

SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
October 12, 2011

The Solano County Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday, October 12, 2011, at 5100 Business Center Drive in Fairfield, California.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Board President Larry Asera, Trustee Area 5, called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM. Trustee Ray Silva (Area 2) led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present

Larry Asera, President
Rozzana Verder-Aliga, Ed.D., Vice President
Mayrene Bates
Michelle Coleman
Doug Ford
John Galvan
Raymond Silva

It was noted that a quorum was present as was County Superintendent of Schools Jay Speck, serving as Secretary to the Board.

Others Present:

County Superintendent of Schools Office –

Lettie Allen	Laryn Bishop	Ann Williams
Lisette Estrella-Henderson	Rick Vaccaro	Alton Gay
Janet Harden		

Mark Rosson, Capital Program Management (CPM)

Other members of the community

III. APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Mr. Ford, seconded by Dr. Verder-Aliga, and unanimously carried (7-0) by those present to approve and adopt the agenda as presented.

IV. CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Mr. Ford, seconded by Mrs. Bates, and unanimously carried by a roll call vote of those present to approve the items on the consent calendar consisting of the following.

- (a) Minutes of the three special meetings held on August 16, 2011
- (b) 2011-12 Budget Revision 2 (Attachment A)
- (c) Resolution No. B11-12-07 commemorating National Filipino American History Month (Attachment B)
- (d) Resolution No. B11-12-08 recognizing California School Bus Safety Awareness Month (Attachment C)
- (e) Resolution No. B11-12-09 acknowledging Red Ribbon Week (Attachment D)
- (f) Gifts and donations received for which the County Superintendent will write letters of appreciation (Attachment E)

V. CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Speck read an e-mail from Congressman George Miller's aide, Joanne Nakamura, thanking SCOE for the use of its facilities for this year's Academy Night, an informational meeting about military academies for students and parents.

VI. APPEAL HEARINGS REGARDING INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE REQUESTS

The Solano County Board of Education was scheduled to hear an interdistrict attendance appeal for a request that was denied by the student's district of residence, Vallejo City Unified School District (VCUSD), to attend school in Benicia Unified School District (BUSD). Both the appellant and respondent were notified of the hearing, but there were no representatives for either party present.

Lisette Estrella-Henderson, Associate Superintendent of Student Programs and Educational Services, stated that the Board could either move forward with the agenda items, coming back to the appeal later in the meeting if/when the parties arrived, or the members could rule on the appeal in absentia based on the written record with no verbal testimony. Mr. Galvan felt that the health, welfare, and safety of the student were at risk, and he encouraged the Board not to delay the appeal. A brief discussion followed.

Motion was made by Mrs. Coleman, seconded by Mr. Galvan, and carried (4-3) by the following roll call vote to hear the appeal based on the written record and in the absence of the appellant and respondent. The votes were as follows: Yea (4): Mrs. Coleman, Mr. Galvan, Mr. Silva, Mr. Asera; No (3): Mrs. Bates, Mr. Ford, Dr. Verder-Aliga; Abstain (0): None; Absent (0): None.

The hearing was called to order at 6:12 PM.

Mrs. Estrella-Henderson summarized the appeal of the middle school student who has been harassed at two separate VCUSD schools, and the parents feel their son is not safe in the district. They would like for him to attend Benicia Middle School.

The hearing ended at 6:14 PM, and the Board deliberated the appeal in open session.

Mrs. Coleman stated that the harassment involves numerous incidents, and no student should have to go to school every day and be bullied, assaulted, or threatened. When no district representative shows up for the appeal hearing, it seems as if the administrators are not concerned about this type of student behavior.

Mr. Galvan agreed with Mrs. Coleman in part but pointed out that the district did make an attempt to remedy the situation at one point by permitting the student to move to another school. He feels that the threats the appellant received were very harsh, and the case has been going on since last year, so it is his opinion that the district does not seem to be doing an effective job of protecting this student. The health, safety, and welfare of the students must be paramount, and he believes this student needs a different venue in which to receive his education.

Dr. Verder-Aliga concurred with Mr. Galvan that this case is disheartening, and the appellant deserves to be in a safe place. She stated that she is upset by comments that the district is not doing anything to help. VCUSD is in her trustee area, and she has experience and familiarity with the district. While she was not defending VCUSD's action, she does believe the staff is trying very hard and doing the best they can. She knows that the district has a zero tolerance rule and recently passed a policy about bullying.

Mr. Asera added that, although this case began prior to the arrival of VCUSD's new superintendent Dr. Ramona Bishop, since her arrival, she has implemented an anti-bullying program.

Motion was made by Mr. Galvan, seconded by Mr. Ford, and unanimously carried by a roll call vote of those present to grant the appeal based on the record presented in the appeal packet. Mrs. Estrella-Henderson's staff will notify the parties involved.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

(a) Human Resources Report

Janet Harden, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Workforce Development, reported that one vacancy had been filled in the past month for a Distribution Clerk.

Mr. Speck congratulated Mrs. Harden and Gillie Miller, Manager of Career Technical Education (CTE) and Workforce Development, for the fine job they did as presenters at a recent Workforce Development workshop held in Santa Clara. Their information was well received by the participants.

