



Board Agenda Item #	Agenda # III C
Date:	August 10, 2017
To:	Magnolia Board of Directors
From:	Umit Yapanel, MPS Board Secretary
Staff Lead:	NA
RE:	Board Nominations

Proposed Board Recommendation

I move that the board approve the recommendation of the Nominating Committee to appoint Ms. Charlotte Brimmer and Ms. Sandra Covarrubias for full terms from August 11, 2017 through August 10, 2022.

Background

The Nominating Committee held two committee meetings in the last two weeks. During the first meeting, the committee members were able to talk to the four prospective board members (Andre Roberson, John White, Sandra Covarrubias, Charlotte Brimmer) in a public meeting along with the staff and members of the community whom nominated them to the board.

Candidates got the opportunity to share their expertise and past experiences. Staff and community member who made the nominations, shared details on the interactions they have had with the candidates and how the candidates have influenced the schools.

After the public meeting has held, Dr. Sherkhanov and Rabbi Beliak streamlined this process of interviewing all candidates prior to nominating them to full board's attention. They both reported to the Nominating Committee that they recommend to add Sandra Covarrubias and Charlotte Brimmer as new board members of the MPS board with full new terms.

Nominating Committee made the following motion: Rabbi Haim Beliak made a motion to recommend the nominations of Sandra Covarubbias and Charlotte Brimmer with full terms to the full board. Dr. Umit Yapanel seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Also, the committee would like to begin the process of creating an Advisory Committee and possibly adding the other two candidates to this committee.

Exhibits (attachments):

Resumes of four candidates



Magnolia Public Schools Board Recruitment Application

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1. Name (Attach your Resume and Bio)

Andre Roberson

2. Statement of Intent

Please describe the specific expertise and experience, as well as personal attributes, that you bring to the board, including service on any other governing boards.

My family's business is caring for the mentally-challenged. I've done this my whole life and dealing with different agencies as well as the state of California has trained me in how to professionally run a business and handle communication in such realms. For the past 11 years I've ran a nonprofit, "Official No One Left Behind" (ONOLB) in Orange County, feeding low-income families and homeless individuals. Through ONOLB, I have served 5 different schools in Santa Ana, gaining me an understanding of what the kids need from a personal perspective of them dealing with hunger. Having gone into schools to talk to and mentor kids, hearing firsthand their dreams, I received letters from them thanking me for my encouragement and inspiration.

From a business standpoint, I've always been an entrepreneur. I started and ran my own record label for 9 years, which taught me a great deal about leadership, responsibility, and determination. I am currently executive producing in the entertaining industry which requires a mind for numbers, quick decision making ability, and constant problem-shooting.

How will you contribute to the board's ability to monitor the school's academic, operational, and fiscal policies and practices?

First of all, I would adhere to the board's rules and be a team player. I would also bring innovative concepts to the table. I would support the board collectively bringing our ideas together to reach the best solution for each goal we are trying to obtain. I will of course bring in my nonprofit as I've already donated food to the Magnolia Academy of Sciences school in Santa Ana. In summary, I can bring leadership qualities, business savvy, innovative ideas, communication skills, and a heart for service to the board.

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3. Attach two references with contact information

Reference 1

Name: Kirsten Kvesic

Organization: Orange County Food Bank

Position: Vice President

Phone: 714-745-5974

Relation: VP at partner company to my nonprofit and huge supporter of my philanthropic ventures.

Reference 2

Name: Jennifer Kane

Organization: Drive Traffic Media

Position: Director

Phone: 714-916-1163

Relation: Business associate in the nonprofit and entertainment worlds.

Andre Roberson Biography

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By Jonathan Campbell

Andre Lafelle Roberson has evolved into one of the most hard working and respected entertainers in the music and motion picture industries today.

Roberson was born in Santa Ana, California. Roberson was raised in a hard working yet humble environment under the direction of his mother and grandmother who own and operate numerous convalescent homes for the mentally disabled in the Orange County area of California for over thirty years. Growing up working in those homes and being taught at an early age to perform day-to-day work with integrity, excellence, stewardship, and dignity. Andre matured into the incredible actor and singer he is today. He credits working in those homes as a young man with giving him the ability to reach and display the range of emotions needed to connect with an audience on the deepest levels so that every person feels whatever Andre is trying to convey.

