



# MINUTES

## BOARD STUDY SESSION

May 10, 2011

### Order of Business

#### A. OPENING

##### A.1 **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Margie Garrett, Board Vice President, at 5:04 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:**

<b>Micah Ali</b>	<i>[Arrived During Closed Session]</i>
<b>Fred Easter</b>	
<b>Margie N. Garrett</b>	
<b>Emma Sharif</b>	<i>[Arrived During Closed Session]</i>
<b>Marjorie Shipp</b>	
<b>Mae Thomas</b>	
<b>Satra Zurita</b>	<i>[Arrived During Closed Session]</i>
<b>Karen E. Frison</b>	
<b>Donnie King</b>	
<i>Student Board Member</i>	

##### A.3 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Donnie King, Student Board Member**, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

##### A.4 **INVOCATION**

**Rev. Stanley Prince, Representative, National Association for Equal Justice in America (NAEJA)** rendered the invocation.

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**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

*A Memorial Certificate was presented to Terry Sanders, daughter of the late Mary J. Sanders, CUSD Employee, Compton Adult School on behalf of the Board of Trustees.*

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**A. OPENING**

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**A.5 PUBLIC COMMENTS - CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

**Francine Williams, District Employee,** requested to meet with the Board during Closed Session.

**A.6 HEAR SPECIFIC CHARGES AGAINST EMPLOYEE(S) IF EMPLOYEE(S) REQUESTS THAT CHARGES BE HEARD IN OPEN SESSION**

None.

**B. CLOSED SESSION**

**10/11-120a**

**MOTION** by **MR EASTER**, **SECOND** by **MRS. SHIPP** to recess to Closed Session to consider matters within the purview of the Brown Act. (Time: 5:11 p.m.), specifically:

- **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS**  
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)
  - *Acting Superintendent*
  - *Associate Superintendent*
  - *Superintendent*
  - *Administrator*
  - *Director*
  - *Deputy Superintendent*
  - *Assistant Superintendent*
  - *Interim Assistant Superintendent*
  - *Senior Director*
  - *Interim Principal*
- **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/SUSPENSION/RELEASE/ NONRELECTION/NONREEMPLOYMENT/LEAVE/RESIGNATION/ REINSTATEMENT**  
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)
- **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - (Existing Litigation)**  
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a))
  - USD CV-06-4717 AHM; USCA Case No. 07-55751; LASC Case No. BC454226; OAH Case No. 2010080809
  - Compton Unified School District v. Redevelopment Agency of the City of Compton (LASC Case No. BC 449037)
  - (Case names unspecified: Disclosure would jeopardize existing settlement negotiations)
  - USSC Case No. 10-886
  - Claim No. 10-87887

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**B. CLOSED SESSION**  
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**10/11-120a**

**MOTION** by *MR EASTER*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHIPP* to recess to Closed Session to consider matters within the purview of the Brown Act. (Time: 5:11 p.m.), specifically:  
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- **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - (Anticipated Litigation)**  
(Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c))
  - 4 Potential Cases
  - 6 Potential Defendants  
(Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b))
  - 2 Potential Cases
  - Claims for Out-of-Class Pay
  
- **STUDENT EXPULSION**
  - None Scheduled
  
- **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**  
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)
  - Agency Designated Representatives: *Mr. Barrett K. Green*  
*Alejandro Flores*
  
  - 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*  
*Alejandro Flores*
  
  - Unrepresented Employee(s): *Certificated/Classified Management*  
*Nonrepresented Classified*  
*Deputy Superintendent*  
*Associate Superintendents*  
*Acting Superintendent*  
*Chief Facilities Officer*  
*Superintendent*  
*Assistant Superintendent*
  
- **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**  
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)
  - *Acting Superintendent*
  - *Superintendent*
  - *Associate Superintendent*
  - *Assistant Superintendent*
  
- **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE COMPLAINTS**

**VOTE ON MOTION TO RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**B. OPEN SESSION**

**10/11-120b**

**MOTION** by *MRS. GARRETT*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHARIF* to reconvene into Open Session – Time: 6:40 p.m.

