

Buena Park School District  
Buena Park, California 90620  
March 13, 2019

TO: Dr. Ramon Miramontes, Superintendent

FROM: Dr. Kaivan Yuen, Director of Student Programs and Staff Development

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL TO CONTRACT WITH THINK TOGETHER FOR THE CALIFORNIA STATE PRESCHOOL PROGRAM FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR AT BEATTY AND GILBERT SCHOOLS**

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### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In April 2016, The Buena Park School District secured a contract with the California Department of Education's California State Preschool Program (CSPP). The contract is ongoing until the district or state decides to discontinue the program. In the 2016-2017 school year, the Buena Park School District contracted with Think Together to operate the state preschool program for the District; services for students commenced in March 2017. In the spring of 2018, the District received expansion funds to start preschool programs at Beatty and Gilbert Elementary Schools.

### **CURRENT CONSIDERATIONS**

On March 6, 2019, the California Department of Social Services issued a license for the Beatty School preschool program. On March 8, 2019, the California Department of Social Services visited the Gilbert School preschool program as part of the licensing process. The Buena Park School District would like to continue contracting preschool services to Think Together for Beatty School. Think Together will recruit students starting in March and continue throughout the school year until spaces are filled and establish a sufficient waitlist. On April 1, 2019, Think Together will provide preschool programs to the students, parent workshops for parents, and assist with all California State Preschool Program reports and requirements.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The total cost to contract services to Think Together will not exceed \$151,852 from Fund 12 (California State Preschool Program).

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Governing Board approve the contract with Think Together to provide the California State Preschool Program at Beatty and Gilbert Schools for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.

**\*\*STRATEGIC GOAL: Maximize Student Achievement through Standards-Based Instruction**