

**AMENDED MINUTES**

**Date of Meeting:** October 13, 2009

**Type of Meeting:** Regular Meeting

**Place of Meeting:** East School - Cafeteria

**Members Present:** President Lynn Gergen  
Vice President Darlene Tangney  
Board Member Patrick E. Gallagher  
Board Member Dennis Ryan  
Board Member Gina Guma

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Dr. Robert Greenberg, Superintendent  
Dr. Randie Berger, Deputy Superintendent  
Dr. Vincent Butera, Assistant Superintendent –  
Curriculum and Instruction  
Mr. Michael DeVito, Chief Operating Officer  
Mr. Pepin Accilien, Savin Engineers  
Mr. Tom Ritzenthaler, C+S Arch  
Mr. Chris Venator, Ingerman Smith L.L.P.  
Ms. Eileen Lilly, District Clerk

**I. Call to Order – President Gergen**

- Called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM and led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance
- Thanked East School for hosting the Board meeting
- Announced the following:
  1. there will be no Board of Education meeting on October 27
  2. The Board is proposing to look at having a student delegate on the Board of Education. The Board will look at the concept and they will discuss it at a future date
- Thanked everyone for remembering the Board in celebration of Board Recognition Week

**Call to Order**

## II. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Greenberg

<b>Superintendent's Report</b>
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Informed:

1. There will be a Board meeting on November 17 in lieu of the October 27 meeting that has been cancelled. Smart Goals and the Lido and Middle School Complex will be discussed at that time.
2. In recognition of the fine work of the Board of Education and the celebration of Board Recognition next week and the recent conversation about ballroom dancing, Ms. Ronni Reimel, Principal of East School, introduced Ms. Katie DeBruin, East School parent and a teacher in the Dancing Classrooms Program and the Fifth Grade Ballroom Dancers who performed for the Board. There was a break for cake.

Dr. Greenberg called on Dr. Dale Johanson who presented Certificates of Appreciation to participants in the New York All-State Festival Symphonic Band:

- Alyssa Blumenthal
- Leigh Rynecki

In recognition of the Board of Education, Dr. Johanson presented the Board with a compilation of students' art work in a booklet. Dr. Johanson invited all to the Newsday Marching Band Festival on October 21.

Dr. Greenberg reported on the following:

1. Meet and Greet Night at the Nike Alternative School
2. Attendance at a meeting sponsored by government agencies focused on providing intervention services for families
3. Nutritional analysis of cafeteria food will be posted on the District website
4. Importance of supporting the work of Morning Madness

Dr. Greenberg called on Mr. Michael DeVito who introduced Mr. Tom Ritzenthaler of C+S Arch. Mr. Ritzenthaler provided an update on the School Preservation Plan Work Schedule for East, West and Lindell Schools. He reviewed the work to be done over two different phases and at what point in time it will be executed. (There were questions from the community though not spoken at the microphone.)

**III. President Gergen called for Board of Education Comments**

**Board of Education Comments**

Board Member Ryan thanked Ms. Reimel for hosting the Board meeting at East School. He thanked the Central Council PTA and individual PTAs for the gifts in front of him tonight.

Board Member Guma asked for the continued support of Morning Madness. Long Beach Reach is honoring Morning Madness on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

**IV. President Gergen called for Questions and Comments from the Public on Agenda Items Only.**

**Questions and Comments from the Public**

Mr. Roy Lester – 72 Boyd Street

- Urged the Board to make VI. 3 (b) public before voting on it.

Ms. Mindy Warshaw – 15 Boyd Street

- Inquired about the terms of the contract in item VI. 3 (b)

President Gergen provided highlights of the Teachers' Contract in item VI. 3. (b)

1. Four year employment contract averages a percentage of 2.8 %
2. Four major changes are:
  - Contract will limit the number of column movements in a given year
  - Teachers will pay a larger percentage of their health insurance contributions, increasing from 12% to 15% of the life of the contract
  - Limits will be set for compensation for in-service courses at an estimated savings of hundreds of thousands of dollars to the District
  - Teachers will provide an additional extra help session per week and teachers will be allowed to bring their children to our district

Mr. Franklin Alvarado – 613 Monroe Boulevard

- Inquired about the yearly numbers in the contract. (Mr. Venator provided the numbers: 3.1%, 2.9%, 2.75%, and 2.5%)
- Inquired about the LBCTA contract: the net value in real money, the value of the percentage in the increase in health insurance, net value of in-service compensation, and the value of MA 80

Mr. DeVito provided information on MA 80.

