

La Mesa-Spring Valley School District

Board of Education

September 1, 2009

Our Purpose

To Inspire Learning and Respect

Our Vision

**La Mesa-Spring Valley School District is a
community of life-long learners who engage in
continuous improvement and contribute positively to
a global society, within a safe learning environment**

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AGENDA
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
LA MESA-SPRING VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR SESSION: Tuesday, September 1, 2009 - 7:00 P.M.
PLACE: Education Service Center, 4750 Date Avenue, La Mesa, CA

OPENING PROCEDURE

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Establishment of Quorum

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Action

COMMUNICATIONS

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action

HEARING

1. Public Hearing – General Matters Regarding Education

REPORTS OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

1. Quest Academy Update

Information

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

BUSINESS SERVICES

1. Consent Calendar*
 - a. Ratification of Purchase Orders and Warrants
 - b. Approval of Travel

Action

LEARNING SUPPORT

1. Authorization to Enter into an Expanded Special Education Master Contract with Pioneer Day School
2. Authorization to Enter into an Expanded Special Education Master Contract with Shiloh Treatment Center

Action

Action

HUMAN RESOURCES RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Standard Human Resources Recommendations Action

ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS, COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD

RECESS

CLOSED SESSION (Government Code 54957)

1. Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Superintendent Contract Review

NEW BUSINESS (cont.)

HUMAN RESOURCES RECOMMENDATIONS (cont.)

2. Approval of Superintendent’s Contract Action

ADJOURNMENT

* Items may be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action.

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**La Mesa-Spring Valley School District
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PREPARED BY: **Brian Marshall**
 Superintendent

ITEM NUMBER: **H-1 Public Hearing**
 General Matters Regarding Education

A hearing session will be announced for anyone who wishes to address the Board on any topic relating to public education.

Each speaker who wishes to address the Board must complete a *Request to be Heard* card (located on the table near the entrance) and submit it to the President of the Board of Education or the Recorder prior to the opening of the meeting. Speakers shall be allotted no more than three (3) minutes each for their remarks. A yellow card will be shown when the speaker has one minute remaining and a red card when time is up.

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PREPARED BY: Karen Walker, Ed.D.
Assistant Superintendent, Learning Support

ITEM NUMBER: R-1 Reports of Officers of the Board
Quest Academy Update

For the past two years the District has operated Quest Academy, a community day school, as an alternative educational option for some middle school students. Students are referred to Quest Academy through the School Attendance Review Team (SART), School Attendance Review Board (SARB), Administrative Review Panel (ARP) and by school staff concerned with academic achievement levels. These students have a history of low grades, attendance, behavior and social problems. The teachers in this program develop individual plans for academic, social, and behavioral growth for each student. Students develop portfolios of individual success in order to transition back to a comprehensive middle or high school campus. This program has served over fifty students throughout its first two years of operation.

Rachel Guera and Barbara Montfort, teachers at Quest Academy, will present a program overview and data collected over these two years of operation.

**La Mesa-Spring Valley School District
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PREPARED BY: David Yoshihara
Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

ITEM NUMBER: B-1a New Business (Consent Calendar)
Ratification of Purchase Orders and Warrants

Purchase orders and warrants issued since the last Board meeting will be available at the meeting for review by the Board.

The following are submitted for ratification:

- I. Purchase Orders: A total of 152 purchase orders have been processed, numbered D10465 through D10616. These purchase orders total \$720,662.23.
- II. Warrants: A total of 155 warrants have been issued, dated August 7, 2009 through August 17, 2009. These warrants total \$312,820.79.
- III. Revolving Cash Fund Reimbursements: Zero (0) checks have been processed since the last Board meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Board ratify these purchase orders and warrants.

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PREPARED BY: David Yoshihara
Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

ITEM NUMBER: B-1b New Business (Consent Calendar)
Approval of Travel

There have been no travel requests since the last Board meeting.

**La Mesa-Spring Valley School District
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PREPARED BY: Karen Walker, Ed.D.
Assistant Superintendent, Learning Support

ITEM NUMBER: LS-1 New Business
Authorization to Enter into an Expanded Special Education Master
Contract with Pioneer Day School

The District contracts with California-certified nonpublic schools/agencies to provide services to a student when the District is unable to provide an appropriate special education program. At this time a number of students require the services of nonpublic schools/agencies.

