

# Southern California Regional Occupational Center Board Highlights

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## Board of Education

**Arlene Staich, President**  
Redondo Beach Unified School District

**Al Muratsuchi, Vice President**  
Torrance Unified School District

**Bill Fournell, Clerk**  
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High School District

**William Watkins, Ed.D., Member**  
El Segundo Unified School District

**Trina L. Williams, Member**  
Inglewood Unified School District

**Christine A. Hoffman, Ed.D.**  
SoCal ROC Superintendent

## SoCal ROC Student Voices American Sign Language Course

Redondo Union High School senior Daniel Escobar shared with the Board his "Student Voice." Mr. Escobar stated to the Board that he completed American Sign Language I during Fall 2009, and is currently taking American Sign Language II at SoCal ROC Center in Torrance. Mr. Escobar has been accepted to a culinary school and plans to open his own restaurant. Mr. Escobar said that his sign language skills will help him communicate with customers and employees. In conclusion, Mr. Escobar thanked his parents and SoCal ROC for the opportunity to take these programs. Board President Arlene Staich thanked Daniel and presented him with a Board Certificate of Excellence.



Arlene Staich and Daniel Escobar

## SoCal ROC A+ Certification Course Presented to the Board

SoCal ROC A+ Certification Instructor Cutberto Morales gave an overview of the basic computer technician program. Mr. Morales said the purpose of the program is not just to pass the certified A+ exams, but to become fully qualified entry level computer technicians. The course prepares high school and adult students in an IT career with the foundation of the basic skills of computer frame-



Cutberto Morales

work. Students learn the following topics in the course: an overview of computers and its components, software, networking, printers/scanners, security, and communication/ professionalism. There are two required 100 multiple choice/90 minute limit examinations: CompTIA A+ Essentials and CompTIA Practical Application. The A+ Certification course is a pathway link to SoCal ROC's CISCO Internetworking course.

## The Board Heard Presentations on the Following:

Deputy Superintendent Laurie St. Gean gave an update of the WASC Self-Study. Ms. St. Gean reported that the staff is currently wrapping up the Action Plan and the final portion of the Self-Study. During the past 16 months, the SoCal ROC staff along with parents and students completed an intensive process of examining all facets of SoCal ROC. As a result of the comprehensive Self-Study, areas of strengths and growths have been identified. The areas for growth are addressed in the Action Plan. Major areas of growth includes: improving student achievement; increasing career pathways; continue to provide professional growth opportunities for the staff and including Expected Student Learning Results (ESLRs) in all SoCal ROC course outlines. The WASC visit is scheduled for April 18 to April 22. Superintendent Dr. Christine Hoffman commended Ms. St. Gean and members of the WASC Leadership Team for their tremendous efforts in this thorough process.

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## The Board Heard Presentations on the Following (continued):

Superintendent Dr. Christine Hoffman reviewed the Board Goals and “Targets for Success” with the SoCal ROC Board of Education. The seven Board Goals and “Targets for Success” are the framework of the SoCal ROC structure in areas of Curriculum and Instruction, Staff Development, Finance, Satellite Programs, Articulation, Recognition, and Facilities. The Board will be reviewing the document and will provide input at the March Board of Education meeting.

## The Board Approved:

- The Lease/Leaseback agreement for the Building A Phase II Modernization project.
- New course outline for Fashion Design Production

## SoCal ROC Business Office Recognized by the Board for Perfection

Deputy Superintendent Laurie St. Gean presented Business Office staff members for Board recognition. Ms. St. Gean explained that the Business Office performs many critical roles at the Center including: payroll, equipment inventory, developing and monitoring budget, and ordering department and classroom materials and equipment. The Business Office staff is extremely dedicated and competent. In fact, as a result of the last audit, no “findings” were issued by the auditor. The Business Office staff was recognized by the Board with Certificates of Excellence.



Bill Fournell, Sandra Suarez, Heidi Ashcraft, Barbara Lucky, Al Muratsuchi, Darryl McCraw, Trina L. Williams, Arlene Staich, and Bill Watkins, Ed.D.



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