Ms. Annie Conway – 119 Audrey Drive

- Appreciates the work on the teachers' contract and appreciates teachers
- Inquired as to which grades were receiving the extra help.

**V. President Gergen called for Board of Education Comments.**

There were none.

**VI. 1. President Gergen called for Presentations of the Superintendent.**

**Dr. Greenberg recommended the approval of Personnel Matters: Certificated Personnel.**

**President Gergen called for a motion.**

**Motion by: Board Member Gallagher**

**Seconded by: Board Member Ryan**

**Approved: Board Member Guma abstained on item VI. 1. (i) and voted to approve everything else under Certificated Personnel.  
Also Approved: Board Members Ryan, Gallagher, Tangney and Gergen**

**#51**

**Presentations of the Superintendent**

**1. Personnel Matters:  
Certificated  
Pages: 5-10 and 14**

## RESOLUTIONS

**VI. 1.** **BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following personnel actions.

### **I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

#### **(a) Resignations**

(1) Name: Allyson Grossman  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/Lindell School  
Effective Date: October 9, 2009

(2) Name: Monica Cespedes  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/middle school  
Effective Date: October 9, 2009

#### **(b) Request for Leaves of Absence: Maternity**

(1) Name: Alison Vaaler  
Assign./Loc: Teacher of Speech and Hearing  
Handicapped/Lindell School  
Effective Dates: December 15, 2009-March 23, 2010

(2) Name: Jennifer Maggio  
Assign./Loc: Reading Teacher/East School  
Effective Dates: February 1, 2010-June 30, 2010

(3) Name: Amber Tobia  
Assign./Loc: Science Teacher/high school  
Effective Dates: January 16, 2010-February 25, 2010

#### **(c) Request for Leaves of Absence: Personal**

(1) Name: Phyllis Sondergaard  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/middle school  
Effective Dates: September 15, 2009-October 30, 2009  
Reason: Medical

(2) Name: Elisa Kolb  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/West School  
Effective Dates: September 8, 2009-November 30, 2009  
Reason: To cover as a substitute teacher in a short term leave.

(3) Name: Antonella Forte  
Assign./Loc: Foreign Language Teacher/high school  
Effective Dates: September 29, 2009-Date to be determined  
Reason: Personal

**VI. 1. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(d) Rescission: Appointment: Part Time Temporary Teacher Assistant (19 Hours)**

Name: Sarah White  
Assign./Loc.: Temporary Part Time Teacher Assistant, 19 hours per week/Hebrew Academy of Long Beach

**(e) Appointment: Probationary Technology Teacher**

Name: Daniel Lerner  
Assign./Loc.: Probationary Technology Teacher/high school  
Certification: Initial Technology Education  
Effective Date: October 14, 2009  
Ending Date: October 13, 2012  
Tenure Date: October 14, 2012  
Tenure Area: Industrial Arts  
Salary Classification: BA/Step 1 (\$53,912\* per annum) prorated  
Reason: To replace David Dileo  
\*Subject to negotiations

**(f) Appointment: Part Time Art Teacher (.7)**

Name Allison Rochford  
Assign/Loc: Part Time Art Teacher/East School  
Certification: Initial Visual Arts  
Effective Dates: October 14, 2009-June 30, 2010 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Salary Classification: 0.7 of BA/Step 1 (\$37,738\* per annum) prorated  
Reason: To fill a vacancy  
\*Subject to negotiations

**(g) Appointment: Part Time Temporary Technology Teachers (0.2)**

(1) Name: James Johnsen  
Assign./Loc.: Part Time Temporary Technology Teacher(0.2) in addition to 1.0/high school  
Certification: Initial Technology Education  
Effective Dates: October 14, 2009-June 30, 2010 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Salary Classification: 0.2 of BA/Step 4 (\$11,900\* per annum) prorated  
Reason: To fill a vacancy  
\*Subject to negotiations

