

Southern California Regional Occupational Center Board Highlights

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July 16, 2009 Board Meeting



Board of Education

Ginny Snider, President
Palos Verdes Peninsula
Unified School District

**Michael Ernst, Ph.D.,
Vice President**
Torrance Unified School District

Nancy Hersman, Clerk
Manhattan Beach
Unified School District

Heidi Ashcraft, Member
Board Member-at-Large

Alice Grigsby, Member
Board Member-at-Large

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High School District

Tammy Tagami-Reeves, Member
El Segundo Unified School District

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Inglewood Unified School District

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

The Board Recognized Alice Grigsby

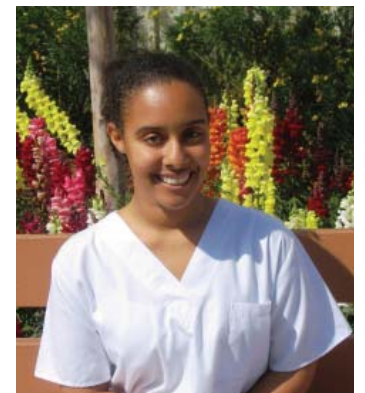
The Board and Superintendent Hoffman recognized former SoCal ROC Board Member (Inglewood Unified School District) Alice Grigsby for her service and dedication to Career Technical Education. The Board presented Ms. Grigsby with a decorative clock.



Nancy Hersman, Heidi Ashcraft, Dr. Michael Ernst, Alice Grigsby, Sandra Suarez, Tammy Tagami-Reeves, Ginny Snider, and Dr. Hoffman

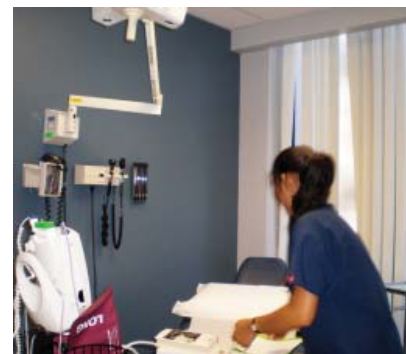
The Board heard presentations on the following:

- Deputy Superintendent Laurie St. Gean introduced Medical Assisting Administrative/Clinical Instructor Juanita Butler to the Board. Ms. Butler gave an overview of the course which prepares students for employment in a doctor's office or medical clinic



Janielle Davis

and teaches front and back office skills. One of the greatest benefits of the program is the externship which provides students practical experience in South Bay ambulatory health care facilities and physicians' offices. Many students completing the program are hired upon completion of the externship. To qualify for an externship, students must complete the two semester course, earn a grade of "A" or "B", and demonstrate excellent work ethics. The externs are expected to perform the competencies taught in the course. Ms. Butler introduced exceptional SoCal ROC students that are pursuing their career goals of becoming a physician and physician's assistant. The students explained to the board the



Extern preps an exam room; Medical Assisting students practice taking blood pressure.

benefits of the program and externship as well as their career pathway goals. Janielle Davis, a 2008 Torrance High School graduate and SoCal ROC Scholarship winner conveyed to the board that upon completing her externship during the summer of 2008, she was hired by a local cardiologist's office and currently assists with front and back office procedures including electrocardiograms. Ms. Davis is currently attending El Camino College and plans to become a physician.

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The Board heard presentations on the following (continued):

- Superintendent Hoffman informed members of the Board that the areas identified as part of Phase I demolition Building A Modernization is underway. Progress photos of the project will be presented at the September 2009 Board Meeting. She also reported that she will be meeting next week with the architect, Kirk Heiser, and the builder, Wy-song Construction, to develop a time-line of construction activities for Phase I. Dr. Hoffman also met with the builder and identified areas that will comprise Phase II of the project.
- Deputy Superintendent Laurie St. Gean updated the Board of the WASC Self Study progress. Ms. St. Gean gave the Board a draft of the ESLRs (Expected Student Learning Results) that was put together by the WASC Leadership Committee. The ESLR's were developed from feedback from parents, students, staff members, CTE Framework, and including a book, "Extreme Future", read by the Management Team. Ms. St. Gean explained that meetings with parents and Home/Focus Groups will be held in the near future to generate feedback to answer the question "What do students need to know before they leave SoCal ROC?" The answers and feedback will be reviewed by leadership committee for alignment to the ESLRs. In addition to the meetings scheduled, a detailed report of the self study is being prepared for the April 2010 WASC visit.

The Board approved:



Board President Ginny Snider administers oath of office to Alice Grigsby

- Community member and former Board Member for the Inglewood Unified School District and the SoCal ROC Board of Education, Alice Grigsby, was interviewed by the Board for the second Board Member-at-large position on the So Cal ROC Board of Education. Following the interview, the Board voted and approved Ms. Grigsby as Board Member-at-large. Ms. Grigsby served 12 years on the Inglewood Unified School District Board of Education and served 8 years on the SoCal ROC Board of Education advocating tirelessly on behalf of all students. Board President Ginny Snider administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Grigsby. Following the Oath of Office, Ms. Grigsby and Heidi Ashcraft, also appointed Board Member-at-large at the June Board meeting, drew straws to determine the 2 year term and the 4 year term. Based on the results, Ms. Grigsby will serve the 4 year term and Ms. Ashcraft will serve the two year term.
- Revised Course Titles for: Conflict Resolution/Medication for Health Care Professionals and Home Health Care.
- Contractual agreements between SoCal ROC and American University of Health Sciences to place a Pharmacy Technician course at SoCal ROC. The Pharmacy Technician course will be offered for Fall 2009. SoCal ROC also was approved to continue the partnership with Crimson Technical College for the Aircraft Mechanics program. Crimson Technical College also agreed to provide aviation courses to high school students. Aviation Careers is being offered for Fall 2009 and Non Metallic Structures will be offered for Spring 2010.



Aerospace Engineering students tour Torrance Airport.