Roberson first entered the entertainment world through music. As a recording artist he started out singing at local events in and around the L.A. area, quickly becoming an award winning R&B/Hip-Hop singer known by his middle name "Lafelle". Andre has performed at iconic venues all over the country from the Whiskey-A-Go-Go to The Troubadour, the Key Club, and the House of Blues in various locales; headlined events in Las Vegas at the Mandalay Bay, Caesar's Palace, Planet Hollywood (formerly The Aladdin), Luxor, and the Las Vegas Motor Speedway. After experiencing some success after releasing a single and two albums through Warner Bros. on his own independent record label, BeatLounge Records, it was only a matter of time until Roberson's stage presence and magnetic, infectious personality led him to the television and film industry. Roberson has been featured in numerous films such as Notorious, Dangerous Minds, Powerplay, and Sunset Strip; he has had recurring and guest starring roles in TV shows such as Days of Our Lives, The District, and Angel. Andre has commercial credits that include ESPN, Nike, Ford, Taco Bell, and Xerox.

Not only does Andre find the time to record new music and read over scripts he is also a vigorous supporter of charitable organizations. From helping put together benefit fundraisers for smaller charity groups, such as The Emily Shane Foundation, to organizing and headlining larger professional fundraisers for prestigious institutions such as The Make-A-Wish Foundation in Las Vegas, NV the goal has always been the same for Roberson and that is to help as many people as possible using the gifts that God has blessed him with. Roberson's talents, abilities, and keen business intellect have led to many opportunities that he has been able to capitalize on although his greatest motivation has never been money, but rather how he can help those who cannot help themselves. It was after performing at that Make-A-Wish Las Vegas fundraiser and then subsequently at a charity benefit dinner at the Four Seasons in Las Vegas that benefited Usher's New Look Foundation and Tom Cruise's New York Rescue Workers Detoxification Project that Andre realized how he could use his gifts as an entertainer to show kids and adults, by example, the importance of chasing their dreams while serving and caring for others. Through his singing Andre has brought joy into the lives of the mentally and physically challenged. With a mind for business, a heart for service and a passion for music and acting, Andre is a solid resource for those seeking to find creative ways to impact those in need using the arts and entertainment as the vehicle. Andre is a voice of hope to many.

An inspired Andre Roberson had taken a step back from the limelight to concentrate on more philanthropic endeavors and took up the mantle himself to carry on the family tradition by founding his own non-profit organization - Official No One Left Behind - a local food bank that donates food to needy families in and around the Los Angeles/Orange County area, helping around two thousand families every month while working in partnership with the Orange County Food Bank. Roberson's efforts were recognized and rewarded recently as the Passkeys Foundations "2016 Pillar of Influence in Arts & Entertainment Award" recipient. In April 2017 Andre performed an original song "God Knows" and delivered the keynote address for the YMCA's 50th anniversary Good Friday Breakfast event at the City

National Grove in Anaheim. Andre and his family have worked so tirelessly to ensure that the low-income Latino families of Santa Ana have food security that once again Andre and his foundation were given an award by Orange County in recognition for feeding over 100,000 meals to the needy and homeless in early May of 2017. Most recently Andre has been spotted walking the red carpet at the Four Seasons Los Angeles Hotel in Beverly Hills for the 9th Annual Pink Pump High Tea and Fashion Show to raise money for the only free autism summer camp in Southern California hosted by the Special Needs Network of LA on May 21st, 2017.

The limelight Roberson stepped out of is calling him back in full force as he is poised to reappear on the big screen as he is attached to four projects that are in development and pre-production. Roberson is executive producing and set to star in Jackknife Jonny, Conviction, Karma, and Moving Day which are all slated to come out late 2017 through early 2018. Roberson is also in the midst of recording another album that is slated to drop in 2018 as well. Stay tuned for all the latest and greatest from this amazing individual!



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Being a Carson resident for over twenty-five years and raising four children presented a challenge to seek out the best educational system befitting for the future of my children. At the time the best alternative to standard education was the public Magnet Schools. I was successful in enrolling the children in King/Drew Magnet High School of Medicine and Science. My involvement included transforming a defunct Parent Advisory Council (PAC) into an active participatory committee. I was president of PAC for over four years and successful in increasing parental involvement from 25 to 185 parents attending our monthly meetings. In the earlier years, I was active at Curtis Middle School organizing a Parent Committee to increase parents awareness of the importance of being active and a part of their academic journey. This included educating and encouraging parents to get involved. Collectively we were able to make recommendations on school polices and procedures and expand the parent/teacher/administration relationship. We worked earnestly on fund raising activities as well.