(b) Financial Report

Lettie Allen, Associate Superintendent of Administrative Services and Operations, presented SCOE's financial report for September 2011-12 and gave an update on the school districts' budget status. SCOE continues to stay within its budget, and last month's revenues were slightly higher than expenses. All district budgets were approved, and a copy of each districts' approval letter along with any concerns was e-mailed to the Board members. Some comments were unique to a specific district, but the letters also included many common remarks such as advice about watching their cash flow level. Next week, we will send the districts a list of standard assumptions they should use for their First Interim Reports. One of the recommended assumptions is for district governing boards to estimate the dollar amount of impact to the district if the potential trigger language of AB 114 takes place, and set that amount aside in reserves and/or have a contingency plan.

Mrs. Allen provided an update on SCOE's trustee area redistricting project. A preliminary map has been completed showing the proposed changes resulting from the Census 2010. The recommended revisions are based on traditional redistricting principles such as equalizing the population as closely as practicable, keeping each area contiguous in vicinity and function, maintaining communities of interest, preserving voter choices (incumbents), and following established city/county/local government boundary lines where possible. The same consultant who helped with the Board's redistricting after the 2000 Census is scheduled for a formal presentation at November's regular meeting, then the Board will be asked to vote on the matter at its December meeting. This will allow for any necessary final adjustments between the initial presentation and the vote. Since it has been a decade since the prior decennial redistricting, and because some of the members have not been through this process before, Mrs. Allen plans to meet with each member individually to provide a preview of the revisions and an opportunity to ask questions. Being cognizant of the Brown Act, staff will not share comments and questions with other members, and the Board is asked to refrain from discussing the matter. The final redistricting must be completed by March 1, 2012.

Mrs. Allen gave a progress report on the Board's iPad project aimed at reducing paper use. Three iPads have been ordered for use by Mr. Asera, Dr. Verder-Aliga, and Laryn Bishop, Administrative Services Manager, over the next few months. The iPads will stay at SCOE so they can be uploaded each month with the meeting agenda and backup documents. Agendas will continue to be e-mailed to the members in advance. If the pilot goes well, iPads will be acquired for all members. A few members already have a personal iPads, but it is important to keep Board work and personal equipment separate. If, after the trial period, the Board decides not to continue using iPads, the equipment is in high demand and can be quickly redistributed. Mr. Speck added that this is not an all-or-nothing prospect. Small steps are required before a full commitment, and each Board member may have a different preference.

(c) Temporary Certificates

Temporary certificates for credential applicants approved by the County Superintendent were noted. (Attachment F)

(d) Meetings/Special Dates

In an effort to reduce printed handouts, the Board's activity calendars for October and November, along with flyers and invitations to upcoming events, were e-mailed to the members. Unless stated

otherwise, Board members who wish to participate in any of the following activities are encouraged to provide timely RSVPs to Monica Ross, Executive Assistant (399-4403 or mross@solanocoe.net).

- November 6, 2011 – Daylight Saving Time ends – Set clocks back one hour!
- November 8, 2011 – Election Day – Remember to VOTE!
- November 11, 2011 – Veterans’ Day Observed – SCOE Offices Closed
- November 23-25, 2010 – Thanksgiving Holidays – SCOE Offices Closed

Mr. Speck reported on a school bus accident that occurred in Dixon that morning. The district contracts with Michael’s Transportation, so the bus and driver are not SCOE’s; however, the five students that were injured attend SCOE’s post-secondary program. The collision took place on a country road and involved a tractor. The bus flipped onto its side, and all of the students were taken to the hospital. Four were released by the afternoon, and, at this time, the most serious student injury appears to be a broken arm. The driver suffered lacerations to the head. School buses have a good safety record and are rarely involved in accidents, so this made the national news. Mr. Speck complimented SCOE staff members who went to the various hospitals to make sure the students were okay. Mrs. Estrella-Henderson, as well as the students’ teacher, Marsha Ludwig – Senior Director of Special Education, and Penee Hughes – Special Education Principal took the appropriate actions during this incident.

Mr. Speck notified the Board that Solano County’s 2011-12 Teacher of the Year Shari Herout, kindergarten teacher at Foxboro Elementary School in the Travis USD, was visited by members of the California Department of Education (CDE) and is one of 12 finalists in the California Teacher of the Year competition.

He also announced that Mrs. Estrella-Henderson and her staff had applied for and won a federal mental health grant of \$250,000. We competed against CDE and other county offices of education, but we are the only recipient in California.

Mr. Speck’s recent activities included attending the 3rd countywide summit on poverty, T.C. McDaniel Trike-a-Thon, Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) breakfast where he gave a “state of the county” report, career technical education (CTE) conference in Santa Clara, County Board of Supervisors meeting to showcase SCOE’s new CTE video, Community Corrections Partnership meeting, and an announcement assembly about Solano being named one of the 100 Best Communities for the fifth consecutive year.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

(a) Single Plan for Student Achievement

Rick Vaccaro, Director of Alternative Education, presented the Single Plan for Student Achievement drafts for the Juvenile Detention Facility (JDF) and the Golden Hills (GH) Education Center. Discussion included the alignment of the plans with the Local Education Agency (LEA) Plan adopted by the Board in August, the development of the School Site Council at each site, school goals, and intervention strategies.

Mr. Vaccaro explained that both plans contain similar goals and intervention methods. One way the plans differ is the composition of the stakeholders on each School Site Council. The GH Site Council consisted of parents, students, teachers, and school and county office staff, while the JDF Site Council used probation officers in lieu of parents because it can be difficult to involve the parents of this particular student population and overcome issues surrounding access into a secured facility. He commented on the extensive involvement of the students on each Council and how much their abundant input was appreciated.

The GH alternative education program serves high school students, and a few middle school students, from the Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District (FSUSD). The objective is for the students to complete the required coursework and return to the district on track for high school graduation.

