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OAKLAND UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Community Schools, Thriving Students

Memo

To Board of Education

From Jacqueline Minor, General Counsel

Board Meeting Date March 27, 2013

Subject **AGREEMENT WITH DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES/OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

Action Requested Ratification of Agreement with Department of General Services/Office of Administrative Hearings

Background Under the Education Code, an employee who receives a layoff notice can request a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge assigned by the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH).

Discussion Ratification of Agreement with OAH under which OAH assigns Administrative Law Judges to conduct layoff hearings as provided in Section 27727 of the Education Code. The Agreement is for an amount not to exceed \$48,000 per year for the period from March 1, 2013 through June 30, 2017.

One paragraph summary of the scope of work.

Recommendation Ratification of the Agreement with OAH

Fiscal Impact Funding resource name: GP \$48,000.

Attachments

- Agreement

STANDARD AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT NUMBER

1. This Agreement is entered into between:

LOCAL AGENCY'S NAME

Oakland Unified School District

CONTRACTOR'S NAME

Department of General Services / Office of Administrative Hearings

2 The term of this Agreement is:

3. The maximum amount of this Agreement is: **\$ 48,000.00**
Forty Eight Thousand Dollars and No Cents

4. The parties agree to comply with the terms and conditions of the following exhibits which are by this reference made a part of the Agreement.

Exhibit A – Scope of Work	2 pages
Exhibit B – Budget Detail and Payment Provisions	1 pages
Exhibit C – General Terms and Conditions	1 pages
Exhibit D – Special Terms and Conditions	1 pages
Exhibit E – Additional Provisions	0 pages

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed by the parties hereto.

CONTRACTOR

CONTRACTOR'S NAME

Office of Administrative Hearings

BY (Authorized Signature)

DATE SIGNED(Do not type)

PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING

Linda A. Cabatic, Director and Chief Administrative Law Judge

ADDRESS

2349 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95833

LOCAL AGENCY

LOCAL AGENCY NAME

Oakland Unified School District

BY (Authorized Signature)

DATE SIGNED(Do not type)

PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING

Tony Smith, Ph.D., Superintendent

ADDRESS

2111 International Boulevard, Oakland, CA 94612
Edgar Bates, Jr., Secretary
Board of Education

Certified:

Edgar Bates, Jr. 3/28/13

**OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Office of General Counsel**

APPROVED FOR FORM & SUBSTANCE

By: *J. Minor*
Attorney at Law

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EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF WORK

1. Upon request of the Oakland Unified School District (hereinafter referred to as "Local Agency"), Department of General Services, Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) agrees to furnish the services of Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) to the Local Agency, for the purpose of conducting hearings pursuant to Government Code section 27727 when required personnel are available by OAH. The assignment of ALJs for hearings will be at the discretion of the Director and/or Presiding Administrative Law Judges, who may elect to hear the matter themselves.

The Local Agency agrees to provide OAH a written request for hearing with all pleadings, documents, papers, or other materials that have been provided to the other party. The Local Agency agrees to provide copies of all applicable laws and ordinances governing the hearing to the OAH. The Local Agency agrees that OAH will not be able to schedule a hearing or mediation until the materials are provided.

The Local Agency agrees to inform OAH if the hearing is to be recorded or if a court reporter is required. The Local Agency agrees to inform OAH 30 days prior the hearing if any accommodations or interpreters are required.

In consideration of the performance of such services by OAH, the Local Agency agrees to pay to OAH the cost of rendering such services at the rate established at the time the services are rendered. In the event a calendared case is taken off calendar, or needs to be re-calendared, other than by the OAH, and the OAH is unable to schedule the ALJ for another case, the Local Agency agrees to pay OAH for the original hearing time or until the ALJ is assigned to another case, whichever occurs first. Every effort will be made to promptly reassign the scheduled ALJ in the event a calendared matter is cancelled, taken off calendar, settled, re-calendared or continued.

The costs of OAH's services include filing fees, Administrative Law Judge hourly rates, any reasonable costs related to any requested accommodations, and translator/interpreter fees as required. All costs associated with providing a record of the hearing (reporter/transcription, etc.) shall be billed directly to the Local Agency. ALJ hourly rates and filing fees charged by OAH will be the rates set forth in the Department of General Services' Price Book at the time the services are rendered. Rates for court reporters will be the current contract rates at the time the services are rendered, which vary by geographical location. Fees for translator/interpreters and transcription services will be based on current contract rates at the time the services are rendered. All rates are subject to change annually.

