

MINUTES
October 16, 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 an inspirational reading led by Armen Bacon.

ATTENDANCE Members present: President Thomas, Members Delbert Cederquist, Allen Clyde, Keith Eubanks, and Dr. Sally Tannenbaum.

Participating staff: Peter G. Mehas, Superintendent; Donald Collins and Daniel Pietro, Deputy Superintendents; Armen Bacon, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent; Jan Biggs, Senior Administrator to the Superintendent, Legal Department; Teresa Martinez-Treviño, Board Secretary.

Visitors: Ken Campbell, Nancy Masich, Jennifer Quinn, Enedelia Perea, Catherine Pfister, Paul Wohlers.

President Thomas requested to add a “closed session” to discuss personnel matters; she requested the item to be placed on the agenda after the “Community Input.” Member Cederquist moved to add a closed session; seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried.

Roll Call Vote:

Member Cederquist	Yes
Member Eubanks	Yes
Member Clyde	Yes
Member Tannenbaum	Yes
President Thomas	Yes

AGENDA Member Clyde moved to approve the amended agenda; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried.
Approved

MINUTES President Thomas requested that a revision be made under “Approval of Travel Expenses by Board Members” – add Sally Tannenbaum’s name under the request for CSBA registration reimbursement to cover expenses for both Member Tannenbaum and President Thomas. Member Eubanks moved to approve the revised minutes of September 18, 2003; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried.
Approved

EMPLOYEE OF This month the Fresno County Office of Education and the Fresno County Board of Education are honoring
THE MONTH **Paul Wohlers** as their November 2003 Employee of the Month.

For over 20 years there has been a Fresno County Office of Education employee that has been behind the scenes working tirelessly for the students of Fresno County. He makes sure that things run smooth for his department, Fresno ROP and a variety of others while volunteering time, assisting in funding and providing supplies for every event that needed an extra pair of hands. This employee has never asked for recognition, he only asks, “How can I help?” expecting nothing in return beyond an invitation to volunteer again next year.

From the job at his desk to his time spent at the Academic Decathlon and from volunteering at College night to his many acts of “Goodwill” we would like to thank Paul Wohlers for going the extra mile. He is truly the

employee who never fails to help a co-worker in need, and who cares about the “cause” and not the “reward”.

Thanks to Paul Wohlers for being all these things and more. You are indeed a treasure and we are proud to recognize you for the November 2003 Employee of the Month.

Your cheerfulness, enthusiastic attitude, people skills and eagerness to lend a helping hand demonstrates your professionalism and commitment to the success of the Fresno County Office of Education. Your dedicated service to the Fresno ROP program and the county office is to be commended.

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

MOVED TO:
SPECIAL
PRESENTATION
Board Project
- Aviation

Stephen Bock presented information on the 2003-2004 Board Project on Aviation.

- F-18 Aircraft
- Operational Support Web
- Weather Conditions
- G-Suit
- Simulator
- Aircraft Maintenance
- Resources
- Overview
- Q &A.

The board thanked Mr. Bock for his presentation.

MOVED TO:
INTER DISTRICT
TRANSFER
APPEAL
HEARING

Henry Polanco III
Raisin City
Elementary to
Caruthers USD

The Board discussed the request for an Inter district permit. Those present at the hearing included: Reverend Henry and Ms. Rosie Polanco, parents; Mike Robinson, Inter district Liaison; Daniel Safrano, Superintendent, Raisin City Elementary. The Board sought information from the parent and the district.

Member Cederquist moved to uphold the District’s denial of the Inter district transfer request for Henry Polanco III to attend Caruthers Unified School District from the district of residence, Raisin City Elementary; seconded by Member Thomas.

Roll call vote:

Member Cederquist	Y
Member Eubanks	N
Member Clyde	N
Member Tannenbaum	N

President Thomas

Y

The motion was defeated 3-2. The Inter district transfer is approved for Henry Polanco III to attend Caruthers Unified School District from the district of residence, Raisin City Elementary.

