

# WHITTIER AREA COOPERATIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

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**JOINT POWERS BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
Thursday, November 20, 2014  
8:30 am  
Whittier Union High School District**

**Minutes**

**A. Opening of Meeting by Chairperson --- Meeting was called to order at 9:10am**

1. Roll Call

Martin Galindo, ER, Chair --- Absent  
Mary Branca, EW --- Present  
Phillip Perez, LL --- Present  
Jonathan Vasquez, LN --- Present  
Gail Baxter, SW --- Present  
Ron Carruth, WC --- Present  
Sandra Thorstenson, WU --- Absent (Jackie Leigh attended in her place)

2. Approval of Agenda of November 20, 2014

Moved: Gail Baxter  
Seconded: Ron Carruth  
Vote: 5-0

3. Approval of Minutes of October 16, 2014

Moved: Jonathon Vasquez  
Seconded: Gail Baxter  
Abstention: Phil Perez  
Vote: 4-0

**B. Citizen's Comments**

There were no public comments.

**C. Action Items**

1. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the 2014-2015 Off the Top costs, documented by each district and attached under separate cover, be approved.

Moved: Gail Baxter  
 Seconded: Ron Carruth  
 Vote: 5-0

2. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that Whittier Union High School District be allowed to acquire additional support for their NPS Liaison, not to exceed \$50,000, for the 2014-2015 school year.

Moved: Ron Carruth  
 Seconded: Gail Baxter  
 Vote: 5-0

**D. Consent Calendar**

Moved: Phil Perez  
 Seconded: Ron Carruth  
 Vote: 5-0

1. It is recommended that the following services be approved for the 2014-2015 school year:

Provider	Service	Dates	Cost
Gallagher Pediatric Services	PT/OT Infant Services	7-1-2014 to 6-30-15	Not to exceed \$15,000
Star View Adolescent Center/South Bay High School	Residential Placement for SSID # 2190074635	11-1-14 to 6-30-15	Not to exceed \$175,000

**E. Discussion Items**

1. Mental Health Spending  
 Current funding was discussed and it was agreed upon that further discussion was needed and that it would take place in the near future.
2. DHH Itinerant Needed  
 The need to hire a DHH Itinerant was discussed and current caseload numbers were reviewed. It was agreed upon that this was a necessity and that it would appear as an action item on the January 2015 JPB agenda.

3. CPI: Building Capacity Within Our Districts

The need for more CPI trainers within the districts was discussed and agreed upon as the responsibility for providing this training has shifted from WACSEP to the individual districts.

**F. Adjournment --- meeting was adjourned at 10:27am**