

MINUTES
January 19, 2006

- CALL TO ORDER President Cederquist called the meeting to order 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 Delbert Cederquist, Vice President Dr. Sally Tannenbaum, and Members Barbara Thomas, Keith Eubanks, and Dr. Allen Clyde.
- Participating staff: Superintendent Peter G. Mehas; Deputy Superintendents Larry L. Powell and Richard A. Martin; Armen Bacon, Senior Director to the Superintendent, External Communications; Jan Biggs, Senior Administrator to the Superintendent, Legal Department; and Elizabeth Torres, Board Secretary.
- Visitors: Laurie Gabriel, Lisa Rocha, Daniel Flores, Rhonda Lodridge, Mary Marshall, Julian Perea, Stella Perea, Anna Maldonado, Ken Campbell, Randy Mehrten, Michelle Roman, Cyndy Kirby, Pam Coronado, Lou Telesmanic, Tom Read, and Shirley Hargis.
- AGENDA
Approved Member Clyde moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Member Thomas; motion carried.
- MINUTES
Approved Member Clyde moved to approve the minutes of December 15, 2005; seconded by Member Thomas; motion carried.
- EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH
It is with great pleasure that we honor Enedelia Perea as the February 2006 Employee of the Month for the Fresno County Office of Education. Enedelia has worked for the County Office for over 17 years. During this time, Enedelia has demonstrated high levels of professionalism, technical expertise, initiative, and excellent decision-making skills within each and every position she has held.
- Currently, Enedelia is the Administrative Assistant II in the Human Resources Department. In this role, she provides a multitude of functions for the HR Department, FCOE employees, external agencies, school districts and the public at large. She has an incredible work ethic, a positive attitude and a strong willingness to accept new challenges. She is extremely dependable and well respected by all those she works with. Enedelia goes the extra mile and gives 150% percent to the organization.
- Enedelia makes certain that critical functions within the office run smoothly. Her assistance with the administration of employee benefits, the internal HR web site and HR programs are essential. The HR vision statement is "Dedicated to providing services for employee success". This truly summarizes Enedelia's commitment to FCOE and her willingness to support programs to benefit our employees.
- Enedelia's leadership, organizational skills, communication techniques and "can do" attitude make her not only efficient in her job, but extremely effective. Her behind the scenes work and support of internal programs such as the Pillar Awards, Goodwill Committee, FCOE retirement party and even the Employee of the Month program are tremendously appreciated. She makes sure that nothing slips through the cracks.
- For these reasons and many more, it is with sincere appreciation that we present this certificate to Enedelia. Congratulations, Enedelia for the stellar work you do! We could not do what we do without YOU!
- Ms. Perea thanked the County Board, Superintendent and co-workers for honoring her as employee of

the month.

Board Member Thomas commended Ms. Perea on the attitude of service she continually extends to those who call upon her.

Mr. Jan Biggs commended Enedelia for her hard work and thanked Member Thomas for her comments.

MOVED TO
CURRICULUM &
INSTRUCTION

Adoption of Resolution
No. 2006-04, Teaching
Principles of Democracy
Adopted

Ms. Shirley Hargis informed the board of up coming events involving civic responsibility.

Member Thomas moved to adopt Resolution No. 2006-04, Teaching Principles of Democracy; seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried.

RECESS

Recess at 1:45 p.m. for a reception in honor of the employee of the month. The meeting was reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

MOVED TO:
SAFE & HEALTHY
KIDS

Board Project Update
Childhood Obesity
Awareness & Reduction

Michelle Roman, Consultant for Wellness & Nutrition updated the board on statewide and countywide physical fitness reporting.

Superintendent Mehas suggested fitness reports be sent to individual County Board members and the district boards and superintendents. He also suggested each County Board member personally present the report to the school districts in their respective areas. County Board members agreed with the idea.

There was discussion regarding school districts and individual school sites that have already taken their student's BMI readings. County Board members are interested in monitoring the BMI progress of students throughout the 2005-06 school year start to end.

Ms. Roman also reported on the following:

- Workplace Health – Award employees improving health, provide healthy foods at meetings, and put healthy foods in vending machines.
- January 25th is the FCOE Health Faire – blood pressure, weight and BMI readings
- National Body Challenge 2006 – 8 week get fit program
- FCOE Club Fitness – Plan is to offer fitness classes 4 days a week at FCOE

Ms. Cyndy Smith reported on the AIR (Active Indoor Recess) Curriculum. The curriculum is a resource to teachers to promote indoor physical activity for students on bad air quality days and for students who have respiratory illnesses.

MOVED TO:
COURT &
COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Approval of
Consolidated
Application Part II
for 2005-06
Approved

Member Thomas moved to approve the Consolidated Application Part II for 2005-06; seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried.

Approval of
Accountability
Report Cards
Approved

Member Clyde moved to approve the Accountability Report Cards for Court & Community Schools; seconded by Vice President Tannenbaum; motion carried.

Approval of Single
School Site Plans,
Court & Community
Schools
Approved

Tom Read, Coordinator of Court & Community Schools, requested the board approve the Single School Site Plans for the Court & Community Schools.

Member Clyde moved to approve the Single School Site plans as submitted; seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried.

MOVED TO:
HUMAN RESOURCES/
LEGAL/CREDENTIALS
Adoption of Resolution
No. 2006-01, Early
Retirement (PERS) FCOE
Adopted

Vice President Tannenbaum moved to adopt Resolution #2006-01, open window for two additional years of service credit to qualified classified employees (6/1/06-9/1/06); seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried.

