



fresno county board of education

Trustee Area 1 Trustee Area 2 Trustee Area 3 Trustee Area 4 Trustee Area 5
Kimberly Tapscott-Munson Bryan Burton James Martinez Dr. Marcy Masumoto Dr. Allen Clyde

MINUTES December 12, 2023

- A. OPENING CEREMONY
- 1. Call Meeting to Order.** President Burton called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.
 - 2. Flag Salute.** The pledge of allegiance was recited.
 - 3. Roll Call – Establish Quorum.** Members present: Bryan Burton, Dr. Allen Clyde, James Martinez, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, & Kimberly Tapscott-Munson. A quorum was established.

County Superintendent and Staff Present: Michele Cantwell-Copher, Fresno County Superintendent of Schools, and Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the Board; Kevin Otto, Deputy Superintendent Business Services; Dr. Diane Lira, Deputy Superintendent Instructional Division; Jason Parkin, General Counsel; Lisa Birrell, Public Relations Officer, and Angela Bowlin, Administrative Assistant to the Board.

- B. ADOPT AGENDA
- Adopted Agenda of December 12, 2023.** Motion to adopt agenda made by Member Clyde, seconded by Member Masumoto; motion carried by the following roll call vote:
- President Burton - Yes
 - Vice President Martinez – Yes
 - Member Clyde – Yes
 - Member Masumoto – Yes
 - Member Tapscott-Munson – Yes

- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 16, 2023, BOARD MEETING
- Approved Minutes for November 16, 2023, Board Meeting.** Motion to approve minutes for November 16, 2023, Board Meeting was made by Member Tapscott-Munson, seconded by President Burton; motion carried by the following roll call vote:
- President Burton - Yes
 - Vice President Martinez – Yes
 - Member Clyde – Yes
 - Member Masumoto – Yes
 - Member Tapscott-Munson – Yes

- C.1 ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
- Election of Board President
- Superintendent Copher called for nominations for Board President. President Burton nominated and moved to elect Vice President Martinez as Board President, seconded by Member Masumoto. There being no further nominations, Superintendent Copher closed the nominations and called for a vote to elect Vice President Martinez Board President. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:
- President Burton - Yes
 - Vice President Martinez – Yes
 - Member Clyde – Yes
 - Member Masumoto – Yes
 - Member Tapscott-Munson – Yes

Vice President Martinez was elected Board President.

Superintendent Copher turned the meeting over to President Martinez, who then called for nominations for Vice President.

Election of Board Vice President

President Martinez called for nominations for Board Vice President. Member Tapscott-Munson nominated Member Clyde to be elected Board Vice President, seconded by Member Masumoto. There being no further nominations, President Martinez closed the nominations and asked for a vote to elect Member Clyde as Board Vice President. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

- President Martinez - Yes
- Member Burton – Yes
- Member Clyde – Yes
- Member Masumoto – Yes
- Member Tapscott-Munson - Yes

Member Clyde was elected Board Vice President.

Adoption of Schedule for Regular Meetings

Member Burton moved to adopt the following schedule for regular County Board meetings for 2024, seconded by Member Tapscott-Munson:

2024 Regular Board Meeting Dates:

- January 18, 1:30 p.m.
- February 15, 1:30 p.m.
- March 21, 1:30 p.m.
- April 18, 1:30 p.m.
- May 16, 1:30 p.m.
- June 20, 1:30 p.m.
- July 18, 1:30 p.m.
- August 15, 1:30 p.m.
- September 19, 4:30 p.m., 5:00 p.m. public hearing regarding textbook sufficiency
- October 17, 1:30 p.m.
- November 21, 1:30 p.m.
- December 19, 1:30 p.m., annual organizational meeting

Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

- President Martinez - Yes
- Vice President Clyde – Yes
- Member Burton – Yes
- Member Masumoto – Yes
- Member Tapscott-Munson - Yes

- D. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH **Received Presentation of Employee of the Month for December 2023.** Chinda Xayarath was recognized as the December 2023 employee of the month.
- E. RECOGNITION **Superintendent’s Superstar.** Corina Tate, Central Unified was recognized as the December 2023 Superintendent Superstar.
- F. RECESS A recess was called at 2:12 p.m. for the reception honoring the Employee of the Month. President Martinez reconvened the meeting at 2:27 p.m.
- G. COMMUNITY INPUT Received community input from Patience Milrod from Greenfield Coalition regarding the Southeast Development Area.
- H. PUBLIC HEARING There were no public hearings.
- I. REPORTS 1. Fresno County Superintendent of Schools Strategic Plan

