## The Institute for Effective Education

2255 Camino Del Rio South San Diego, CA 92108

(619) 243-1325 FAX (619) 233-8409 www.TIEE.org www.MtHelixAcademy.org

Kenneth L. Traupmann, Ph.D. CEO, Executive Director Resources, Policy & Planning

Suzanne Fitch, Ed.D. Executive Director Programs and Personnel

## Board of Directors

Jose Luis Alvarado, Ph.D. President John Woods, Ph.D. Secretary/Treasurer Collette Cavalier, L.L.M. Sandra Daley, M.D. King Golden, Esq. Jonathan Siegel, M.D. Richard C. Schnetaer Member Emeritus

Children's Workshop Hillary Whiteside, M.S., BCBA Director

COOK Education Center Jen Swope, M.S. Director

Mt. Helix Academy Mike Collins, B.A. Director

Urban Skills Center Jen Swope, M.S. Director June 24, 2016

To Whom It May Concern:

For the past four years, James Anderson, a 2004 graduate from Urban Skills Center, has been instrumental in mentoring our students in post-school life. He has openly shared his experiences, barriers, and accommodations in employment, post-school education, and independent living.

James has lived in his own apartment for several years and has graciously invited students and teachers to tour his apartment on an annual basis. James arranges for his Independent Living Services (ILS) agency to attend these tours so that our students are well informed about the support available for people with disabilities. When James was attending community college, he met with our students to give them a personalized tour of the campus. Students were then encouraged to take classes after graduating high school.

James has attended our annual Alumni Breakfast for the past eleven years. At the breakfast, he speaks to all of our students and fellow alumni. His dedication in informing and encouraging others has created a positive impact for our students, as James is a model for self-advocacy. We greatly appreciate our partnership with James and look forward to continuing our collaboration with him in the future.

Sincerely,

NBF

Sheryl Bobroff, M.S., LPCC, CRC Coordinator, Vocational Education and Transition Services Urban Skills Center COOK Education Center



The INSTITUTE FOR EFFECTIVE EDUCATION

EDUCATION ... creating, providing, and evaluating effective learning environments