



YPI CHARTER SCHOOLS

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TO: YPI Charter Schools
Board of Directors

FROM: Yvette King-Berg
Executive Director

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve expenditures for item above the spending authority of Executive Director for Relay GSE PD Contract.

BACKGROUND

The Executive Director has the authority to approve expenditures up to \$50,000. Expenditures over \$50,000 must be approved by the Board of Directors.

ANALYSIS

The Relay GSE PD Contract/MOU will exceed the Executive Director's spending authority, and the Board is asked to review and approve the item:

Bert Corona Charter School, Bert Corona Charter High School, and Monseñor Oscar Romero Charter Schools continue to need to improve academic outcomes for all students. One of the root causes of low achievement is our ability to have consistent quality first time instruction in the classroom because we continue to struggle to hire veteran teachers as each year that qualified pool of candidates continues to shrink. We must get better faster! The children can no longer wait! Therefore, All site-based leaders must become more expert in their craft of coaching the most important instructional and classroom management practices in every classroom everyday. We must develop new and veteran teachers to be able actualize systemic classroom management strategies and high levels of academic excellence and rigor consistently and daily.

The YPICS leaders listed on the Relay GSE PD Cost and Funding attachment will participate in a year-long PD beginning this July, which they will immediately put into practice with the YPICS Summer Teacher Institutes. All leaders will be able to develop all teachers to an expert level of performance in 4 months because Relay has taken all of the best researched based strategies and put them in bite-sized PDs for training, implementation, and follow-up in 30, 60, 90, 120 days. YPICS is confident that this coaching/training model will assist the organization to meet its' goal of becoming the fastest academically growing charter schools over the next three years and qualify to apply for California Distinguished Schools in year 4 of using this system.

The YPICS has been awarded a grant of \$30,000 from Relay to help support the cost of this project. The Executive Director has obtained a small grant from PWB to support the high School Executive Administrator and the YPICS ED to participate. Finally, the YPICS Board approved the Low Performing Students Block Grants for Bert Corona and Monsenor to use for this purpose.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the Relay GSE PD MOU/Contract expenditures for Bert Corona, Bert Corona High School, and Monseñor Oscar Romero Charter School.