

WHITTIER AREA COOPERATIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

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**JOINT POWERS BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
May 16, 2019
9401 S. Painter Avenue, Board Room
Whittier, California 90605
8:30 a.m.**

MINUTES

A. Opening of Meeting by Chairperson- The meeting was called to order at 8:47 a.m.

1. Roll Call

EW, Marc Patterson - Present
ER, Karling Aguilera-Fort - Present
LL, William Crean, Vice Chair - Present
LN, Jonathan Vasquez -Absent
SW, Gary Gonzales - Present
WC, Maria Martinez-Poulin – Present
WU, Martin Plourde, Chair – Present

B. Closed Session- By general consent of the Board, the Board moved into Closed Session at 8:47 a.m.

1. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassignment/Employment
No reportable action.
2. Evaluation of Executive Director of the Whittier Area Cooperative Special Education Program (WACSEP) (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)
No reportable action.

C. Reconvene Meeting- The public meeting reconvened at 9:30 a.m.

1. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session
No reportable action.

2. Approval of Agenda for the May 16, 2019 meeting

Moved: Gary Gonzales
 Seconded: Maria Martinez-Poulin
 Vote: 6-0

3. Approval of Minutes for the April 10, 2019 meeting

Moved: Marc Patterson
 Seconded: Karling Aguilera-Fort
 Vote: 5-0 (Abstention – William Crean)

D. Community Comments

There were no community comments.

E. Consent Calendar

Moved: William Crean
 Seconded: Gary Gonzales
 Vote: 6-0

1. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the following agreements be approved for the 2019-2020 school year:

Provider	Service	Dates	Expense/Income
Alhambra Unified School District	MOU with Alhambra Unified School District for DHH Regional Programs	07/01/2019 to 06/30/2020	+\$30,980/student
La Habra School District	MOU with La Habra School District for DHH Regional Programs	07/01/2019 to 06/30/2020	+\$30,980/student
Lowell Joint School District	MOU with Lowell Joint School District for DHH Regional Programs	07/01/2019 to 06/30/2020	+\$30,980/student

2. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the following contracts be approved for the 2019-2020 school year:

Provider	Description	Dates	Cost
Sandra Moran (Replacing Emily Alcaraz)	Mental Health School Psychology Intern	07/01/2019 to 06/30/2020	\$25/ hr. Not to Exceed \$18,000
Loving Hands Family Support Services (Previously approved as Loving Hands Support Services, LLC)	Coverage during Behavior Specialist Leave	07/01/2019 to 06/30/2020	Not to Exceed \$99,360

3. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the following travel requests be approved:

Conference/Workshop	Person(s) Authorized	Expense (Per Person)
Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) Administrators of California Meetings <u>Sacramento, CA</u> July 10-12, 2019 October 2-4, 2019 December 4-6, 2019 March 4-6, 2020 April 29-May 1, 2020 <u>San Diego, CA</u> September 4-6, 2019 October 30- November 1, 2019 January 15-17, 2020 April 1-3, 2020 June 3-5, 2020	Janet Queneau, Executive Director	Registration: \$0.00 Related Expenses: \$1,400.00 Total: \$1,400.00 (Per Trip)

F. Personnel Report

1. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the following staffing needs be approved:

Position	Reason	Cost
WACSEP School Psychologist	Raul Bravo, Start date to be announced	Based on Salary Schedule

Moved: William Crean
 Seconded: Marc Patterson
 Vote: 6-0

G. New Business

1. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the Annual Service Plan and Annual Budget Plan for the 2019-2020 school year be approved and certified as presented.

Moved: Karling Aguilera-Fort
 Seconded: Gary Gonzales
 Vote: 6-0

2. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the 2018-2019 Updated Off the Top Budget a shown below be approved:

District	2018-2019 Off the Top Approved Budget (JPB Approved 10/25/18)	2018-2019 Off the Top April Update	Difference
EW	\$1,863,554.00	\$1,832,205.08	-\$31,348.92
ER	\$984,289.00	\$984,298.00	+\$9.00
LL	\$735,557.50	\$783,147.00	+\$47,589.50
LN	\$970,746.00	\$920,373.00	-\$50,373.00
SW	\$477,326.00	\$664,731.00	+\$187,405.00
WC	\$1,171,412.80	No change	
WU	\$2,497,094.01	\$2,535,489.96	+\$38,395.95