MOVED TO:

ADMINISTRATION
Resolution No. 2003-39, Character Education Month Adopted

Member Cederquist moved to adopt Resolution #2003-39, Character Education Month as presented; seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried.

Ken Campbell, Administrator, Court and Community Schools reported on Character Counts training program, which also includes the Sheriff's Department, Probation Department, and School Districts.

MOVED TO:

COURT SCHOOLS
Court and Community Schools Handbooks Approved

Member Cederquist moved to approve Court and Community Schools Handbooks; seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried.

MOVED TO:

ROP
Minutes of May 21, 2003 of the ROP Advisory Board of Management Regular Meeting Ratified

Member Cederquist moved to ratify the minutes of May 21, 2003 of the ROP Advisory Board of Management Regular Meeting; seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried.

Fresno ROP Annual Report 2002-03/Blue Print 2003-04

Nancy Masich, Administrator, Fresno ROP, presented the new Annual Report 2002/2003 Blueprint 2003-2004 Report.

MOVED TO:

BUSINESS
Bid No. C2003-06: "Beth Ramacher Educational Complex Playground Improvements" to the Lowest Responsible Bidder"

Member Eubanks moved to award Bid No. C2003-06: Beth Ramacher Educational Complex Playground Improvements" to the Lowest Responsible Bidder; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried.

Resolution No. 2003-36, 2002/03 Actual and 2003/04 Estimated Appropriations (Gann Limits) Adopted

Member Cederquist moved to adopt Resolution No. 2003-36, 2002/03 Actual and 2003/04 Estimated Appropriations (Gann Limits); seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried.

Receipt of Annual

Member Cederquist moved to acknowledged receipt of Annual Disclosure of Fresno County Office of Education's Retiree Health Benefits Actuarial Report; seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried.

Disclosure of
Fresno County
Office of
Education's
Retiree Health
Benefits Actuarial
Report
Acknowledged

MOVED TO:
TRUSTEE
ACTIVITIES

Approval of Meetings to Attend None.

Approval of Travel Expenses by Board Members None.

CSBA Dues The board discussed CSBA Membership and the Legal Alliance dues. Member Cederquist moved to approve the CSBA Membership dues; seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried.

Receipt of Correspondence Letter from Coke Hollowell, President, San Joaquin River Parkway and Conversation Trust, Inc.

Comments by Board Members Member Eubanks reported on a School Attendance Review Board (SARB) meeting.

Delbert Cederquist invited all board members to attend a reception to be hosted by Fresno County Office of Education welcoming Jeannine Martineau, President of the California School Boards Association scheduled on October 21 at 5 p.m. in Superintendent Mehas' conference room.

Board Workshop Committee 2004 President Thomas appointed Member Sally Tannenbaum and Keith Eubanks to serve on the Board Workshop Committee.

Annual Library Summit and Educator of the Year Sally Tannenbaum commended Janie Rocheford, Director, School Library Media Services and Jennifer Quinn, Special Events Coordinator on the outstanding job they both did with coordinating the Annual Library Summit and the Educator of the Year. The board commended both Ms. Rocheford and Ms. Quinn for their hard work and dedication to Fresno County Office of Education.

MOVED TO:
SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

President Thomas commented on her recent visitation to Edison-Bethune Charter School.

Superintendent Mehas reported on the following:

- Special Events and staff
- Armen Bacon commended Janie Rocheford and Jennifer Quinn for their hard work and dedication.
- Deputy Superintendent Collins shared information regarding Educational Services involvement with the Fresno Fair.
- Scout Island construction will begin Monday, October 20, 2003.
- West Fresno Elementary Settles with former Superintendent Joe Lee

COMMUNITY No comment.

INPUT

FUTURE AGENDAS None.

RECESS The Board convened for a short break. The Board reconvened.

MOVED TO:
CLOSED SESSION The Board convened into closed session regarding personnel matters.

RECONVENED The Board reconvened into open session. No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT Moved to adjourn at 4:40 p.m.

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