**VI. 1. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(h) Appointment: Part Time Temporary Technology Teachers (0.2) cont:**

(2) Name: Eric Heck  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Temporary Technology Teacher(0.2) in addition to 1.0/high school  
Certification: Initial Technology Education  
Effective Dates: October 14, 2009-January 29, 2010 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Salary Classification: 0.2 of MA+40/Step 9 (\$16,911\* per annum) prorated  
Reason: To fill a vacancy  
\*Subject to negotiations

**(i) Appointment: Part Time Elementary Teacher-AIS Math (0.12)**

Name: Nicole Isola  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Elementary Teacher-AIS Math (0.12)/Long Beach Catholic School  
Certification: Initial Childhood Education 1-6  
Effective Dates: October 14, 2009-June 30, 2010 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Salary Classification: 0.12 of MA/Step 1 (\$7,070 per annum) prorated  
Reason: To meet a district need  
Comment: Grant Funded

**(j) Amended Appointment: Part Time Temporary Teacher Assistant (17.5 Hours)**

Name: Marilyn McMahan  
Assign./Loc.: Temporary Part Time Teacher Assistant, 17.5 hours per week/Long Beach Catholic School  
Certification: Continuing-Teacher Assistant  
Effective Date: October 14, 2009-June 26, 2010 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Salary Classification: \$22.09 per hour  
Grade/Step: Grade II/Step 8  
Reason: To increase hours

**VI. 1. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(k) Appointment: Part Time Temporary Teacher Assistant (17.5 Hours)**

Name: Meghann Miller  
Assign./Loc.: Temporary Part Time Teacher Assistant,  
17.5 hours per week/Lindell School  
Certification: Level I-Teacher Assistant  
Effective Date: October 14, 2009-June 25, 2010 (or earlier  
at the district's discretion)  
Salary Classification: \$16.90 per hour  
Grade/Step: Grade II/Step 1  
Reason: reappointment

**(l) Rescission: Appointment: Advisor for High School Co-Curricular Activities  
2009-2010 School Year-\*Subject to negotiations**

<b>Advisor</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Stipend*</b>
Amy Powers	Best Buddies	\$2,705 (split)

**(m) Amended Appointment: Advisor for High School Co-Curricular Activities  
2009-2010 School Year-\*Subject to negotiations**

<b>Advisor</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Stipend*</b>
Christopher Brown	Best Buddies	\$2,705

**(n) Amended Appointment: Advisors for Middle School Co-Curricular  
Activities 2009-2010 School Year-\*Subject to negotiations**

<b>Advisor</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Stipend*</b>
Jean Schlegel/Camila Gamboa	Book Club	\$1,353 (split)

**(o) Appointment: Temporary Building Technical Liaison for September 1, 2009-  
October 31, 2009-Stipend: \$2,150 (prorated)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>
Diana Armada (covering for Lynda D'Alessio who is on a leave of absence)	Lido School

**(p) Appointment: After School ASD Program –Temporary Special Education  
Teachers– 2009-2010 School Year-Rate of Pay: \$65.36\* partially reimbursed  
through tuition -\*Subject to negotiations**

1. Lauren Moriarty
2. Janna O'Brien
3. Katie Gardner
4. Lisa Weitzman-Substitute



**VI. 1. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(q) Appointment: After School ASD Program –Temporary Teacher Assistants–  
2009-2010 School Year-Rate of Pay: According to contract**

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| 1. Patricia Toyas   | 6. Maryann Deely                |
| 2. Adrian Zeigler   | 7. Melanie Muirhead-Substitute  |
| 3. Ann Marie DeLiso | 8. Marilyn McMahan-Substitute   |
| 4. Kelly Dass       | 9. Caitlin McCormack-Substitute |
| 5. Marcus Quirogas  | 10. Cathy Palmer-Substitute     |

**(r) Appointment: Coordinator Title III Afterschool Program for the 2009-2010  
School Year-\$49.20\* per hour (Grant Funded)-\*Subject to negotiations**

