



SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 9.1

Meeting Date: July 21, 2011

Subject: California School Boards Association (CSBA)

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: _____)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

Learning Support Unit/Department: Board of Education.

Recommendation: Receive information related to CSBA.

Background/Rationale:

On September 16, 2010 the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education passed Resolution No. 2634 requesting that in order for the District to renew its membership with the California School Boards Association (CSBA), certain conditions had to be met. As these conditions were not met, the District made the decision not to renew its membership with CSBA for the 2010-11 school year.

CSBA staff will present information on what has changed at CSBA so that the District can consider renewing its membership with CSBA.

Financial Considerations: If the Board decides to become a member of CSBA for the 2011-12 school year, there would be a cost of \$36,024 to the district. These costs would be for membership, Educational Legal Alliance, GAMUT online and Policy Manual Maintenance.

Documents Attached:

1. Executive Summary

Estimated Time of Presentation: 5 minutes

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Approved by: N/A

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I. Overview/History

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In addition to membership, the district also purchased GAMUT Online and Board Policy Manual Maintenance services from CSBA.

CSBA Membership Benefits include:

- Governmental Relations
- Communications
- Policy Analysis and Research
- Policy Services/Governance Technology Services
- Education Legal Alliance
- Leadership Development
- Financial and District Services

CSBA's GAMUT Online service provides board members and district staff easy access to the information needed to govern and manage effectively. GAMUT contains the entire Education Code, Code of Regulations, Title 5 and relevant portions of other legal resources. GAMUT online allows the district to give Internet access to the district's policy manual to parents, students and other community members.

CSBA's Policy Manual Maintenance service provides CSBA staff to update the district-adopted new and revised policies within 30 days after they are received. Moreover, current CSBA membership is required for the district to be eligible to purchase the GAMUT Online and Manual Maintenance services.

II. Driving Governance

Coherent Governance Policy Governance Culture 10 (GC-10) – Governance Cost states:

“The Board will invest in its governing capacity as necessary and prudent to assure that the governance function is effective and efficient.

1. The Board will assure that the Board and its members have the knowledge, skills and support necessary for excellent governance.

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2. The Board annually will determine the amount of funding necessary to support its own governance functions, including training and consultation, external monitoring of its policies, staff support, and stakeholder dialog.”

III. Budget

CSBA Costs	
Membership Dues	20,139
Education Legal Alliance	5,035
GAMUT online	5,000
Policy Manual Maintenance	5,850
Total CSBA Costs	36,024

IV. Goals, Objectives and Measures:

Adopted Board Policies and Administrative Regulations, along with pertinent Government Codes and legal references, will be readily available to Board members, district staff and stakeholders via the Internet.

Board Policies and Administrative Regulations will be updated to comply with changes in Government Codes and other legal references.

V. Major Initiatives:

n/a

VI. Results:

By providing Board Policy and Administrative Regulations online, Board members, district staff and other stakeholders will have ready access.

VII. Lessons Learned/Next Steps:

The Board will discuss whether or not it makes sense to rejoin CSBA and utilize their GAMUT online and Policy Manual Maintenance services for the current school year.