Mr. Vaccaro reviewed the demographics of the students in the GH program and talked about the vast amount of data analyzed by the Site Council to establish the students' existing academic performance and identify meaningful and measurable goals and action plans aimed at improving student achievement.

Mr. Vaccaro reviewed each of the four goals designed to increase the percentage of students who score as proficient or advanced on state standardized tests in English/language arts and math, pass the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE), and receive a high school diploma. All are lofty goals, but the Council set them with a strong belief that the students will live up to expectations if the target is set high.

Action plans to reach these goals include helping the students prepare for their tests, studying from the same textbooks used by the students' district of residence to make the return transition easier, training teachers on effective techniques to engage students, providing a safe environment in which to learn, and offering additional tutoring outside of class time. These actions can be challenging due to new students enrolling intermittently throughout the year.

In answer to a question from the Board, Mr. Vaccaro estimated 40-50% of the program's 10th graders passed the CAHSEE last year but a smaller number of 11th graders passed. Twelfth graders that have all their credits but have not yet passed the CAHSEE can come back to GH, receive additional tutoring, and retake the test. Mike Mendoza, GH's Dean of Academic Achievement, continuously monitors the students' records to ensure they are on track and doing well or to offer interventions at the earliest signs of trouble.

Mr. Vaccaro is beginning his sixth year at the school and invited the Board members to come visit the classes. Mrs. Bates said that alternative schools often have a negative reputation, but she has visited GH and finds the atmosphere to be like any other school. Mr. Vaccaro credited the program's current and future success to good leadership and excellent teamwork of the staff.

Mrs. Bates also asked for a status on the new online education program. Mr. Vaccaro stated that the online program using ODYSSEYWARE is going well and has expanded to include offering Spanish this year.

Regarding the JDF plan, although the four goals are similar to the GH plan, there are distinctions in the student demographics and the indicators selected by the School Site Council. For example, indicators such as attendance and suspensions are issues for the GH students, but they are not concerns for the incarcerated residents of JDF. Indicators affecting students in JDF include course completion, credit deficiencies, reading below grade level, and struggling to pass the tests required to graduate.

Mrs. Estrella-Henderson stated that she plans to present a report to the Board in the next couple of months on the topic of student achievement. She assured the Board that the percentage of increase in each goal of the JDF plan reflects a reasonable target. There is a lot of room for growth with this population, and we intend to increase the percentage a little each year in the stated focus areas.

At JDF, Mr. Vaccaro visits each class almost every day to meet with the teachers to discuss student assessments and compare them to the prior year's standardized test scores. The teachers use a matrix that combines elements of the Single Plan for Student Achievement with the LEA Plan previously approved by the Board. Both plans are fully aligned.

In closing, Mr. Vaccaro discussed a transition program now being offered at the JDF in which a student support specialist develops and helps facilitate an exit plan that will make sure students are registered in school once they are released and ensure they have an accurate number of credits to support student success outside the JDF. It is proving to be a valuable service, and the students are very excited about it.

Motion was made by Dr. Rozzana Verder-Aliga, seconded by Mr. Doug Ford, and unanimously carried (7-0) by those present to adopt the Single Plan for Student Achievement for the Juvenile Detention Facility site and send it to the California Department of Education (CDE) for final approval.

Motion was made by Mrs. Mayrene Bates, seconded by Mrs. Michelle Coleman, and unanimously carried (7-0) by those present to adopt the Single Plan for Student Achievement for the Golden Hills site and forward it to CDE for final approval.

(b) Lease/Leaseback Entity for Golden Hills Classroom Project

Mrs. Allen gave a progress report on the six-classroom construction project at Golden Hills. She introduced Alton Gay, Manager of Facilities/Maintenance/Operations, and Mark Rosson, Vice President of Business Development and Principal of Capital Program Management, Inc. (CPM), who were present to answer any questions the Board had.

Mrs. Allen distributed copies of her PowerPoint presentation detailing the request for qualifications (RFQ) process for Lease-Leaseback Entities (L-LB Entities). A flowchart helped show the roles of SCOE and its partnering agencies – CPM, the architect, and the L-LB Entity – in this project.

The RFQ resulted in SCOE receiving ten statements of qualifications from general contractors, five of whom were interviewed. The interview panel consisted of representatives from SCOE, school district facilities personnel, and non-voting CPM representatives. Of the five interviewed, three were selected for SCOE's pool of L-LB Entities. Having a pool of potential L-LB Entities instead of choosing just one is a decision sparked by the Board's Facilities Subcommittee meeting in August. The pool of L-LB Entities will be considered for future projects.

Upon a review of sealed quotes from the pool of three L-LB Entities, staff recommended Roebbelen Contracting, Inc., as the L-LB Entity for the Golden Hills Classroom Project based on its ability to meet our criteria and offering the best price. (Attachment G)

The project is dependent on receiving funding from the State, and she reviewed a tentative timeline and next steps for the project once funding is received. Mrs. Allen plans to meet with FSUSD in November to discuss a lease modification for the Golden Hills site that would extend SCOE's existing lease.

The State is scheduled to issue a bond next week, but it is unknown whether it will include money for school construction. If it does, the funding may run out before getting to our place on the list. Either scenario would require us to wait for the next bond issuance.

When asked about the location of CPM and whether use of American-made tools is a consideration when conducting a construction job, Mr. Rosson replied that his organization is based in El Dorado Hills but has a temporary office in Solano County because of its many projects currently taking place in Vacaville. CPM considers the most appropriate tools for the job over where they are made.