Gretchen Cotton

**(s) The following Per Diem Substitute Teachers are recommended for approval  
for the 2009-2010 school year:**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>CERTIFICATION AREA</b>
1. Francine Aufiero	Permanent N-6
2. Edwina Bryant	Permanent English 7-12
3. Jacqueline Byrne	Initial Early Childhood Education (B-2) Initial Childhood Education (1-6)
4. Rachel Cornwell	Initial Physical Education
5. David Dileo	Initial Technology Education
6. Antonella Forte	Initial Spanish 7-12 (in process)
7. Scott Hosemann	Initial Social Studies 7-12
8. Dennis Murray	Initial Physical Education
9. Eugenia Pantony	Conditional Initial Physical Education
10. Steven Paul	Initial Social Studies 7-12
11. Lorraine Radice	Initial Childhood Education (1-6)
12. Kevin Richman	Initial Students with Disabilities (5-9) Initial Generalist in Middle School Education (5-9) Initial Students with Disabilities (1-6) Initial Extension Severe or Multiple Disabilities Initial Childhood Education (1-6)
13. Dawn Stidd	Initial Music 7-12
14. Bess Zaffuto	Permanent Art K-12 Permanent Pre K-6
15. Batus, Patricia	

**VI. 1. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(t) Reclassifications:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Assignments</b>	<b>New Class</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
1. Michele Bennett	Teacher/Music	MA+60	2/1/09
2. Michele Bennett	Teacher/Music	MA+70	9/1/09
3. Lisa Casey	Teacher/Soc Studies	MA+20	9/1/09
4. Gregory Cody	Teacher/Soc Studies	MA+30	9/1/09
5. Ernestina DeBellegarde	Teacher/For Lang	MA+60	9/1/09
6. Jaclyn Eiger	Teacher/S&HH	MA+30	9/1/09
7. Heather Fisher	Teacher/Reading	MA+60	2/1/09*
8. Glenn Gartung	Social Worker	MA+70	9/1/09
9. Tamara Mancusi	Teacher/English	MA	9/1/09
10. Stephanie Meyer	Teacher/Art	MA+80	9/1/09
11. Andrew Rossi	Teacher/Music	MA+80	9/1/09
12. John Skudin	Teacher/Phys Ed	MA+10	9/1/08
13. Flor West	Teacher/ESL	MA+80	9/1/09

\*Amended Date

**VI. 2. Dr. Greenberg recommended the tabling of item VI. 2 (j) .  
President Gergen called for a motion to table item VI. 2 (j).**

**Motion: Board Member Ryan  
Seconded by: Board Member Guma  
Approved: 5-0**

**#52  
Motion to  
Table Item  
VI. 2. (j)**

**Dr. Greenberg recommended the approval of the remaining items in Non-Certificated Personnel VI. (2).**

**President Gergen called for a motion to approve the remaining items in VI. 2. Non-Certificated Personnel.**

**Motion by: Board Member Guma  
Seconded by: Board Member Ryan  
Approved: 5-0**

**#53  
Approval of Non-Certificated Personnel  
Pages 11-14**

**Dr. Greenberg wished Ms. Sharpe well in her retirement.**

**VI. 2. NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(a) Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement**

Name: Maren Sharpe  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Clerical/Administration Building  
Effective Date: December 31, 2009

**(b) Discontinuance**

Name: Tracy Gaines  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Building Aide/East School  
Effective Date: October 14, 2009

**(c) Request for Leave of Absence**

Name: Pamela Garfinkle  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Building Aide/high school  
Effective Dates: September 18, 2009-March 25, 2010  
Reason: Medical

**(d) Appointment: Probationary Secretary I**

Name: Lisa Marry  
Assign./Loc.: Probationary Secretary I/Lindell School-  
Registrars' Office  
Effective Date: October 15, 2009  
Probation End Date: October 7, 2010  
Salary Classification: \$38,948\* per annum (prorated)  
Grade/Step: Grade IV/Step 5  
Reason: To replace Eva Robinson

**(e) Appointment: Head Grounds Supervisor**

Name: Bryan McGovern  
Assign./Loc.: Heads Grounds Supervisor/Maple Avenue  
Effective Date: October 14, 2009  
Probationary End Date: October 14, 2011  
Salary Classification: \$66,151 per annum (prorated)  
Grade/Step: Grade III/Step 19  
Reason: Upgrade of position to meet a district need.