**VOTE ON MOTION TO RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION**

**MOTION CARRIED**

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

*Board President, Satra Zurita, read the following report out of Closed Session.  
Educational Code 54956.9.*

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

1. Approve the appointment of one (1) Interim Principal for the 2011/2012 school year.

**Roll call vote of the Board was as follows:**

Board Member Ali	Yes
Board Member Easter	Yes
Board Member Garrett	Yes
Board Member Sharif	Yes
Board Member Shipp	Yes
Board Member Thomas	Yes
Board President Zurita	Yes

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

2. Appoint Karen Frison as Interim Superintendent for the 2011/2012 school year, with a formal agreement setting forth the terms of the appointment pursuant to Education Code Section 33031 to be ratified at a subsequent Board meeting. Concurrently, due to the appointment, the Board took action to conclude (non-reelect) Ms. Frison’s employment as Deputy Superintendent/Acting Superintendent at the conclusion of the 2010/2011 school year and to provide Ms. Frison notice of these actions.  
The contract is for one (1) year as Interim Superintendent.

**Roll call vote of the Board was as follows:**

Board Member Ali	No
Board Member Easter	Abstained
Board Member Garrett	Yes
Board Member Sharif	Yes
Board Member Shipp	Yes
Board Member Thomas	No
Board President Zurita	Yes

**IN FAVOR**      4      **AGAINST**      2      **ABSTENTION**      1      **ABSENT**      0

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

3. Non-reelect Karen Frison as Deputy Superintendent and provided her notice.

**Roll call vote of the Board was as follows:**

Board Member Ali	Yes
Board Member Easter	No
Board Member Garrett	Yes
Board Member Sharif	Yes
Board Member Shipp	No
Board Member Thomas	Yes
Board President Zurita	Yes

**IN FAVOR**      5      **AGAINST**      2      **ABSTENTION**      0      **ABSENT**      0  

**C. COMMUNICATIONS**

**C.1    STUDENT PERFORMANCES**

**Dr. Donald Evans, Associate Superintendent, Secondary Education,** introduced Kyle Higgins, Demonstration Lab Teacher, Whaley Middle School, who presented the Black History Month Essay Writing Contest Winners for 2011.

**Board President Zurita** requested that the Black History Month Essays be posted on the District’s Website.

*(A complete list of essay winners will be appended as part of the official Minutes of this meeting.)*

**C.2    RECOGNITION**

- 1) At the request of **Dr. Donald Evans, Renee Cobb, Administrator of Advance Learning,** recognized the Regional and State Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) Winners (elementary through high school); and reported that Roosevelt Middle School was invited to compete at the State level. Each student received a certificate on behalf of the District.

The MESA winners displayed their project, a Solar Powered Fan.

*(A complete list of will be appended as part of the official Minutes of this meeting.)*

**Board President Zurita** reported that the District has received additional Science, Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) projects for high schools in partnership with the Engineering Program at UCLA and Aerospace at no cost to the District.

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**C.2 RECOGNITION - *(Continued)***

2) **Dr. Donald Evans and Renee Cobb** recognized Ms. Cynthia Torres-Nusse and Mr. Donald Gordon, Overseers of the Walton Middle School Debate Team, for providing instructional leadership for the Debate program. A plaque was presented to Ms. Torres-Nusse and Mr. Gordon on behalf of the District.

3) **Dr. Donald Evans** acknowledged the 2011 Science Fair Winners. A trophy was presented to each student on behalf of the District.

*(A complete list of will be appended as part of the official Minutes of this meeting.)*

4) **Dr. Abimbola Williams-Ajala, Associate Superintendent, Elementary Education**, recognized the following 2010 California Business for Education Excellence Honor Roll Schools: Bursch, Clinton, Laurel, Mayo, McNair and Rosecrans Elementary Schools. Each school made significant progress toward closing the academic achievement gaps among all their students.

5) At the request of **Dr. Abimbola Williams-Ajala, Dr. Jacqueline Sanderlin, Principal, Foster Elementary School**, recognized the William Morris Endeavor (WME) Talent Agency, Beverly Hills, CA, for partnering and providing support to the District; acknowledged the Boston Celtics and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Polatta for their generous monetary contribution. (The funds would be used to remodel the bathroom facilities at Foster Elementary School.) Sarah Adolph accepted a plaque from the District on behalf of WME and announced that The Hershey Company has also agreed to partner with the Compton Unified School District.

6) **Tami Foy, Grants Manager**, announced the CUSD 50 Million Pound Challenge #4 Winners and acknowledged Littler Mendelson PC for their generous donation to the Wellness Program.

