriate intervention could be applied and monitored; reported that there has been a significant loss of students between the 8th and 9th grades; explained that many of these students have enrolled in CAMPS, King Drew Medical Magnet schools; suggested integrating the instructional data management systems that are being used to report data (Eagle, Large Scale Assessment, CST Reporting and Data Driven); and addressed questions raised by the Board.

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F. DISCUSSION ITEMS

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Presentation: F.4 Response to Instruction/Intervention (RTI2) and Data Management Improvement
(Continued)

Board Member Estrada requested a more depth understanding regarding the Eagle System, whether it is being properly utilized; inquired about the recommendation to hire an Information Technology consultant; asked if the salary range was within the amount that has been allocated; and suggested that the Board give consideration to allowing the consultant to report to the Director of ITD.

Board Member Easter inquired about the strengths and weaknesses of the present data management systems versus RTI2.

Dr. Hansen clarified that the recommendation was not to acquire a new system but to be able to effectively integrate information and establish better communication among the current systems.

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MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHARIF* to extend the Board of Trustee Meeting for an addition hour (to 11:30 p.m.)

MOTION CARRIED

Presentation F.6 Northwest Capital Recovery Group

Comment: Northwest Capital Recovery Group will provide a detailed explanation of the services offered by their company that will potentially help the District recover substantial funds and overcharges in the utilities billings.

Recommendation: Information only

Fiscal Impact: *No cost. (Potential savings to the District).*

Deborah Willard introduced Steve Ray, Northwest Capital Recovery Group, who provided a brief overview of cost saving measures (utilities); explained that the recovery process would be conducted off-site; that the procedure would include reviewing the billing process for errors, over payments, and inappropriate taxes; that if an error is found, the District would be issued a credit; that Northwest Capital Recovery Group would invoice the District for a percentage of the refund; and stated that the company would also provide optional saving strategies and opportunities.

Board Member Zurita inquired about the status of the Developer fee and Tax Increment with the City of Compton.

Superintendent Burnside responded that Deborah Willard would provide the Board with a status report.

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F. DISCUSSION ITEMS

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Presentation F.7 Decisioninsite

Comment: Decisioninsite will provide a detailed explanation of the services it provides. Decisioninsite is a company that offers a web-based system tool that District's can utilize for the purpose of budget development, master planning, residential development study, staffing, enrollment projections and many more.

Recommendation: Information only

Fiscal Impact: *General Fund Budget, in the amount of \$26,867 per year for 2009/2010 and 2010/2011.*

Deborah Willard, introduced Dean Waldfogel, Ph.D., partner and former superintendent, Irvine Unified School District and John Tobin, Business Development and Client Relations with DecisionInsite. Dr. Waldfogel provided a brief presentation about the company and its services; (DecisionInsite has provided demographic and geographic information services to the District since July 2008); and addressed questions and concerns raised by the Board.

Board Member Estrada requested that staff provide the Board with what the weaknesses were in DecisionInsite's program and feedback indicating where the Board should be vigilant to ensure that the purchase of the program was not wasting money; and inquired about other funding sources for this item.

Deborah Willard agreed to review developer fees and possibly Tier III Program funds.

It was the consensus of the Board to recess to allow the Videographer to change the recording tape – Time: 10:55 p.m.

The Board reconvened from a brief break - Time: 11:05 p.m.

Board Member Estrada asked if there was a system in place; inquired whether the system would co-exist with Versatrans, if not, how does it differ; and asked if the contracts would be complimentary or problematic.

Deborah Willard agreed to provide feedback to the Board.

Board Member Estrada asked if Dr. Waldfogel would be amenable to working with the Directors of ITD and Transportation Departments.

Dr. Waldfogel answered in the affirmative.

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS
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Presentation F.7 Decisioninsite
(Continued)

Board Member Ali clarified that the demographer’s program was separate from the Eagle System currently being used in the District; that the demographic information would be utilized for Facilities Planning, staffing and assessment; and stated that the data would be beneficial should the District consider school closure/consolidation.

F.8 Revised Policies - Board Bylaws (or Bylaws of the Board) - Policy Nos. BP 900(a) thru BP 9400(b) - [First Submission]

Comment: Board Bylaws are presented for Board discussion and public input.

Recommendation: No action required.

Fiscal Impact: *None*

Board Member Easter requested that staff make the corrections; recommended that the Board discuss Charter Schools – BP 0420.4(a) located under Philosophy-Goals-Objectives and Comprehensive Plans BP 0000, (Page 16 of 42); and agendize the item for the first meeting in November as a Second Submission.

Board Member Estrada requested clarification regarding the definition of “*Quorum*” in a decision making situation; asked whether or not the Education Code dictates the definition of Quorum as it relates to start a meeting; inquired if such term is defined by the Board of Trustees; recommended that the Board consider the Board Bylaws – BB 9200(a), (Page 26 or 94) regarding the role of a Board member whose child is attending a District school and the Board member’s interactions with district employees; asked that the Board give consideration to extending the language to include: *...a Board member whose child and/or relative(s) that he/she has custody of*; and agreed to e-mail the Superintendent additional concerns regarding Board Policies.