**(f) Appointment: Part Time Nurse (0.6)**

Name: Joan Doherty  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Nurse (0.6)/high school  
Effective Dates: September 1, 2009-June 30, 2010 (or  
earlier at the district's discretion)  
Salary Classification: 0.6 of Step 9 (\$25,260\* per annum)  
Reason: Annual appointment

\*Subject to negotiations

**VI. 2. NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(g) Appointment: Regular Substitute Part Time Lunch Aide**

Name: Joanne Segurra  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Lunch Aide (15 hrs per week)/East School  
Effective Date: September 1, 2009-October 5, 2009 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Salary Classification: \$15.26 per hour  
Grade/Step: Grade 1/Step 3  
Reason: To replace Robin Harris.

**(h) The following Per Diem personnel are recommended for approval for the 2009-2010 school year:**

1. Brian Hanratty-Teacher Assistant
2. Joann Segarra-Lunch Aide/Building Aide

**(i) Corrected Probationary End Date**

Name: Kathleen McNally  
Assign./Loc.: Probationary Senior Keyboard Specialist (12 months)/high school  
Effective Date: September 1, 2009  
Probation End Date: April 1, 2010

**(j) Appointment: Health, Safety and Nurse Liaison effective July 1, 2009-Stipend: \$7,500-grant funded**

Name	Location
Barbara Young	Districtwide

<b>Tabled Item</b>
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**(k) BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the settlement of a workers' compensation claim under WCB# 20500015 for \$92,100 in accordance with a letter dated September 16, 2009 from the District's carrier, the Pomco Group, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board President is authorized to execute an agreement consistent thereto.

**VI. 2. NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

(I) **Recommended Action: Approval of the schedules of the Fall 2009 Saturday Morning Enrichment Program Instructional Personnel as follows (subject to sufficient enrollment and satisfactory performance):**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>\$ Hour</b>	<b>Max Hours</b>
1. Aurora, Jr. Vincent	Instructor	Sports a Rama	25	20
2. Brown, Shamika	Instructor	Artist Techniques	27	20
3. Brown , Shoni	Instructor	Hip Hop Dance	27	20
4. Farrell, Linda	Instructor	Crafty Kids	33	20
5. Grant, Meredith	Instructor	Fun With Food	27	20
6. Levenberg, Dana	Instructor	Gymnastics	33	20
7. Lilley, Jean Marie	Instructor	Theatre Arts	27	20
8. Martin, Deanna	Instructor	Yoga for Kids	27	20
9. Onufrock, Lina	Instructor	Jewelry and Beads	27	20
10. Rosa, Jennifer	Instructor	Fabric Fun	31	20
11. Silverman, Jessica	Instructor	Piano	27	20
12. Silvestro, Maryann	Instructor	Dinosaur Digs	27	20
13. Tasavoli, Cabrina	Instructor	Wild for Sports	31	20
14. Theisen, Roseann	Instructor	Cake Decorating	27	20
<b>Assistants</b>				
15. Cronnoly, Louise	Assistant		15	20
16. Golia, Jeanne	Assistant		15	20
17. Greenhut, Debra	Assistant		17	20
18. Monahan, Aileen	Assistant		17	20
19. Quiroga, Marcus	Assistant		17	20
20. Schwarz, Deborah	Assistant		19	20
21. Silvestro, Maryann	Assistant		19	15
22. Spinks, Revi	Asst to Director		33	45
<b>Substitute Instructors</b>				
23. Cronnoly, Louise			27	20
24. Golia, Jeanne			25	20
25. Greenhut, Debra			27	20
26. Monahan, Aileen			27	20
27. Quiroga, Marcus			27	20
28. Schwarz, Deborah			29	20
<b>Student Assistants</b>				
29. Birenbaum, Dana			7.50	20
30. Copeland, Jessica			7.75	20
31. Cronnoly, Michelle			7.75	20
32. Farrell, Nicholas			7.75	20
33. Horowitz, Brandon			7.50	20