In July approval was granted to contract with Pioneer Day School, a nonpublic school. The student attending requires extra services resulting in the need to revise the existing contract and generate an additional one. The original budget amount was \$25,000.00. The recommended budget increase is in a not-to-exceed amount of \$45,000.00 for a total of \$70,000.00

Agency Name	Original Budget Amount	Recommended Contract Increase	Amount
Pioneer Day School	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 70,000.00
Current encumbered cost for all nonpublic schools/agencies through 6/30/10			\$ 1,132,053.41
Total encumbered cost for all nonpublic schools/agencies			\$ 1,202,053.41

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended authorization be granted to enter into an expanded Master Contract with Pioneer Day School for the 2009-10 school year.

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PREPARED BY: Karen Walker, Ed.D.
Assistant Superintendent, Learning Support

ITEM NUMBER: LS-2 New Business
Authorization to Enter into an Expanded Special Education Master Contract with Shiloh Treatment Center

The District contracts with California-certified nonpublic schools/agencies to provide services to a student when the District is unable to provide an appropriate special education program. At this time a number of students require the services of nonpublic schools/agencies.

In July approval was granted to contract with Shiloh Treatment Center, a nonpublic school. Recently they increased their fees resulting in the need to revise the existing contract and generate an additional one. The original budget amount was \$28,620.00. The recommended budget increase is in a not-to-exceed amount of \$6,380.00 for a total of \$35,000.00

Agency Name	Original Budget Amount	Recommended Contract Increase	Amount
Shiloh Treatment Center	\$ 28,620.00	\$ 6,380.00	\$ 35,000.00
Current encumbered cost for all nonpublic schools/agencies through 6/30/10			\$ 1,202,053.41
Total encumbered cost for all nonpublic schools/agencies			\$ 1,237,053.41

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended authorization be granted to enter into an expanded Master Contract with Shiloh Treatment Center for the 2009-10 school year.

**La Mesa-Spring Valley School District
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PREPARED BY: Claudia Bender
Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

ITEM NUMBER: HR-1 Human Resources Recommendations
Standard Recommendations

The Human Resources recommendations which are attached for consideration at the September 1, 2009 Board of Education meeting are standard.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Board approve the standard Human Resources recommendations, as attached.

1. Standard Human Resources Recommendations

CERTIFICATED:

Approval of Contract:

Halloran, Katherine M.	Severely Handicapped Teacher (temporary)	IV-1	8/14/09
Nguyen, Marilyn N.	Severely Handicapped Teacher (temporary)	IV-1	8/14/09

Approval of Leave of Absence:

Barlett, Valerie C.	Speech-Language Pathologist (child rearing)	9/16/09 – 10/26/09
Koeppen, Olga M.	Coordinator, EL Services (employment elsewhere)	8/14/09 – 6/21/10

Approval of Change of Classification:

Esparza, Maria D.	From: V-25	To: VI-25	9/1/09
Woods, Cynthia J.	From: 11-2	To: 12-2	8/1/09

Approval of Change of Assignment:

Newmark, Wendy K.	From: Teacher	8/11/09
	To: Vice Principal	

Approval of Rehire from 39-Month Reemployment List:

Smith, Scott	Teacher (tenured)	IV-5	8/20/09
Nava, Oscar J.	Teacher (tenured)	IV-5	8/14/09
Pehau, Allyson T.	Teacher (tenured)	VI-5	8/14/09
Shuruk, Francesca D.	Teacher (tenured)	VI-6	8/14/09

CLASSIFIED:

Approval of Employment/Merit System:

Avants, Christina M.	Licensed Vocational Nurse	56-B	8/24/09
Knapp, Tania C.	Paraprofessional – Fee-based Preschool	14-A	8/14/09
Hernandez, Eric R.	Groundskeeper	33-A	8/26/09

Approval of Employment:

Belanger, Joseph E.	Extended School Services Assistant Leader	\$13.39/hr.	8/4/09
Brandes Meisner, Marta	Playground Attendant	\$8.85/hr.	6/4/09
Caceres, Alberto	Extended School Services Attendant	\$10.18/hr.	8/12/09
Cruz, Cynthia M.	Student Helper	\$10.16/hr.	8/12/09
Decaro, Alyssa M.	Student Helper	\$10.16/hr.	8/17/09
Guilliani, Cristian G.	Extended School Services Attendant	\$10.18/hr.	8/12/09
Hernandez, Alberto G.	Extended School Services Assistant Leader	\$13.39/hr.	8/10/09
Kelly, Patricia M.	Playground Attendant	\$8.85/hr.	8/12/09
MacDonald, Brittanie S.	Extended School Services Assistant Leader	\$13.39/hr.	8/4/09
Maestas, Omar R.	Playground Attendant	\$8.85/hr.	8/17/09
Malfabon, Christian I.	Extended School Services Attendant	\$10.18/hr.	8/3/09
Montgomery II, Hugh C.	Playground Attendant	\$8.85/hr.	8/12/09
Olson, Elizabeth M.	Student Helper	\$10.16/hr.	8/17/09

Reynolds, Courtney L.	Extended School Services Attendant	\$10.18/hr.	8/12/09
Rickey, Jay P.	Extended School Services Attendant	\$10.18/hr.	8/12/09
Ruiz, Carlos W.	Playground Attendant	\$8.85/hr.	8/17/09
Sanders, Nicole	Playground Attendant	\$8.85/hr.	8/18/09
Sardina, Giovanni S.	Playground Attendant	\$8.85/hr.	8/17/09
Shannon, Claire E.	Extended School Services Attendant	\$10.18/hr.	8/13/09
Wightman, Mark D.	Playground Attendant	\$8.85/hr.	8/11/09

Approval of Termination of Employment:

Alferos, Keone M.	Extended School Services Attendant (employment elsewhere)		6/19/09
Bogan, Andrew J.	Extended School Services Assistant Leader and Extended School Services Attendant (employment elsewhere)		8/14/09
Coon, Tina M.	Playground Attendant (employment elsewhere)		6/19/09
Cuarisma II, Michael A.	Playground Attendant (reduction in staff)		6/19/09
Donahue, Casey T.	Extended School Services Assistant Leader (dismissed)		7/30/09
Gibbons, Rhonda M.	Extended School Services Attendant (dismissed)		7/17/09
Johnson, Taylar M.	Extended School Services Attendant (resigned)		5/13/09
Ledesma, Lexis, M.	Extended School Services Attendant (employment elsewhere)		7/28/09
Martinez, Adelina M.	Student Helper (employment elsewhere)		6/18/09
Martinez, Jessica	Extended School Services Attendant (move from area)		12/31/08
Morales, Natalie N.	Student Helper (employment elsewhere)		6/18/09
Navarro, Carmen	Extended School Services Attendant (end of temporary assignment)		7/17/09
Nicita, Jennifer	Playground Attendant (end of temporary assignment)		10/17/08
Preston, Shanae L.	Extended School Services Attendant (further education)		12/31/08
Spikes, Lorenda N.	Extended School Services Attendant (dismissed)		7/2/09
Tanner, Ian J.	Extended School Services Assistant Leader and Extended School Services (employment elsewhere)		8/21/09
Van Luven, Kevin R.	Extended School Services Assistant Leader (further education)		8/7/09

Approval of Rehire from Re-employment List:

Garcia, Violeta	Paraprofessional – Bilingual	21-B	8/14/09
Martin del Campo, Sara	Paraprofessional – Bilingual	21-C	8/14/09
Miller, Myeshia M.	Guidance Aide	14-B	8/14/09
Morris Root, Kary C.	Guidance Aide	14-B	8/14/09
Pena, Luz E.	Paraprofessional – Bilingual	21-B	8/14/09

LECTURER/PRESENTER, SHORT-TERM EMPLOYEE (See Attachments)

