ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

The mission of Albany Unified School District is to provide excellence in public education, empowering all to achieve their fullest potential as productive citizens. AUSD is committed to creating comprehensive learning opportunities in a safe, supportive, and collaborative environment, addressing the individual needs of each student.

REGULAR MEETING

ALBANY CITY HALL

1000 San Pablo Avenue Albany, CA 94706

> TUESDAY April 19, 2011

A G E N D A

I. OPENING BUSINESS

7:00 p.m.

- A) Call to Order
- B) Roll Call
- C) Identify Closed Session Pursuant to Agenda Section III Below

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

General public comment on any Closed Session item will be heard. The Board may limit comments to no more than three (3) minutes.

III. CLOSED SESSION

7:05 p.m.

- A) With respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Superintendent's Evaluation
- B) With respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session pursuant to Education Code Section 35146: Students
- C) With respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Superintendent Marla Stephenson, District Representative), Regarding Negotiations as pertains to:
 - a. California School Employees Association (CSEA)
 - b. Albany Teachers Association (ATA)
 - c. SEIU Local 1021

IV. OPEN SESSION

7:30 p.m.

Depending upon completion of Closed Session items, the Board of Education intends to convene to Open Session at 7:30 p.m. to conduct the remainder of its meeting, reserving the right to return to Closed Session at any time.

- A) Reconvene to Open Session
- B) Roll Call
- C) Pledge of Allegiance
- D) Report of Action Taken in Closed Session
- E) Approval of Agenda

F) Approval of Consent Calendar

(The Consent Calendar includes routine items that may be handled with one action. Board Members may request any item be removed from the Consent Calendar without formal action)

1. Approval of Minutes

a) February 1, 2011

2. Approval Amended Minutes

- a) February 15, 2011
- b) March 1, 2011

3. Personnel

- a) Certificated Personnel Assignment Order
 - 1. Amendment
 - a. Coach, Assistant Track
 - 2. Leave
 - a. School Psychologist
 - b. Teacher
 - 3. Extra Assignment
 - a. BTSA Mentor
 - 4. New Hire
 - a. Principal, Albany Middle School
 - b. Teacher
 - c. Teacher Substitute
 - d. Teacher Substitute, Long Term
 - 5. Separation of Service
 - a. Teacher
 - 6. Status Change none
- b) Classified Personnel Assignment Order
 - 1. Amendment
 - a. Coach, Track
 - 2. Leave none
 - 3. Extra Assignment none
 - 4. New Hire
 - a. Administrative Assistant Business/Personnel, Hourly
 - b. Interpreter/Translator
 - c. Executive Assistant for Support Services
 - 5. Separation of Service
 - a. Career Coordinator
 - 6. Status Change none
- c) Uncompensated Service Assignment Order
 - 1. Volunteer
 - a. Classroom
 - b. Driver

4. Curriculum and Instruction

a) Approve the Extended Field Trip Request for the Albany High School Science Bowl Team to Compete in the Science Bowl National Finals in Washington, DC.

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		b)	Approve the Extended Field Trip Request for a Marin School 2 nd Grade Class to Attend a Two Day Outdoor Education Trip at Alice Eastwood Group in Mt. Tamalpais State Park, CA.	Pg 6
		c)	Approve the Independent Contractor Agreement between Albany Unified School District and Teresa Hickman for Zumba Classes at Ocean View School	Pg 7
	5.	Bu	usiness and Operations	
		a)	Ratify the Agreement between Albany Unified School District and School Innovations and Advocacy to complete the School Accountability Report Cards for the 2009-10 School Year	Pg 8
		d)	Approve the Agreement between Albany Unified School District and School Innovation and Advocacy to complete the School Accountability Report Cards for the 2010-11 School Year, and to complete the Single School Plans for the 2011-12 School Year	Pg 9
	6.	St	udent Services	
		a)	Approve the Independent Contractor Agreement between Albany	Pg 10
		b)	Unified School District and University of California Berkeley Vision Clinic Approve Increase to Purchase Order #P11-00317 between Albany Unified School District and Pediatric Contracting Services	Pg 11
		c)	Approve the Master contract between AUSD and Peggy Kelly	Pg 12
v. vi.	A) Sti	ıden	IT BOARD MEMBERS at Board Member Report REPORTS	
VII.	PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA Board practice limits each speaker to no more than three (3) minutes. The Brown Act limits Board ability to discuss or act on items which are not on the agenda; therefore, such items may be referred to staff for comment or for consideration on a future agenda.			
VIII.	REVI	EW	V AND ACTION ITEMS	
(Members of the public will have the opportunity to speak on all issues.) A) Approve Resolution 2010-11-21 Release of Temporary Certificated Employees B) Approve Resolution 2010-11-23 in the Matter of the Reduction of Classified School Services				
	C) Ay U: Be	ppro nder ehav	ove Resolution 2010-11-24 in the Matter of the Memorandum of rstanding between the County of Alameda Health Care Services, the vioral Health Care Services, the County of Alameda Social Services Agency, he North Region Special Education Local Plan Area	Pg 15
	D) A:	ppo:	int Member to the City of Albany Committee: Community Media Access nittee School Board appointee Barbara Grady-Ayer	Pg 17
	E) A:	ppro cear	ove the Comprehensive Safe School Plans for Cornell, Marin, and View Schools, Albany Middle School, Albany High School, and Gregor High School (provided under separate cover)	Pg 18
IX.			V AND DISCUSSION ITEMS uct the first reading of BP 3290 – Gifts, Grants, and Bequests	Pg 19

X. BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A) FCMAT Report	May
B) Pool Update	May
C) Budget Development 2011-12	May
D) Board Governance Calendar	May
E) School Accountability Report Cards	May
F) Employee Recognition	June
G) Budget Adoption	June

XII. FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

A) Monday, April 25, 2011, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Special Study Session to Discuss 2011-12 Budget Reductions at the Elementary Schools and at the District Office.

Location: Albany High School Multipurpose Room

B) Thursday, April 28, 2011, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Special Study Session to Discuss 2011-12 Budget Reductions at the Secondary Schools.

Location: Albany High School Multipurpose Room

- C) Tuesday, May 3, 2011, 7: 30 p.m., Regular Meeting Albany City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany
- D) Tuesday, May 17, 2011, 7:30 p.m., Regular Meeting Albany City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany
- F) Thursday, June 9, 2011, 7:30 p.m., Regular Meeting Albany City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany
- G) Tuesday, June 21, 2011, 7:30 p.m., Regular Meeting Albany City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The Board believes that late night meetings deter public participation, can affect the Board's decision-making ability, and can be a burden to staff. Regular Board Meetings shall be adjourned at 10:00 p.m. unless extended to a specific time determined by a majority of the Board.

The Board of Education meeting packet is available for public inspection at the Albany Public Library, 1247 Marin Avenue, all school sites, and the lobby of the Albany Unified School District office, 1051 Monroe Street, Albany. The agenda is available on the Albany Unified School District web site: www.ausdk12.org

If you provide your name and/or address when speaking before the Board of Education, it may become a part of the official public record and the official minutes will be published on the Internet

In compliance with the Americans with Disability Act (ADA), if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 510-558-3766. Notification must be give forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting to make reasonable arrangements for accessibility (28 CFR 35.102,104 ADA Title II).

Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011

ITEM:

APPROVE THE EXTENDED FIELD TRIP REQUEST FOR THE

ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE BOWL TEAM TO

COMPETE IN THE SCIENCE BOWL NATIONAL FINALS IN

WASHINGTON, DC.

PREPARED BY:

Lynda Hornada, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

TYPE OF ITEM:

CONSENT

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Dates of Trip:

April 27 to May 3, 2011

Description of Trip:

Approximately 5 AHS students will attend the National Finals. The students will advance their understanding of science research as well as participate in the competition. AHS Science Bowl Team members placed first their regional competition which earned them the right to compete at the National level.

X Standard Field Trip Request

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Funding Source: Donations

RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE THE EXTENDED FIELD TRIP REQUEST FOR THE ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE BOWL TEAM TO COMPETE IN THE SCIENCE BOWL NATIONAL FINALS IN WASHINGTON, DC.

Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011

ITEM:

APPROVE THE EXTENDED FIELD TRIP REQUEST FOR A MARIN 2^{ND} GRADE CLASS TO ATTEND A TWO DAY OUTDOOR EDUCATION TRIP AT ALICE EASTWOOD GROUP CAMP IN

MT. TAMALPAIS STATE PARK, CA.

PREPARED BY: Lynda Hornada, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

TYPE OF ITEM: CONSENT

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Dates of Trip:

May 18th to 20th

Students will depart Marin School at 9:00 AM on May 18 and return at 2:45 PM on May 20, 2011.

Description of Trip:

Approximately 24 students will participate in the outdoor education trip. The students will learn about the natural environment in western Marin.

X Standard Field Trip Request

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Funding Source: Donations

RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE THE EXTENDED FIELD TRIP REQUEST FOR A MARIN 2^{ND} GRADE CLASS TO ATTEND A TWO DAY OUTDOOR EDUCATION TRIP AT ALICE EASTWOOD GROUP CAMP IN MT. TAMALPAIS STATE PARK, CA.

Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011

ITEM:

APPROVE THE INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT WITH ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND TERESA HICKMAN FOR ZUMBA CLASSES AT OCEAN VIEW SCHOOL

PREPARED BY:

Lynda Hornada, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

TYPE OF ITEM: CONSENT

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Dates of Service:

May 2, 2011 - June 10, 2011

Description of Services:

Teresa Hickman will provide Zumba classes for Kindergarten classes at Ocean View School. Zumba is a Latin inspired dance/fitness program that is appropriate for all age levels and can be modified for individuals with disabilities.

Cost not to exceed: \$100.00

X Standard Contract

Contract deviates from Standard Contract. Description below.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Funding Source: Donations

RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE THE INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT WITH ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND TERESA HICKMAN FOR ZUMBA CLASSES AT OCEAN VIEW SCHOOL

Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011

ITEM:

RATIFY THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ALBANY UNIFIED

SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SCHOOL INNOVATIONS AND

ADVOCACY TO COMPLETE THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY

REPORT CARDS FOR THE 2009-10 SCHOOL YEAR

PREPARED BY:

Lynda Hornada, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

TYPE OF ITEM:

CONSENT

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Dates of Service:

February 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011

Description of Services:

School Innovations and Advocacy will provide services to AUSD to complete the School Accountability Report Cards for the 2009-10 school year.

Cost of Program: Not to Exceed \$4,050

X Standard Contract

Contract deviates from Standard Contract. Description below.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Funding Source: General Fund

RECOMMENDATION:

RATIFY THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SCHOOL INNOVATIONS AND ADVOCACY TO COMPLETE THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT CARDS FOR THE 2009-10 SCHOOL YEAR

Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011

ITEM:

APPROVE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ALBANY UNIFIED

SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SCHOOL INNOVATIONS AND

ADVOCACY TO COMPLETE THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT CARDS FOR THE 2010-11 SCHOOL YEAR, AND TO COMPLETE THE SINGLE SCHOOL PLANS FOR THE 2011-12

SCHOOL YEAR

PREPARED BY:

Lynda Hornada, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

TYPE OF ITEM:

CONSENT

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Dates of Service:

July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

Description of Services:

School Innovations and Advocacy will provide services to AUSD to complete the School Accountability Report Cards for the 2010-11 school year, and to complete the Single School Plans for the 2011-12 school year.

Cost of Program: Not to Exceed \$5,100

X Standard Contract

_ Contract deviates from Standard Contract. Description below.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Funding Source: General Fund

RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SCHOOL INNOVATIONS AND ADVOCACY TO COMPLETE THE SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT CARDS FOR THE 2010-11 SCHOOL YEAR, AND TO COMPLETE THE SINGLE SCHOOL PLANS FOR THE 2011-12 SCHOOL YEAR

Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011

ITEM:

APPROVE THE INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

BETWEEN ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY VISION CLINIC

PREPARED BY:

Diane Marie, Director of Special Education

TYPE OF ITEM:

CONSENT – STUDENT SERVICES

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Dates of Service:

March 28 – June 30, 2011

Description of Services:

Binocular Vision Screening

Number of Students:

1

Rate:

\$205.00 per screening

Cost not to exceed:

\$205.00

X Standard Contract

Contract deviates from Standard Contract. Description below.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Funding Source: Special Education

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Independent Contractor Agreement between Albany Unified School District and University of California Berkeley Vision Clinic.

Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011

ITEM:

APPROVE AN INCREASE TO PURCHASE ORDER #P11-00317

BETWEEN ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND

PEDIATRIC CONTRACTING SERVICES, INC.

PREPARED BY:

Diane Marie, Director of Special Education

TYPE OF ITEM:

CONSENT - STUDENT SERVICES

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Dates of Service:

March 31 – June 30, 2011

Description of Services:

Physical therapy direct service and consultation for new student.

Number of Students:

1

Rate:

\$88.00/hour

Cost not to exceed:

\$968.00

X Standard Contract

Contract deviates from Standard Contract. Description below.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Funding Source: Special Education

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Increase to Purchase Order #P11-00317 between Albany Unified School District and Pediatric Contracting Services, Inc.

Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011

ITEM:

APPROVE THE MASTER CONTRACT BETWEEN ALBANY

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND PEGGY KELLY

PREPARED BY:

Diane Marie, Director of Special Education

TYPE OF ITEM:

CONSENT – STUDENT SERVICES

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Dates of Service:

April 1 – June 30, 2011

Description of Services:

Psychological assessment by a psychologist fluent in American Sign Language.