Moved: Maria Martinez-Poulin
 Seconded: Karling Aguilera-Fort
 Vote: 6-0

3. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the 2019-2020 Estimated Off the Top Budget as shown below be approved:

District	2019-2020 Off the Top Estimated Budget
EW	\$1,886,442.00
ER	\$991,278.00
LL	\$886,547.00
LN	\$883,522.00
SW	\$813,540.00
WC	\$1,218,007.14
WU	\$2,576,124.94

Moved: Marc Patterson
 Seconded: Maria Martinez-Poulin
 Vote: 6-0

4. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the WACSEP 2018-2019 Updated WACSEP Budget as shown below be approved:

District	2018-2019 WACSEP Original Budget	2018-2019 WACSEP April Update	Difference
WACSEP	\$10,463,669.19	\$10,618,851.21	+\$155,182.02

Moved: William Crean
 Seconded: Gary Gonzales
 Vote: 6-0

5. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the WACSEP 2019-2020 Estimated Budget as shown below be approved:

District	2019-2020 WACSEP Estimated Budget
WACSEP	\$10,651,851.21

Moved: Gary Gonzales
Seconded: Maria Martinez-Poulin
Vote:

6. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the following JPB meeting dates be approved:

Meeting Date	Alternative Meeting Date
7/18/2019	7/29/2019
8/22/2019	
9/19/2019	
10/17/2019	
11/21/2019	
1/23/2020	
2/20/2020	
3/19/2020	
4/16/2020	
5/21/2020	
6/18/2020	

Moved: William Crean
Seconded: Marc Patterson
Vote: 6-0

H. SELPA Director Report

Ms. Queneau shared that she attended Legislative Sharing Day in Sacramento on May 1, 2019 with two of WACSEP's CAC Parent Representatives, Gloria Ruiz and Hilda Lopez. She reported that they met with Bob Archuleta and one of Ian Calderon's staff with the goal of getting their support on Special Education Bills and scheduling an appointment for them to visit WACSEP. A visit has been scheduled with Bob Archuleta for September 2019 and she is currently working on scheduling a visit with Ian Calderon's office. The two parent representatives did a wonderful job in representing their districts, students and families in the SELPA.

Ms. Queneau reported that she volunteered to be on three of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction's Transition Teams. The three teams are special education, professional development and literacy. She attended the in-person meeting on special education, and has completed her first virtual meeting on the topic of professional development. The goal of the teams is to create short and long term goals for the California Department of Education during Superintendent Thurmond's time in office.

Ms. Queneau thanked all the superintendents for their support during this first year as Executive Director. She is very appreciative of the directors of special education and the district teams for their commitment and support. She is pleased to be working at WACSEP and with people that care about students. Additionally, she is enjoying sharing with the Joint Powers Board through the bi-weekly updates and welcomes feedback.

I. Board Member Reports

Karling Aguilera-Fort, Superintendent of El Rancho Unified School District, reported that El Rancho Unified School District is on differentiated assistance for special education. They are working on the plan that is part of LCAP and the strategic plan.

Gary Gonzales, Superintendent of South Whittier School District, commended the new director of special education for a tremendous job and making significant gains that will pay out great dividends to the families served. Additionally, he thanked Janet Queneau for her assistance with the interview process for the new director.

Marc Patterson, Superintendent of East Whittier City School District, thanked Janet Queneau for pointing him in the right direction regarding some research. Additionally, he shared that East Whittier School District is looking forward to the Engage East Whittier event on May 22, 2019 where there will be collaboration between the school district and community and business members.

Maria Martinez-Poulin, Superintendent of Whittier City School District, thanked the Joint Powers Board for a wonderful and positive working environment. Additionally, she thanked Janet Queneau for the outreach in Sacramento on the districts' behalf.

William Crean, Superintendent of Little Lake City School District, shared that middle school teachers attended a wonderful presentation provided by the county around the FAIR Education Act and social studies curriculum.

Martin Plourde, Superintendent of Whittier Union High School District, invited Janet Queneau to attend the transition program end-of-year event on June 3, 2019. He also thanked the superintendents in advance for participating in graduation ceremonies

celebrating the culmination of thirteen years of education for students graduating from the Whittier Union high schools.

J. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

Any materials required by law to be made available to the public prior to a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the District can be inspected at the following address during normal business hours:
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