#### BERRYESSA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

# AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES AS INTERIM ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION SERVICES

This is an agreement between the Board of Trustees ("Board") of the Berryessa Union School District of Santa Clara County, State of California ("District") and Joseph McCreary ("Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services" or "Assistant Superintendent of Education Services").

## 1. Employment as Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services

The Governing Board employs Joseph McCreary, and Joseph McCreary accepts employment, as Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services of the Berryessa Union School District in Santa Clara County, State of California. Pursuant to Education Code Section 44886, the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services is as a certificated employee. The Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services works under the Superintendent's direct supervision.

## 2. Term of Agreement

The term of this Agreement shall begin on July 1, 2015, and end on June 30, 2017, unless otherwise terminated or extended.

If the Board decides not to reelect or reemploy the Interim Assistant Superintendent at the expiration of this Agreement, the Board shall notify the Interim Assistant Superintendent in writing at least 45 days before this Agreement expires.

At any time, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board may take action to extend this Agreement.

# 3. <u>Duties and Responsibilities</u>

The duties and responsibilities of the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services shall be those described in the Position Description and as prescribed by law, as well as other duties and responsibilities that may be assigned by the Superintendent.

The Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services shall do and perform all services, acts, or things necessary or advisable to manage and conduct the business of the District, subject at all times to applicable state and federal laws and the policies set by the Board, and subject to the Board's

consent when required by the terms of this Agreement or by Board ordinances, policies, rules, or applicable law.

# 4. <u>Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services Performance Objectives</u>

As soon as practicable after the parties execute this agreement, the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services and Superintendent shall meet to establish the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services' goals and performance objectives. These objectives shall be committed to writing and shall be among the criteria by which the Superintendent evaluates the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services' performance. Following completion of the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services' evaluation each year and before September 1 of the succeeding school year, the parties will meet to establish goals and performance objectives for the next succeeding year in the same manner.

#### 5. Evaluation

The Superintendent shall evaluate the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services' performance at least once each year during the term of this Agreement and more frequently at the Superintendent's discretion. The first annual written evaluation should be completed by April 30, 2016, using the performance evaluation form mutually agreed upon by the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services and the Superintendent. Future annual performance evaluations should be completed by July 1 of each year.

Any evaluation shall be based upon, but not limited to:

- the duties and responsibilities of the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services as described in this Agreement and provided by state law, Board policies, procedures, and direction;
- the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services' goals and performance objectives for the year in question; and
- the working relationship between the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services and the Superintendent.

# 6. <u>Designation as Assistant Superintendent of Education Services</u>

After completing the first annual evaluation described in paragraph 5, if the Superintendent, at his sole discretion, determines that the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services' performance meets the District's

needs, standards, and expectations, the Superintendent may designate the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services as the Assistant Superintendent of Education Services effective July 1, 2016. In addition, the Superintendent may recommend to the Board that this Agreement be extended for an additional two-year term. Approval by the Board and Assistant Superintendent of Education Services is required for any extension of the term of this Agreement.

#### 7. Salary

The annual salary of the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services shall not be less than one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) per year for the first year of this Agreement (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016), payable in twelve (12) equal monthly payments (Initial Base Salary). If the Superintendent designates the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services to be the Assistant Superintendent of Education Services pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 6 above, then the Initial Base Salary of the Assistant Superintendent of Education Services shall be increased by five thousand dollars (\$5,000) effective July 1, 2016.

- The Interim Assistant Superintendent for Education Services shall also receive an increase in total compensation (including salary, health and welfare benefits, and related compensation and/or benefits), in an amount equivalent to the highest annual percentage total compensation adjustment provided to any certificated employee group during the term of this Agreement, adjusted downward to reflect any compensation-related concessions made by that employee group. The Interim Assistant Superintendent for Education Services agrees to accept a total compensation reduction equivalent to the total compensation reduction that may be accepted by any other certificated employee group, whether through furloughs, reduced work years, salary schedule reductions, or similar mechanisms. The Board and Interim Superintendent shall revise this Agreement to reflect any compensation adjustments made pursuant to this paragraph, and to specify how such compensation adjustments shall be made to salary, health and welfare benefits, and/or related compensation.
- Two percent (2%) of the base salary will be awarded for a Masters Degree; and three percent (3%) of the base salary will be awarded for a Doctoral Degree. No more than one Masters Degree and one Doctoral Degree shall be counted for this purpose.