Mr. Asera expressed his appreciation to Dr. Verder-Aliga and Mrs. Coleman, the other members of the Board's Facilities Subcommittee. It was important for the Board to understand this project and the process as well as to have input.

Motion was made by Dr. Verder-Aliga, seconded by Mr. Ford, and unanimously carried (7-0) by a vote of those present to approve of Roebbelen Contracting, Inc., as the Lease/Leaseback Entity for the Golden Hills Classroom Project.

IX. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY

There were no comments from the community.

X. BOARD DISCUSSION

(a) Board Member Reports

Some of the Board members gave a brief report on their recent activities including visits to any of SCOE's program sites.

Mrs. Coleman stated that she may be unable to attend the November Board meeting. She has been encouraged to pursue membership on the Solano Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission. She was pleased to hear Mr. Vaccaro's presentation because it gave her accurate information that she can relay to the Commission, because a discussion at its last meeting centered on kids not having a plan when they exit JDF.

Mrs. Bates attended the funeral of Ann Brown Davault, the second African American teacher hired by FSUSD, who taught at Anna Kyle Elementary School for 36 years. She also attended the annual fundraiser for Archway Recovery Services, an organization that provides a pathway out of drug and alcohol addiction; a luncheon celebrating the grand opening of another new location of The Leaven, an after-school tutoring center for impoverished children; a fundraising event at the Jimmy Doolittle Air & Space Museum at Travis Air Force Base; the Red Cross Heroes Breakfast honoring people who do good things for our community; and visited two elementary schools – E. Ruth Sheldon and K.I. Jones.

Mr. Galvan was unable to attend the Board's September meeting because he took part in a fundraiser hosted by the Rotary Club of Benicia and the Benicia arts Council with the proceeds given to the Liberty High School arts programs. This was his eighth year of participation in this good cause that usually raises approximately \$12,000-15,000. It was exciting to see the students serving food at the event and a good way to diffuse the stigma often attached to a continuation school. He agrees with Mr. Vaccaro that, before teaching can effectively take place, students must feel they are in a safe environment. Although a lot of schools are adopting policies about zero tolerance, the key is the implementation of those policies. Since the Board has heard several interdistrict appeals pertaining to bullying, he wondered what the Board could do to help raise the level of safety at schools. Mrs. Coleman commented that granting an interdistrict appeal simply moves the victim but does not do anything about the bully, so they find a new victim, and the problem remains unaddressed.

Dr. Verder-Aliga attended a reception in Vallejo for Fidel Ramos, former well-respected President of the Philippines, who has recently published his biography. She, too, would like to explore how the Board might be able to help all of our county's school districts fight bullying because it is happening in all of them, not only in VCUSD. The schools are doing the best they can, and it is important not to judge without all of the facts.

Mr. Asera would also like to see the Board take a stand by issuing a policy statement to the districts that goes beyond zero tolerance and helps them implement effective strategies. He attended a fundraiser for The Leaven tutoring centers, and also met with former Philippine President Ramos. He facilitated a governance forum for about 30 delegates from Vallejo's Sister City in the Philippines during which Dr. Verder-Aliga gave a presentation about our education system. They each received a packet of information about SCOE and found it very interesting, especially the organizational chart. They were curious about how we deal with delinquent students and the election vs. appointment of superintendents since our system is very different from theirs. In the Philippines, the education system is run by the city council. Afterward, students from the Vallejo High Hospitality Academy served food at a reception. Dr. Ramona Bishop, VCUSD Superintendent, and the Philippine Consulate General also attended.

Mr. Asera suggested adjourning this meeting in honor of Ann Brown Davault who inspired many children during her many years of service as a teacher.

Motion was made by Mr. Galvan, seconded by Mrs. Bates, and unanimously carried (7-0) by those present to adjourn the meeting in honor of Ann Brown Davault.

- (b) Suggestions on future Board agenda items

There were no suggestions for future agenda topics.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM in honor of Ann Brown Davault, a longtime mentor to children and teacher for 36 years at Anna Kyle Elementary School in Fairfield, who passed away on September 21, 2011.

- Attachments:
- (A) Budget Revision 1
 - (B) Resolution No. B11-12-07
 - (C) Resolution No. B11-12-08
 - (D) Resolution No. B11-12-09
 - (E) Donations
 - (F) Temporary Certificates
 - (G) Lease-Leaseback Summary