My experience in working on governing boards includes: (1) Appointed on the Carson Planning Commission for over seven years, (2) Appointed by former State Senator Isadore Hall III as a Veteran Commissioner.

How will you contribute to the board's ability to monitor the school's academic, operational, and fiscal policies and practices?

My contribution to the board's ability to monitor the school's academic, operational, and fiscal policies and practices is to begin with team work. I worked as a project manager/community organizer/compliance investigator for over 22-years for the Community Redevelopment Agency for the City of Los Angeles. I was responsible for over \$65m. I have the an analytical ability and a way to listen to absorb information to question pertinent issues that will allow us to progress to the desired conclusion. Experienced in fact-finding, and report

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writing. Sensitive to listening to divergent perspectives and concerns while ensuring that procedures and policy guidelines and communicated and enforced.

3. Attach two references with contact information

Reference 1

Name: Kadie Pandolfo-

Organization: Stub Hub Center in Carson

Position: General Manager

Phone: 310 617-1604

Relation: Business and Personal

Reference 2

Name: County Supervisor Janice Hahn

Organization: County Supervisor

Position: _____

Phone: _____

Relation: Political Associate and Mentor

CHARLOTTE BRIMMER

683 East Loyola Avenue, Carson, CA 90746

Home: 310 329-5527 | Cell: 310 425-5256

Ppls100@aol.com

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Exceptional community leader who is talented at working with diverse groups of people on all governmental levels. Proven professional with 15+ years as a civic project manager, including budgeting, administering, and procuring. Extensive knowledge of local and regional community redevelopment issues and revitalization strategies. Effectively maintain relationships and communication with city officials, developers, community-based organizations and civic groups.

SKILLS

- Organized and goal-oriented, with strong focus on the constituents' needs and concerns.
- Analytical problem solver, able to anticipate issues and create new systems that streamline operations, resolve concerns and improve efficiency.
- Skilled in building excellent rapport with clients and team members to achieve on-time project completions.
- Computer skills include: MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Internet research.

WORK HISTORY

Project Manager/Urban Planner

January 1998 to January 2012

The Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles, CA

Managed a budget of \$68 million for the West Valley Disaster Assistance Project Area and Watts/Watts Corridor Recovery Project Area. Promoted economic development by marketing the City's Business Incentives Programs, facilitated the expansion and retention of quality jobs and created new businesses. Coordinated the involvement of the Los Angeles Mayor's Office and Los Angeles City Council District Offices.

Conducted outreach to residents and community groups in preparation and implementation of Work Programs. Represented the CRL/LA and interfaced with other City Departments, e.g. Bureau of Engineering, Planning, LADOT, and Parks and Recreation. Supervised, directed and evaluated the work of staff members. Worked directly with technical departments and professional consultants to achieve project completion.

Oversaw a team of architects, contractors, developers, property owners, and tenants on various projects. Participated in the development of CRA/LA policies and plans, as well as Los Angeles City policies and programs.

Developed housing strategies in designated project areas, including first-time home ownership programs and affordable housing programs. Created Commercial Façade Programs, Public Improvement Programs and Streetscape Projects in blighted areas.

Monitored pre-construction by coordinating technical staff preparation of the RFP/RFQ, and providing advertising for contractor selections.

Developed and implemented community outreach by disseminating information to various community businesses, property owners, and residents regarding CRA/LA activities throughout the assigned project areas.

Labor Compliance Investigator

May 1990 to May 1998

The Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles – Los Angeles, CA

Conducted onsite inspections and interviews of contractors and workers to determine compliance of the California Labor Code Prevailing Wages Laws and the Davis-Bacon Act.

Prepared, scheduled, and conducted pre-construction conferences and training with contractors and developers regarding Labor Compliance Requirements.