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner</b>	“This is It”	<i>(Roosevelt Middle School)</i>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place Winner</b>	“No Excuses”	<i>(District Office)</i>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place Winner</b>	“Back to Definition”	<i>(ITD Department)</i>

**Individual Winners (who lost the most weight)**

<b>Male</b>	Mack Barnes
<b>Female</b>	Nevia Broomfield

**Bicycle Winner** Andre Flowers, Sr.

**C.3 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**Acting Superintendent, Karen Frison** reported that Rudy Washington was selected Administrator of the Year – 2011 for the State of California, District 7; reported that the announcement was made during the California Continuation Education Association Conference, held in Oakland, California from May 4-8, 2011; and, as a result of his distinguished acknowledgment in continuing education, it was recommended that Cesar Chavez apply for the Model School Exemplary Status for 2011; reported on the Network for Healthy California, a grant that encourages healthy eating and exercise; stated that once a month she would update the Board as to how the program was being implemented in the schools; and that twenty elementary schools would be participating in the KABC – 7 Healthy Steps for Living Campaign.

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### C. COMMUNICATIONS

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#### C.4 **INFORMATION ITEM**

- None Scheduled

### D. SPECIAL SESSION

#### D.1 **Public Hearing**

- None Scheduled

### E. PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA & NON AGENDA ITEMS

The following Compton High School students expressed concern about the manner in which the school was being run; stated that individuals have been allowed access to the campus without being properly searched; that convicted felons have been allowed on campus to mingle with students; that monies raised by the Associated Student Body (ASB) could be accounted for; that teachers have been assaulted; reported that many students were not attending class; that the lives of students and staff have been placed in danger; that counselors lack care and concern for students' well being; and requested that the principal be removed.

- **OMAR MILLER**
- **EVELYN SAYHA**, *ASB President, Compton High School*
- **GISELLE FLORES**
- **ISAAC SARABIA**
- **EDGAR PRECIADO**
- **JANET METCALF**

**Board Member Ali** requested that the Superintendent and the Associate Superintendent, Secondary Education, meet with the Administrative Team tomorrow concerning this matter.

**Board Member Thomas** inquired as to whether Board Members, during their visit to the school site, saw students who were not in class; asked about the number of police officers on campus; and requested that the Acting Superintendent and Associate Superintendent meet with the principal.

The following individuals shared information about Justin Brown, the son of Janet Metcalf and a highly recruited football player from Compton High School during the 2008/2009 school year; stated that Justin Brown signed a letter of intent with the University of Oregon, but due to eleven grade changes posted to his transcript he was ineligible to play football; reported that a representative from the National College Athletics Association (NCAA) made several attempts to investigate the grade changes; that the NCAA has been waiting for a response from Compton High School for over two years; and reported that because the matter was never resolved, his full scholarship and financial assistance are no longer valid.

- **KIMBERLY METCALF**, *249 West 89<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Angeles, CA*
- **JANET METCALF**, *728 Anzoc Circle, Compton, CA*

**Board President Zurita** requested that staff investigate the matter.

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*At the request of Board President Zurita, the Agenda was adjusted to receive the Comments of the Student Board Member.*

### **F. COMMENTS OF THE STUDENT BOARD MEMBER**

**Donnie King** commented on the concerns raised by the students from Compton High School; and agreed to contact the ASB President.

### **E. PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA & NON AGENDA ITEMS**

*(Continued)*

- **JOE HICKS**, 15539 South Gibson, Compton, CA  
Inquired about the East Compton Service Center facility; asked how many teachers were substitute teachers; and commented on Item No. 10/11-1151.
- **ANTONIA BALAM**, Concerned Parent, 1309 South Stoneacre Avenue, Compton, CA  
Addressed the Board regarding charter schools; recommended that the District disallow the opening of more charter schools in Compton because they diminish the resources that could be used for public schools.
- **LESLIE WRIGHT**, 204 North Broadacres Avenue, Compton, CA 90220  
Addressed the Board regarding the Chester Adult School/Willowbrook Senior Citizens facilities; expressed disappointment regarding the discontinuance of programs for senior citizens.
- **ERIC GUTIERREZ**, 5315 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Angeles, CA  
Inquired about the District's Curriculum Policy; stated that the policies were the standards of the State; asked: 1) Whether the policies were designed with minorities in mind; 2) Whether teachers and staff were implementing the standards; 3) If the standards were rigorous enough so that student were able to compete with students from private institutions; and recommended that the implementation of the curriculum policy be reviewed.
- **MARGARITA HERNANDEZ**, 306 South Locust Avenue, Compton, CA 90221  
Commented on her educational experience in the District; expressed a desire to return to CUSD to provide assistance for parents and students; and suggested that there be a community forum to provide information about available resources.
- **YOLANDA LOPEZ**, 2809 1/2 North Wilmington Avenue, Compton, CA  
Addressed the Board in support of the Compton High School students; shared her experience with the schools principal (Compton High School); reported that the Campus Security Officers did not accept identification from Mexico, only California I. D., as valid identification to gain access to the school campuses; recommended that a letter be written to all schools requesting the inclusion of Mexican I. D. as another form of acceptable identification; and requested that students not be reprimanded for their attendance at the Board Meeting.