• Career administrative service increments will be granted as follows:

Upon completion of twelve (12) years of career administrative services, two percent (2%) additional compensation;

Upon completion of fifteen (15) years of career administrative service, two percent (2%) additional compensation; and

Upon completion of eighteen (18) years of career administrative service, two percent (2%) additional compensation.

Based on merit, job performance, and any other criteria determined by the Superintendent and Board, the Board may provide additional increases for any and all years of the Agreement. Specific Board action is required to approve any salary increase. Any salary increase shall not be considered either as entering into a new agreement or extending the term of this Agreement.

Any changes in salary made during the term of this Agreement shall be made by a written amendment to this Agreement.

## 8. <u>Health and Welfare Benefits</u>

The Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services shall receive the same health and welfare benefits provided to other District certificated administrative employees. As of July 1, 2015, these benefits include the following:

- Fully paid dental and vision insurance.
- The minimum contribution toward medical insurance premiums under the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA), as required by Government Code Section 22892, to the extent that such contribution is required by law and the District continues to participate in the PEMHCA program. As of June 1, 2015, this minimum contribution amount is one hundred and twenty-two dollars (\$122) per month. The Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services shall be responsible for paying the full medical insurance premium above the minimum amount required by Government Code Section 22892 (if any), and may use an IRC Section 125 plan for this purpose.
- Premiums fully paid by the District for the District-provided fifty thousand dollar (\$50,000) life insurance policy.

#### 9. Business Expenses

In accordance with Board policies, the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services shall also be compensated for actual reasonable and necessary expenses incurred when District-related duties and obligations require him to travel outside the boundaries of Santa Clara County.

### 10. Professional Memberships

The District shall contribute up to a maximum of one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1800) per school year towards an individual membership for the Interim Assistant Superintendent in ACSA, AERA, NAESP, and ASCD and other organizations pre-approved by the Superintendent.

### 11. Work Year

During the term of this Agreement, the Interim Assistant Superintendent shall provide two hundred and twenty-five (225) days of service per year. Periods of leaves of absences, including sick leave, bereavement leave, and personal necessity shall be considered days of service. The Interim Assistant Superintendent shall not earn vacation during the term of this Agreement.

### 12. Sick Leave

- 12.1 The Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services shall be entitled to twelve (12) working days of sick leave per year. Unused sick leave days shall be accumulated.
- 12.2 Upon termination or expiration of this Agreement, the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services may transfer the accumulated and unused sick leave days to another school district as permitted by Education Code Section 44979.
- 12.3 In no event shall the District make a cash payment to the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services for accumulated and unused sick leave.
- 12.4 The Interim Assistant Superintendent for Education Services shall follow District procedures and use District forms for reporting sick leave use.

# 13. Termination of Agreement

This Agreement may be terminated by any of the following events:

• Parties' mutual written agreement.

- Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services' retirement or death.
- Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services' disability.

The Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services may be removed from his position by the Board if, in the Board's opinion, he is unable to serve in this position due to a physical and/or mental condition, and a licensed physician selected by the District evaluates the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services and indicates the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services is unable to perform the essential functions of his position or will be unable to perform the essential functions of the position for at least six (6) months or longer.

#### Termination for Cause

The Board may terminate this Agreement for good and just cause.

If the Board proposes to terminate this Agreement for cause, it shall give the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services written notice of its intent to terminate for cause ("Notice"); a detailed delineation of charge(s) against him; and copies of any documents substantiating the charge(s). The Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services shall be given not less than fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of the Notice, charge(s), and documents in which to meet with the Board and respond to the charge(s).

The Board's official decision to terminate this Agreement for cause shall not be made until after the conclusion of the pre-termination meeting. If the proposed termination for cause is finalized by Board vote, the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services shall have no right to further employment by the District; nor shall he be paid a salary or provided any other benefit beyond the given date of termination, which in no event shall be earlier than thirty (30) days from the receipt of the Notice.