J. ACTION ITEMS

1. **Adopted Amended Superintendent and Board Policies.** The motion to adopt was made by Vice President Clyde, seconded by Member Masumoto; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
 - President Martinez - Yes
 - Vice President Clyde – Yes
 - Member Burton – Yes
 - Member Masumoto – Yes
 - Member Tapscott-Munson - Yes
2. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2023-44 Regarding Fresno County Board of Education Member Compensation for Missed Meeting: Board Member Kimberly Tapscott-Munson – Absence from Meeting of October 19, 2023.** The motion to adopt was made by Member Masumoto, seconded by Vice President Clyde; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
 - President Martinez - Yes
 - Vice President Clyde – Yes
 - Member Burton – Yes
 - Member Masumoto – Yes
 - Member Tapscott-Munson - Abstain
3. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2023-46 Recognizing Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day as January 15, 2024.** The motion to adopt was made by Member Tapscott-Munson, seconded by Member Burton; the motion was carried by the following roll call:
 - President Martinez - Yes
 - Vice President Clyde – Yes
 - Member Burton – Yes
 - Member Masumoto – Yes
 - Member Tapscott-Munson - Yes
4. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2023-47 Recognizing January as School Board Recognition Month.** The motion to adopt was made by Member Tapscott-Munson, seconded by Member Masumoto; the motion was carried by the following roll call:
 - President Martinez - Yes
 - Vice President Clyde – Yes
 - Member Burton – Yes
 - Member Masumoto – Yes
 - Member Tapscott-Munson - Yes
5. **Approved Appointment of Committee Representatives and Designation of Duties to Board Members are as follows:**

Matters and Projects with Fresno County Superintendent of Schools are as follows:

 - **ROP Advisory Board of Management:**
 - Representative: Bryan Burton*
 - Alternate: Dr. Marcy Masumoto*
 - **Facilities:**
 - Representative: Dr. Allen Clyde*
 - Alternate: Bryan Burton*
 - **Charter Review:**
 - Representative: Dr. Allen Clyde*
 - Alternate: Kimberly Tapscott-Munson*

Designation of Duties to Board Members is as follows:

- **Board Projects:**
Representative: Kimberly Tapscott-Munson
Alternate: Bryan Burton
- **Board Seminar:**
Representative: Board President
Alternate: Vice President
- **CSBA Regional County Delegate and CCBE Boards of Directors (2-year appointment if elected):**
Nominee: Dr. Marcy Masumoto
- **City of Fresno School Liaison Committee:**
Representative: Board President
Alternate: Vice President

Motion to approve appointments was made by Member Burton, seconded by Member Tapscott-Munson; the motion was carried by the following roll call:

- President Martinez - Yes
- Vice President Clyde – Yes
- Member Burton – Yes
- Member Masumoto – Yes
- Member Tapscott-Munson - Yes

K. CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Government Code § 54956.9(d)(4)) – Potential Cases: 1

Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov Code §54956.8)

L. TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES

1. Approval of Meetings to Attend. There were no travel requests submitted.

2. Approval of Travel Expenses & Reimbursements. There were no approvals or reimbursements received.

3. Receipt of Correspondence. No correspondence was received.

4. Comments by Board Members.

Member Masumoto:

- Information on SEDA was helpful
- CSBA-Delegate Update
- Congratulations – FCSS Golden Bell Recipients
- Elected Vice President, Fresno County School Trustees Association

Member Burton:

- Violet Heintz Education Center visit update
- Playground Global referral for CTEC
- Support student art programs in Fresno County

M. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent Copher reported on the following:

- Congratulations to the new board president & vice president
- Educator of the Year update
- CSBA – 4 Golden Bell Recipients in Fresno County
- Latino Roundtable
- Cops & Tots fight crime, invest in schools
- CA League of Educators Awards
- CTEC Showcase
- Migrant Christmas, Firebaugh, CA

N. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

O. NEXT MEETING

The next regular Board meeting will be held on January 18, 2024, at 1:30 p.m., in conference room 301, Fresno County Office of Education.

P. ADJOURNMENT

The motion to adjourn was made by Member Burton, and seconded by Member Masumoto; the motion was carried out by the following roll call vote:

President Martinez - Yes
Vice President Clyde – Yes
Member Burton – Yes
Member Masumoto – Yes
Member Tapscott-Munson - Yes

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

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