Signature on File

Jay Speck
Secretary to the Solano County Board of Education

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			Certificated Salaries	Classified Salaries	Employee Benefits	Books & Supplies	Services & Operating	Capital Outlay	Other Outgo	Fund Balance
Program	Resource	Revenue	1000	2000	3000	4000	5000	6000	7000	Difference
Unrestricted (local; designated reserves c/o)	0000	21,000				418,636	137,854		2,050	(537,540)
Deferred Maintenance (c/o)	0014						167,724	32,276		(200,000)
Career Technical Education (local)	0635	5,027				4,153	400		474	
Title I, Part A (c/o; adj alloc)	3010	319,901				209,297	80,442	30,162		
Title I, Part D (c/o)	3025	298,852				100,000	170,675		28,177	
Education Jobs Funds (c/o)	3205	8,490	6,368		2,122					
ARRA IDEA, Basic Local (c/o)	3313	387,184							387,184	
ARRA IDEA, Preschool Grants (c/o)	3319	59,605							59,605	
ARRA IDEA, Preschool Local (c/o)	3324	76,702							76,702	
IDEA Mental Health (adj alloc)	3327	239,112					239,112			
Title II, Teacher Quality (c/o)	4035	6,362				1,000	4,762		600	
Limited English Proficiency (c/o)	4203	5,139					5,038		101	
Restricted Lottery (c/o)	6300					74,818				(74,818)
ROP Training & Certification (c/o)	6355						16,044		1,670	(17,714)
Special Education (adj alloc & local)	6500	227,216					223,658		3,558	
SELPA Program Specialists (c/o)	6505					20,000	7,445		1,372	(28,817)
SELPA Mental Health (adj alloc)	6509	1,123,669					1,366,600		(242,931)	
Special Education Infant (c/o)	6510					2,000			100	(2,100)
SELPA SE Mental Health Services	6512	1,947,179					1,947,179			
Tobacco Use Prevention Education (c/o)	6680	1,347			129	1,053	38		127	
Economic Impact Aid (c/o)	7090					1,351			41	(1,392)
Small School & COE Bus Replacement (c/o)	7235	82,134						82,134		
Redevelopment (c/o)	9021						244,706	116,480		(361,186)
Youth Prevention (c/o)	9070	47,989			1,312		42,152	4,525		
Bullying Documentary (c/o)	9080	5,101				4,620		481		
Youth Prevention Donations (c/o)	9090	1,126				1,126				

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GENERAL FUND

Program	Resource	Revenue	Certificated Salaries 1000	Classified Salaries 2000	Employee Benefits 3000	Books & Supplies 4000	Services & Operating 5000	Capital Outlay 6000	Other Outgo 7000	Fund Balance Difference
Safety Credits (c/o)	9120	14,080				13,357		723		
SCOE Local (c/o & c/y)	9140	704				704				
Transition Local (c/o)	9170	577				577				
Larsen Preschool Integration (c/o & c/y)	9180	9,887				8,661	1,226			
T.C. Preschool Integration (c/o & c/y)	9185	2,612				2,612				
Larsen Center Misc Donations (c/o & c/y)	9190	6,856				4,856	2,000			
School Assistance and Intervention Team Local (SAIT) (c/o)	9220	27,442				24,855			2,587	
SELPA Personnel Develop Consort (c/o & c/y)	9260	80,563				16,500	35,726		2,612	25,725
MAA Medi-Cal Admin (c/o)	9280	770,201								770,201
T.C. Garden Project (c/o)	9310	2,577				2,577				
T.C. McDaniel Misc Donations (c/o & c/y)	9380	5,481				4,619	862			
Build a Bridge (c/o)	9390	248					248			
Workforce Innovations Program (c/o)	9390	3,425				1,251	2,174			
Community Collaborative (c/o)	9390	26,017				1,011	25,006			
Community Collaborative & Workforce Innovations Program (new MOU)	9390	65,000				25,547	39,453			
Perkins - Benicia USD (new MOU)	9400	15,951		2,019	481	5,281	7,411		759	
Perkins - Vacaville USD (new MOU)	9400	59,533		4,842	1,158	35,499	15,200		2,834	
Spec Ed Misc Donations (c/o)	9450	1,919				1,919				
Misc Teacher Grants (c/o)	9500	1,569				1,569				
Spec Education Tier III (c/o)	9660	162,520				154,781			7,739	
Youth Services Local (c/o)	9680	1,307				1,307				
Total		6,121,604	6,368	6,861	5,202	1,140,917	4,787,755	266,300	335,842	(427,641)

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RESOLUTION NO. B11-12-07
FILIPINO AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, October 18, 2011, marks the 424th anniversary of the earliest documented proof of Filipino presence in the Continental United States according to author Lorraine Jacobs Crouchett in her book, *Filipinos in California* (1982), annotating John Walton Caughey in his book, *California* (1953), and that definitive dates of written landings on the shores of California have been recorded with the earliest in 1587 according to Crouchett, annotating H.R. Wagner's *Unamuno's Voyage to California in 1587*; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 248th anniversary of the permanent settlement of Filipinos in the Continental United States setting into motion a national observance in order to focus on the story of our nation's past from a new perspective by concentrating on the critical economic, cultural, social, and other notable contributions made in countless ways by Filipino Americans toward the development of United States history; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2010 U.S. Census, the number of Filipino Americans in our community, state, and nation has grown in the past year, and they remain the largest Asian group in Solano County (approximately 43,366 or 10.5% of the total county population), second largest in California (approx. 1,195,580 or 3.2% of the total), and third largest in the Nation (approx. 2,512,686 or 0.8% of the total); and

WHEREAS, Filipino Americans have played vital roles in forming our nation such as Antonio Miranda Rodriguez Poblador who helped establish the city of Los Angeles (1781); Pedro Flores, father of the American yo-yo (1928); Agapito Flores who invented the fluorescent light (early 1940s); Victoria Manalo Draves, the first woman in Olympic history to win 2 gold medals in diving on the U.S. team (1948); Eduardo San Juan who designed the Lunar Rover or "moon buggy" used by the Apollo astronauts to explore the moon; Christopher Cabaldon, Mayor of West Sacramento; Benjamin Cayetano, former Governor of Hawaii; Rear Admiral (Ret.) Eleanor Connie Mariano, M.D., former White House Medical Unit Director and senior physician to George H.W. Bush, Bill Clinton, and George W. Bush; Cristeta Comerford, the first woman and first minority to hold the post of Executive Chef for the White House; Precious Lara Quigaman who won the pageant title of Miss International (2005); Angela Perez Baraguio, former Miss Hawaii (2000) who became Miss America (2001) and whose parents are both public school teachers as is she; and Olympic swimmer Natalie Coughlin, daughter of a Vallejo police officer and a product of Vallejo City's schools, who won 5 Olympic medals in Greece (2004) and 6 Olympic medals in the Beijing, China games (2008) making history as the first U.S. female swimmer to win six medals at a single Olympics and the first woman ever to win a 100-meter backstroke gold in two consecutive Olympics; and

