



Fresno County Board of Education

Trustee Area 1
Kimberly Tapscott-Munson

Trustee Area 2
Bryan Burton

Trustee Area 3
James Martinez

Trustee Area 4
Dr. Marcy Masumoto

Trustee Area 5
Dr. Allen Clyde

MINUTES March 21, 2024

A. OPENING CEREMONY

1. **Call Meeting to Order.** President Martinez called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.
2. **Flag Salute.** The pledge of allegiance was recited.
3. **Roll Call – Establish Quorum.** Members present: James Martinez, Bryan Burton, & Kimberly Tapscott-Munson. A quorum was established. Dr. Allen Clyde and Dr. Marcy Masumoto were absent.

County Superintendent and Staff Present: Dr. 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 March 21, 2024. Motion to adopt agenda made by Member Burton, seconded by Member Tapscott-Munson; motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 15, 2024, BOARD MEETING

Approved Minutes for February 15, 2024, Board Meeting. The motion to approve the minutes for the February 15, 2024, Board Meeting was made by Member Tapscott-Munson, and seconded by Member Burton; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

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

D. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Received Presentation of Employee of the Month for March 2024. Leonel Mendez was recognized as the March 2024 employee of the month.

E. RECOGNITION

Superintendent's Superstar. Jaspreet Sahota, Sanger West High School, Sanger Unified was recognized as the March 2024 Superintendent Superstar.

Recognition of Cesar Chavez Student Essay Contest with a presentation of medals.

F. RECESS

A recess was called at 2:11 p.m. for the reception celebrating the honorees. President Martinez reconvened the meeting at 2:25 p.m.

G. COMMUNITY INPUT

Received community input from Yasir Amireh, Zahra Al, and Yvanna Mendoza regarding the cease-fire in Gaza and bullying of Palestinian people.

H. PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings.

I. REPORTS

Received the Audit Report for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year.

J. ACTION ITEMS

1. **Approved the FCSS Home-to-School Transportation Reimbursement Plan.** The motion to approve was made by Member Burton, seconded by Member Tapscott-Munson; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
 - President Martinez - Yes
 - Vice President Clyde – Absent
 - Member Burton – Yes
 - Member Masumoto – Absent
 - Member Tapscott-Munson – Yes
2. **Adopted Amended and New Superintendent and Board Policies.** The motion to approve was made by Member Tapscott-Munson, seconded by President Martinez; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
 - President Martinez - Yes
 - Vice President Clyde – Absent
 - Member Burton – Yes
 - Member Masumoto – Absent
 - Member Tapscott-Munson – Yes
3. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2024-11 Recognizing April 22-26, 2024, as Administrative Professionals Week in the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools.** 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 – Absent
 - Member Burton – Yes
 - Member Masumoto – Absent
 - Member Tapscott-Munson – Yes
4. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2024-12 Proclaiming the WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD as April 6-12, 2024, Early Years are Learning Years®.** 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 – Absent
 - Member Burton – Yes
 - Member Masumoto – Absent
 - Member Tapscott-Munson – Yes
5. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2024-13 Recognizing April as Autism Awareness Month.** 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 – Absent
 - Member Burton – Yes
 - Member Masumoto – Absent
 - Member Tapscott-Munson – Yes

6. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2024-14 Recognizing April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month.** The motion to adopt was made by Member Burton, seconded by President Martinez; the motion was carried by the following roll call:

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

7. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2024-15 Recognizing April 22, 2024, as Earth Day.** The motion to adopt 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 – Absent
Member Burton – Yes
Member Masumoto – Absent
Member Tapscott-Munson – Yes

K. CLOSED SESSION

In closed session, the Board took action to deny a government claim brought by Mayra Guillan by the following roll call vote:

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

L. TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES

1. **Travel Requests** Motion by President Martinez to approve the CABSE 4th Annual Institute, Napa, CA 7/14/24-7/17/24 for Member Tapscott-Munson; seconded by Member Burton; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Motion by Member Burton to approve the CSBA Delegate Assembly, Sacramento, CA 5/18/24-5/19/24 for Member Masumoto; seconded by Member Tapscott-Munson; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

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

2. **Travel Expenses & Reimbursements:** There were no approvals for reimbursements received.

3. **Receipt of Correspondence.** No correspondence was received.

4. **Comments by Board Members.**

President Martinez:

- Nice to attend the FCSS events along with the Superintendent

Member Burton:

- CSBA/CCBE Update

Member Tapscott-Munson:

- Scripps Spelling Bee, Clovis Veterans Memorial - 3/19/24

M. SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

Superintendent Copher reported on the following:

- Board Project Guidelines
- Distinguished Schools – Fresno County
- CalKids – college funding
- Bulldog Bound
- Season of excellence
- FCSS Goodwill Picnic, Scout Island – 4/13/24
- Appreciation of FCSS Administrative Team

N. FUTURE AGENDA
ITEMS

O. NEXT MEETING

The next regular Board meeting will be held on April 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 Tapscott-Munson, the motion was carried out by the following roll call vote:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 3:58 p.m.

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