**VI. 2. NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

(m) **Recommended Action: Approval of the schedules of the Fall 2009 Saturday Morning Enrichment Program Instructional Personnel as follows (subject to sufficient enrollment and satisfactory performance): continued**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>\$ Hour</b>	<b>Max Hours</b>
<b>Student Assistants</b>				
34. Lazare, Adam			7.75	20
35. Monahan, Thomas			7.50	20
36. Noss, Geoffery			7.75	20
37. Randall, Jeremy			7.75	20
38. Slutsky, Amanda			7.75	20
39. Solomonik, Jordan			7.75	20
40. Solomonik, Michael			7.50	20
41. Spinks, Sarah			7.75	20
42. Stein, Russell			7.75	20

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby designates the appointments of the following individuals as emergency conditional appointments, pursuant to chapter 147 of the Laws of 2001:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Assignment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Kevin Chavez	Seasonal Worker	10/13/09
Vincent Hall	Seasonal Worker	10/13/09
Geraldine King	Substitute Nurse	10/13/09
Blair Ratner	Seasonal Worker	10/13/09

**VI. 3. Dr. Greenberg recommended the  
APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS**

**#54  
APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS**

**CONTRACTS**

**(a) Contract-Consultant: For the 2009-2010 School Year**

Name: A.U.S.S.I.E.  
Fee: \$117,500 maximum-Grant Funded  
Services: To provide professional development.

**(b) MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT: LONG BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND  
THE LBCTA**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the negotiating representatives of the Long Beach Public Schools and the LBCTA, dated October 1, 2009.

**President Gergen called for a motion.**

**Motion by: Board Member Ryan**  
**Seconded by: Board Member Guma**  
**Approved: 5-0**

**VI. 4. Dr. Greenberg recommended  
APPROVAL TO INCREASE SCHOOL YEAR 2008-  
2009 CONTRACT MAXIMUM FOR PAWS-4-PEDS**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education ("Board") of the Long Beach City School District ("District") approved a contract maximum of Paws-4-Peds for the 2008-09 school year at a board meeting on October 14, 2008; and

**#55  
APPROVAL TO  
INCREASE SCHOOL  
YEAR 2008-2009  
CONTRACT MAXIMUM  
FOR PAWS-4-PEDS**

**WHEREAS**, the District required the occupational and physical therapy services of Paws-4-Peds in an amount greater than the approved maximum of \$250,000;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board approves an increase in the 2008-2009 school year Paws-4-Peds contract amount to a maximum of \$302,000.

**Motion by:** Board Member Guma  
**Seconded by:** Board Member Ryan  
**Approved:** 5-0

**VI. 5. Dr. Greenberg recommended the  
ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION**

**#56  
ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation of a desk from an Island Park resident.

**Motion by:** Board Member Guma  
**Seconded by:** President Gergen  
**Approved:** 5-0

**VI. 6. Dr. Greenberg recommended the  
AWARD OF BID #767B: Out-of District Special  
Education Transportation**

**#57  
AWARD OF BID #767B**

**WHEREAS**, the Long Beach City School District ("District") placed legal notice advertising a bid for Out-of-District Special Education Transportation (bid #767B) in the official district paper on September 24, 2009, and mailed bid documents to ten (10 ) vendors; and

**WHEREAS**, the District, in accordance with Article 5-A of the General Municipal Law, invited bids for Out-of-District Special Education Transportation, which bids were opened publicly on October 1, 2009; and



**WHEREAS**, multiple bidders were the lowest bidders on various items within the bid for Out-of-District Special Education Transportation (bid #767B);

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby determines that We Transport and Independent Coach were the lowest responsible bidders for various items (see attached detailed list) within the Out-of-District Special Education Transportation (bid #767 ) and approves the award of Out-of-District Special Education Transportation (bid # 767B) to We Transport.