WHEREAS, this year also celebrates the 105th anniversary of the Sekada signifying the first wave of Filipino farm workers to arrive in America, some of whom settled in the Suisun Valley, sent their children to Gomer School, and were an integral part of Solano County's agricultural history; and

WHEREAS, the communities of Solano County have recognized the contributions of Filipino Americans and placed them into leadership positions, some of which include: Larry Asera – first Filipino American in California history to be elected to the City Council of Vallejo (1973) and to the Solano County Board of Supervisors (1976); Pete Sanchez – former Mayor of Suisun City; Pete Rey, Hermie Sunga, and Cris Villanueva – City Council of Vallejo; Dr. Rozzana Verder-Aliga

and the late Oggee Villanueva were elected and served on the governing board of the Vallejo City USD, Abe Bautista – Fairfield-Suisun USD, Rev. Dr. A.C. “Tony” Ubalde, Jr. – Solano Community College, and Larry Asera and Dr. Rozzana Verder-Aliga – Solano County Board of Education; Belle Orpilla was the former Field Representative for California Senator Wes Chesbro; and in 2009, the Filipina Women’s Network, a nonprofit association for women of Philippine ancestry aimed at advancing Filipina women in the U.S. workplace through programs and activities that enhance public perceptions of Filipina women’s capacities to lead, change biases, build the Filipina community’s pipeline of qualified leaders, and increase the odds that some will rise to the top position in all sectors, selected and honored Dr. Rozzana Verder-Aliga as one of the 100 Most Influential Filipina Woman in the U.S. due to her accomplishments in the Policymakers & Visionaries award category; and

WHEREAS, Filipino Americans have comprised a large workforce sector at Mare Island Naval Shipyard and Travis Air Force Base and contributed to the military, defense economy, and history of Solano County as well as laboring as some of the early farm workers in the Suisun Valley, thus, contributing to the agricultural economy of our county; and

WHEREAS, efforts must continue to promote the study of Filipino American history and culture, so mandated in the mission statement of the Filipino American National Historical Society, because the role of Filipino Americans and those of other minorities have been largely underrated in the writing, teaching, and learning of United States history; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative for Filipino American youths to have positive role models and to instill in them the importance of education, complemented with the richness of their ethnicity and the values of their legacy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Education supports the Trustees of the Filipino American National Historical Society in proclaiming October as Filipino American History Month and its annual and national observance throughout the United States and its territories as a significant time to study the advancement of Filipino Americans in the history of the United States; as a favorable time of celebration, remembrance, reflection, and motivation; and as a relevant time to renew more efforts towards research, examination, and promulgation of Filipino American history and culture in order to provide an opportunity for all Americans to learn and appreciate more about Filipino Americans and their historic contributions to our nation, these United States of America.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of October 2011, by the Solano County Board of Education, Solano County, California, by the following vote:

- AYES: Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Coleman, Mr. Ford, Mr. Galvan, Mr. Silva, Dr. Verder-Aliga, Mr. Asera
- NOES: None
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: None

CERTIFICATION

I, Jay Speck, secretary to the Solano County Board of Education, Solano County, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution adopted by said Board at a regular meeting thereof held on the above stated date, which resolution is on file in the office of said Board.

Signature on File
Secretary's Signature

October 12, 2011
Date

SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Solano County, California

RESOLUTION NO. B11-12-08
SCHOOL BUS SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, each day there are over 400,000 public school buses on the roads transporting over half of the nation's 50 million K-12 students, with approximately one million of these children being transported to and from school and school-related activities by school buses in California; and

WHEREAS, each year school bus drivers log over 4 billion miles behind the wheel and provide over 10 billion rides for our nation's children making these vehicles the largest form of public transit in the United States, yet they boast the best safety record of any other form of transportation: 172 times safer than the family automobile, 8 times safer than railroad passenger trains, 4 times safer than transit or intercity buses, and 8 times safer than scheduled airlines; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation requires six additional safety features be built into every school bus which are not found on any other public or private vehicle; and

WHEREAS, school buses travel every day on urban and rural roadways and are subjected to countless obstacles posing potential danger to passengers; and

WHEREAS, SCOE's transportation professionals are dedicated to protecting our students and take measures to ensure the safety of children, drivers, and others on the road including annual mandated training, adherence to strict federal drug testing policies, performing regularly scheduled inspections of all buses, and promptly reporting when maintenance is needed; and

WHEREAS, California recognizes October as School Bus Safety Awareness Month, and our country identifies October 17-21, 2011, as National School Bus Safety Week whose theme this year is "Be Aware – Know the Danger Zone" referring to the area close to the front, back, and sides of a school bus where children cannot be seen by the bus driver.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Solano County Board of Education realizes the importance of school bus safety and acknowledges October as California School Bus Safety Awareness Month, and October 17-21, 2011, as National School Bus Safety Week, and encourages all citizens to drive safely near school zones, avoid distractions such as cell phones, be mindful of school bus signals, and remind our children to use caution when waiting for, getting on, or getting off the bus in an effort to avoid school bus accidents and protect the precious riders on board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of October 2011 by the Solano County Board of Education, Solano County, California, by the following vote:

AYES: Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Coleman, Mr. Ford, Mr. Galvan, Mr. Silva, Dr. Verder-Aliga, Mr. Asera
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

CERTIFICATION

I, Jay Speck, secretary to the Solano County Board of Education, Solano County, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution adopted by said Board at a regular meeting thereof held on the above stated date, which resolution is on file in the office of said Board.