Applied Neuropsychology Institute/K. Lavery	Consultant	8/12/09 – 6/30/10
Art Smarts/Penny Quirk	After-School Program	9/2/09 – 6/18/10
Child I.D. Program/Jennie Gonzalez	Lecturer/Presenter	9/2/09
Cultural Adventures/Melanie Mark	After-School Program	9/2/09 – 6/18/10
Christine Davis	Short-Term Employment	8/24/09 – 6/12/10
Ellen Erath	Short-Term Employment	8/1/09 – 6/30/10
Fundways Party Rentals	Lecturer/Presenter	6/10/10
Susan Johnson	Short-Term Employment	8/1/09 – 6/30/10
Music As You Like It/Keith Danon	Lecturer/Presenter	10/30/09 – 6/10/10
San Diego Jump	Lecturer/Presenter	9/25/09 – 4/30/10
Carol Smith	Short-Term Employment	8/1/09 – 6/30/10

**La Mesa-Spring Valley School District
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PREPARED BY: Claudia Bender
Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

ITEM NUMBER: HR-2 Human Resources Recommendations
Approval of Superintendent's Contract

The Superintendent's contract will be reviewed by the Board for possible modifications during closed session.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Action regarding any modifications agreed to by the Board will be taken thereafter.

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
LA MESA-SPRING VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING: August 18, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. at the Education Service Center by the President, Mrs. Halgren.

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Board members present: Baber, Duff, Halgren, Turner, Winet

Board members absent: None

Staff members present on assignment: Bender, Marshall, Martinez, Yoshihara, Walker

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the special joint meeting of August 4, 2009 and the regular meeting of August 4, 2009, as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS

PowerPoint for the Human Resources Update item

Spring 2009 STAR Test Results

AGENDA

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Duff, and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

HEARING SESSION

The President announced a hearing for anyone who wished to address the Board regarding presentation of an Initial Proposal from California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 419/Initial Proposal from the Board of Education. There being no one wishing to address the Board, the session was closed.

The President announced a hearing for anyone who wished to address the Board regarding the Pupil Textbook and Instructional Materials Incentive Act. There being no one wishing to address the Board, the session was closed.

The President announced a hearing for anyone who wished to address the Board on any topic relating to public education. There being no one wishing to address the Board, the session was closed.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

MINUTES
8/4/09 (special joint) and
8/4/09 (regular)
Approved as presented

COMMUNICATIONS

HR Update PowerPoint

Spring 2009 STAR Test Results

AGENDA

Approved as presented

HEARING

Hearing – Initial Proposal from CSEA and Board of Education

Hearing – Textbooks and Instructional Materials

Hearing – General matters

REPORTS OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

REPORTS

The Human Resources Department is responsible for the functions of recruitment, selection and orientation of employees; substitute services for certificated and classified positions; assistance with evaluations, due process and discipline of employees; labor relations and staff training; employee benefits and payroll; employee recognition, assistance and counseling; records management and state and federal compliance procedures. Claudia Bender, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, presented information regarding the goals and services of the Human Resources Department and responded to clarifying questions.

Human Resources Update

NEW BUSINESS

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It was moved by Baber, seconded by Duff, and carried, with the following vote to adopt Resolution 09-10-05, Modifying the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program: Ayes: Baber, Duff, Halgren, Turner; Noes: Winet.

Res. 05, Modifying the STAR Program
Adopted

It was moved by Baber, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to nominate Board Member Turner as CSBA Director-at-Large, Black.

Nominations for CSBA Directors-at-Large, Amer. Indian, Black and County
Nominated E. Turner and D. Shelly Yarbrough

It was additionally moved by Baber, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to nominate D. Shelly Yarbrough (Val Verde USD) as CSBA Director-at-Large, American Indian.

It was moved by Winet, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to approve the following:

Consent Calendar
Approved

Purchase Orders D10362 through D10464 totaling \$995,454.55

Purchase Orders

Warrants July 24, 2009 through July 31, 2009 totaling \$780,372.36

Warrants

Zero (0) checks have been processed since the last Board meeting

Revolving Cash Fund Reimbursements from the General Fund

There have been no travel requests since the last Board meeting

Travel

Acceptance of SB 564 Financial Disclosure

SB 564 Financial Disclosure

Acceptance of Work for the Completion of Sewer Line Repair/ Replacement Project; and Authorization to File Notice of Completion

Sewer Line Repair/Replacement Project

Acceptance of Work for the Completion of Asbestos Floor Tile and Carpet Removal Project; and Authorization to File Notice of Completion