Audited Certified Payroll reports of general contractors and subcontractors to ensure payment of the Prevailing Wage. Researched and interpreted Federal guidelines and regulations. Organized and compiled documents to verify data collected from the file. Maintained a working relationship with all relevant building trades/local unions.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 2009-2015 Appointed to the Carson City Council Planning Commission. I was instrumental in reviewing numerous projects and applications, including the Oil and Gas Ordinance Update, the Porsche Project, the Master Plan for Main Street, and Land Remediation of Boulevards of South Bay/Stadium.
- 2016 Appointed by Assemblyman Mike Gipson of the 64th Assembly District as a Business Commissioner.
- 2016 Appointed Event Coordinator by the General Manager of the Stub-Hub Center and worked closely with the United States Marine Corps to host a Veterans Job and Resource Fair. More than 600 job seekers attended of which more than 50 were interviewed and hired on the spot. In addition, four non-profit organizations were involved: CAS American Veterans Foundation, Resource Educators (free professional attire), and No Kid Left Uncut (more than 50 haircuts provided at no cost), and the California Friends of the African-American Caucus. Patrick Henning, Director of the EDD, was the Special Guest in Attendance.
- 2015 Appointed by State Senator Isadore Hall III as a Veterans Delegate and served as a committee member on the USS Iowa Veterans Job Fair.
- 2015 Assisted the General Manager of the Stub-Hub Center to organize and coordinate a weekly complimentary concert for the community and local residents. The concerts attracted more than 4,000 attendees from April through August 2015.
- 2014 Served as the Chairperson for the City of Carson 4th Annual Veterans Job Fair in which I worked in collaboration with the Carson Veterans Commission Board and with city staff. I was pivotal in negotiating with the General Manager of the Stub-Hub Center to procure the StubHub venue. More than 50 employers attended, as well as 500 job seekers, of which 40 were interviewed and hired on the spot.
- 2014 Nominated and awarded State of California Woman of the Year 2014 for the 64th Assembly District by Assemblyman Isadore Hall III. The award was presented in Sacramento, California.

EDUCATION

California State University, Dominguez Hills, Carson California. Bachelor of Arts: Sociology/Behavioral Science.



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I have a vast array of Educational experience and feel I can be a board member and contribute to the growth and success of Magnolia Public Schools. My experience consists of teaching and administration, with one year as an administrator within the Magnolia System. I have been appointed to to State Education Committees and one Technology Task Force. I am hard working, dependable, and interested in doing a first class job.

How will you contribute to the board's ability to monitor the school's academic, operational, and fiscal policies and practices?

I bring 34 plus years of school experience in the areas academic achievement, fiscal and school operations, along with a depth of knowledge in school practices and policies. My goal is to have clear, fair, and lawful policies, rules, and guidelines that are easy to follow or execute and cooperative oversight to ensure their implementation.

3. Attach two references with contact information

Reference 1

Name: Mike Bennett

Organization: BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY
CHARTER HS

Position: BOARD MEMBER

Phone: 8918-926-1070

Relation: Professional Associate

Reference 2

Name: Gabe Soumakian

Organization: Teachers Pensions

Position: Marketing Manager

Phone: 626-376-76770

Relation: Professional Associate

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DR. JOHN L. WHITE

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21st CENTURY EDUCATION LEADER

...Dedicated to moving schools into the 21st Century while inspiring students with an insatiable passion for learning and academic excellence

Visionary, Consensus builder, Collaborative Educational Leader, Quality Elementary and Secondary experience. Adept at securing resources, implementing and creating effective educational programs that meet teacher and student needs that foster higher academic success and success.

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- **Enthusiastic, effective, passionate Administrator**, mentor and advisor who believes all students can learn, achieve, and soar in a thriving instructional environment that fosters improved teaching practices and student learning
- **Specializations includes** Technology curriculum integration and educational use, English as a Second Language (bi-lingual Spanish) (ESL) / English for K-12 and Adults.
- **Instructional Leadership** - Use a balanced blend of motivational and targeted instruction methodologies to enhance curricula, focus on Personal Learning Communities (PLCs).
- **Parent Engagement** – Work closely with parents throughout career, repeated successes securing a high level of parental involvement (25 years experience in parent/Community Relations).
- **Leverage Resources / Strategic** – Work closely with district leaders and community partners to encourage parental involvement in school site decision-making.
- Strong **Communication and Collaborative skills approach in working with administrators, teachers, students and parents. All efforts focused** to help students past the threshold of *not knowing* to *knowing* and develop to their fullest potential.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

PRINCIPAL: MAGNOILA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

January 2016 to February 2017

- Site Administrator responsible for a 475 GRADE 6-12 Urban Charter School (**Magnolia Science Academy-3, Carson, CA.**)
- Responsible for all site decision-making, Personnel-Hiring, Monitoring and Evaluating Staff.
- Supervision of Instruction, Finance, Procurement, Plant, Food Services, Student Life.
- Increased parental involvement by conducting weekly Coffee with the Principal Meetings.
- Used innovative methods and materials to produce effective learning experiences including cooperative and project-based learning, thematic instruction and differentiation in delivery of state and LAUSD curriculum.