Lois Wilkey inquired whether there would be further discussion regarding Charter Schools prior to submitting the item as a Second Submission.

Board Member Easter recommended that the policy be submitted as a Second Submission; and that the section pertaining to Charter Schools be pulled to allow further discussion.

Board Member Ali requested that the Board Policies be re-agendize for the next Board Study Session in November to allow discussion on other policies.

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS
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F.9 Revised Policies - Philosophy - Goals - Objectives and Comprehensive Plans - Policy Nos. BP 0000 thru BP 0520.4(b) - [First Submission]

Comment: Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Policies are presented for Board discussion and public input.

Recommendation: No action required.

Fiscal Impact: *None*

G. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS

MOTION by *MR. EASTER*, **SECOND** by *MR. ESTRADA* to approve Item No. 09/10-027.

09/10-027

G.1 Consultant Agreement - James Randle

Comment: Consultant will work with the Superintendent and stakeholders to produce a strategic plan that will promote effective decision making, engage stakeholders, strengthen alliances and seek to secure funds from current and prospective philanthropic partners, and hold everyone accountable for increased student performance.

Recommendation: Approve James Randle to provide Strategic Plan services pursuant to contract.

Fiscal Impact: *District Assistance Intervention Team (DAIT) Funds, not to exceed \$160,000. (Funds can only be used to implement the DAIT Plan and must be used by June 30, 2010. After that date all remaining funds must be returned to the State. The Strategic Plan is the Board approved DAIT Plan).*

No Discussion.

VOTE ON MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM NO. 09/10-027.

Roll Call Vote

Board Member Ali - **No**
Board Member Easter - **Yes**
Board Member Estrada - **Yes**
Board Member Sharif - **Yes**
Board Member Shipp - **Yes**
Board Member Thomas - **Absent**
Board Member Zurita - **No**

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G. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS

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MOTION by *MR. EASTER*, **SECOND** by *MR. ESTRADA* to approve Item No. 09/10-1068.

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G.2 Resolution No. 09/10-13 Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials - 2009/2010 School Year

Comment: The purpose of this Resolution is to qualify the District to receive funds to purchase textbooks under Education Code Section 60119(a). The Board must certify that all students in the District have appropriate instructional materials that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the State Board.

Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution.

Fiscal Impact: *None*

Discussion

Board Member Ali asked if a survey was conducted at each school site regarding textbook sufficiency, if so, requested copies of the survey.

Carlos Manrique responded that a survey was given to every teacher to ascertain whether he/she had sufficient textbooks; and agreed to provide the Board with copies of the surveys.

Board Member Ali asked if there was a list of adopted textbooks; whether the list was an aged or a new list, and when the list was updated.

Carlos Manrique responded in the affirmative that there is a list of adopted books; that the list was a fresh, new list; that the list is updated annually; and agreed to provide the requested information to the Board.

Board Member Ali asked if health books were being provided for the middle schools.

Carlos Manrique responded that health books were not required under the Williams Settlement for middle school students; further stated that the District could choose to do so for the elementary and middle schools; and agreed to research to ascertain whether the District, in fact, has health books for students at the middle schools.

Superintendent Burnside clarified that under the Williams Settlement health books are only required for high school students but not for middle school students.

Board Member Ali asked if the Instructional Materials Funding Realignment Program (IMFRP) funds are being used as a part of the flexibility provisions or are the funds being used for the acquisition of textbooks.

Carlos Manrique responded that the IMFRP funds are being used strictly for textbooks.

Board Member Ali asked if there was a large amount of funds in the IMFRP funding account.

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MOTION by *MR. EASTER*, **SECOND** by *MR. ESTRADA* to approve
Item No. 09/10-1068.

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Discussion - 09/10-1068 - (Continued)

Deborah Willard responded that she did not have the funding amount; reported that the funds could be flexed; that the funds were part of the unrestricted funds budgeted for the current year; and agreed to provide the requested information to the Board.

Board Member Ali asked if there was enough funding for classroom textbooks and books for students to take home.

Superintendent Burnside responded in the negative.

Board Member Ali asked whether the District was in alignment with foreign language and health textbooks.

Carlos Manrique responded in the affirmative.

Board Member Zurita inquired about the percentage of classrooms that have a set of classroom textbooks.

Carlos Manrique responded that he was uncertain of the percentages; stated that an extra set of textbooks were available in the school libraries; and agreed to provide feedback to the Board about the percentages of classroom textbook sets that are available throughout the District.

VOTE ON MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM NO. 09/10-1068.