Number of Students:

1

Rate:

\$175.00/hour

Cost not to exceed:

\$2,500.00

X Standard Contract

Contract deviates from Standard Contract. Description below.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Funding Source: Special Education

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Master Contract between Albany Unified School District and Peggy Kelly.

BEFORE THE GOVERNING BOARD OF ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

In the Matter of the)	RESOLUTION 2010-11-21
Release of Temporary)	
Certificated Employees)	
for the 2010-2011 School Year)	

WHEREAS, Education Code Section 44954 Authorizes Governing Boards of school districts to give notice to temporary certificated employees of the governing board's decision to release an employee for the next succeeding school year to such a position at any time.

WHEREAS, the following persons are temporary certificated employees:

First Name	Last Name	Site	FTE
Belinda	Lesser	MAC	.20

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received a recommendation from the Superintendent or other appropriate District Administrators to release the above temporary certificated employees; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education concurs in said recommendation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Albany Unified School District does hereby authorize the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee to notify the temporary certificated employees listed above of the Board's decision to release them for the 2010-2011 school year in accordance with Education code Section 44954. The Superintendent or the superintendent's designee is further authorized to take any other actions necessary consummate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regularly called meeting of the governing board of the Albany Unified School District on the 19th day of April, 2011 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Dr. Patricia Low, President Governing Board, Albany Unified School District

BEFORE THE GOVERNING BOARD OF ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

In the Matter of the)	RESOLUTION 2010-11-23
Reduction of Classified School Services)	
for the 2010-2011 School Year)	

WHEREAS, Education Code sections 45101, 45114, 45117, 45298 and 45308 authorize the district to layoff classified employees for lack of work and/or lack of funds upon forty-five (45) days prior notice; and

WHEREAS due to a lack of work and/or a lack of funds, certain services now being provided by the District must be reduced for the current school year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that as of the 30th day of June, 2011, the following positions be reduced:

Position	FTE
Aide Clerk	2.4
Athletic Clerk	.25
Campus Aide	2.0
Career Coordinator	.80
Children's Center Teacher	8.0
Library Technician	.80
Para-Educator	13.27
Para-Educator, ELD	1.07
Para-Educator, Lead	4.47
Total	33.06

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Superintendent or designee be authorized and directed to give notice of termination of employment to the affected employee(s) of this District pursuant to District rules and regulations and applicable provisions of the Education Code not later than forty-five (45) days prior to the effective date of such reduction or discontinuance as set forth above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Superintendent or designee be authorized and directed to take any other actions necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regularly called meeting of the governing board of the Albany Unified School District on the 19th of April, 2011 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

Dr. Patricia Low, President Governing Board, Albany Unified School District

EXHIBIT B

Resolution(s) of School Board Ratifying MOU

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-11-24 OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

APPROVING AND RATIFYING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING Between County of Alameda Health Care Services Agency, Behavioral Health Care Services, County of Alameda Social Services Agency and the North Region School District Special Education Local Plan Area

WHEREAS, the Albany Unified School District ("District) through the North Region Special Education Local Plan Area ("SELPA) and the County of Alameda have collaborated and enter into an MOU in order to work together for the continuity of the provision of educationally related mental health services to District students with disabilities who receive such services as part of their IEPs ("Students"); and

WHEREAS, the MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING between the County of Alameda Health Care Services Agency, Behavioral Health Care Services, County of Alameda Social Services Agency and the North Region School District Special Education Local Plan Area ("MOU") was negotiated and entered in to on behalf of District; and

WHEREAS, District desires to affirm its enforceable obligations established in the MOU: and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby restates and fully incorporates by reference the recitals and all terms and conditions in the MOU of which this resolution will be incorporated as Exhibit B; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby ratifies and affirms that District is responsible for all SELPA responsibilities, charges, costs, and payments in the MOU for District students: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby ratifies and affirms the MOU in its entirety; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the full amount of costs for students in the District will be paid in full by District, pursuant to the MOU; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASS

SED AND ADOPTED this 19 th day of	April 2011, with the following vote:
AYES:	
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	
	Dr. Patricia Low, President
	Governing Board, Albany Unified School District

Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011

ITEM:

APPOINT MEMBER TO THE CITY OF ALBANY

COMMITTEE: COMMUNITY MEDIA ACCESS COMMITTEE

SCHOOL BOARD APPOINTEE BARBARA GRADY-AYER

PREPARED BY:

Marla Stephenson, Superintendent

TYPE OF ITEM:

ACTION

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Albany City Council adopted a resolution that provides for an orderly transition of Committee Board appointments thus assuring the continuity of the ongoing work that each committee performs. All appointments made by the City Council and the Board of Education will run concurrently with the municipal election.

