



ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES

Board of Education Regular Meeting

February 09, 2016

4:00 PM

4:00 PM - Study Session followed by Closed Session

7:00 PM - Regular Board Meeting

1830 S. Nogales Street, Board Room

Rowland Heights, California 91748

Attendance Taken at 4:08 PM:

Present:

Mr. Cary Chen

Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp

Ms. Donna Freedman

Ms. Angelena Pride

Absent:

Mr. David Malkin

I. OPENING

I.A. Call to Order

Minutes:

The meeting of the Rowland Unified School District Board of Education was called to order by Presiding Chairperson, Angelena M. Pride, Board Present, at 4:08 p.m.

I.B. Roll Call and Attendance

Minutes:

Superintendent Julie Mitchell, Ed.D., called roll and took attendance of the Board of Education.

PRESENT:

Miss Donna Freedman

Mr. Carey Chen

Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp

Ms. Angelena Pride

ABSENT:

Mr. David Malkin

RUSD Cabinet Members were all present.

I.C. Adoption of the Agenda of the Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, February 9, 2016.

Quick Summary:

Adopt the Agenda of the Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, February 9, 2016.orAdopt the Agenda of the Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, February 9, 2016, with the following corrections/modifications:

Motion Passed: Adopt the Agenda of the Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, February 9, 2016, with the following corrections/modifications:

Under Section VIII. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS, VIII.B. Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Member Appointment: Staff is pulling this item from the Agenda of the Regular Board Meeting of February 9, 2016.

Under Section X. CONSENT CALENDAR, X.C.5. Nogales High School Girls Wrestling Team Travel to CIF Championships: The incorrect memo, requesting approval to attend the Boys CIF Wrestling Tournament in Santa Maria, California, from February 18 to 20, 2016, was attached to this item in the agenda. It will be replaced with the correct memo, requesting approval to attend the Girls CIF Wrestling Finals in Visalia, California, from February 25 to 28, 2016.

Lynne Ebenkamp also asked that Item X.B. Resolution No. SO-15-16:06, Career Technical Education Month, February 2016, be pulled for discussion from the Consent Calendar.

Passed with a motion by Ms. Donna Freedman and a second by Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp.

Yes Mr. Cary Chen

Yes Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp

Yes Ms. Donna Freedman

Absent Mr. David Malkin

Yes Ms. Angelena Pride

II. REPORTS

II.A. Staff Report - LCAP Mid-Year Progress Overview (Goals 3-6)

Quick Summary:

The mid-year progress overview of the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) offers an opportunity to review and assess the stakeholders' expectations for focus and spending prior to submitting the draft proposal for the next school year's budget, in this case 2016-2017. The following LCAP Goals will be reviewed:
Goal 3 Communicate and Collaborate Goal 4 Fiscal Responsibility;
Facilities Goal 5 Student and Staff Safety and Wellness Goal 6 -
Leadership

Minutes:

Superintendent Dr. Julie Mitchell explained that the purpose for beginning the Board Meeting early today was to hear the mid-year report on LCAP goals 3, 4, 5, and 6. She then turned the floor over to Teresa Healy, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, to give the report.

Mrs. Healy shared a presentation with the Board (attached), which:

- Recapped the 8 State Priorities and the LCAP Timeline
- Detailed an overview of actions and outcomes for LCAP Goals 3-6
- Provided 2016-2019 LCAP Planning

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

III.A. Public Comments on Closed Session Agenda Items Only - Written Requests to Address the Board.

Quick Summary:

NOTE: Remarks are limited to three (3) minutes, unless extended further or limited by vote of the Board. A maximum of twenty (20) minutes, unless extended by the Board, is allocated for each subject discussed. Ordinarily, Board Members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken. However, the Board may give direction to Staff following a presentation.

Minutes:

There were no written requests to address the Board.

IV. CLOSED SESSION

Quick Summary:

Recess to Closed Session. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the Board may adjourn to Closed Session at any time during the meeting to discuss staff/student personnel

matters, negotiations, litigation, and/or the acquisition of land or facilities.

Minutes:

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 5:10 p.m. to discuss the following items.

IV.A. Pupil Expulsions/Stipulated Expulsions/Readmissions/Denials of Readmissions

IV.B. Meet with Chief Negotiator, Dennis J. Bixler, and discuss negotiations pursuant to Government Code, Section 3549.1 and/or Section 54957.6, regarding the Association of Rowland Educators (ARE) and California School Employees Association (CSEA) [Collective Bargaining].

IV.C. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

IV.D. Public Employment pursuant to Government Code, Section 54957 - Title: Director of Human Resources and Principal

IV.E. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Subdivisions (c) and (d)(1) of section 54956.9) - Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Case Number 480-2016-00490

IV.F. Superintendent's Evaluation

V. OPEN SESSION

Quick Summary:

The Board will return to Open Session.

Minutes:

The Board of Education returned to Open Session at 7:08 p.m.

V.A. Flag Salute

Quick Summary:

All in attendance will be led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag by Board Member, Donna Freedman.

Minutes:

All in attendance were led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag by Board Member, Donna Freedman, who also recognized and remembered our leaders in American History in honor of President's Day.

V.B. Closed Session Report

Rationale:

Report on any Board Action taken in Closed Session.