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SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Solano County, California

**RESOLUTION NO. B11-12-09
RED RIBBON WEEK**

WHEREAS, alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use has reached staggering proportions in California and throughout the United States, and the abuse of these substances creates immense societal costs and prevents millions of people from reaching their full potential at school, on the job, and in their communities making prevention and treatment a national priority in order to improve the well-being of America and protect our nation's citizens; and

WHEREAS, the rate of abuse of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco by our nation's youth is cause for alarm, as research indicates that youth who avoid the early use of alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana are less likely to engage in other harmful behaviors that are dangerous and harmful to both their health and future such as crime, delinquency, and the use of other illegal drugs; and

WHEREAS, the most effective way to reduce the cycle of youth addiction and the crime it causes is to reduce demand beginning with the active participation of families, schools, and community organizations in visible prevention education efforts and outreach programs that clearly communicate to children the dangers inherent in tobacco use, and drug and alcohol abuse; and

WHEREAS, Red Ribbon Week highlights the importance of teaching good habits early to children, spreading awareness about dangerous behaviors, not being afraid to stand up for one's self and others despite peer pressure, setting a good example, and being a positive influence in the lives of young people by promoting healthy lifestyle choices; and

WHEREAS, the Solano County Office of Education is committed to abolishing the destructive impact that substance abuse has had in our homes, schools, workplaces, and economy and is dedicated to an alcohol-, tobacco-, and drug-free lifestyle through activities of the Youth Development and Prevention Education Services Department; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Solano County Board of Education does hereby support Red Ribbon Week, October 22–30, and this year's theme "*It's UP To ME To BE DRUG FREE*" aiming to inspire young people while reminding adults that we must work every day to support the development of protective skills and competencies that every young person needs in his/her life in order to make healthy choices and prevent alcohol, tobacco, other drug use, and violence and encourages all citizens to participate in this prevention campaign, making a visible statement that we are firmly committed to an alcohol-, tobacco-, and drug-free county.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of October 2011, by the Solano County Board of Education and Solano County Superintendent of Schools, Solano County, California.

AYES: Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Coleman, Mr. Ford, Mr. Galvan, Mr. Silva, Dr. Verder-Aliga, Mr. Asera
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

CERTIFICATION

I, Jay Speck, secretary to the Solano County Board of Education, Solano County, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution adopted by said Board at a regular meeting thereof held on the above stated date, which resolution is on file in the office of said Board.

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**Donations to Solano County Office of Education
October 12, 2011**

Donor	Description/Purpose	Recipient Program	Estimated Value (declared by donor)
Juanita Cox, Vacaville	Monetary donation for supplies	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 200.00
Steven & Barbara Elfers, Vacaville	Monetary donation for school supplies	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 25.00
Emma Green, Vacaville	Monetary donation for bus passes	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 100.00
Tamara Hansen, Vacaville	Monetary donation	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 50.00
Sher Kamerzell, Vacaville	1 filled backpack	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 45.00
Steve & Sue Kappel, Vacaville	Monetary donation for supplies	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 50.00
Kevin Kohler, Vacaville	Monetary donation	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 100.00
Melvin Laguren, Vallejo	Monetary donation	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 500.00
Sue-San Lambright, Vacaville	Monetary donation for bus passes	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 50.00
Ralph & Roberta Moody, Dixon	Monetary donation	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 50.00
Carlie Moreno, Vacaville	4 filled backpacks	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 180.00
Ramon & Anquanitte Ortega, Suisun City	Monetary donation	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 1,000.00
Steve & Kathleen Ramos, Vacaville	Monetary donation for supplies and bus passes	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 275.00
Karen Redd, Vacaville	Monetary donation	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 20.00
Viola Sullenger, Fairfield	Monetary donation for school supplies	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 25.00
Richard Toebe, Vacaville	Monetary donation for backpacks	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 25.00
Joan Tomasini, Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano County, Concord	Use of 17 food bank barrels for collection of school supplies for the "Stuff the Bus" campaign	Homeless & Foster Youth Services	\$ 500.00

TOTALS:	Cash	Non-Cash
Monthly	\$ 2,470.00	\$ 725.00
Year-to-Date	\$ 2,870.00	\$ 880.00

TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES

<u>Name</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Credential</u>
Megan King	Dixon	Emergency Substitute Permit
Paul Cheng	Vacaville	Single Subject/Mandarin/Intern
Jennifer Lassen	Fairfield-Suisun	Multiple Subject/Intern
Mana Vochatzer	Fairfield-Suisun	Education Specialist/Mild-Moderate
Jill Russell	Fairfield-Suisun	Designated Subjects/Adult Ed/Part-Time/ Career Development
Joseph Norris	Vallejo	Education Specialist/Mild-Moderate/Intern
Michael Mercado	Vallejo	Education Specialist/Moderate-Severe/Intern
Jessie Marcus	Vallejo	Multiple Subject/Short-Term Staff Permit
Danielle Harris	Vallejo	Single Subject/Math/Intern
Judith Cecil	Dixon	Education Specialist/Mild-Moderate
Graciela Lopez	Fairfield-Suisun	Emergency BCLAD: Spanish
Clinton Bruns	Vallejo	Emergency Substitute Permit
Max Green	Vallejo	Emergency Substitute Permit
Timothy O'Neal	Vallejo	Emergency Substitute Permit
Betsy Kopp	Vallejo	Emergency Substitute Permit
Lindsey Unger	SCOE	Education Specialist/Moderate-Severe/Intern
Joanne Baker	Vacaville	Administrative Services
Juanito Guzman	Travis	Single Subject/P.E.
Robert Baclig	Vacaville	Designated Subject/Special Subjects/ Driver Education & Training/Waiver
Franklin Fernandez	Vacaville	Designated Subject/Special Subjects/ Driver Education & Training/Waiver
Cecilia Vohs	Vallejo	Speech Language Pathology Services/Waiver
Susan Girimonte	Dixon	Administrative Services
Diane Fore	Vallejo	Emergency CLAD
Brad Grant	Vallejo	Emergency CLAD
Angie Braaten	Fairfield-Suisun	Single Subject/English
Cornelius Andre Fowler	SCOE	Emergency Substitute Permit
Teresa Carreon	Vallejo	Designated Subjects/
Harold Lape	Vallejo	Emergency Substitute Permit

Temporary County Certificates Issued September 2011

District	<i>Full Credential/ Auth.</i>		<i>Intern Cred.</i>		<i>Prov. Intern Permit</i>		<i>Short- Term Staff Permit</i>		<i>Emergency Permit</i>		<i>Waiver</i>		<i>Emergency Sub</i>		<i>Child Dev. Permit</i>	
	Mo	YTD	Mo	YTD	Mo	YTD	Mo	YTD	Mo	YTD	Mo	YTD	Mo	YTD	Mo	YTD
Benicia																
SCOE		5	1	4		2		4				1	1	1		
Dixon	2	2								1			1	1		
Fairfield- Suisun	3	14	1	2				1	1	2		4		1		1
Travis	1	2		1				1								
Vacaville	1	8	1	1						1	2	5				
Vallejo	1	18	3	3			1	1	2	5	1	2	5	6		
MIT Academy																
Private/ NPS																
Solano College																
Solano County		2														
Totals	8	51	6	11		2	1	7	3	9	3	12	7	9		1

Solano County Office of Education

Lease-Leaseback (L-LB) Construction Services Request for Qualification (RFQ) Process

With the assistance of Alton Gay, Manager of Facilities/Maintenance/Operations, and Lettie Allen, Associate Superintendent of Administrative Services and Operations, the Capital Program Management, Inc., (CPM) created the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Lease-Leaseback (L-LB) Entities for preconstruction and construction services for the Golden Hills Classroom Project. The RFQ was locally advertised the weeks of August 9 and 16, 2011, in the *Daily Republic* newspaper and the Coalition for Adequate School Housing (CASH) website. In addition, CPM issued the RFQ to a select group of local and preferred contractors on August 9th. On August 22, 2011, a pre-submittal meeting was held and 13 general contractors attended the meeting. Alton Gay (SCOE), Lettie Allen (SCOE), Kim Soto (CPM), and Robert Towle (California Design West), facilitated the meeting. The contractors were given an opportunity to ask questions regarding the project and tour the project site.

CPM issued two Addenda to the RFQ, one of which changed the selection from only one contractor to a “pool” of contractors. This allows SCOE to select from a prequalified list for future projects, which will save time and money in having to repeat the selection process.

Statements of Qualifications were submitted to Alton Gay on September 7th with 10 general contractors responding to the RFQ. Mark Rosson (CPM) and Alton evaluated all the submittals and ranked them based on the criteria selection process identified in the RFQ (i.e., qualifications, contract requirements, and overall format). The contractors were ranked on a scale from 1-10, and 5 were short-listed for the interview process: Blach Construction, RGM & Associates, Roebbelen Contracting Inc., Seward Schreder, and Turner Construction Company.

On September 19th, the following representatives participated on the interview panel: Alton Gay (SCOE), Lettie Allen (SCOE), Tommy Welch (SCOE), Rodney Nelson (Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District), Roy Owens (Benicia Unified School District), Mark Rosson (CPM), and Kim Soto (CPM). During the interviews, each general contractor was asked 8 questions and ranked based on the responses. They were also asked to bring a copy of their fees for this project in a sealed envelope. Immediately following the interviews, the panel ranked each of the general contractors. From this ranking, the “pool” of three L-LB Entities was chosen: Blach Construction, Roebbelen Contracting Inc., and Turner Construction. On September 20th, CPM opened the sealed envelopes and ranked the pool of three based on their quoted fees. CPM requested General Condition and Pre-Construction Services costs from the three contractors for the Golden Hills project.

Below is a summary of these along with our recommendation for this project:

	<u>Blach</u>	Recommendation <u>Roebelen</u>	<u>Turner</u>
Preconstruction	Included	\$17,749	Included
General Conditions	\$360,620	\$330,385	\$535,995
Construction Estimate	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000
Subtotal	\$3,860,620	\$3,848,134	\$4,035,995
Bonds (Estimate-1.75%)	\$67,651	\$67,342	\$70,360
Insurance (Estimate-1.00%)	\$38,606	\$38,481	\$40,360
Subtotal	\$3,966,877	\$3,953,957	\$4,146,715
Fee Estimate	\$148,758	\$134,435	\$145,135
TOTAL	\$4,115,635	\$4,088,392	\$4,291,850
Fee (percentage)	3.75%	3.40%	3.50%