

WHITTIER AREA COOPERATIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

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**JOINT POWERS BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
March 21, 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 8:33 a.m.

1. Roll Call

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

B. Closed Session- By general consent of the Board, the Board moved into Closed Session at 8:34 a.m.

1. Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraphs (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: Two
No reportable action.
2. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassignment/Employment
No reportable action.
3. 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 10:15 a.m.

1. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

The Joint Powers Board Chair reported there was no action taken in Closed Session.

2. Approval of Agenda for the March 21, 2019 meeting

Moved: Jonathan Vasquez

Seconded: Gary Gonzales

Vote: 5 – 0

3. Approval of Minutes for the February 21, 2019 meeting

Moved: Maria Martinez-Poulin

Seconded: Jonathan Vasquez

Vote: 5 – 0

D. Community Comments

There were no community comments.

E. Consent Calendar

Moved: Gary Gonzales

Seconded: Marc Patterson

Vote: 5 – 0

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

Provider	Description	Dates	Cost
Rios & Eubanks, APC (previously approved as REZ Law Group, APC)	Settlement Costs	02/15/2019 to 06/30/2019	Not to Exceed \$50,000

2. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the Continuing Contract Report summarizing continuing contracts and authorized renewal of routine contracts, agreements, leases, and insurance for 2019-2020 be approved.

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

Conference/Workshop	Person(s) Authorized	Expense (Per Person)
Legislative Information Sharing Day Sacramento, CA April 30 – May 1, 2018	Hilda Lopez, Parent Gloria Ruiz, Parent	Registration: \$ 65.00 Related Expenses: \$ 1,135.00 Total: \$ 1,200.00
Legislative Information Sharing Day Sacramento, CA April 30 – May 1, 2018	Janet Queneau, Executive Director	Registration: \$ 65.00 Related Expenses: \$ 520.00 Total: \$ 585.00
Early Start Denver Model Webinar April 29 – June 9, 2019	Lisa Torres, Program Specialist	Registration: \$ 425.00 Related Expenses: \$ 0.00 Total: \$ 425.00
Annual Summer Professional Skills Program in Dispute Resolution 2019 Malibu, CA June 20-22, 2019	Lara Ulmer, SELPA Liaison	Registration: \$ 1,095.00 Related Expenses: \$ 755.00 Total: \$ 1,850.00

F. Personnel Report

1. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the Personnel Report be approved.

The Personnel Report is presented to the Board in Closed Session. This is done in order to report all actions from the last Board meeting through the day of the posting of the Board Agenda. The Board shall review the Personnel Report before taking action in Open Session. The Personnel Report contains

personnel employment assignments, resignations, and salaries for certificated and classified employees. The law requires the Board to take formal action on the SELPA Director's recommendations. Resignations are received by the SELPA Director and reported to the Board.

Moved: Jonathan Vasquez

Seconded: Gary Gonzales

Vote: 5 – 0

G. New Business

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

Provider	Service	Dates	Income
Mount Saint Mary's University - Los Angeles	Agreement for DHH Student Teacher Placement	04/10/2019 or 04/10/2022	Up to \$3,900

Moved: Jonathan Vasquez

Seconded: Marc Patterson

Vote: 5 – 0

H. SELPA Director Report

1. The following alternate has been designated as a voting member of the Joint Powers Board when the Superintendent is absent:

School District	Alternate
Whittier Union High School District	Director of Special Education

Ms. Queneau reported this item was for information only. No other districts have a designated alternates at this time, but may choose to designate someone at a later date.

2. Other Information

Ms. Queneau shared that the Community Advisory Committee Disability Resource and Transition Fair went well, despite it being on a rainy day. There were approximately 80 attendees and 23 vendors present. Ms. Queneau thanked the Whittier Union High School Transition Program for contributing vendors, as well as helping with the set up and cost of the event.

I. Board Member Reports

Marc Patterson, Superintendent of East Whittier City School District, thanked the JPB leadership for their work in facilitating the meeting.

Maria Martinez-Poulin, Superintendent of Whittier City School District, thanked Ms. Queneau for helping with behavioral concerns and for the WACSEP workshops for administrators.

Jonathan Vasquez, Superintendent of Los Nietos School District, thanked Ms. Queneau for her leadership and transparency.

Gary Gonzales, Superintendent of South Whittier School District, thanked Ms. Queneau for her help with ISL and for assistance in hiring a new Director of Special Education.

William Crean, Superintendent of Little Lake City School District, thanked Ms. Queneau for her work.

J. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.