Motion Passed: The Board voted 4-0 to approve the administrative appointment of

Ryan Bourke as principal at Blandford Elementary School with an effective date to be determined, and the administrative appointment of Zepure Hacopian as Director of Human Resources, effective March 1, 2016. Passed with a motion by Ms. Donna Freedman and a second by Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp.

Yes Mr. Cary Chen
Yes Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp
Yes Ms. Donna Freedman
Absent Mr. David Malkin
Yes Ms. Angelena Pride

Motion Passed: The Board voted 4-0 to approve the settlement agreement with Employee Number KZ5557986. Passed with a motion by Ms. Donna Freedman and a second by Mr. Cary Chen.

Yes Mr. Cary Chen
Yes Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp
Yes Ms. Donna Freedman
Absent Mr. David Malkin
Yes Ms. Angelena Pride

V.C. Board Recognitions

V.C.1. Recognize Cindy Rose Escamilla for being selected as the 2016 recipient of the Excellence in School Nursing Award by the California School Nurses Organization.

Minutes:

The Board recognized Cindy Rose Escamilla for being selected as the recipient of the 2016 Excellence in School Nursing Award by the California School Nurses Organization, as well as her numerous accomplishments.

V.C.2. Recognize and thank the Rowland High School students, parents, staff, and community members for providing the refreshments at tonight's Board meeting.

Minutes:

Angelena M. Pride, Board President, recognized and thanked Rowland High School students, parents, staff, and community members for providing the refreshments at tonight's Board Meeting.

VI. REPORTS

VI.A. Superintendent's Report

Minutes:

Superintendent Dr. Julie Mitchell shared the following with the Board:

1. Dr. Mitchell thanked the community for attending both the RUSD Showcase Event

and the School Tour Day to kick off registration for the 2016-17 school year. She encouraged everyone to share with friends and neighbors that RUSD is enrolling new students now.

2. Rowland Council PTA invites all parents to a free parent seminar and Founder's Day Celebration on Friday, February 26, from 9:00 a.m. to Noon at the Rowland Heights Community Center. Special guest speakers will include Dr. Maribel Contreras from Pacific Clinics and Louis Denver from the Walnut Sheriff Station.

3. The District will hold community input meetings on our Local Control Accountability Plan on March 2 at Rowland High School and March 10 at Giano Intermediate (both from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.). Flyers are available in the lobby of all schools with more information. An online survey for the community will be launched in English, Spanish, Chinese, and Korean, starting March 1 and through the end of the month.

4. Dr. Mitchell also took time to recognize Nogales High School, Northam Elementary, and Villacorta Elementary, as well as the District, on successfully completing Federal Program Monitoring. All three schools had zero findings. She then shared that there were a few items that needed to be corrected district-wide, which the District has 45 days to correct. She also thanked Silvia Rivas and staff for a successful program monitoring visit.

VI.B. Student Board Representatives' Reports

VI.B.1. Nogales High School

Quick Summary:

Receive a Nogales High School Student Representative to the Board Report.

Minutes:

Laura Martinez, Student Board Representative from Nogales High School, reported the following:

Ms. Martinez reported on several student events that took place during the month of January and February and provided an update on Nogales' sports program and awards. She then shared regarding efforts to raise money on behalf of Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and UNICEF. Additionally, she shared that Nogales had zero findings on its Federal Program Monitoring visit, and Nogales has received \$20,000 worth of scholarship money from the CIE Study Abroad Program. Lastly, she mentioned the RUSD Showcase and the heavy involvement of Nogales students and families, as well as more upcoming events at the school.

VI.B.2. John A. Rowland High School

Quick Summary:

Receive a John A. Rowland High School Student Representative to the Board Report.

Minutes:

Ryan Padilla, Student Board Representative from John A. Rowland High School, reported the following:

Mr. Padilla shared about recent events at Rowland High School, including Jammin' January for Seniors, Silent Night Basketball Tournament, the Dodge Ball Tournament. He also shared about upcoming events at the school, including Valentine's Day and Senior events. Lastly, he mentioned information on State and AP testing.

VI.B.3. Santana High School

Quick Summary:

Receive a Santana High School Student Representative to the Board Report.

Minutes:

Elizabeth Sanchez, Student Board Representative from Santana High School, reported the following:

Ms. Sanchez reported that two Santana students have been accepted into 4-year universities. She also shared events related to college preparation and financial aid, noting that graduation is around the corner.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

VII.A. Written Requests to Address the Board

Quick Summary:

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Minutes:

1. Roy Humphreys addressed the Board regarding change orders, the need for better financial planning with regard to change orders, the need for video recording, transparency, the need for improvement of the Board website, and the availability of his video recordings of Board Meeting on YouTube.

2. Katherine Rodriguez addressed the Board on behalf of Family Resource Center regarding their successful participation at the RUSD Showcase; their preview night for their parenting class, Parent Project; homework clubs starting at Yorbita and Rowland Elementary Schools; the annual Heart and Sole Event that services students with shoes, socks, and cookies and which is sponsored by the Hacienda Heights Kiwanis Club; and the My Sister's Closet event, which provides free prom dresses and accessories.

