Subject:

The Child Development Centers at San Marcos and Escondido, like the Palomar College campus, were closed October 22 through October 26, 2007. A board resolution is **needed to justify this closure and to recoup lost attendance days.**

Overview

The Child Development Center operates under two contracts for child care funding with the State of California Department of Education. One of those is for an AM and a PM State Preschool program at the Escondido Center. The other is a contract for general child care for income qualifying students at the main campus. Earning our contracts is dependent on meeting required child attendance days.

Discussion

The State Department of Education provides for continued funding in the event of a disaster, with verification of required school closure by a Governing Board Resolution.

Budget Implications

The State Preschool program lost 405 attendance days from closure of the Escondido Child Development Center, October 22 through October 26, 2007; that equates to a potential contract revenue loss of $8,594.

The General Child Care program lost 173 attendance days from the closure of the main campus Child Development Center, October 22 through October 26, 2007; that equates to a potential contract revenue loss of $5,951.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Governing Board draft a resolution regarding the necessity of the Child Development Center closures at the San Marcos and Escondido campus sites due to the southern California fire storm of 2007.