Appointee: Barbara Grady-Ayer

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

No Fiscal Impact

RECOMMENDATION:

APPOINT MEMBER TO THE CITY OF ALBANY COMMITTEE: COMMUNITY MEDIA ACCESS COMMITTEE SCHOOL BOARD APPOINTEE BARBARA GRADY-AYER

Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011

ITEM:

APROVE THE COMPREHENSIVE SAFE SCHOOL PLANS FOR

CORNELL, MARIN, AND OCEAN VIEW SCHOOLS, ALBANY

MIDDLE SCHOOL, ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL, AND

MACGREGOR HIGH SCHOOL

PREPARED BY:

Lynda Hornada, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Wendy Holmes, Cornell Principal
David Kumamoto, Marin Principal
Terry Georgeson, Ocean View Principal
David Neumann, AMS Assistant Principal

Ted Barone, AHS Principal

Alexia Ritchie, MacGregor Principal

TYPE OF ITEM:

ACTION

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Each school shall adopt a comprehensive school safety plan and shall review and update its plan every year. The plans for each school are provided under separate cover.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

No Fiscal Impact

RECOMMENDATION:

APROVE THE COMPREHENSIVE SAFE SCHOOL PLANS FOR CORNELL, MARIN, AND OCEAN VIEW SCHOOLS, ALBANY MIDDLE SCHOOL, ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL, AND MACGREGOR HIGH SCHOOL

Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011

ITEM:

CONDUCT THE FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICY 3290 -

GIFTS, GRANTS, AND BEQUESTS

PREPARED BY:

Marla Stephenson, Superintendent

TYPE OF ITEM:

DISCUSS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Per the Equity Task Force and Staff recommendations, we are recommending changes to Board Policy (BP) 3290 – Gifts, Grants, and Bequests. See Attached.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

No Fiscal Impact

RECOMMENDATION:

CONDUCT THE FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICY 3290 – GIFTS, GRANTS, AND BEQUESTS

Albany USD

Board Policy

Gifts, Grants And Bequests

BP 3290

Business and Noninstructional Operations

The Board of Education may accept any bequest or gift of money or property on behalf of the district. The Board of Education acknowledges that education is a fundamental right. Every child has a right to an education that will prepare him or her to be a skilled and productive member of our society. The goal of the Board is to provide equitable and high quality educational opportunities for all students.

The Board recognizes that the needs of students require various learning opportunities, and it is the responsibility of the board to identify and remove barriers that contribute to gaps in achievement for different groups of students. It is the intent of the Board that gifts accepted by the district provide equitable access to educational opportunities to meet the needs of all students. The board recognizes the community's desire to participate in promoting excellence in our schools through fundraising and gifts. While greatly appreciating acceptable donations, the Board discourages any gifts which may directly or indirectly impair its commitment to providing equal educational opportunities for all district students.

The Board recognizes that there are differences among various communities in their ability to contribute additional funds for programs and services at their local schools and these differences perpetuate inequalities in educational opportunities from one district school to another. Therefore, the Board shall not accept gifts by individuals, groups or organizations to specific schools that create inequalities at the school sites.

While greatly appreciating suitable donations, the Board discourages any gifts which may directly or indirectly impair its commitment to providing equal educational opportunities for all-district students

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

Before accepting a gift, the Board shall consider whether the gift:

- 1. Has a purpose consistent with the district's vision and philosophy
- 2. Begins a program which the Board would be unable to continue when the donated funds are exhausted
- Entails undesirable or excessive costs
- 4. Implies endorsement of any business or product

(cf. 1325 - Advertising and Promotion)

The Board shall carefully evaluate any conditions or restrictions imposed by the donor in light of district philosophy and operations. If the Board feels the district will be unable to fully satisfy the donor's conditions, the gift shall not be accepted.

Gift books and instructional materials shall be accepted only if they meet regular district criteria.

(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)

All gifts, grants and bequests shall become district property. Donors are encouraged to donate all gifts to the district rather than to a particular school. At the Superintendent or designee's discretion, a gift may be used at a particular school.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

1834 Acquisition of materials and apparatus

35162 Power to sue, be sued, hold and convey property

41030 School district may invest surplus monies from bequest or gifts

41031 Special fund or account in county treasury

41032 Authority of school board to accept gift or bequest; investments; gift of land requirements

41035 Advisory committee

41036 Function of advisory committee

41037 Rules and regulations

Policy ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT adopted: May 19, 2009 Albany, California

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