VIII. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

VIII.A. Board Policy Update - BP 5117 -Interdistrict and Intradistrict Attendance

Quick Summary:

Board Policy 5117 - Interdistrict and Intradistrict Attendance has been updated to include the following:A child of an active military duty parent/guardian shall not be prohibited from transferring out of the district to a school district of choice, if the other school district approves the application for transfer. (Education Code 48301)(cf.6173.2 - Education of Children of Military Families)Pursuant to Education Code 48301, as amended by AB 306 (Ch. 771, Statutes of 2015), a district must not prohibit the transfer of a student whose parent/guardian is in active military duty.

Minutes:

The Board received for first reading Board Policy - BP 5117 - Interdistrict and Intradistrict Attendance.

VIII.B. Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Member Appointment

Quick Summary:

The CBOC Business member has reached the term limit, as outlined in the CBOC Bylaws, thus leaving this position vacant. The District has solicited applications from the community to fill this vacancy. Approve the committee recommendation to appoint one (1) member, Jae Chun, to the 2006/2012 Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee.

Minutes:

This item was pulled prior to the start of the meeting.

VIII.C. Ratify Change Order #12 in the amount of \$227,422.00 for Purchase Order #A800336 to Echo Pacific Construction, Inc., Nogales High School Revival project, Bid No. 2013/14:4

Quick Summary:

The Nogales Revival project was approved on November 12, 2013 for the amount of \$23,615,517.00. The project has had 11 previous change orders totaling \$3,185,429.01, bringing the total project cost to \$26,800,945.01. Ratification of Change Order #12, totaling \$227,422., will bring the total project cost to \$27,028,368.01. Each individual change order was below 10% of the total original cost of the project.

Rationale:

1.Additional field directed demo of mow-strip and miscellaneous concrete along Northam Street.(Work not clearly defined on plans.) \$3,331.002. Add sheet metal flashing at seismic gap at elevator, required clearances could not be met with specified plaster finish. (Architect plans did not allow code required clearances.) \$805.003. Per District's request, credit to remove countertop and shelving from rooms A129 and A110 due to repurposing of those rooms. (Principal requested to

have rooms repurposed by converting the secure testing room and storage room into a conference room and a career center.) (\$ 3,646.00) 4. Modifications to grading around Cafeteria Building, to correct grade-break on plans. (Civil Engineering drawings not clearly defined, elevations discrepancy) \$1,591.00 5. Add backing support for sound speakers. (Backing support not indicated on plans) \$373.00 6. Add soffits to east elevation of D101 (Kitchen). (Soffits not shown on plans. Soffits required to conceal exposed structural steel and conduit/plumbing.) \$12,741.00 7. Add drop soffit in front of window in D104 to accommodate change in ceiling height. (Conduit, pipes and HVAC could not fit into specified height.) \$2,435.00 8. Change finish to plaster on south elevation of Bldg. C, at fire rated wall. (Specified siding did not meet required fire rating.) \$8,429.00 9. Block out and fire safe around HVAC duct penetrations through floor in A204. (Plans did not indicate the need to maintain fire rating between floors.) \$5,848.00 10. Per County Inspector, remove and replace county sidewalk along Northam Street. (In order to comply with County Code, County Inspector requested the replacement of side walk.) \$12,847.00 11. Frame/block out exposed structural steel at back of stage and interior east elevation at Bldg. C. (Plans did not properly address)\$3,617.00 12. Box out the exposed beam along C1.3 in order to maintain wall's fire rating. (Plans did not provide sufficient detail) \$1,047.00 13. Add call switches and upgrade clocks/PA to tie into new head in equipment in Admin. Building for existing Buildings A, B, C and Library. (Plan details did not accommodate alterations to recently modernized Buildings.) \$57,100.00 14. Per District's request, provide additional Fire Alarm annunciator panel in E2 for panel that was moved to new Administration Building. Safety for staff to monitor Fire Alarm until able to move into new building. \$2,801.00 15. Re-work 10 storefront doors at Multi-Purpose Building to accept new hinges. (Plans specified incorrect hinges.)\$12,894.00 16. Credit for unperformed work associated with RFI#194 and PCO#041 related to Fire Alarm and superseded by CCD#36. Superseded by CCD#36. PCO#41 previously approved for credit amount of \$52,104.00. (\$29,905.00) 17. Pre District's request, re-wiring and consolidation of existing campus Fire Alarm system to new head in equipment in new Admin. Consolidation to one main panel for ease of maintenance. Re-wiring to support ease of taking buildings on/off line to support future construction. \$86,885.00 18. Relocation of electrical rough to accommodate mounting detail changes to fume hood. (Beam attachment details missing from plans.) \$1,840.00 19. Repairs to cracks in 2nd floor walkway decks prior to application of traffic coating. (Repairs of cracks are required for manufacturer of product to honor warranty of surface.)\$1,801.00 20. Credit to change spec of Arbutus trees from 36" box to 24" box. (Unavailability of acceptable inventory of 36" trees) (\$3,434.00) 21. Extend stainless steel backing on wall behind fume hood ceiling. (Architect plans did not show the need of required stainless steel backing on the wall behind the fume hood ceiling to provide a cleanable surface.) \$4,450.00 22. Modifications to instructions not details for air curtains in Bldg. D. Not detailed on plans. (Architect did not provide instructions to hang air curtains.) \$1,701.00 23. Add 5 additional fire sprinkler heads to 1st floor corridor in Bldg. B. Per CCD#33 to meet code minimum coverage requirements. (Architect did not include 5 fire sprinkler heads in plans.) \$1,403.00 24. Upsize electrical circuit breaker to accommodate water heater in Bldg. A. The specified circuit breaker was undersized for peak draw. (Electrical Engineer did not size correctly on the plans) \$752.00 25. Change out exterior restroom thresholds with traffic rated Pemko models (11). (Marble thresholds incorrectly

