

WHITTIER AREA COOPERATIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

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**JOINT POWERS BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, July 18, 2013
8:30 am
Whittier Union High School District**

MINUTES

A. Opening of Meeting by Chairperson ---- meeting opened at 9:28am

Routine Matters

1. Roll Call

Martin Galindo, ER
Dorka Duron, EW
Mary Branca, EW
Phillip Perez, LL
Jonathan Vasquez, LN, Chair
Erich Kwek, SW
Ron Carruth, WC
Sandra Thorstenson, WU

2. Approval of Agenda of July 18, 2013

Mary Branca moved to approve the agenda of July 18, 2013, as presented.
Erich Kwek seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

3. Approval of Minutes of June 20, 2013

Erich Kwek moved to approve the minutes of June 20, 2013. Jonathan Vasquez seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

B. Citizens' Comments

There were no comments from the public.

C. Action Items

1. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that attorney fees in the total amount of \$1,500.00 be paid to the Law Offices of Suzanne Snowden in Final Settlement Agreement dated 6/21/13. (N.N. v. WU – Student with significant needs, unpredictable seizures; best interest for Student to continue at NPS from feeder District as he transitions to high school)

Motion: Jonathan Vasquez

Seconded: Mary Branca

Discussion: None

Vote: 5-0

2. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that attorney fees in the total amount of \$5,800.00 be paid to Newman-Aaronson-Vanaman, Settlement Agreement dated 6/18/13 (A.L. v. WU – Dispute regarding eligibility and Student receiving Certificate of Completion versus a high school diploma)

Motion: Erich Kwek

Seconded: Martin Galindo

Discussion: None

Vote: 5-0

3. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the Agreement for Legal Services for the 2013-2014 school year between Fagen Friedman & Fulfroost LLP and WACSEP be approved.

Motion: Erich Kwek

Seconded: Sandy Thorstenson

Discussion: None

Vote: 5-0

4. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the following costs be approved for the 2013-2014 school year:

Provider	Service	Dates	Cost
Simply Communicating	SLP Services for DHH Oral Only Program Services include ESY	7-1-2013 to 6-30-14	Not to exceed \$116,000 Cost includes ESY
WACSEP	Additional hours of SLPA support for the Preschool Intake & Assessment Teams	7-1-2013 to 6-30-14	Not to exceed \$17,000

Motion: Mary Branca
 Seconded: Sandy Thorstenson
 Discussion: None
 Vote: 5-0

5. It is the recommendation of the SELPA Director that the following staffing assignments be approved for the 2013-2014 school year:

Position to be Filled	Reason	Desired Replacement	Financial Outlook
Psychologist NPS Liaison	Recent resignation of WACSEP employee (NS)	WACSEP Employee	Cost Neutral WACSEP Salary Schedule vs. WACSEP Salary Schedule
SLPA Preschool Expansion Program	We needed to move a SLPA to the Whittier City PIAT Team	WACSEP Employee (AH)	Additional Cost of a SLPA \$19,083-\$24,321
SLP Preschool Expansion Program	Recent resignation of NPA staff (TC)	WACSEP Employee (KK)	Cost Savings (Approximately \$30,000) NPA Cost vs. WACSEP Salary Schedule
SLP Preschool Expansion Program	Recent resignation of NPA staff (CG)	WACSEP Employee (KM)	Cost Savings (Approximately \$30,000) NPA Cost vs. WACSEP Salary Schedule
SLP Preschool Expansion Program	Recent resignation of NPA staff (MF)	WACSEP Employee (MF)	Cost Savings (Approximately \$30,000)

			NPA Cost vs. WACSEP Salary Schedule
*Letters within the parenthesis are there to simply identify the initials of the employee. i.e. (JT) Jimmy Templin			

Motion: Martin Galindo
Seconded: Erich Kwek
Discussion: None
Vote: 5-0

D. Discussion Items

1. SI&A update

It was discussed and agreed upon that Coordinating Council would review the recommendations made by SI&A and share their findings with JPB as soon as possible.

E. Information Items

F. Adjournment --- meeting adjourned at 9:58am

**NEXT JOINT POWERS BOARD MEETING
August 15, 2013, 8:30 am
WU Board Room**