Roll Call Vote

Board Member Ali - **Yes**
Board Member Easter - **Yes**
Board Member Estrada - **Yes**
Board Member Sharif - **Yes**
Board Member Shipp - **Yes**
Board Member Thomas - **Absent**
Board Member Zurita - **Yes**

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H. COMMENTS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND SUPERINTENDENT

- **ALTERNATE STUDENT BOARD MEMBER ERNESTO VILLAS**
Reported on the high school ASB Presidents' meeting on October 12th conducted by Oseas Chavaque, Student Board Member; and the MESA Program kick-off event. Ernesto informed the Board that he has applied to Rensselaer Poly Technical Institute, Troy, New York; and that the college has invited him to visit the campus.
- **BOARD MEMBER ZURITA**
Reported that Demar Derozan, former Compton High School student, was the 9th overall pick in the 2009 NBA Entry Draft; was selected to play for the Toronto Raptors; announced that the Raptors would be playing the Los Angeles Clippers on November 13th; informed the public about the Neighborhood Assistance Corporation of America (NACA) program that has been successful in assisting homeowners with mortgage related problems; reported on a School Readiness program at Caldwell Elementary School for children 0-5 years of age; announced the following events hosted by City Councilman, Dr. Willie Jones, Fourth District: Children's Fall Festival at Kelly Park, Saturday, October 24, 2009, Literacy and Health would be the focus of the event; the Fourth District Clean-up event Saturday, October 17th; and that Dominguez High School and Kelly Elementary School would be painted; announced that Councilwoman Yvonne Arceneaux was sponsoring a Compton Creek Clean-up event; and that the District's Warehouse facilities would also be painted; inquired about the District's plan for the Baseball field at Compton High School; requested information about the District Division of State Architect (DSA) employee inspectors and the status of their certification.

David Azcárraga responded that the District inspectors are not DSA certified; and explained the purpose for having outside and/or third party inspectors.

- **BOARD MEMBER SHARIF**
Inquired whether or not the Centennial High School Baseball field would be ready for practice; announced that the National University Association of Women Scholarship Fundraiser, (a turnaround trip to Harrah's) on November 21, 2009; commented on the pre-school compliance issue; extended thanks to all who worked to address these issues; requested that students be encouraged to apply for the Coca Cola Scholarship; and announced that the application deadline is October 31, 2009.
- **BOARD MEMBER EASTER**
Requested that the meeting close in memory of Dr. Laura Tilque, former District employee (recent retiree).
- **BOARD MEMBER ALI**
Thanked Interim Associate Superintendent, Deborah Willard, for her information regarding the realignment of the Business Services Department; thanked the students who participated in the History Comes Alive in Compton; requested that the students be acknowledged at an upcoming Board meeting; stressed the importance to staff regarding their submission of accurate data and/or information to anyone and/or any agency, especially information that is being submitted to the State; requested that Carla Guiry, teacher, Emerson Elementary School and the recipient of the Spotlight on After School California School-Aged Consortium award be honored at an upcoming Board Meeting.

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- **BOARD MEMBER ESTRADA**

Thanked Deborah Willard for the requested information; thanked Patrick for the corrected information regarding AYP/API subgroups; commented on the School Pride Reality Show at Enterprise Middle School; requested that follow-up be conducted regarding dogs that roam the area around Caldwell Elementary School; thanked David Azcárraga for addressing the sprinkler system issue at Kennedy Elementary School; thanked Superintendent Burnside for her weekly schedule and for her presentation to the City Council; requested that the Board give consideration to addressing the rising cost of District health care benefits; agreed to provide the Superintendent or her designee with contact numbers regarding this matter for further follow-up; and reported that there were organizations willing to assist the District with health benefit issues.

Superintendent Burnside requested that Deborah Willard contact Board Member Estrada concerning this matter.

Board Member Estrada inquired about allowing teachers the flexibility to work around his/her curriculum; that some teachers do not have sufficient instructional time to thoroughly cover materials.

Superintendent Burnside responded that efforts are being made to address this matter.

Board Member Estrada encouraged his colleagues to display appropriate conduct.

- **SUPERINTENDENT BURNSIDE**

No Comments

- **BOARD PRESIDENT SHIPP**

Commented on History Comes Alive in Compton with Rev. Andrew Young; congratulated all of the essay participants and winners; announced the Clean-up event at Raymond Street Park hosted by Councilwoman Yvonne Arceneaux, Clean-up Day at Kelly Elementary School and Dominguez High School hosted by Councilman Dr. Willie O. Jones; reported on her attendance at the CSBA Wellness Conference; reported that the 5th grade students of Washington Elementary Students were attending an educational trip to the Santa Monica Mountains; and that the trip was sponsored by MCRA.

I. THE NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Education Service Center Board Room - October 27, 2009

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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MRS. ZURITA* to adjourn the Board Study Session of the Board of Trustees - the time being 12:25 a.m. (October 14, 2009).

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Dr. Laura Tilque.

Respectfully submitted:

Kaye E. Burnside, Ed. D.
Superintendent

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