

**NATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
GOVERNING BOARD**

Administrative Ctr.
1500 N Avenue
National City, CA

October 12, 2005

Closed session was held from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. President Alvarado announced that the Board held closed session in accordance with Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Performance Evaluation, Title: District Superintendent, and with Government Code Section 54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiator, Agency negotiator: Cyndi Mesaros, Employee organizations: California School Employees Association and National City Elementary Teachers Association. All Board members were present. George Cameron was present from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**CLOSED
SESSION**

The public meeting was called to order by President Alvarado at 7:35 p.m.

**CALL TO
ORDER**

President Alvarado led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE**

Members Present: Rosalie "Rosie" Alvarado, Anne Campbell, Cecilia Garcia-Kirk, James Grier, Jr., and Maria D. Muñoz

ROLL CALL

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: George J. Cameron, Ed.D., Ellen Curtin, Ed.D., and Cynthia A. Mesaros

Staff Absent: Michael Castanos (ill)

PRESENTATIONS

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Recognize Annabelle Camba, Teacher, Ira Harbison School, as Employee of the Month for October 2005.

Recognize Employee of the Month:

Beverly Hayes, Principal, Ira Harbison School, introduced Ms. Camba and commented on her many fine qualities.

Annabelle Camba

On behalf of the Governing Board, Cecilia Garcia-Kirk presented Ms. Camba with a framed certificate, a District logo lapel pin, and a District logo watch.

Assistant Superintendent Cynthia Mesaros introduced and welcomed the following new employees:

Introduce and welcome new employees

Name	Position	<u>Location</u>
Andrea Maddela*	Special Day Class Teacher NSH	Ira Harbison School
Evelyn Sanchez	Office Assistant School	Olivewood School
Kimberly Taniguchi*	Teacher	Central School

*not present

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

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Boy Scouts of America Committee Member, Jerry O'Hara, representing Troop 114, introduced Tito Flores and Sean O'Hara. They were observing the Board Meeting as a requirement toward obtaining their Eagle Scout Certificate.

Jerry O'Hara

AGENDA

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Cecilia Garcia-Kirk moved and Anne Campbell seconded to approve the agenda. The motion carried 5-0-0.

Approve agenda

CONSENT CALENDAR/ROUTINE ITEMS OF BUSINESS

CONSENT CALENDAR

James Grier, Jr., moved and Anne Campbell seconded to approve the consent calendar. The motion carried 5-0-0.

Approve consent calendar

Minutes

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Approve minutes of the regular meeting held on September 28, 2005

Approve 09/28/05 minutes

Human Resources

Ratify/approve recommended actions in personnel activity list.

Approve Teacher of the Year qualifications and nomination criteria for 2006.

Approve 2006 Classified Employee of the Year Criteria.

Educational Services

Approve consultant contract #CT 2120 with Writing for Excellence to conduct a Guided Writing and Direct Writing Instruction workshop for our new teachers, not to exceed a cost of \$5,000 (Title II Teacher Quality).

Approve the appointment of Kathleen Alvarado as a Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment (BTSA) Program Support Providers for the 2005-2006 school year, at a cost not to exceed \$2,000 per year for assisting one new teacher and \$1,500 for each additional teacher (Peer Assistance and Review Program).

Approve consultant contract #CT 2119 with *Literacy Comes to Life* to provide two (2) assemblies for students in grades K-6 at Central School on February 27, 2006, at a cost not to exceed \$750 (Title I).

Business Services

Ratify/approve purchase orders, contracts, and warrants as summarized below and detailed in Exhibit A.

I. Purchase Order #A03448-A03457, #B70742-B70983, #F19553-F19634 and #S03634-S03665	\$	451,446.25
II. Child Nutrition Purchase Orders #8335-8370	\$	215,505.37
III. Child Nutrition Checks #9311-9347	\$	429,854.53

Human Resources

Ratify/approve recommended actions in personnel activity list

Approve Teacher of the Year criteria

Approve Classified Employee of the Year Criteria.