At the request of **Board President Zurita, Acting Superintendent Frison** explained the District's Policy regarding acceptable identification in the absence of a California Identification Card or a United States Passport; and stated that the District would accept identification from Mexico.



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- **DIANA PADILLA**, 5124 South Frailey Avenue, Compton, CA  
Reported that the goals for Special Education students were not being met; inquired as to whether Special Needs students contributed to the District's Average Daily Attendance (ADA); reported that the graffiti problem at Lincoln Elementary School has not been resolved; that classrooms have Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) related issues; and that she possesses proof that the District was out of compliance.
- **MARIA VILLAREAL**, 609 West Peach Street, Compton, CA  
Reported on the Reclassification Awards events on May 4, 2011 at Compton High School; and expressed disappointment that there were no Board Members in attendance.

**Board President Zurita** commented that there was miscommunication among the staff; and that the invitations were not received in a timely manner.

- **ANNA HERRERA**, 1419 North Rose Avenue, Compton, CA  
Shared information regarding the District's Curriculum; stated that there were few instances where Latinos were referenced in a positive manner; suggested that there be more positive, prominent figures covered in the curriculum; that the absence of Latinos and their histories could create stereotypes among students; and suggested that the District provide culturally relevant materials/educational workshops to create a more engaging school experience for students.

**G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- None scheduled

**H. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Thinking Maps Leadership Team Training Program**

**Comment:** Based on thorough and well-accepted academic study and brain research, the eight Thinking Map tools correspond with eight fundamental thinking processes. More than simple task-specific graphic organizers, the maps can be utilized individually or in various combinations to form a Common Visual Language for students and teachers at all grade levels, in all subjects.

**JaMaiia Bond, Senior Director, Secondary Education and Synee Pearson, principal, Bunch Elementary School**, provided a brief presentation about the program for K-12 and Professional Development training for the summer.

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*Donnie King, Student Board Member, was excused at 9:40 p.m.*

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**H. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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**NCS Pearson - Waterford Early Learning Program**

**Comment:** NCS Pearson's Waterford Early Learning Program is a digital curriculum that customizes instruction to meet individual children's learning needs. It also provides a tracking and data management system to assist teachers monitor student achievement. NCS Pearson specialists will provide initial training and ongoing support for teachers and staff.

**Dr. Abimbola Williams-Ajala, Associate Superintendent, Elementary Education,** provide a brief presentation about the Waterford Early Learning Program; explained that the digital program was a foundational, skill-building software for reading, math and science from PreK – 2 students.

**Board President Zurita** inquired as to whether ITD Department was involved with the program

**Dr. Abimbola Williams-Ajala** responded in the affirmative.

**MOTION** by *MRS. SHARIF*, **SECOND** by *MRS. GARRETT* to approve Item No. 10/11-121.

**I. ACTION ITEMS (Non-Consent)**

**10/11-121 Applications to Attend Professional Conferences/School Business Meetings**

*Discussion*

**Board Member Garrett** requested clarification regarding Item No. 8; and asked whether all of the teachers were from Bunche or Whaley Middle School.

**Dr. Donald Evans** explained that two of the teachers were from Bunche Middle and one was from Whaley Middle School.

**Board Member Ali** inquired about District Policies that regulate teachers traveling out of state.

**Dr. Donald Evans** stated that employees were not encouraged to travel out of state unless they were travelling under a grant.

