

WHITTIER AREA COOPERATIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

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**JOINT POWERS BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, August 21, 2014
8:30 am
Whittier Union High School District**

Minutes

A. Opening of Meeting by Chairperson --- Meeting was called to order at 9:30am

1. Roll Call

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

2. Approval of Agenda of August 21, 2014

Moved: Ron Carruth
Seconded: Phil Perez
Vote: 7-0

3. Approval of Minutes of June 19, 2014

Moved: Ron Carruth
Seconded: Sandy Thorstenson
Vote: 7-0

B. Citizen's Comments

There were no public comments.

C. Action Items

1. It is recommended that the Executive Director of WACSEP be authorized to approve individual bills that do not exceed \$5,000 and a total amount for the year, July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015, not to exceed \$15,000, in relation to legal services with Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo.

Moved: Sandy Thorstenson
Seconded: Jonathan Vasquez
Vote: 7-0

D. Consent Calendar

Moved: Ron Carruth
Seconded: Mary Branca
Vote: 7-0

1. It is recommended that attorney fees in the total amount of \$5,000.00 be paid to Newman, Aaronson, Vanaman in Settlement Agreement dated 7/14/14, OAH Case No. 2014040697.
2. It is recommended that the following services be approved for the 2014-2015 school year:

Provider	Service	Dates	Cost
WACSEP	Additional hours of SLPA support for the Preschool Intake & Assessment Teams	7-1-2014 to 6-30-15	Not to exceed \$30,000

E. Discussion Items

1. An update on our Los Nietos Regional Middle School ED Program

Superintendent Jonathan Vasquez gave an update in regards to the program that his district is hosting. The program has had a good start to the new year and the staff is doing a wonderful job thus far. It was agreed upon by JPB that an additional \$50,000 would be taken from the WACSEP Rainy Day fund and used as a one-time cost to purchase support materials and other needed items for the program. This brings the one-time costs for this program that have been taken from the WACSEP Rainy Day Fund to \$550,000.

2. A review of DRAFT Off the Top Costs for each of our member districts
 - A. JPB as a Discussion Item August 21, 2014
 - B. CC as a Discussion Item August 28, 2014
 - C. JPB as an Action Item September 18, 2014

A discussion was held in regards to each of the member districts' Off the Top costs (with the exception of ERUSD). Coordinating Council will be reviewing the same documents and then at the September 18, 2014 JPB meeting the documents will be agendized as an action item.

3. A review of our General SELPA Budget

A discussion was held in regards to our SELPA's general budget. Revenues and expenses where discussed and it was shared that updates would be provided on a regular basis.

G. Adjournment- -- meeting was adjourned at 10:16am.