If this Agreement is terminated for cause, the Interim Assistant Superintendent shall have no right of action against the Board for breach of contract.

#### <u>Discharge Without Cause</u>

The Board may terminate this Agreement without cause, with forty-five (45) days written notice to the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services. Upon exercising its option under this subsection, the Board shall pay to the (Interim) Assistant Superintendent of Education Services any amounts specified in this paragraph and shall advise the public and prospective employers that the (Interim) Assistant Superintendent of

Education Services was terminated under a provision of this contract that does not require cause.

If the Board terminates this Agreement without cause during the first year of this Agreement while the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services is serving in an interim capacity, the District shall not be required to pay the Interim Superintendent of Education Services any additional monthly sums.

If the Board terminates this Agreement without cause after the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services has been designated the Assistant Superintendent of Education Services, the District shall pay the Assistant Superintendent of Education Services monthly sums equal to the Assistant Superintendent's current salary rate for a period of six (6) months following the effective date of termination, or the number of months remaining on the unexpired term of this Agreement beyond the termination date, whichever is less. The Assistant Superintendent of Education Services shall fully reimburse the District for any such payment if he is convicted of a crime involving abuse of his office or position.

The provisions of this paragraph comply with California Government Code Sections 53243 – 53243.4 and 53260.

The parties expressly understand and agree that any breach or termination of this Agreement by the District shall not result in the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services' continued employment or reinstatement. The remedies provided in this Agreement are the exclusive remedies available to the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services.

# <u>Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services' Election to Terminate Agreement</u>

The Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services shall notify the Superintendent and all Board members if he becomes a finalist for a position with another employer. The Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services may resign at any time upon giving forty-five (45) days written notice to the Board.

# 14. Professional Liability

The Governing Board agrees that, consistent with the requirements of law, it shall defend, hold harmless and indemnify the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services from any and all demands, claims, suits, actions, and legal proceedings at law or in equity (specifically excluding, however, any demands, claims, suits, actions, or legal proceedings

brought against the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services by or on behalf of the District, any criminal proceedings brought against the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services in his individual capacity or in his official capacity as agent and employee of the Governing Board), provided the incident giving rise to the claim arose while the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services was acting in good faith and within the scope of his employment. In no event shall individual Governing Board members be individually liable or responsible to the Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services, for defending or indemnifying him against such demands, claims, suits, actions, and legal proceedings.

### 15. Severability and Savings

If any provisions of this Agreement shall be held invalid by operation of law of any arbitrator, tribunal, or court of competent jurisdiction, or if compliance with or enforcement of any provisions should be restrained by an arbitrator, tribunal, or court pending a final determination as to its validity, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected.

#### 16. Arbitration

No civil action concerning any dispute arising under this Agreement shall be instituted before any court. All disputes under this Agreement shall be submitted to final and binding arbitration under either informal mediation procedures if the parties agree, or to formal arbitration procedures under the auspices of the American Arbitration Association if the parties cannot agree on an informal mediation procedure. The formal arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association before a single arbitrator. All costs of the arbitration shall be divided equally between the parties. The arbitrator's award resulting from the arbitration shall be final and binding and may be confirmed and entered as a final judgment in any court of competent jurisdiction and enforced accordingly.

### 17. Amendment

This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the Governing Board and Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services.

### 18. General Provisions

This Agreement is subject to all applicable laws of the State of California, to the rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and to the lawful rules and regulations of the Governing Board of the Berryessa Union School District.

This Agreement is the full and complete agreement between the parties, and it can be changed or modified only in writing, signed by all parties or their successors in interest to this Agreement.

We sign this Agreement as the full and complete understanding of the relationships between the parties.

GOVERNING BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BERRYESSA SCHOOL DISTRICT, SANTA CLARA COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA:

By: // Classill President

David Cohen, Vice President

By: Thelma Boac, Clerk

Hugo Jimenez, Member

By:

Khoa Nguyen, Member

I accept this offer of employment and agree to comply with the conditions of this Agreement and to fulfill all of the duties of employment of Interim Assistant Superintendent of Education Services for the Berryessa Union School District.

By: Joseph McCreary

Interim Assistant Superintendent

**Education Services**