Highlighted Achievements

- Responsible for significant student performance increase on standardized testing.
 - Provided instructional and administration leadership for after-school tutoring and Saturday school programs.
 - Integrated technology and computers throughout entire school, curriculum.
 - Mentored and coached students to boost learning competencies, as evidence by improved CST scores and improved overall Achievement.
 - Presenter California League of School's and ACSA's Statewide Conferences 1998 to Present
 - Completed Success WASC Visit. School granted six year Accreditation
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Consultant/Coach: Administrative Mentor/Coach, LAUSD, LACOE, and COMPTON USD **2013 to 2016**
PRINCIPAL, Interim: LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT **February 2013 to 2016**
Adjunct Faculty: PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY **Summer 2015 to Present**
NATIONAL UNIVERSITY SAN DIEGO, CA **September 1994 to 2012**

- Taught Educational Leadership in Administrative Credential Program
- In Masters Program, taught administrative use of Technology in the supervision of teachers in a school setting. Application software consisting of Spreadsheets, Written Communication and the use of Data to improve instruction.
- Instruct continuing adult education students on English as a Second Language courses, providing various levels of instruction in grammar, conversation, reading, writing and pronunciation.
- Taught, “The Diverse Classroom.” Prepared teachers entering the profession the cultural differences and mosaic of cultures that exist in Southern California Schools.
- Taught courses on the use of technology in K-12 classrooms. Software and application programs and how to effectively use these tools in a classroom setting.
- Consult with adult students regarding learning practices, technology integration, and the importance of aligning these techniques and tools to Common Core standards K-12 students are required to master.

PRINCIPAL: LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT **November 1998 to June 2012**

- Site Administrator responsible for a 1750 student Urban Middle School (**Mulholland Middle School**)
- Responsible for all site decision-making, Personnel-Hiring, Monitoring and Evaluating Staff.
- Supervision of Instruction, Finance, Procurement, Plant, Food Services, Student Life and Activities.
- Parent / Community Involvement –Created classes for parents to better track children’s progress.
- Increased parental involvement by consulting with parents regularly.
- Used innovative methods and materials to produce effective learning experiences including cooperative and project-based learning, thematic instruction and differentiation in delivery of state and LAUSD curriculum.

Highlighted Achievements

- Responsible for significant student performance increase on standardized testing. (150+ points 10 yrs.)
- Provided instructional and administration leadership for after-school tutoring and Saturday school programs. The program’s goal is to assist all students in achieving state standards in English Language Arts and Mathematics. Reinforced “No Child Left Behind” Act by providing supplemental services.
- Integrated technology and computers throughout entire school, curriculum, and teaching practices.
- Mentored and coached students to help boost their confidence and competencies, as evidence by improved CST scores and completion of work.
- Created, designed, implemented first Police Academy Magnet program at a Middle School in the USA.
- Worked with California Governor to design a Model After-School Enrichment and Tutoring Program.
- Successfully managed several State Bond and Grant Projects to improve instruction and upgrade physical plant
- Presenter California League of School’s and ACSA’s Statewide Conferences 1998 to Present

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Sherman Oaks Center for Enriched Studies September 1989- November 1998

- Supervised English/Math/Science Departments. Ordered all Textbooks for 1750 grade 4-12 span school
- Wrote, Implemented and managed technology grant to integrate technology into the curriculum
- Supervised Athletics, Discipline, Campus Supervision, and Safety/Emergency Drills
- Supervised arrival and departure of 48 school buses daily, scheduled all athletic and field trip transportation
- Worked with colleagues to establish a Magnet School Athletic League for student Athletes attending smaller Magnet Schools (12 Magnet Schools).

