

MINUTES
April 17, 2003

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by President Thomas 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 Thomas, Vice President Allen Clyde, Members Delbert Cederquist, and Keith Eubanks and Dr. Sally Tannenbaum.

Participating staff: Peter G. Mehas, Superintendent; Deputy Superintendents Donald Collins and Daniel Pietro; Assistant Superintendent Lawrence Wilder; and Teresa Martinez-Treviño, Board Secretary.

Absent: Jan Biggs, Administrative Advisor, Legal Department

Visitors: Jan Uyeno, Crystyn Thorpe, Minnie Franz, Delores Johnson, Britta Hammer

AGENDA
Approved President Thomas announced that today’s agenda has been revised. Removed from agenda: “*Special Presentation –Passport to Knowledge*”. Also, President Thomas announced that a request was received by student’s parents for a continuance of the “*Expulsion Appeal Hearing*” – *Kerman Unified School District was received*. The Expulsion will be scheduled for the May Board meeting but President Thomas announced that Debra Garabedian, Legal Department would officially announce (for the record) at the scheduled expulsion time (2 p.m.) that the student’s parents requested a continuance.

Member Cederquist moved to approve the revised agenda; seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried.

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Approved Member Tannenbaum moved to approve the minutes of March 20, 2003; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried.

EMPLOYEE OF
THE MONTH This month the Fresno County Office of Education and the Fresno County Board of Education are honoring **Diane Ladd** as their May 2003 Employee of the Month.

Diane Ladd has been with the County Office of Education for approximately two years. In this short span of time she has created databases to track students enrolled in classes at Fresno Pacific University and California State University, Fresno through our Designated Subjects program as well as our Drivers Education & Training program throughout California. She also edits and mails out our quarterly Designated Subjects newsletter and class schedules. Diane makes and tracks appointments for fingerprinting for employment, credentials, and STRS. Her knowledge, skills and background in budget and administrative work have been an invaluable asset to the Credentials Department.

During the past two years, Diane has also become an important part of FCOE's Goodwill Committee. She has helped plan and coordinate some of our more recent projects such as our holiday luncheon and our Goodwill baskets as well as sorting, boxing up, and shipping all supplies and food items donated by FCOE employees and sending to our servicemen and women in Iraq.

Diane's cheerfulness, enthusiastic attitude, people skills, and eagerness to do any task that is put before her is greatly appreciated by one and all.

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

MOVED TO:

**SPECIAL
PRESENTATION**

Science Fair
Presentation

Stephen Bock, Science Coordinator and Lori Hamada, Math Coordinator, Curriculum and Instruction presented a video on students participating in this year's Science Fair. Mr. Bock introduced the following award recipients from this year's Science Fair:

Sudeep Banerjee, Clovis West High School
Shamsher Samra, Clovis West High School

Coach: Wayne Garbedian
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**MOVED TO:
EDUCATIONAL
SERVICES**

Media for
Consideration

Randy, Director, School Library and Media Services presented audio/visual media for consideration and discussion. The board acknowledged the audio/visual media materials presented.

Media for Action

The Board unanimously agreed to approve the audio/visual media as presented.

**MOVED TO:
SPECIAL
EDUCATION**

Resolution #2003-
15, Better Speech
and Hearing Month
Adopted

Member Clyde moved to adopt Resolution #2003-15, Better Speech and Hearing Month; seconded by Member Tannenbaum; motion carried.

President Thomas'
announcement

President Thomas was pleased to announced that a proposal submitted by Charlene Samuelian, Administrator and President Thomas was forwarded to our legislative consultant, Sally Shake, in Washington, D.C., proposing that specialists be allowed to screen individual students and not just students in a group has been amended into the House bill and is confident that it will be amended to the Senate bill as well.

Resolution #2003-
07, Fresno County
Special Education
Local Plan Area
(SELPA) Elements
of the Local Plan for
Special Education
Adopted

Member Eubanks moved to adopt Resolution #2003-07, Fresno County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) Elements of the Local Plan for Special Education; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried

**MOVED TO:
EXPULSION
APPEAL
HEARING**
Kerman Unified
School District
(Continuance)

Debra Garabedian, Legal Department announced that the mother of the student scheduled for an expulsion hearing today requested another continuance. The Board granted a continuance to the May Board meeting.

**MOVED TO:
ROP REPORTS
ROP Budgets**

Nancy Masich, Administrator, ROP, presented information regarding ROP Budgets. The board sought information regarding the ROP budgets.