**Acting Superintendent Frison** interjected that there was no District Policy restricting travelling out of state.

**VOTE ON MOTION TO APPROVE Item No. 10/11-121.**

*Board Member Ali – NO on 10/11-121*

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**MOTION** by *MR. EASTER*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHARIF* to approve Item No. 10/11-122.

**I. ACTION ITEMS (Non-Consent)**

10/11-122      **CONSIDERATION/ACTION - Innovate! Charter School Proposal**

*No Discussion*

**VOTE ON MOTION TO APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION TO DENY THE PETITION BASED ON THE STAFF ANALYSIS OF INNOVATE! CHARTER SCHOOL PROPOSAL, Item No. 10/11-122.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION** by *MRS. SHARIF*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHIPP* to approve Item No. 10/11-3027.

10/11-3027a      **CONSIDERATION/ACTION – Reduction in Number of Positions Eliminated as Part of Classified Employee Reduction in Force.**

*Discussion*

**Board Member Ali** requested that the Acting Superintendent or her designee explain the item.

**At the Request of Acting Superintendent Frison, Alex Flores, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources**, explained that at the March 22, 2011, Meeting the Board took action to approved a resolution to eliminate 215 positions; however, after an analysis and upon confirmation of categorical funding, staff was returning with a revised request to reduce the number of layoffs from 215 to 78 FTE positions as previously approved; and stated that since layoff notices were never sent to employees, the District would not be rescinding any layoff notices.

**Board Member Sharif** asked why the notices were never sent.

**Alex Flores** explained that the Personnel Commission elected not to “over notice” District employees, since there would be a reduction in the number of staff.

**Board Member Sharif** requested an explanation as to why all of the positions, previously listed, appeared to have been funded by categorical funds.

**Alex Flores** explained that the first initial of layoffs were based on the categorical funded positions; and that the General Funded positions were created due to school closures including the Adult School.

**Board Member Ali** requested that there be a substitute motion to incorporate Mr. Flores’ language regarding the current number of employees to receive layoff notices.

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**I. ACTION ITEMS (Non-Consent)**

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*Discussion - 10/11-3027a - (Continued)*

**Alex Flores** clarified that the District has reduced the number of employee layoffs from 215 to 78 FTE, (a reduction of 137 employees that was initially approved on March 22, 2011); that the 137 employees that would be retained were categorical funded positions.

**MOTION (10/11-3027a) WITHDRAWN**

**10/11-3027b** **SUBSTITUTE MOTION** by **MR. ALI**, **SECOND** by **MRS. GARRETT** to reduce the number of layoffs previously approved (*Item No. 10/11-3022 March 22, 2011*) by 137 FTE positions - from 215 to 78 FTE positions, because of confirmed categorical fund provisions

*Discussion:*

**Board Member Ali** asked if the plant manager and supervisory positions were being eliminated due to school closures.

**Alex Flores** responded in the affirmative.

**Board Member Garrett** inquired as to the number of positions that would be eliminated due to school closures.

**Alex Flores** reported that 46 positions would be eliminated due to school closures; and stated that he would contact Personnel Commission to ensure that employees were notified.

**VOTE ON SUBSTITUTE MOTION (10/11-3027b) To Reduce the Number of Layoffs Previously Approved (Item No. 10/11-3022 - March 22, 2011) By 137 FTE Positions from 215 to 78 FTE Positions, Because of Confirmed Categorical Fund Provisions**

*Board Member Ali – NO*

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**MOTION** by *MRS. SHIPP*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHARIF* to approve Section “J.”

**J. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS (Routine Matters)**

**10/11-1151 Grant Application – California Department of Education – Workforce Investment Act Title II/Adult Education and Family Literacy Sections 225/231 and English Literacy/Civics Education  
(Compton Adult School)**

**Comment:** The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) grant funds provide for a continuum of service delivery to individuals who are unemployed or underemployed due to educational and training barriers. Adult students will receive educational/training services to include English-as-a-Second Language, Adult Basic Education (basic literacy), Adult Secondary Education (high school diploma/GED) and Civics Education for the foreign born.

**Recommendation:** Approval to submit a grant application to the California Department of Education for the Workforce Investment Act Title II/Adult Education and Family Literacy Sections 225/231 and English Literacy/Civics Education Grant.

**Fiscal Impact:** *Potential Income to the District.*

**10/11-1154 Compton Adult School Third-Year Progress Report for Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)  
(Compton Adult School)**

**Comment:** Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) requires that schools provide a progress report at the mid-term of the term awarded which is year three for Compton Adult School. The adult school has prepared the progress report discussing significant developments and progress since the last full WASC visit.