Adoption of Resolution
No. 2006-02, Early
Retirement (STRS) FCOE
Adopted

Member Clyde moved to adopt Resolution #2006-02, open window for two additional years of service credit to qualified classified employees (6/1/06-9/1/06); seconded by Member Thomas; motion carried.

MOVED TO:
BUSINESS SERVICES
2003-04 Audit Report
Received

Mr. Richard Martin, Deputy Superintendent of Business Services introduced Bill Williams, Auditor, Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co. Mr. Williams reviewed the annual audit report for fiscal year 2004-05. There were no exceptions found. The Fresno County Office of Education fared well. The Board acknowledged the audit report for the 2004-05 fiscal year as reported.

Ratify the Bid Award &
Contract for KC Kids
Re-locatable Classroom
Installation Project
Ratified

Member Eubanks moved to ratify the Bid Award & Contract for KC Kids Re-locatable Classroom Installation Project; seconded by Member Thomas; motion carried

Authorization to Bid
Deferred Maintenance
work in "Sanctuary"
Building at Kermit
Koontz Education Center
Authorized

Member Clyde moved to authorize the Bid of Deferred Maintenance work in the "Sanctuary" Building at the Kermit Koontz Education Center; seconded by Member Thomas; motion

MOVED TO:
EXPULSION APPEAL
HEARING
(Closed Session)

The hearing was called to order at 3:03 p.m. Those present at the hearing included: student and parents; Dr. Kevin Torosian, Hearing Specialist, Fresno Unified School District; and Linda Bacon, Legal Counsel, Fresno County Office of Education.

Deliberations Board members sought responses from those present.

The Board moved into deliberations at 3:20 p.m. and reconvened into closed session at 3:25p.m. Member Eubanks moved to uphold the expulsion; seconded by Member Clyde;

ROLL CALL

Member Thomas	Y
Member Eubanks	Y
Vice President Tannenbaum	Y
Member Clyde	Y
President Cederquist	Y

Decision Motion carried. The board upheld the expulsion of the student.

The board reconvened into open session at 3:28p.m.

MOVE TO TRUSTEES
ACTIVITIES:

Approval of Meetings to Attend
Approved Member Thomas requested to attend the CCBE Annual Spring conference in Sacramento from 3/16-19/06. Member Thomas stated she would attend the County Board meeting on 3/16/06 and leave around 4:00 p.m. Member Clyde and President Cederquist also requested permission to attend the CCBE Spring Conference.

Vice President Tannenbaum moved to approve the requests of members to attend the CCBE Spring Conference; seconded by Member Thomas; motion carried.

Approval of Travel Expenses by Board Members
Approved Member Thomas moved to approve conference expenses and monthly mileage reimbursements for Vice President Tannenbaum for the CSBA Annual Education Conference, \$586.68; Member Eubanks for the CSBA Annual Education Conference, \$1236.51; and monthly mileage for Vice President Tannenbaum, \$284.40; seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried.

Committee Appointments
Approved President Cederquist requested the approval of the following committee appointments:

- A. ROP Advisory Board of Management Committee – President Cederquist
- B. SARB – Member Eubanks
- C. Trustees Association – President Cederquist
- D. California County Board of Education Liaison – Member Thomas
- E. Fresno Chamber of Commerce – Member Thomas
- F. Facilities – Member Clyde
- G. Board Project – All

Member Clyde moved to approve committee appointments; seconded by Member Thomas; motion carried.

Receipt of Correspondence None.

Comments by
Board Members

Vice President Tannenbaum suggested an FCOE employee continue to attend the CSEA Installation Dinner.

Superintendent Mehas stated that in the future an FCOE employee will attend.

Members Tannenbaum and Member Clyde commended the keynote speaker at the Fresno County School Trustees Association January dinner meeting.

MOVED TO:
SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

On behalf of Superintendent Mehas, the following was reported:

- Governor Schwarzenegger's January 2006 Proposed Budget: Deputy Superintendent Richard A. Martin gave brief highlights on the proposed budget. He is concerned with the budget's proposition of a deficit spending mode.
- Pre-School Initiative: Deputy Superintendent of Educational Services Larry Powell, reported to the Board on Pre-School for All. Implementation of the program will be the responsibility of County Offices. Currently, the timeline to come up with a plan for Fresno County pre-school children is July 1, 2007.
- New Accountability System Legislation: Assemblyman Juan Arambula is working on legislation to create a pilot program for County Offices and Superintendents to positively intervene at a much earlier stage with districts who are fiscally struggling.
- Channel 96 Update: Mr. Biggs briefed the Board on the negotiations with Sprint regarding a proposed 15-year agreement.
- State of the County Address Dates: Superintendent Mehas reported on the schedule of the State of the County Address dates.
- County Office Sesquicentennial: The official kick-off for the 150th celebration will be at the Santa Fe Depot on April 19, 2006.
- Board/Cabinet Seminar Agenda Review: Ms. Armen Bacon reported on the final agenda.
- Fresno USD Update: FCOE met with Superintendent Hanson and FCMAT. FCOE can now designate the district as positive in their budget.
- Parlier USD Update: FCOE met with the district board on Wednesday. Their first interim is negative. They have decided to do the layoffs. In February 2006 they will request that the Fresno County Board extend their loan.

COMMUNITY INPUT None

FUTURE AGENDA
ITEMS None.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned meeting at 4:50 p.m.

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