

WHITTIER AREA COOPERATIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

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JOINT POWERS BOARD REGULAR MEETING Thursday, March 17, 2016

Minutes

A. Opening of Meeting by Chairperson

1. Roll Call

Present -- Martin Galindo, ER
Present -- Mary Branca, EW, Chair
Present -- Phillip Perez, LL
Present -- Jonathan Vasquez, LN
Present -- Gail Baxter, SW
Absent -- Ron Carruth, WC
Present -- Sandra Thorstenson, WU

2. Approval of Agenda for the March 17, 2016 meeting.

Moved: Phil Perez
Seconded: Sandra Thorstenson
Vote: 6-0

3. Approval of Minutes for the February 18, 2016 meeting.

Moved: Gail Baxter
Seconded: Martin Galindo
Vote: 6-0

B. Citizen's Comments

There were no public comments.

C. Consent Calendar

Moved: Martin Galindo
 Seconded: Johnathan Vasquez
 Vote: 6-0

1. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that attorney fees in the total amount of \$4,440.00 be paid to the Law Offices of Liu and Naime, in Final Settlement dated February 16, 2016.
2. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that attorney fees in the total amount of \$9,500.00 be paid to Law Offices of Abraham Labbad, in Final Settlement dated February 23, 2016.
3. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that attorney fees in the total amount of \$8,000.00 be paid to Law Office of Edith I. Jasper, Inc., in Final Settlement dated February 24, 2016.
4. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that attorney fees in the total amount of \$4,160.00 be paid to Warren Finn, Esq., in Final Settlement dated February 26, 2016.
5. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that attorney fees in the total amount of \$3,000.00 be paid to the Warren Finn, Esq., in Final Settlement dated March 1, 2016.
6. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that attorney fees in the total amount of \$2,200.00 be paid to the Warren Finn, Esq., in Final Settlement dated March 1, 2016.
7. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the following services be approved for the 2015-2016 school year:

Provider	Service	Dates	Cost
Crittenton Services for Children and Families	RTC costs for SSID# 8103014458	03/07/16-06/30/16	Not to Exceed \$115,000
Leroy Haynes Educational Center	NPS costs for student attending RTC SSID# 8103014458	03/14/16-06/30/16	Not to Exceed \$10,000.00
Secure Transportation	Transportation costs for Student attending RTC SSID# 8103014458	03/14/16-06/30/16	Not to Exceed \$20,000

D. Discussion Items

1. Transportation Update

Martin Plourde and Rick Holash who currently serve on PTC's board gave an update in regards to the progress of the Interim Director and the organization as a whole.

2. Legal Department in 16-17

Jimmy Templin gave an update on behalf of the WACSEP Legal Department and their potential plans for adding a staff member to their team for the 2016-2017 school year.

3. CAC Update

Jimmy Templin gave an update regarding the positive progress that our CAC is making and his hope for continued success as we move forward.

4. Billbacks- An Average Cost per Class

A discussion took place in regards to billbacks and the idea of having an average cost across all seven districts for each type of placement. Further discussion is needed before a decision can be made.

E. Adjournment - meeting was adjourned at 10:40am