**President Gergen called for motion.**

**Motion by:** Board Member Ryan

**Seconded by:** President Gergen and Board Member Ryan reiterated  
that these buses must follow the No Idling Policy

**Approved:** 5-0

**VI. 7. Dr. Greenberg recommended the  
ACCEPTANCE OF CHANGE ORDER**

<b>#58 ACCEPTANCE OF CHANGE ORDER</b>
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**WHEREAS**, the Long Beach City School District ("District") placed legal notice advertising a bid for Plumbing Contract (No. 1-FTCNG-2) in the official district paper on August 13, 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, the District, in accordance with Article 5-A of the General Municipal Law, invited bids for Plumbing Contract (No. 1-FTCNG-2) which bids were publicly opened on August 19, 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, the sole bid received was from ANGI Energy Systems for Plumbing Contract (No. 1-FTCNG-2); and

**WHEREAS**, the bid received from ANGI Energy Systems for Plumbing Contract (No. 1-FTCNG-2) on August 19, 2009 for \$119,485.00 was significantly higher than a prior proposal submitted by ANGI Energy Systems on July 16, 2009 for \$105,820.00 for the same scope of highly specialized work;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, after consultations with the District's Construction Manager, Architect and Counsel, the Board of Education hereby accepts Change Order (No. 001) to Angi Energy Systems for \$105,820.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorizes the Chief Operating Officer to execute change order No. 1-FTCNG-2 on its behalf.

**President Gergen called for a motion.**

**Motion by:** Board Member Ryan  
**Seconded by:** Board Member Gallagher  
**Approved:** 5-0

**VI. 8. Dr. Greenberg recommended the APPROVAL OF LICENSE AGREEMENT**

<b>#59 APPROVAL OF LICENSE AGREEMENT</b>
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**WHEREAS**, the Long Beach City School District ("District") wishes to use the City of Long Beach Ice Arena ("Ice Arena") for ice skating, hockey games and practices for the 2009-2010 school year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ice Arena is willing to provide a no fee license to the district to use the Ice Arena facilities;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District approves the license agreement between the District and the Ice Arena for the 2009-2010 school year; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorizes the Chief Operating Officer to execute the license agreement on its behalf.

**President Gergen called for a motion.**

**Motion by:** Board Member Ryan  
**Seconded by:** Board Member Gallagher  
**Approved:** 5-0

**VI. 9. DR. GREENBERG RECOMMENDED THE APPOINTMENT OF INGERMAN SMITH, L.L.P., TO SERVE AS THE DISTRICT'S LEGAL CONSULTANTS FOR THE 2009-10 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**#60  
APPOINTMENT OF INGERMAN  
SMITH, L.L.P.**

**The following are comments by Board Members Tangney, Ryan and Gallagher; they were delivered at this section of the meeting on October 13, 2009. They were added to the Minutes as amended on November 10, 2009.**

**Amendment to Minutes**

Board Member Tangney:

I don't have the confidence in this firm, Ingerman Smith that other board members do. My experience over the past three and a half months has been with a firm that I feel is more committed to certain staff members at the potential expense of the Board of Ed and the LBCSD. I ask my fellow board members, as a suggestion, that we hire an independent counsel to review certain items and opinions that have been given by representatives of Ingerman and Smith before they extend their contract.

Board Member Ryan

Just to speak out, having experience with a number of firms – only because I work in other districts – not because I'm litigious by nature, I am satisfied with the quality of service from Ingerman Smith. I do think they run the gamut in terms of whether it's Special Ed or whether its building or other kinds of legal services. I differ with Mrs. Tangney on the provision of the service. I think, in any law firm, you have strengths and weaknesses like you have in most any other area of business. But, overall, I am grateful for their service and I would certainly support their continued service in the district.

Board Member Gallagher

I would like to also add that I've had the opportunity to work with this firm for seven years on this Board of Education and, similar to Dr. Ryan, in my previous career I've worked with a lot of other law firms. I've never felt anything but a tremendous amount of confidence in them. I've felt they've always given us solid answers, even though I didn't always agree with them. But, I felt they've always had the District as Number One in their position and I support them and I will be supporting them tonight.