specified on plans)\$1,950.00 26. Per District's request, add additional data drop at teacher desk locations (24). (Required for full functionality and flexibility.) \$5,705.00 27. Re-feed/connect low voltage systems to portables W14-W19. Low voltage connections from new head in location to remaining portables on West Road. (Not shown on plans)\$13,678.00 28. Added coping/edge metal to open truss area of canopy roof at Cafeteria. (Architect did not detail on plans the need for open truss area on the Cafeteria roof.) \$13,662.00 29. Per District's request, additional striping to parking lot (curb/lane markings), in order to improve parking lot functionality. \$3,995.00 30. Add power connection to theatrical lighting grids. (Power connection not indicated on plans) \$726.00 Total \$227,422.00

Motion Passed: Ratify Change Order #12 for Nogales High School Revival project. Passed with a motion by Ms. Donna Freedman and a second by Mr. Cary Chen.

Yes Mr. Cary Chen
Yes Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp
Yes Ms. Donna Freedman
Absent Mr. David Malkin
Yes Ms. Angelena Pride

Minutes:

Dr. Mitchell took the floor to review the details of the item. She indicated that they are nearing the completion of the project; however, additional change orders are anticipated for the future.

IX. PUPIL PERSONNEL

IX.A. RUSD Student 14-15:09 - Readmission from Expulsion

Quick Summary:

Student 14-15:09 was expelled from the Rowland Unified School District by the Board of Education on March 10, 2015. He/she has since completed all requirements of the rehabilitation plan and is eligible to be readmitted to the Rowland Unified School District. It is recommended that Student 14-15:09 be readmitted to the District, effective February 10, 2016, with placement at Santana High School.

Motion Passed: To readmit Student 14-15:09 to the District, effective February 10, 2016, with placement at Santana High School. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp and a second by Ms. Donna Freedman.

Yes Mr. Cary Chen
Yes Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp
Yes Ms. Donna Freedman
Absent Mr. David Malkin
Yes Ms. Angelena Pride

IX.B. RUSD Student 15-16:07 - Stipulated Expulsion

Quick Summary:

To approve the Stipulated Expulsion of Student #15-16:07 from all schools and programs of Rowland Unified School District, effective February 10, 2016 with referral to a County or alternative school outside of the District for placement in an educational program. Parents have waived the due process of procedures, as approved by the Board.

Motion Passed: To approve the Stipulated Expulsion of Student #15-16:07 from all schools and programs of Rowland Unified School District, effective February 10, 2016, with referral to a County or alternative school outside of the District for placement in an educational program. Parents have waived the due process of procedures, as approved by the Board. Passed with a motion by Ms. Donna Freedman and a second by Mr. Cary Chen.

Yes Mr. Cary Chen
Yes Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp
Yes Ms. Donna Freedman
Absent Mr. David Malkin
Yes Ms. Angelena Pride

X. CONSENT CALENDAR

Rationale:

NOTICE: All matters listed under Consent Calendar are considered by the Board of Education to be routine or sufficiently supported by prior or accompanying reference materials and information not requiring additional discussion. They will be enacted by a motion as referenced below. There will be no separate discussion of these items prior to the time the Board of Education votes on the motion, unless Members of the Board, staff, or public, request specific items be discussed, added to, or deleted from the Consent Calendar for separate action. Members of the public may request that a specific item be removed from the Consent Calendar by completing the "Written Request to Address the Board" form/card and presenting it to the Secretary of the Board, in accordance with Board Bylaw 9322. All Consent items are indicated by the designation (c) after the item title.

Motion Passed: To approve and/or ratify items on the Consent Calendar with the removal of Agenda Item Item X.B. Resolution No. SO-15-16:06, Career Technical Education Month, February 2016, for separate discussion and action. Passed with a motion by Ms. Donna Freedman and a second by Mr. Cary Chen.

Yes Mr. Cary Chen
Yes Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp
Yes Ms. Donna Freedman
Absent Mr. David Malkin
Yes Ms. Angelena Pride

Minutes:

Mrs. Ebenkamp explained that she requested that Item No. X.B. Resolution No. SO-15-16:06, Career Technical Education Month, February 2016, be pulled consistent with her belief that the audience should hear items, such as recognitions, being recognized publicly

by the Board.

X.A. General Function Consent Items

X.A.1. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, January 12, 2016; the Special Board Meeting/Study Session of Saturday, January 16, 2016; and the Special Board Meeting/Study Session of Tuesday, January 26, 2016.

Quick Summary:

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, January 12, 2016; the Special Board Meeting/Study Session of Saturday, January 16, 2016; and the Special Board Meeting/Study Session of Tuesday, January 26, 2016.

X.A.2. Gifts/Donations

Quick Summary:

Accept the gifts/donations made to the District as listed on the attached and send the appropriate letters of appreciation.