Completion of Asbestos Floor Tile/Carpet Removal Project

Acceptance of Work for the Completion of Asbestos Floor Tile and Mastic Removal; and Carpet Removal Project; and Authorization to File Notice of Completion

Completion of Asbestos Floor Tile & Mastic Removal/Carpet Removal Project

Acceptance of Work for the Completion of Water Line Repair/Replacement Project; and Authorization to File Notice of Completion

Completion of Water Line Repair/Replacement Project

Acceptance of Work for the Completion of Interior Paint Project; and Authorization to File Notice of Completion

Completion of Interior Paint Project

Acceptance of Work for the Completion of Roof Replacement Projects; and Authorization to File Notice of Completion

Completion of Roof Replacement Projects

Rejection of Pizza Bid

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It was moved by Winet, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 09-10-06, Determining Sufficiency of Instructional Materials for the 2009-2010 School Year.

Res. 06, Determining Sufficiency of Instr. Materials for 2009-10 School Year
Adopted

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to accept the following gifts with thanks: \$2971.56 from Murdock Elementary School PTA to Murdock Elementary to purchase leveled readers for the Houghton Mifflin program; and \$1141.61 from Northmont Elementary School PTA to Northmont Elementary for new library books.

Acceptance of Gifts – MUR/NOR
Accepted with thanks

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Duff, and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 09-10-07, to enter into an Agreement with the California Department of Education to Provide Services in Accordance with the Child Care and Development Programs.

Res. 07, to Enter into an Agreement with the CA Dept. of Education for Services
Authorized

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Duff, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to participate in the Natural Helpers Program Training.

Natural Helpers Program Training
Authorized

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to enter into Agreements of Services with the University of California, San Diego, Trio Outreach Programs: Education Talent Search.

Agreements wit UCSD, Trio Outreach Programs: Education Talent Search
Authorized

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to approve Agreement for Private Vehicle Transportation In-Lieu of Transportation.

Agrmt. for Private Vehicle Transportation In-Lieu of Transportation
Approved

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to approve Agreement for Private Vehicle Transportation In-Lieu of Transportation.

Agrmt. for Private Vehicle Transportation In-Lieu of Transportation
Approved

HUMAN RESOURCES RECOMMENDATIONS

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Duff, and carried unanimously to approve standard Human Resources recommendations as amended to include three additional Lecturer/Presenter and/or Short-Term Employment forms.

Human Resources Recommendations
Approved as amended

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to Certify Jennifer Luibel, Manager, as Competent to Evaluate Teachers.

**Certification of Manager as
Competent to Evaluate
Teachers
Certified**

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to Contract with Local Colleges, Universities, and High School Districts for Student Teaching and Professional Training Programs, Including Work-Study Programs.

**Contracts with Colleges,
Universities, & High School
Districts for student teaching
Authorized**

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 09-10-08, Lay Off and/or Reduction in Hours of Classified Employee.

**Res. 08, Lay Off and/or
Reduction in Hours of
Classified Employee
Adopted**

ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS, COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD

Board Member Baber announced yesterday was the first day of school and all went well.

Board Member Duff announced his granddaughter began school, as well.

Board Member Turner announced she no longer has children in the District.

President Halgren announced she met with Dave Allan, Councilmember, City of La Mesa, regarding funding for repairs at Jr. Seau Field at Parkway Middle School and he is not convinced the Council needs to talk to the La Mesa Park & Recreation Foundation (LMP&RF) regarding funding. The Board agreed to put a request in writing that the City approach LMP&RF for assistance in funding repairs at Jr. Seau Field.

At 7:52 p.m. the President announced a recess.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:55 p.m. the President called for a closed session to discuss public employee discipline/dismissal/release. The Superintendent, Board, and Assistant Superintendents Business, Human Resources and Learning Support adjourned to the session, which was held in the Boardroom.

The President reconvened the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

It was announced the Board, in closed session, voted unanimously to suspend a classified employee (File 08-18-09-1) for two (2) days.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Brian Marshall, Secretary to the Board of Education

Approved and ordered into the proceedings of the District at the next regular meeting of the Board of Education to be held September 1, 2009.

Rick Winet, Clerk of the Board of Education