

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District

REGULAR MEETING ORDER OF BUSINESS

Including Closed Session Items

333 South Beaudry Avenue, Board Room

9:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 18, 2017

Roll Call of Members

OPEN SESSION ITEM

Board Member Resolutions For Initial Announcement

- A. Mr. Schmerelson, Dr. McKenna, Mr. Zimmer- May is Better Hearing & Speech Month
(Res 078-16/17) (For Action at the 1:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting)

Whereas, Communication disorders are among the most common conditions in adults and children, costing the United States billions annually due to lost work productivity, special education, and medical treatment;

Whereas, 25,700 Los Angeles Unified School District students receive speech and language services, 3,800 preschool students receive integrated speech and language support in their classrooms, and 430 students receive audiology services;

Whereas, Those students of the Los Angeles Unified School District who have overcome their communication disorders through the services of dedicated audiologists and speech-language pathologists should be recognized;

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District also recognizes and values the efforts of all audiologists and speech-language pathologists throughout our nation who work to help these individuals with communication disorders lead independent, productive, and fulfilling lives;

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District is proud and honored to have 17 audiologists and 505 speech-language pathologists who have integral roles in education and are essential members of school faculties;

Whereas, Districtwide activities are planned to increase awareness of the need for attention to better hearing and speech;

Whereas, May as Better Hearing and Speech Month is recognized statewide in school districts in cooperation with the California Speech-Language-Hearing Association; and

Whereas, May as Better Hearing and Speech Month is nationally recognized in school districts in cooperation with the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District proclaims the month of May as Better Hearing and Speech Month, and we encourage all citizens to recognize

the achievements of audiologists and speech-language pathologists in improving the quality of life for people with communication disorders.

B. Mr. Schmerelson, Dr. McKenna – Celebrating Los Angeles School Police During National Police Week 2017 (Res-083-16/17) (For Action at the April 18, 2017 Regular Board Meeting - 1:00 p.m.)

Whereas, In 1962, the Congress and President of the United States designated May 15 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and the week in which May 15 falls as National Police week each year;

Whereas, There are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving communities across the United States, including the nearly 400 dedicated officers of the Los Angeles School Police Department;

Whereas, Since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 20,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice having been killed in the line of duty;

Whereas, A security section was created within the Los Angeles Unified School District in 1948 and two night watchmen lost their lives shortly thereafter in the protection of the District;

Whereas, The security section evolved into a fully certified police department in 1983 because local law enforcement agencies did not have the resources to handle the vast needs of the LAUSD for student and school community safety;

Whereas, Today, the Los Angeles School Police Department (LASPD) remains the largest K-12 police agency in the nation, handling nearly 135,000 calls for police services annually, utilizing sensitive, specially trained police officers to maintain safe, peaceful campuses;

Whereas, The LASPD is the signature school police agency providing training and assistance to school police departments and school resource officer agencies worldwide;

Whereas, The LASPD has been consistently recognized by "Security" magazine as the top K-12 school police department in the nation, and has been recognized by the United States Department of Education as a leader in school policing reform; and

Whereas, The men and women of the Los Angeles School Police Department risk their lives daily protecting our children and school communities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District hereby recognizes and honors the contributions of the LAUSD peace officers who steadfastly serve our schools and our communities by declaring the week of May 14–20, 2017, as National Police Week and May 15, 2017, as National Peace Officers' Memorial Day; and, be it finally

Resolved, That the Superintendent encourages students, staff, administrators, teachers, and community members to display and wear blue ribbons during National Police Week to express gratitude and appreciation for the service and sacrifice of the members of our Los Angeles School Police organization.

C. Dr. McKenna - AB 795 Free Tax Filing and Reporting Act of 2017 (Res 088-16/17)
(For Action at the April 18, 2017 Regular Board Meeting - 1:00 p.m.)

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District is committed to graduating 100% of its students college and 21st Century Career Ready;

Whereas, The District promotes volunteerism by requiring its seniors to complete community service hours to accompany academic eligibility for graduation;

Whereas, The District promotes civic engagement by encouraging all students of voting age to register and vote and participate in High School Voter Education Week activities;

Whereas, AB 795 would enact the “Free Tax Filing and Reporting Act” to provide additional education and training in the federal Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program;

Whereas, AB795 allows California’s taxing agencies, The Franchise Tax Board (FTB), Board of Equalization (BOE), and the Employment Development Department (EDD) to leverage the use of VITA volunteers to assist California seniors, the disabled, and other individuals and families who qualify for state and federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) to file and report their California taxes and claim refunds;

Whereas, \$184 million in state EITC, \$1.8 billion in federal EITC and billions in government resources, such as college grants, low-cost insurance, and health care funding went unclaimed by qualified California taxpayers;

Whereas, Increased training for VITA volunteers would increase their knowledge capacity on California tax law and help to reduce the reduce the \$19.9 billion California Tax Gap (under-reported and unreported taxes);