X.B. Resolution No. SO-15-16:06, Career Technical Education Month, February 2016

Quick Summary:

Designate the month of February as the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Month and urge all citizens to become familiar with services and benefits offered by the Career and Technical Education programs in this District and the community, and to support and participate in these programs to enhance their individual work skills and productivity. The theme for the Rowland Unified School District's CTE Month is CTE: Opportunities for Career Success. The Rowland Unified School District's CTE programs gives high school students experience in practical, meaningful applications of academic, employability, and technical skills and connects students with potential careers.

Motion Passed: Proclaim and adopt Resolution No. SO-15-16:06, for February 1-29, 2016. as the Rowland Unified School District's Career Technical Education Month. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp and a second by Ms. Donna Freedman.

Yes Mr. Cary Chen
Yes Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp
Yes Ms. Donna Freedman
Absent Mr. David Malkin
Yes Ms. Angelena Pride

X.C. Educational Consent Items

X.C.1. Research Request - Academic Achievement of English Learners

Quick Summary:

The research study, conducted by Celia Munguia, graduate student from Cal Poly Pomona, will be conducted from January to May 2016 and consist of interviewing principals and teachers from two schools that have successfully reclassified students for the past three years, as compared to the State average. The study will research systems and structures that principals establish at their schools to support the academic achievement of English Learners.

Rationale:

The study will assist principals as they provide support for teachers in meeting the instructional and linguistic needs of English Learners at their school sites. Consequently, it will influence changes in classroom structure, practices and instruction leading to an increase of achievement throughout the English Learner population.

X.C.2. Expenditure in Support of the School to Career Lunch with Career Experts Student Event

Quick Summary:

The "Lunch with Career Experts" event is sponsored by the School to Career program and will be held to support "Opportunities for Career Success" in February 2016. There will be six experts from six different pathways that will network with 9th grade students about their careers during the lunch.

X.C.3. Nogales High School Boys Wrestling Team Travel to CIF Championships, Santa Maria, California, February 18-20, 2016

Quick Summary:

Nogales High School is requesting advance approval to send qualifying Varsity Boy Wrestlers to participate in the CIF Wrestling Finals, February 18-20, 2016, at Santa Maria High School in Santa Maria, California. Nogales may have as many as 3 qualified boys participating in this event. Qualifying events will take place over the next two weeks to determine which boys will move on to the state CIF finals. This is a CIF-SS sponsored activity, with the very best wrestlers in the Southern California vying for a place on the awards stand.

X.C.4. Rowland High School Boys Wrestling Team Travel to CIF Championships, Santa Maria, California, February 18-21, 2016

Quick Summary:

Rowland High School is requesting advance approval to send qualifying Varsity Boy Wrestlers to participate in the CIF Wrestling Finals, February 18-21, 2016, at Santa Maria High School in Santa Maria, California. Rowland may have as many as 8 qualified boys participating in this event. Qualifying

events will take place over the next two weeks to determine which boys will move on to the state CIF finals. This is a CIF-SS sponsored activity, with the very best wrestlers in the Southern California vying for a place on the awards stand.

X.C.5. Nogales High School Girls Wrestling Team Travel to CIF Championships, Visalia, California, February 25-28, 2016

Quick Summary:

Nogales High School is requesting advance approval to send qualifying Varsity Girls Wrestlers to participate in the CIF Wrestling Finals, February 25-28, 2016, at the Visalia Convention Center, Visalia, California. Nogales may have as many as 4 qualified girls participating in this event. Qualifying events will take place over the next two weeks to determine which girls will move on to the state CIF finals. This is a CIF-SS sponsored activity, with the very best wrestlers in the Southern California vying for a place on the awards stand.

X.C.6. Rowland High School Girls Wrestling Team Travel to CIF Championships, Visalia, California, February 25-28, 2016

Quick Summary:

Rowland High School is requesting advance approval to send qualifying Varsity Girls Wrestlers to participate in the CIF Wrestling Finals, February 25-28, 2016, at the Visalia Convention Center, Visalia, California. Rowland may have as many as 2 qualified girls participating in this event. Qualifying events will take place over the next two weeks to determine which girls will move on to the state CIF finals. This is a CIF-SS sponsored activity, with the very best wrestlers in the Southern California vying for a place on the awards stand.

X.C.7. Rowland High School Boys Wrestling Team Travel to CIF State Championships, Bakersfield, California, March 3-6, 2016

Quick Summary:

Rowland High School is requesting advance approval to send qualifying Varsity Boy Wrestlers to participate in the CIF State Wrestling Championships, March 3-6, 2016, at California State University Bakersfield in Bakersfield, California. Rowland may have as many as 2 qualified boys participating in this event. Qualifying events will take place over the next three weeks to determine which boys will move on to the state CIF finals. This is a CIF-SS sponsored activity, with the very best wrestlers in the Southern California vying for a place on the awards stand.

X.C.8. Rowland High School FHA-HERO State Officers Meeting, Sacramento, California, March 8-11, 2016

Quick Summary:

Approve Rowland High School's FHA-HERO State Reporter's travel to Sacramento, California, March 8-11, 2016, to attend the annual FHA-HERO State Officers Meeting - Planning Session.

Rationale:

This Rowland High School student has been elected as the FHA-HERO State Reporter to the California Affiliate of the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). The national Career and Technical Student Organization promotes personal growth, leadership development, and career preparation opportunities for students in Family and Consumer Sciences education. The District supports students enrolled in the FHA-HERO program and their leadership roles locally, as well as nationally.

