

MINUTES
July 18, 2002

CALL TO ORDER President Tannenbaum called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag and a prayer led by Dr. Lawrence Wilder.

ATTENDANCE Members present: President Sally Tannenbaum, Members Delbert Cederquist, Dr. Allen Clyde, Charles Francis.

 Participating staff: Superintendent Peter G. Mehas, Deputy Superintendent Daniel Pietro; Assistant Superintendent Larry Wilder, Jan Biggs, Administrative Advisor; and Teresa Martinez-Treviño, Board Secretary.

 Absent: Vice President Barbara Thomas, Deputy Superintendent Don Collins

 Visitors: Karla Chandler, Lilia Chavez, Jeanne Coyne, Judy Dorn, Claudia Flores, Jenny Garcia, Denise Guerrero, Susan Ikemiya, Joanne Lauria, Patty Lehman, Cathy Nino, Catherine Pfister, Toni Prada, Linda Sibel, Elizabeth Sullivan, Cristine Vega, Paul Wolters.

AGENDA
Approved President Tannenbaum announced that the expulsion scheduled for today has been continued to next month. Member Francis moved to approve the revised agenda; seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried.

MINUTES
Approved Member Clyde moved to approve the minutes of June 20; seconded by Member Cederquist carried.

EMPLOYEE OF THE
MONTH This month the Fresno County Office of Education and the Fresno County Board of Education are honoring **Jennifer Garcia** as their August 2002 Employee of the Month.

 The Curriculum & Instruction Department measures their work by the three cornerstones of Gung Ho! (Ken Blanchard's book)

The Spirit of the Squirrel: Worthwhile Work
The Way of the Beaver: In Control of Achieving the Goal
The Gift of the Goose: Cheering Each Other On

Cheering each other on!

Each month we pass a traveling trophy, a Margaret Hudson sculpture of a squirrel or a beaver, to someone in the department who exhibits exemplary qualities that the work they do is worthwhile because:

*The work that they do makes the world a better place and it can be recognized as contributing to student achievement.
*The recipient demonstrates the responsibility for being in control of achieving the goal.

Our department is responsible for the annual Central Valley Science, Mathematics and Engineering Fair, affectionately referred to as the SME. It is a daunting task in the best of circumstances and can only be successful with extraordinary effort on the part of individuals and a common understanding of the shared goal of teamwork. This year, the secretary who was the designated lead, left the position unexpectedly.

Instantaneously, Jennifer assessed the situation and without waiting for clarification, stepped up to the plate! Like the squirrel, Jenny works toward a shared goal. Though she had only been in the Curriculum & Instruction Department a short time and had no prior experience with the Fair, she has a keen insight for seeing a need and stepping in to fill it. She frequently takes on additional tasks and is always asking if others in the department need help. She is quite adept at getting everyone interested in helping with the department's larger projects or when timeliness is crucial. When it became apparent that work to be done for the Science, Mathematics and Engineering Fair was behind schedule, Jenny assumed the responsibility of leadership and marshaled the rest of us with her sense of humor. She dived in as if she did not already have a full plate with Elizabeth's and Patty's assignments. Jenny has a direct and no-nonsense approach to work; she is thorough and anticipates what needs to be done. Jenny is definitely a candidate for Employee of the Month.

It is with sincere appreciation that we present this certificate to Jennifer Garcia. Congratulations, Jennifer, for a job well done.

MOVED TO:
SPECIAL
PRESENTATION
Children Count 2001
Report Card

Superintendent Mehas introduced Lilia Chavez, Coordinator, InterAgency Council, Fresno County Administrative Office, who presented information regarding the Children Count 2001 Report Card.

- Strengths and Weaknesses
- Domains with Desired Outcomes
- Indicators
- Rating Scale
- Task Teams
- Publicity
- Target Action
- Republication

MOVED TO
INTERDISTRICT
APPEAL HEARING
Laton USD to Hanford
Elementary District
Approved

The Board thanked Ms. Chavez for her presentation.

The Board discussed the request for an interdistrict permit. Those present at the hearing included: Barbara Parsons, parent; Mike Decker, Laton USD. The Board sought information from the parent and the district.

Member Francis moved to approve the interdistrict transfer request for Brandie, Brooke, Breanna and Brittney Parsons to attend Hanford Elementary School District from the district of residence, Laton Unified School District; seconded by Member Clyde.

Roll Call Vote:

Member Cederquist	No
Member Francis	Yes
Member Clyde	Yes
President Tannenbaum	Yes

Motion carried. The interdistrict transfer was approved.

MOVED TO:
HEALTH SERVICES
Policies & Procedures
Adopted

Judy Dorn, Nurse, Health Services requested the board adopt the updated Health Services policies and procedures.

Member Clyde moved to adopt the policies and procedures; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried.

MOVED TO:
TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES

Board Travel Budget
Increase 2002-03

Superintendent Mehas approved an increase to the Board travel budget for 2002-03. Deputy Superintendent Pietro explained the carryover budget for 2002-03 and deficits for 2001-02. Deputy Superintendent Pietro also advised members of the Board that the Board President's budget will be increased by \$700 and incoming Board President will receive \$700 in December. The Board President may delegate the additional \$700 to another member's budget if he/she chooses to assign a board member to attend a conference.

Approval of Meetings to
Attend

None.

Approval of Travel
Expenses by Board
Members

None.

CSBA/CCBE/Legal Alliance
Dues

The Board discussed renewing the CSBA/CCBE/Legal Alliance.

Member Cederquist moved to approve dues payment for CSBA and the Legal Alliance; Seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried.

Roll Call Vote:

Member Francis	Yes
Member Cederquist	Yes
Member Clyde	Yes
President Tannenbaum	Yes

The Board took no action on CCBE Dues.

Trustees Association Dues
Co-Sponsorship CSBA
Reception

Member Clyde moved to approve the Trustees Association Dues; Seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried.

Co-Sponsorship of
CSBA Reception
Receipt of
Correspondence
Comments by Board
Members

Member Cederquist moved to approve Co-Sponsorship of CSBA reception; seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried.

Member Francis received a package from Tim Nolt regarding PERB Hearing.

**MOVED TO:
SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT**

Member Clyde discussed an outreach program from Tulare COE for At-Risk children. Member Clyde requested that Deputy Superintendent Collins call Tulare COE and ask about the At-Risk children program.

Superintendent Mehas reported on the following:

Scout Island Update
Minarets High School Update
State Budget Update (still not approved)
Special Education – Clovis USD
Meeting with State Center Community College - Personnel Commission
FYI – All Staff Day, August 23 at Saroyan Theatre
West Fresno Update
Services for Richard Railey

COMMUNITY INPUT

Jeanne Coyne, President, CTA reported the following:

- Comments Re: Tim Nolt's Hearing Decision
- Introduced the Negotiations Team

FUTURE AGENDAS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:41 p.m.

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