The Local Agency further agrees to be responsible for the full costs of any service provided by OAH regardless of any agreement the Local Agency may have with a third party.

The term of this contract is five years and may be extended by amendment. The contract is effective upon approval and execution of all signatures to this contract.

2. The services shall be performed at a location convenient for all parties.
3. The project representatives during the term of this agreement will be:

Office of Administrative Hearings	Local Agency: Oakland Unified School District
Name: Cheryl Hill	Name: Tony Smith, Ph.D.
Phone: 916-263-0550	Phone: (510) 434-7790
Fax: 916-263-0545	Fax: (510) 273-3281
Email: Cheryl.Hill@dgs.ca.gov	Email: Tony.Smith@ousd.k12.ca.us

Direct all inquiries to:

Office of Administrative Hearings	Local Agency: Oakland Unified School District
Attention: Kay Stubbings	Attention: Tony Smith, Ph.D.
Address: 2349 Gateway Oaks Dr., Suite 200 Sacramento, CA 95833	Address: 2111 International Boulevard, Oakland, CA 94606
Phone: 916-263-0512	Phone: (510) 434-7790
Fax: 916-263-0545	Fax: (510) 273-3281
Email: Kay.Stubbings@dgs.ca.gov	Email: Tony.Smith@ousd.k12.ca.us

4. OAH will retain the administrative record, including electronic recording for 30 days following the issuance of a decision / proposed decision. After 30 days, OAH will transmit the complete record to the Local Agency unless the Local Agency directs otherwise. Decisions / Proposed Decisions and closed case files shall be directed to:

Local Agency: Oakland Unified School District
Attention: Tony Smith, Ph.D.
Address: 2111 International Boulevard, Oakland, CA 94606
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EXHIBIT B

1. INVOICING AND PAYMENT

- A. For services satisfactorily rendered in accordance with the Scope of Work, and upon receipt and approval of the invoices, the Local Agency agrees to compensate the Department of General Services, Office of Administrative Hearings, for actual expenditures incurred in accordance with the rates specified herein. OAH charges will include filing fees, Administrative Law Judge hourly rates, and translator/interpreter fees as required. All costs associated with providing a record of the hearing (reporter/transcription, etc.) shall be billed directly to the Local Agency. ALJ hourly rates and filing fees charged by OAH will be the rates set forth in the Department of General Services' Price Book at the time the services are rendered. Rates for court reporters will be the current contract rates at the time the services are rendered, which vary by geographical location. Fees for translator/interpreters and transcription services will be based on current contract rates at the time the services are rendered. All rates are subject to change annually. Any training required of the ALJs by the Local Agency to conduct these hearings will be paid out of the contract funds by the Local Agency at the prevailing ALJ hourly rate. The Price Book is available at http://www.dgs.ca.gov/ofs/Resources/Pricebook/Pricebook_A/AdminHear.aspx.
- B. The OAH shall be paid not more frequently than monthly, in arrears, upon submission of an original invoice, which properly details all charges, expenses, direct and indirect costs.

EXHIBIT C

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. **APPROVAL:** This Agreement is of no force or effect until signed by both parties.
2. **AMENDMENT:** No amendment or variation of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing, signed by the parties and approved as required. No oral understanding or Agreement not incorporated in the Agreement is binding on any of the parties.
3. **CANCELLATION/TERMINATION:**
 - A. This agreement may be cancelled or terminated without cause by either party by giving thirty (30) calendar days advance written notice to the other party. Such notification shall state the effective date of termination or cancellation and include any final performance and/or payment/invoicing instructions/requirements.
 - B. Upon receipt of a notice of termination or cancellation from the Local Agency, OAH shall take immediate steps to stop performance and to cancel or reduce subsequent contract costs.
 - C. OAH shall be entitled to payment for all allowable costs authorized under this agreement, including authorized non-cancelable obligations incurred up to the date of termination or cancellation, provided such expenses do not exceed the stated maximum amounts payable.
5. **GOVERNING LAW:** This contract is governed by and shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of California.
6. **SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES:** In the event of a dispute, the Local Agency shall file a "Notice of Dispute" with the Director of OAH within ten (10) days of discovery of the problem. Within ten (10) days, the Director of OAH shall meet with the Local Agency for purposes of resolving the dispute. The decision of the Director of OAH shall be final.

EXHIBIT D

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The Local Agency represents it is authorized to enter into this contract, as evidenced by the attached authorizing resolution, order, motion, or ordinance of the applicable governing body.