**President Gergen called for a motion.**

**Motion by: Board Member Ryan**

**Seconded by: Board President Gergen**

**Vote: Yes – Board Members Gallagher, Ryan and Gergen**

**Abstain: Board Member Guma**

**No: Board Member Tangney**

**The motion to appoint Ingerman Smith as the District's legal consultants was approved 3-1-1.**

**VI. 10. Dr. Greenberg recommended the approval of the  
PAYMENT OF LEGAL BILLS: LEGAL SERVICES**

**#61  
PAYMENT OF LEGAL  
BILLS**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes expenditures in the amount of \$13,585.92 to the firm of Ingerman, Smith, L.L.P. for the monthly retainer and extraordinary legal services rendered during the period of August 1, 2009 through August 31, 2009.

**President Gergen called for a motion.**

**Motion by: Board Member Ryan**

**Seconded by: Board Member Gallagher**

**Vote: Yes – Board Members Gallagher, Ryan, Guma, Gergen**

**No – Board Member Tangney**

**The motion was approved: 4-1**

**VI. 11. Dr. Greenberg recommended the approval of the  
USE OF SCHOOLS**

**#62  
USE OF  
SCHOOLS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the use of schools, as attached, not to conflict with District events.

**President Gergen called for a motion.**

**Motion by: Board Member Gallagher**

**Seconded by: Board Member Guma**

**Approved: 5-0**

**VII. President Gergen for Questions and Comments from the Public.**

<b>Questions and Comments from the Public</b>
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Ms. Mindy Warshaw – 15 Boyd Street

- Inquired about the bill for legal services
- Commented on and inquired about traffic and safety issues at Blackheath Road and Lido Boulevard and the sidewalk along Lido Boulevard

Ms. Maureen Vrona – 7 Oswego Avenue

- Inquired about locking school playgrounds and specifically West School playground
- Inquired about the Six Day Cycle

Mr. Franklin Alvarado – 615 Monroe Boulevard

- Thanked the Board for what they do
- Inquired about the International Baccalaureate Program
- Congratulated the Board for shepherding the Master Plan
- Appreciated the Board's providing the Dancing Classrooms Program

Ms. Teresa Greifenberger – 441 East Beech Street

- Addressed nutrition issues regarding high sodium content in soup mix
- Expressed health and environmental concerns about the use of plastic milk containers

Mr. Keith Carter – 547 East Broadway

- Inquired about the District Policy Committee mentioned at a previous Board meeting
- Commented on the format of the Minutes

Ms. Amy Brown Rand – 64 Barnes Street

- Praised the Dancing Classrooms Program
- Inquired about the FLES Program
- Commented on the Dual Language Program

Ms. Jennifer Smith – 447 East Chester Street

- Expressed health concerns regarding construction at Lindell

Ms. Dawn Russo – 128 Taft Avenue

- Commented on and inquired about Dual Language Program

**VIII. President Gergen called for Announcements.**

**Announcements**

1. Long Beach Classroom Teachers' Association – No announcements
2. Administrative, Supervisory and PPS Group – Ms. Wendi Klein
  - Expressed her appreciation to the Board for their support
3. LBPS Group C Employees Association – No comments
4. Parent/Teacher Association – Ms. Trish Barbato and Ms. Andrea Wayne
  - Thanked the Board of Education for their hard work
  - Congratulated Alyssa Blumenthal and Leigh Rynecki
  - Informed that
    - Health and Safety is a District not a PTA Committee
    - Wished the best to Maren Sharpe in her retirement
    - PTA is happy about the success of the LBCTA contract and that the Board is considering having a student representative on the Board
    - Informed that CCPTA will meet on October 23 and Ms. Judy Vining will speak
5. Student Organization – No Comments

**IX. President Gergen called for Board of Education – Additional New/Old Business, if any.**

**Board of Education –  
Additional New/Old  
Business, if any**

**Board Member Ryan**

- Thanked everyone for the gifts
- Expressed his appreciation for those who raise questions and make comments at Board meetings

**X. President Gergen called for a motion to adjourn at 10:08 PM.**

**Motion by:** Board Member Guma  
**Seconded by:** Board Member Ryan  
**Approved:** 5-0

**Adjournment**

**Amended minutes submitted by:**

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**Eileen Lilly, District Clerk  
November 12, 2009**