Gaspar de Portola Middle School September 1988 - June 1989

- Supervised Math/Science/Physical Education Departments and Their Staffs
- Assistant to Principal performed adjunct duties as assigned
- Managed all Enrollment, Attendance, Discipline, Supervision, Expulsion and Safety and Emergency Drills
- Assistant Principal in charge of School Operations and facilities

George Ellery Hale Middle School September 1986-June 1988

- Supervised Math/English/Physical Education Departments and their Staffs
 - Assistant to Principal, performed adjunct duties as assigned
 - Managed all Enrollment, Attendance, Discipline, Supervision, Expulsion and Safety and Emergency Drills
 - Assistant Principal in charge of School Operations and facilities
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LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL May 1978 – to June 1986

Classroom Teacher, Assistant Dean, Athletic Director, ESL Counselor, Teacher, Coach

- Taught and managed classes in ESL English, Spanish, 10th Grade Health, ESL Math and Social Studies.
 - Served as assistant Dean, Bee Football and Varsity Track Coach Assistant, ESL Counselor, Bi-lingual classroom Teacher and Athletic Director. Elected to CIF Los Angeles Section Governing Athletic Board, Interscholastic Athletic Commission (IAC).
 - Organized 1st Community and school-wide Pancake breakfast and Garage Sale to raise funds for Athletic Program.
 - Served as Faculty President for two two-year terms.
 - Prepared student voice recordings and provided follow-up to improve language skills and development.
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EDUCATION

EdD. Educational Leadership, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL - 1999
M.A.Ed., Education, California State University Dominguez Hills, Carson, CA - 1986
B.A., Spanish, Physical Education and Recreation, California State University
Dominguez Hills, Carson, CA – 1976

CERTIFICATIONS

Leading Edge Certification: Santa Cruz County Office of Education (SCCOE) – 2015
Leadership Coach Certification: Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) - 2015
California State Teaching Credential, K-12, Spanish, Physical Education, & English
California State Administrative Services Credential
California State Certificate of Competence, Bilingual Spanish – Language & Culture
Nova Southeastern University, Certified Computer Tech
Spanish & Teaching Credential 1977

ASSOCIATIONS

Associated Administrators of Los Angeles – AALA-R
Association of California School Administrators –ACSA
ACSA Middle Grades Council Member 2002-2005; President 2009-2012
ACSA Membership Committee 2005-2008
Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development – ASCD
Coalition of Black Administrators (COBA)-Los Angeles Unified School District
Computer Using Educators (CUE)
California League of Schools – Board of Governors, Region 8 Trustee
Los Angeles Unified School District Middle School’s Organization - MSPO
National Partnership for Careers in Law, Public Safety,
Corrections and Security 2004-2007 Board of Governors
Technology Institute for California Administrative Leadership –TICAL

HONORS

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Torlakson’s Technology Task Force -2012
ACSA Middle Grades Council President 2009-2012
Los Angeles Unified School District Middle School Principal Organization President 2011-2012
ACSA Region XVI Middle School Principal of the year 2009
National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP),
California Representative (Region VII-Western United States) 2009-2012
Los Angeles County Middle School Administrator of the Year- 2009 for
LA County Technology Program Improving Math and Science with Technology (IMaST) Grant
Governor Schwarzenegger Selected: -2006
Committee on Education Excellence 2006-2008
Advisory Committee: Before-After School Programs 2006-2009
California **“Schools to Watch”** Visitation Team 2005 - Present



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I was a pediatric sub acute nurse for a couple of years when I became ill and had to quit working. That’s when I made the right choice started volunteering at my son’s elementary school – Magnolia Science Academy 7 and have been doing it ever since. At MSA 7 I was not a leader of the PTF team, but I was very involved. My son started with them as soon as their doors open in about 2010, so I use to help in different areas of the school because they were short of staff, I use to volunteer in the office, cafeteria, and playground supervising with other staff members. I also led a lot of the fundraising such as coming up with ideas, organizing them, and delegating work to the other parents. When my son graduated elementary school, he started junior high with Magnolia Science Academy 2. When we moved to MSA 2 I joined the PTF the second academic year, as a leader. Unfortunately, parent involvement was very low and I assisted admin with outreach. I spearheaded fundraisers, PTF meetings with the help of Mr. Compagno, the Dean of Culture. As a PTF leader, I helped the staff with anything they needed. Because of my commitment I was able to know a lot of the students and all the staff members on a personal level. Last year I introduced the Uniform Exchange Program, which the school started using this year. The concept of the program is for returning students. When the students outgrow their uniforms they exchange them for a bigger size as long as they are in good condition. The program helps the students financially and helps the school to keep the dress code enforced. I was also involved improving our fieldtrips safety, by bringing my expertise of the nursing field and my relationship with all the students to learn different behaviors to keep them safe but have fun and enjoy their group and trip. Lastly, I was deeply involved in the Charter Renewal Process this year and spoke in front of the LAUSD Board which denied us and The Board of the LA County Office of Education that approved us.