X.C.9. Rowland High School FHA-HERO State Officers Meeting, Sacramento, California, March 9-10, 2016

Quick Summary:

Approve Rowland High School's FHA-HERO State Reporter's travel to Sacramento, California, March 9-10, 2016, to attend the annual FHA-HERO State Officers Meeting - Planning Session.

Rationale:

This Rowland High School student has been elected as the FHA-HERO State Reporter to the California Affiliate of the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). The national Career and Technical Student Organization promotes personal growth, leadership development, and career preparation opportunities for students in Family and Consumer Sciences education. The District supports students enrolled in the FHA-HERO program and their leadership roles locally as well as nationally.

X.C.10. Rowland High School ProStart Competition, Sacramento, California, March 11-14, 2016.

Quick Summary:

This event provides our students with scholarship and networking opportunities for future endeavors in the culinary and hospitality industry. They will have the opportunity to see the careers in the hospitality industry firsthand, interact with professionals and fellow California high school students, and present the materials they created to be judged by successful members of the industry.

X.C.11. Rowland High School Key Club International District Conference, Sacramento, California, April 8-10, 2016

Quick Summary:

This convention was arranged through the California-Nevada-Hawaii District Convention Board and provides students with the opportunity to enhance their leadership skills and network with students from throughout the region. The convention will serve to facilitate the growth of students as responsible, ethical leaders.

X.C.12. Rowland High School ASB - California Association of Student Leaders (CASL) Conference, Ontario, California, April 9-11, 2016

Quick Summary:

This conference was arranged through the California Association of Directors of Activities and the California Association of Student Leaders and provides students with the opportunity for student leaders to learn leadership skills and network statewide that facilitates the development of ethical, responsible, and servant leaders.

X.C.13. Rowland High School Future Business Leaders of America State Leadership Conference and Competition, Ontario, California, April 14-17, 2016

Quick Summary:

This trip will provide students with an opportunity to attend leadership workshops, hear a keynote speaker, collaborate and network with other FBLA members from California, and compete in a variety of objective and performance competitive events.

X.C.14. Santana High School Solar Boat Competition, Lake Skinner, Temecula, California, May 12-16, 2016.

Quick Summary:

The annual Solar Boat competition provides an opportunity for students to develop 21st century learning skills as they design, build, race and promote a solar powered boat and communicate to the public the advantages of cleaner alternative energy sources. Students compete against other schools from the Metropolitan Water District service area. Students additionally conduct research and produce Public Service Announcements on solar energy.

X.D. Administrative Consent Items

X.D.1. Agreement for Consultant Services between Leadership Associates, LLC and the Rowland Unified School District

Quick Summary:

Leadership Associates, Michael F. Escalante, will facilitate a Governance Workshop during the 2015-16 school year.

X.D.2. Contract for Reimbursement to District Under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Grant between the Los Angeles Office of Education and the Rowland Unified School District

Quick Summary:

The Los Angeles County Office of Education will reimburse post purchasing of items that are directly related to meeting the needs of the McKinney-Vento population of Rowland Unified School District students, for the period

February 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016. LACOE Contract # 113574:15:16

X.D.3. Amended Individual Services Agreement between Soliant Health, Inc. and the Rowland Unified School District

Quick Summary:

The Amended Individual Services Agreement for Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency Services between Soliant Health, Inc. and the Rowland Unified School District provides special education and/or related services to students with exceptional needs, for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. (2015-16:12)

X.D.4. Independent Contractor Agreement between Luis Cruz and the Rowland Unified School District, Rorimer Elementary School

Quick Summary:

Dr. Luis Cruz will provide Rorimer Elementary's school leadership team with insight and training on developing policies, practices and procedures designed to increase learning for all students on January 26, 2016.

X.D.5. Independent Contractor Agreement between Edlogix, LLC and the Rowland Unified School District, Puente Hills SELPA

Quick Summary:

Edlogix, LLC will implement the Special Education Assessment & Report Information System (SEARIS), an online Psychoeducational Assessment & Reporting system, for the period January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016.

X.D.6. Independent Contractor Agreement between The Music Center - The Chameleons - Mime Over Matter and the Rowland Unified School District, Rowland Elementary School

Quick Summary:

Contractor will provide two (2) performances by world-class mimes sharing a collection of short mime plays and classic mime illusions at Rowland Elementary School on March 25, 2016.

Rationale:

The assemblies are for students to be recognized for good/perfect attendance, positive character and behavior.

X.D.7. Independent Contractor Agreement between The Music Center - Bobby Rodriguez' Jazz Adventure and the Rowland Unified School District, Rowland Elementary School

Quick Summary:

Contractor will provide three (3) performances showcasing a variety of jazz styles, from Dixieland to Bebop, Swing to Blues, and Latin Jazz at Rowland Elementary School on May 26, 2016.

Rationale:

The assemblies are for students to be recognized for good/perfect attendance, positive character and behavior.

X.D.8. Independent Contractor Agreement between The New England Academy and the Rowland Unified School District

Quick Summary:

The New England Academy (NEA) will provide the 2016 Spring Intermediate Debate program. The program will include three (3) classes for students from across the District, hosted at Jellick Elementary School. NEA will supply at least one (1) trained debate instructor for each class and a one (1) day tournament to conclude the program.

