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CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS LEADING TO MCOE MIGRANT PROGRAM OVERSIGHT

April 29, 2010	Interim Superintendent John Ramírez met with Ms. Rosa Coronado to discuss the state of the Alisal Union School District (AUSD) Migrant Program. Ms. Coronado shared an overview of the issues related to the program and recommended a temporary takeover of the Migrant Program (see below).
June 7, 2010	Met with Ms. Coronado, Dr. Nancy Kotowski, and State Trustee Dr. Carmella S. Franco. Ms. Coronado again shared her concerns regarding the Migrant Program (see below). Dr. Kotowski reiterated the continuing inability of AUSD to spend the allocated funds. Following a review of research, Dr. Franco and Mr. Ramírez agreed that the concerns were valid and that a temporary takeover was in the best interests of AUSD.
June 14, 2010	Migrant Program issues were shared with the Board of Education as an information item.
June 28, 2010	Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Monterey County Office of Education (MCOE) and AUSD regarding temporary takeover of the AUSD Migrant Program will be presented to the State Trustee for action.
June 29, 2010	The 45 day layoff process begins for 11 AUSD employees who are funded under Migrant Education funds. These employees will have three options, 1) apply for MCOE positions, 2) bump into open positions or a position per their seniority within the District, and/or 3) be placed on the 39 month reemployment list.

Issues Related to MCOE Takeover of the Migrant Program

- 1. School Year 07-08: Migrant funds (\$89,315) were used inappropriately and, after an MCOE audit, were taken back by the California Department of Education (CDE). The AUSD General Fund was used to correct the matter. As a result, \$89,315 was left unspent and was returned to the County.
- 2. School Year 08-09: A total of \$225, 584 was unspent and thereby returned to the County.

- 3. School Year 09-10: There is a current unexpended balance of \$686,425 as of March 1, 2010, with an additional \$225,584 budgeted for the summer. Although some of these funds will be encumbered, we anticipate at least half would be returned to the State if the County does not step in; thus, taking additional services from our Migrant students.
- 4. We continue to be out of compliance with respect to the holding of six required District Advisory Council meetings.
- 5. Individual Learning Plans and Health Assessments are not completed, and those that have been completed have not been shared with parents.
- 6. Services outlined in the AUSD District Service Agreement (DSA) are not being implemented. An example is the non-hiring of teachers which caused the surplus of funds and loss of services to our students.
- 7. AUSD has had a high turnover of Migrant staff, i.e., four Migrant Coordinators in three years.
- 8. Limited staff development has been provided.