**Recommendation:** Approve the submission of the Third-Year Progress Report to the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

**Fiscal Impact:** *No Cost to the District.*

**10/11-1168 Travel – Lake Skinner, Temecula Valley, CA  
(Compton High School)**

**Comment:** Compton High School Science Students will be participating in the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Solar Cup Competition sponsored by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. The Solar Cup is an event where high school teams design a boat that runs on solar power. The team boat competes in two races – a sprint and an endurance event. The event will culminate with an awards ceremony.

**Recommendation:** Approval for the twenty-one (21) Compton High School Science students and four (4) adult chaperones to participate in the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Solar Cup Competition at Lake Skinner located in Temecula Valley, CA on May 13-15, 2011.

**Fiscal Impact:** *Title I Stimulus Fund, in the amount of \$1,700 (cost for transportation). (Costs for meals, tents and sleeping bags will be provided by Metropolitan Water District. Advisors and chaperones will provide students with snacks).*

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Section “J.”  
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**J. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS (Routine Matters)**  
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**10/11-1171 Affiliation Agreement - El Camino College Compton Community Educational Center**  
(*Health, Human and Homeless Services*)

**Comment:** El Camino College Compton Community Educational Center will provide venue for the 11th Annual Homeless/Foster Care Symposium. The purpose of this symposium is to provide professional development regarding homeless and foster youth in the District.

**Recommendation:** Approval to hold the 11th Annual Homeless/Foster Care Symposium at the El Camino College Compton Community Educational Center on Friday, May 20, 2011.

**Fiscal Impact:** *No Cost to the District.*

**10/11-1172 Consultant Agreement - Carissa Phelps**  
(*Health, Human and Homeless Services*)

**Comment:** Carissa Phelps will be a keynote presenter and will conduct staff development training at the 11th Annual Homeless/Foster Care Symposium. Carissa Phelps will bring new perspectives on how to effectively serve homeless and foster youth students in our District as mandated by “*No Child Left Behind*”.

**Recommendation:** Approve consultant agreement with Carissa Phelps to provide professional development at the 11th Annual Homeless/Foster Care Symposium on May 20, 2011.

**Fiscal Impact:** *Homeless Children Education Budget, in the amount of \$3,000.*

**10/11-1173 Consultant Agreement - Greatness Now**  
(*Health, Human and Homeless Services*)

**Comment:** Greatness Now will conduct staff development at the 11th Annual Homeless/Foster Care Symposium. Greatness Now will provide a workshop that takes through the use of monologues, various forms of media and real talk discussion groups. Participants will learn to identify key negative behaviors that lead to relational aggression conflicts. They will bring new perspectives on how to effectively serve homeless and foster youth students in our District as mandated by “*No Child Left Behind*”.

**Recommendation:** Approve consultant agreement with Greatness Now to provide professional development at the 11th Annual Homeless/Foster Care Symposium on May 20, 2011.

**Fiscal Impact:** *Homeless Children Education Budget, in the amount of \$3,000.*

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**MOTION** by *MRS. SHIPP*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHARIF* to approve Section "J."  
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**J. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS (Routine Matters)**  
(Continued)

**10/11-1174 Consultant Agreement - S & B Foods, Compton College**  
*(Health, Human and Homeless Services)*

**Comment:** S & B Foods, Compton College will provide catering services (continental breakfast and box lunches) to attendees of the 11th Annual Homeless/Foster Care Symposium.

**Recommendation:** Approve consultant agreement with S & B Foods, Compton College to provide catering services for the 11th Annual Homeless/Foster Care Symposium on May 20, 2011.

**Fiscal Impact:** *Homeless Children Education Budget, in the amount of \$2,700.*

**10/11-1175 Ratification – Payment of Independent Assessor – Robert J. Rome, Ph.D.**  
*(Special Needs Department)*

**Comment:** The Independent Assessor representing the District and the student completed all assessments and attended Individual Education Program (I.E.P.) meetings as part of the District's offer for settlement on this matter. Per details referred to in Office of Administrative Hearings Case No. N2010-11-0608, the independent assessor is to be compensated for fees associated with the settlement to avert a due process filing. The District directly saved the cost of additional legal fees by reaching a settlement in this case. This agreement resolves any and all claims against the District.