X.D.9. Independent Contractor Agreements for Supplemental Education Services

Quick Summary:

Ratify Independent Contractor Agreements for Supplemental Educational Services, ELA and Math, in Program Improvement Schools, Years 2, 3, 4 & 5+, Hollingworth, Jellick, Northam, Rorimer, Villacorta, Yorbita, and Rowland Elementary Schools; Alvarado and Giano Intermediate Schools; and Nogales High School, for the period October 1, 2015 through April 29, 2016.
Contractor Not to Exceed 1 iPad Gratis, LLC \$ 24,084.00 1 Online Tutoring, LLC \$ 926.31 5 Star Tutors, LLC (CA) \$ 926.31 Above & Beyond Learning, Inc. \$ 8,337.00 Adaptive Learning, LLC \$ 6,484.00 Apple iPad & Android Tablet Tutoring \$ 6,484.00 Carter, Reddy & Associates, Inc. \$ 1,853.00 Doctrina Tutoring \$ 4,632.00 Eduwizard, Inc. \$ 926.31 Learn with iPads, LLC \$ 2,779.00 Math Think Inc. \$ 15,747.00 Studentnest, Inc. dba Studentnest.com \$ 43,537.00 United Tutors \$ 7,410.00 Voice of Hope \$ 11,116.00 Total \$ 135,241.93

Rationale:

X.D.10. Non-Paid Internship Site Agreements

Quick Summary:

Non-Paid Internship Site Agreements between the Rowland Unified School District and the following Permitters, until terminated by either party: November 2015, 4 Archival Print, Randy Ordonz, Rowland Heights December 2015, Daniel Fuld State Farm Insurance, Daniel Fuld, Agent/Owner, Chino Hills

Rationale:

To provide for the preparation of students in employment or advanced training by means of a program of career related internships.

X.D.11. Settlement Agreement, Rowland Unified School District, Office of Administrative Hearings Case No. 2016010060

Quick Summary:

This Compromise and General Release Agreement is made with the Rowland Unified School District, Office of Administrative Hearings Case No. 2016010060.

X.D.12. Approve Piggyback Bid between Corona-Norco Unified School District and Southwest Schools & Office Supplies, Contract Number 15/16-006JIT

Quick Summary:

Authorization of the Board, pursuant to Public Contract Code 20118, is required to piggyback from contract. The contract will allow the District to purchase classroom and office supplies without conducting a formal bid, thereby taking advantage of the same terms and conditions of the contract's competitive pricing structure.

Rationale:

This "piggyback" bid will be in force from January 13, 2016 through January 13, 2019. Through this program Rowland Unified School District will receive significant savings on volume purchases and will comply with Public Contract Codes 20118, 20111 and 20651.

X.D.13. Accept the RUSD Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework Phase 1 and Phase 2 Projects as complete and authorize for the recording of the Notice of Completion. (Measure R2006, Fund 21.6, West Mark Products, Inc., Bid No. 2014/15:11)

Quick Summary:

The Commercial Claim Section of the Office of the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools requires that any contract work done for a specific job which exceeds \$25,000 must have approval for the Notice of Completion from the Board.

Rationale:

The Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework, Phase 1 Project at Blandford Elementary School was completed on September 30, 2015 by: West Mark Products, Inc. \$22,873.00 PO#A801848 The Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework, Phase 1 Project at Hollingworth Elementary School was completed on September 30, 2015 by: West Mark Products, Inc. \$28,642.00 PO#A801847 The Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework, Phase 2 Project at Hurley Elementary School was completed on September 30, 2015 by: West Mark Products, Inc. \$90,492.00 PO#A801846 The Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework, Phase 2 Project at Jellick Elementary School was

completed on September 30, 2015 by:West Mark Products, Inc.
\$41,801.00PO#A801845The Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework, Phase 2 Project at Killian Elementary School was completed on September 30, 2015 by:West Mark Products, Inc.
\$22,873.00PO#A801844The Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework, Phase 1 Project at Northam Elementary School was completed on September 30, 2015 by:West Mark Products, Inc.
\$28,624.00PO#A801843The Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework, Phase 1 Project at Rorimer Elementary School was completed on September 30, 2015 by:West Mark Products, Inc.
\$28,624.00PO#A801842The Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework, Phase 2 Project at Rowland Elementary School was completed on September 30, 2015 by:West Mark Products, Inc.
\$22,873.00PO#A801849The Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework, Phase 2 Project at Shelyn Elementary School was completed on September 30, 2015 by:West Mark Products, Inc.
\$22,873.00PO#A801841The Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework, Phase 1Project at Villacorta Elementary School was completed on September 30, 2015 by:West Mark Products, Inc.
\$28,624.00PO#A801840The Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework, Phase 2 Project at Ybarra Academy School was completed on September 30, 2015 by:West Mark Products, Inc.
\$22,873.00PO#A801839The Kindergarten Modernization Learning Walls and Peripheral Casework, Phase 2 Project at Yorbita Elementary School was completed on September 30, 2015 by:West Mark Products, Inc.
\$45,246.00PO#A801838

X.D.14. Accept the Jellick Elementary School Covered Walkway Repair and Replacement Project as complete and authorize for the recording of the Notice of Completion. (Measure R2006, Fund 21.6, GDL Best Contractors)

Quick Summary:

The Commercial Claim Section of the Office of the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools requires that any contract work done for a specific job which exceeds \$25,000 must have approval for the Notice of Completion from the Board.