Whereas, VITA volunteers would use this additional training to help more Californians file and report their taxes through the VITA program and subsequently reduce the number of persons who do not file taxes;

Whereas, AB 795 also furthers the mission of the FTB, BOE and EDD by increasing opportunities for California taxpayers to file accurate and timely returns, reducing audits and appeals, and providing a consistent source of quality tax-trained candidates for employment;

Whereas, Increased training for VITA volunteers would also include opportunities for high school, community college and university students to participate in this valuable service to low income Californians;

Whereas, AB 795 would establish an educational and outreach grant program for high schools, community colleges and universities with established VITA certification and curriculum training programs and provide academic credit for VITA training and participation; and

Whereas, High school students who are trained as VITA volunteers would elevate their potential employment skills by advancing their knowledge base acquired via their volunteer service that expands leads to increased post-secondary career pathways; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District hereby declare its support for AB 795, and calls on the California State Legislature to approve its swift passage; and, be it finally

Resolved, That the Superintendent directs the Office of Government Relations to employ its advocacy resources in support of AB 795.

D. Dr. McKenna - Accountability and Transparency, for Equity and Access at Charter Schools
(Res 089-16/17) (For Action at the April 18, 2017 Regular Board Meeting - 1:00 p.m.)

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District has experienced a 287% growth in Charter Schools in the last decade;

Whereas, The current rules with regards to transparency, accountability, equity, and access are have not been sufficient to support the oversight of charter school operations;

Whereas, The District Governing Board of Education is the democratically elected body that is responsible in increasing student achievement, protecting public monies, and improving equity and access to all schools;

Whereas, AB 1360, Charter Schools: Pupil Admissions, Suspensions and Expulsions prohibits discriminatory admission practices and ensures due process in pupil discipline at charter schools;

Whereas, Any practices that serve to deny or push out certain children or families must be eliminated;

Whereas, AB 1478, Charter Schools accountability and transparency requires that charter operators be subject to the same conflict of interest laws and disclosure regulations that traditional schools follow as well as prohibits charter school board members and their immediate families from benefitting from their schools;

Whereas, SB 808, Charter Schools: Charter Authorities and Approvals requires that the local education authority (LEA) hold the sole jurisdiction to approve or reject any charter school petition; and

Whereas, SB 808 maintains that local school boards are best equipped to make decisions regarding education programs within their jurisdictions;

Whereas, Currently the County Offices of Education and the State Board of Education can summarily overrule decisions of local education authorities, thus undermining local control and democratically elected leadership; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District hereby declares its support for AB 1360, AB 1478, and SB 808, and calls on the California State Legislature to approve their swift passage; and, be it finally

Resolved, That the Superintendent direct the Office of Government Relations to employ its advocacy resources in support of AB 1360, AB 1478, and SB 808.

Public Comment

The public can address the Board at the commencement of the meeting in the Board Room on any item that is described in this notice or other issues under the purview of the Board of Education. At the conclusion of the closed session portion of the meeting, announcements required regarding actions taken by the Board of Education will be made in the Board Room.

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (Purpose and Authority)

E. Conference with Legal Counsel

Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))

United Teacher Los Angeles v. Los Angeles Unified School District
PERB Case No. LA-CE-5824-E

Community Coalition of South Los Angeles, et al. v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 156259

Potential Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4))
1 Case

F. Personnel (Government Code Section 54957)

Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

Public Employment

ADA Compliance Manager
Associate General Counsel II (3)
Associate Superintendent, Special Education Division
Chief of Staff
Chief Risk Officer
Deputy Chief Procurement Officer
Director of Food Services
Executive Director, Adult and Career Education
Executive Director, Early Childhood Education
IAU Research Director
Senior Administrator IT Infrastructure
Senior Executive Director, Arts Education Program
Senior Executive Director, Division of Instruction

Employee Evaluation
Associate General Counsel II
Inspector General
Superintendent of Schools

G. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Government Code Section 54957.6)

Negotiator: Mr. Najeeb Khoury
Employee Organizations:

Associated Administrators of Los Angeles
California School Employees Association
Los Angeles County Building and Construction Trades Council
Los Angeles School Police Association
Los Angeles School Police Sergeants and Lieutenants Association
Service Employees International Union, SEIU Local 99
Teamsters
United Teachers Los Angeles
District Represented Employees and Contract Management Personnel

H. Student Discipline Matters (California Education Code Sections 48918(c), (f))

I. Approval of Notes

Recess into Closed Session

Reconvene to Open Session

Report on any actions taken

Adjournment

Please note that the Board of Education may consider at this meeting any item referred from a Board Meeting five calendar days prior to this meeting (Education Code 54954.2(b)(3)).

The Board of Education may also refer any item on this Order of Business for the consideration of a committee or meeting of the Board of Education.

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