**Recommendation:** Approval to pay Robert J. Rome, Ph.D., Independent Assessor.

**Fiscal Impact:** *General Fund, Special Education Budget, in the amount of \$1,000.*

**10/11-1176 Ratification – Payment of Attorney's Fee – Law Offices of Warren Finn**  
**Client Trust Account**  
*(Special Needs Department)*

**Comment:** The law firm representing the student in the complaint agreed to accept the District's offer for settlement on this matter. Per details referred to in Office of Administrative Hearings Case No. N2010-11-0608, opposing counsel's attorney is to be compensated for fees associated with a due process filing. The District directly saved the cost of additional legal fees by reaching a settlement in this case. This agreement resolves any and all claims against the District.

**Recommendation:** Approval to pay the Law Offices of Warren Finn Client Trust Account.

**Fiscal Impact:** *General Fund, Special Education Budget, in the amount of \$700.00.*

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**J. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS (Routine Matters)**

*(Continued)*

*Discussion - 10/11-1151*

**Board Member Easter** inquired as to how staff would implement the program upon receipt of the grant, given the pending closure of the Adult School.

**Acting Superintendent Frison** explained that a portion of the grant would be used to support the GED program provided through the Adult Education.

**Board Member Sharif** inquired as to whether the District contacted outside organizations to request assistance with keeping the East Rancho Senior Citizens Center open and whether funds from the grant funding could be used for this purpose.

**Dr. Donald Evans** was uncertain but agreed to research and report to the Board.

*Discussion - 10/11-1168*

**Board Member Sharif** requested that consideration be given to recognizing all individuals who have provided assistance to CUSD students participating in the Solar Cup Competition.

*Discussion - 10/11-1175*

**Board Member Shipp** requested information regarding the number of due process issues with Special Needs students.

**Ruth Dickens, Senior Director, Special Education** stated that the Due Process filing was not based on the Individual Education Plans (IEP); explained that the parent was not in agreement with the placement recommendation.

**Board Member Ali** requested that there be a Public Town Hall Meeting/Workshop on Special Education covering Parents' Rights.

**VOTE ON MOTION TO APPROVE SECTION "J."**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**K. COMMENTS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
AND SUPERINTENDENT**

• **BOARD MEMBER EASTER**

*No Comments.*

• **BOARD MEMBER ALI**

Requested that the Board Meeting adjourn in memory of: Odell Cook and Mrs. Lee (Mr. Ali's neighbor).



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**L. COMMENTS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
AND SUPERINTENDENT**

*(Continued)*

• **BOARD MEMBER SHIPP**

Inquired about the individual(s) (alleged convicted felons) from Victory Outreach interacting with students at Compton High School; requested that staff investigate teachers belittling students; inquire about ASB funds not being available for students; inquired about students who were not in class and leaving school early; congratulated "Coaching Along Side award recipients; and thanked Raquel Antunez for bring the program to the District.

• **BOARD MEMBER SHARIF**

*No Comments.*

• **BOARD MEMBER GARRETT**

Thanked Otha Johnson for his immediate response regarding issues at Compton High School; reported that the California Day of the Teacher was scheduled for Wednesday, May 11, 2011; that the District would be acknowledging the certificate employees; and that classified employees would be acknowledged the following week.

• **BOARD PRESIDENT ZURITA**

Requested that staff investigate and resolve concerns shared by students from Compton High School; reported on her visit at a community Town Hall Meeting initiated by the Student Nutrition Service employees; requested that staff investigate their concerns/issues; stated that the meeting would close in memory of Odell Cook, mother of Deborah Willard; Mrs. Lee, neighbor of Board Member Ali; Gladys Bell, longtime resident of the Compton community; and Kaylynn Williams, (an 11 year old neighbor of Board President Zurita who expired from injuries sustained as a result of a car accident); and stated she would advocate for children to wear helmets.

**L. THE NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD STUDY SESSION**

Education Service Center Board Room - June 14, 2011.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**10/11-9025** **MOTION** by *MRS. SHIPP*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHARIF* to adjourn the Board Study Session of the Board of Trustees - the time being 10:50 p.m.

*A moment of silence was observed in memory of Odell Cook, Mrs. Lee, Gladys Bell and Kaylynn Williams.*

*Karen Frison  
Acting Superintendent*

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