Rationale:

The Covered Walkway Repair and Replacement Project at Jellick Elementary School was completed on January 1, 2016, by: GDL Best Contractors, Inc. \$43,250. PO#A900749

X.D.15. Approval and/or Ratification of Warrants

Quick Summary:

Approve and/or ratify the Warrants as listed on the attached.

X.D.16. Approval and/or Ratification of Purchase Orders

Quick Summary:

Approve and/or ratify the Purchase Orders as listed on the attached.

X.D.17. Approval of Conference Attendance

Quick Summary:

Approve the Conference Attendance as listed on the attached.

X.E. Human Resources Consent Items

X.E.1. Approve Human Resources Action Report HR 15-16:07

Quick Summary:

Approve Human Resources Action Report HR 15-16:07.

XI. CONFERENCE SECTION

XI.A. Informational Report of Conference Attendance

Quick Summary:

Receive for review and discussion the Informational Report of Conference Attendance as attached.

Rationale:

Receive for review and discussion the Informational Report of Conference Attendance as attached.

Minutes:

The Board received for review and discussion the Informational Report of Conference Attendance.

XI.B. Board Members' Comments

Minutes:

Donna Freedman started by stating that she enjoyed the Student Board Representatives sharing about Compliment Day at their schools and she congratulated Cindy Escamilla on her award. She then mentioned that she attended Villacorta's fundraiser at MacDonald's on January 27; Rowland Kids' first meeting on January 28, commenting that Alex Flores gave an excellent and informative presentation on the budget; and the RUSD showcase on January 30 where she was able to visit all the booths. She went on to share that she recently attended the California Association of School Districts meeting in Sacramento, where items such as State budget, bonds, propositions, grants, and teacher shortage were discussed. She ended by wishing all a Happy President's Day and Happy Valentine's Day.

Carey Chen first thanked Teresa Healy and her team for the presentation on LCAP, as well as Dr. Mitchell and Gina Ward for a successful RUSD Showcase, which

received a lot of positive feedback. He then shared that a \$275,000 federal grant for Professional Development for Educators of English Learners was brought to his attention by an of associate of his in the federal government, which he shared with Dr. Mitchell immediately. He noted that the deadline to submit for the grant was very short and thanked her for her hard work on obtaining the grant. He ended by wishing everyone a Happy Chinese New Year, President's Day, and Valentine's Day.

Lynne Ebenkamp first thanked the community for allowing the Board to serve and then recognized staff, indicating that staff work hard not only in the classrooms, but at the administrative staff level. Specifically, she commented that Dr. Mitchell has been working very hard toward getting each Department moving in the right direction and is diligent to recognize those who work hard in turn. She also mentioned the presentation on the District that Dr. Mitchell gave to the February 8 Rowland Heights Community Coordinated Council Meeting. Next she shared that she was able to attend two events honoring two of the schools who received zero findings in the Federal Program Monitoring review. She ended by reiterating appreciation for Classified staff, who sometimes go unrecognized for their behind-the-scenes work.

Angelena Pride started by sharing that since the last Board Meeting she participated in the NAACP Martin Luther King Day Celebration at the West Covina City Hall, where she was the introductory speaker and where several RUSD alumni, including her daughter, sang songs. She noted that they were the most talked about group of kids, not only because of their performance, but also due to being one of the only groups who exhibited a professional personal appearance. She went on to mention the ongoing search for ROP Superintendent with which she and Mr. Chen are involved. She then shared that she had the pleasure of attending Giano and Villacorta during School Tours Day, where she heard what is going on at the school sites and saw the classrooms in action. She indicated that the events where so successful that parents were now considering RUSD schools instead of private or home schooling. Next she reiterated congratulations to the schools who had zero findings during the FPM, stating that she received emails from staff thanking the Board and leadership for recognizing their hard work and showing them appreciation. Moving on, Mrs. Pride shared that recently she, as part of a group of 14 staff member, attended an Apple executive briefing in Cupertino, CA, that consisted of professional development that was specifically designed for RUSD. She clarified that this was not an event to sell the District Apple products, but rather it was designed to teach them how to utilize technology in the classroom. Lastly, she ended with a quote from Dr. Martin Luther King in honor of MLK Day and Black History Month.

XII. RETURN TO CLOSED SESSION (IF NECESSARY)

Minutes:

The Board did not return to Closed Session.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Quick Summary:

Adjournment of the Regular Board Meeting of the Rowland Unified School District Board of Education.

Motion Passed: Moved to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of the Rowland Unified School District Board of Education at 7:47 p.m. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp and a second by Ms. Donna Freedman.

Yes Mr. Cary Chen

Yes Mrs. Lynne Ebenkamp

Yes Ms. Donna Freedman

Absent Mr. David Malkin

Yes Ms. Angelena Pride

Minutes:

The Board adjourned the Regular Board Meeting of the Rowland Unified School District Board of Education at 7:47 p.m.

President, Board of Education

Clerk, Board of Education