Bill Noli Awards

Ms. Masich reported on the Bill Noli Awards and she advised the board that the winners will be recognized at next month's board meeting; she also announced that a reception will be held on May 15 to honor the award winners in the Bill Noli Patio area on the second floor.

January 15, 2003
Fresno ROP
Advisory Board of
Management
Minutes
Ratified

Member Cederquist moved to ratify the January 15, 2003, Fresno ROP Advisory Board of Management Minutes; seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried.

MOVED TO:
BUSINESS
Resolution #2003-
12, Classified
School Employee
Week
Adopted

Deputy Superintendent Pietro read Resolution #2003-12, Classified School Employee of the Week.

Classified
Bargaining Unit's
Initial Proposal for
the 2003-2004
School Year-1st
Reading

Member Eubanks moved to adopt Resolution #2003-12, Classified School Employee Week; seconded by Member Tannenbaum; motion carried.

The Board unanimously accepted the Classified Bargaining Unit's Initial Proposal for the 2003-2004 School Year – 1st Reading.

County Office
Superintendent of
School's Initial
Proposal to
Classified
Bargaining Unit for
the 2003-2004
School Year – 1st
Reading

The Board unanimously accepted the County Office Superintendent of School's Initial Proposal to Classified Bargaining Unit for the 2003-200 School Year – 1st Reading.

Apportionment of
Forest Reserve
Receipts for 2002-
03
Approved

The Board unanimously approved the apportionment of Forest Reserve Receipts for 2002-03.

Resolution #2003-
11, Transfer
Ownership of Four
Classroom
Buildings in Clovis
Unified School
District from FCOE
to Clovis USD
Adopted

The Board unanimously adopted Resolution #2003-11, Transfer Ownership of Four Classroom Buildings in Clovis Unified School District from FCOE to Clovis USD.

Resolution #2003-13, Transfer Ownership of Portable at San Joaquin Elementary from FCOE to Golden Plains Unified School District
The Board unanimously adopted Resolution #2003-13, Transfer Ownership of Portable at San Joaquin Elementary from FCOE to Golden Plains Unified School District.
Adopted

Resolution #2003-14, Transfer Ownership of Portables at Caruthers HS from FCOE to Caruthers Unified School District
The Board unanimously adopted Resolution #2003-14, Transfer Ownership of Portables at Caruthers High School from FCOE to Caruthers Unified School District.
Adopted

Bid Ramacher Addition Project Cabinetry, Furniture and Equipment
The Board unanimously approved to go to Bid Ramacher Addition Project Cabinetry, Furniture and Equipment.
Approved

Floradora Asbestos Abatement Contract
Ratified
The Board unanimously agreed to approve Floradora Asbestos Abatement Contract.

MOVED TO:
HUMAN RESOURCES
Resolution #2003-10, Early Retirement (PERS)
Adopted
The Board unanimously agreed to adopt Resolution #2003-10, Early Retirement (PERS) – Riverdale USD District.

MOVED TO:
TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES
Approval of Meetings to Attend
None.

Approval of Travel Expenses by Board Members
President Thomas requested approval of travel expense reimbursement claim (\$390.92) for her trip to Monterey, CA to attend the CCBE's Annual Spring Conference in March.

Member Cederquist moved to approve travel expense reimbursement claim (\$390.92); Member Eubanks seconded; motion carried.

President Thomas reminded Board members to turn in their mileage reimbursement requests to Teresa. President Thomas also reminded Board members that if they plan to attend the Trustees Association General Meeting on April 29, please RSVP to Teresa.

Receipt of
Correspondence

None.

Comments by
Board Members

Member Eubanks advised the Board that he was approached by a member of the community asking about a school site in the Helm area and whether or not the County owns the property and if it is for sale.

Superintendent Mehas advised Member Eubanks that FCOE does not own the school site/vacant property.

Dr. Tannenbaum commented on how nice the Science Fair event went and appreciated all the hard work that Stephen Bock has done and appreciates his dedication.

MOVED TO:
SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

Superintendent Mehas reported on the following:

- IST Report
- West Fresno Update
- State Superintendent O'Connell's Visitation to Fresno and West Fresno School District.
- State Budget Update
- Public Forum
- Superintendent's Reorganization Update
The Board discussed reorganization.
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- Cost Information Sheet Update Re: Emmanuel Lutheran Church Property and Scout Island Educational Center

COMMUNITY
INPUT

Jeanne Coyne, President, CTA reported on the following:

- Elections
- Negotiations
- Karen von felten (County Educator – Teacher of the Year)

FUTURE
AGENDAS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:21p.m.

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