Educational Services

Approve consultant contract #CT 2120

Approve the appointment of Kathleen Alvarado

Approve consultant contract #CT 2119

Business Services

Ratify/approve purchase orders, contracts and warrants

IV. Consultant Contracts (not to exceed \$500 each)	\$	500.00
V. Commercial Warrants	\$	2,307,540.84
VI. Miscellaneous Contracts	\$	0.00
VII. Revolving Cash Fund Business I (month ending September 30, 2005)	\$	0.00
VIII. Revolving Cash Fund Business II (month ending September 30, 2005)	\$	1,101.00

GENERAL FUNCTIONS

None

POLICIES, REGULATIONS, BYLAWS

First Reading – No Action Required

None

Second Reading and Adoption

None

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Principal Cindy Waters gave an update on the implementation of the Program Improvement Plan for New Horizons School. (Exhibit B)

Principal Luz Vicario gave an update on the implementation of the Program Improvement Plan for Lincoln Acres School. (Exhibit C)

Sandra Dominguez gave a report on 2004-05 student achievement results for Integrity Charter School. (Exhibit D)

GENERAL FUNCTIONS

None

POLICIES, REGULATIONS, BYLAWS

First Reading

None

Second Reading and Adoption

None

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

New Horizons School Update

Lincoln Acres School Update

Integrity Charter School Report

BUSINESS SERVICES

Anne Campbell moved and Cecilia Garcia-Kirk seconded to authorize the Assistant Superintendent—Business Services to advertise for artificial turf needed for First Five Commission School Readiness Program at Lincoln Acres and Central Schools at a cost not to exceed \$200 (School Readiness Capital Projects Grant). The motion carried 5-0-0.

Cecilia Garcia-Kirk moved and Anne Campbell seconded to accept the following gifts:

1. \$300.00 from Centro Guadalupano to the After-School Program to be used for the maintenance of Mariachi outfits and instruments.
2. \$280.80 from Washington Mutual Bank to El Toyon School to be used for attendance incentives.

The motion carried 5-0-0.

HUMAN RESOURCES

None

BOARD/CABINET COMMUNICATIONS

Cecilia Garcia-Kirk thanked staff for their informative reports.

Maria D. Muñoz thanked the audience for attending, welcomed new staff and congratulated Employee of the Month, Annabelle Camba. Ms. Muñoz also thanked staff for their presentations.

Anne Campbell thanked staff for their presentations. Ms. Campbell announced that the 20th Annual Chili Cook Off would be held on October 22.

James Grier, Jr., complimented everyone on their excellent reports, thanking them for their hard work and dedication.

Cyndi Mesaros announced that National School Bus Safety Week is being recognized the week of October 16 – 22. Ms. Mesaros invited everyone to join them for lunch in the Board Room, at 11:30 a.m., on October 19, to honor the District's bus drivers.

BUSINESS SERVICES

Authorize the Assistant Superintendent—Business Services to advertise for artificial turf

Accept gifts

Centro Guadalupano

Washington Mutual Bank

HUMAN RESOURCES

None

BOARD/CABINET COMMUNICATIONS

Cecilia Garcia-Kirk

Maria D. Muñoz

Anne Campbell

James Grier, Jr.

Cyndi Mesaros

Ellen Curtin thanked the Ira Harbison staff for attending tonight's Board Meeting, in support of Annabelle Camba. Dr. Curtin also thanked the New Horizons and Lincoln Acres staff for their wonderful presentations, indicating the progress they have made. Dr. Curtin ended her comments by announcing that the District's Hurricane Katrina Relief donation drive had collected a total of \$8,600.

Ellen Curtin

Dr. Cameron reiterated the Board's comments regarding the excellent presentations, explaining how difficult it is to be identified as a Program Improvement School, yet how both Lincoln Acres and New Horizons have pulled together and are moving forward. The District is making strides toward providing the best ELD learning through collaboration. Dr. Cameron ended by reading a letter of gratitude from retired Board Member Frank Perez, thanking National School District, not only for the beautiful gift presented at the last Board Meeting, but also for all the friendships, prayers and support he and his family have received from the District.

George Cameron

Rosie Alvarado announced that she was recruiting her grandson to read in the classrooms across the District.

Rosie Alvarado

ADJOURNMENT

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 p.m.