I am also currently working with the principle on keeping our students in school when feeling ill, by providing “home remedies” for common illness, such as tummy aches, nausea, headaches, etc., by providing the student safe and natural

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alternatives, such as ginger ale for an upset stomach, a chamomile tea for a bloated tummy, a seven blossoms tea before a test for a nervous student, or a drink with caffeine for a migraine and so on. We are also considering providing hands on CPR classes for the teachers and staff members. As the PTF president I have made it a task to get to know the students, teachers, staff, and our parents to better serve them and work as a team or more like a family, to prove the education the kids need and deserve for a better tomorrow.

How will you contribute to the board's ability to monitor the school's academic, operational, and fiscal policies and practices?

Due to my expertise and experience as a parent of a Magnolia student for 7 years, being the PTF president, and the relationship with our parents, students, and admin. I have learn and keep learning what our school needs by hands on and a strong relationship with admin. and our families. As a board member I will keep all the Magnolia schools needs in mind and with the help of our other board members I will contribute in helping to improve our schools for our current students and future students.

3. Attach two references with contact information

Reference 1

Name: Joseph Compagno
Organization: Magnolia Public Schools
Position: Dean of Culture
Phone: (818) 483-3940
Relation: Friend

Reference 2

Name: Gokhan Serce
Organization: Magnolia Public Schools
Position: Principal of MSA San Diego
Phone: (818) 961-5127
Relation: Friend

Sandra A. Covarrubias
7401 Madora Ave.
Winnetka CA 91306
(818) 447-7393

OBJECTIVE To obtain a Board Member position at the highly regarded Magnolia Science Academy Board

PROFESSIONAL LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSING

EXPERIENCE All Saints HealthCare April 2004- April 2007
North Hollywood, CA

- * Provided quality of nursing care to pediatric patients.
- * Aided in the Patient's daily activities of living.
- * Administrated medication by all routes.
- * Monitored ventilators: T-Bird, LP10, HT50, and Bear.
- * Obtained assessments of the patients for any changes.
- * Provided wound care
- * Provided respiratory care; gave respiratory medication, suctioned, and checked respiratory statues.
- * Worked with GT, JT, JGT, and NGT; gave the feedings to the patients, replacement of the tubes, and worked with the feeding pumps.
- * Worked with traches; trach care, and trach tube changes; worked with Bivona and Shiley traches.
- * Monitored IV sites for any infection or any other changes.
- * Monitored all the alarms of the patient; pulse ox, apnea monitor, and ventilator Alarms.
- * Comforted the patient and family with a long term ventilator dependence, and deteriorating diseases.
- * Responsible for all the documentation of the patient; nurses notes, weekly summaries, incident reports, and care plans.
- * Recorded all medications and ordered new medications.
- * Transported patients to school and provided any school needs.

LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSING

Majesty Hospice January 2005- September 2007
Los Angeles, CA

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Amity Home Health October 2007- June 2010
Granada Hills, CA

- * Obtained head-to-toe assessment and any changes.
- * Provided quality of nursing care to adult patients.
- * Assisted in the patient's daily activities of living.
- * Administrated medications by all routes.
- * Reordered medications and supply.
- * Patient and family teaching following the care plan.
- * Responsible for all the documentation of the patient; nurse notes and care plans.

- * Provided wound care
- * Provided patient care following plan of care
- * Comforted the patient and family during terminal illness.

EDUCATION

2004 and 2006 All Saints HealthCare – PALS
2003 American Heart Association – Certified Nursing Assistant
2001 Heartfare – Intravenous Therapy
2001 and 2000 Casa Loma College – Licensed Vocational Nursing

CERTIFICATIONS

BLS – American Heart Association
PALS – American Heart Association
Institutional Fire and Life Safety – Los Angeles City Fire Department
Intravenous Therapy Certificate – American Heart Association

MULTI – LANGUAGE SKILLS

Able to speak and write fluently in Spanish

REFERENCES

Available on Request