

FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES June 21, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

President Tannenbaum called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag, followed by an inspirational reading by Armen Bacon.

ATTENDANCE

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

Participating staff: Superintendent Larry L. Powell; Deputy Superintendents Jim Yovino, Educational Services, and Richard A. Martin, Business Services; Senior Director Armen Bacon, Communications/Public Relations; Lead Legal Counsel Linda Bacon, Legal Department; and Board Secretary Elizabeth Torres, Support Services.

AGENDA Approved

Member Cederquist moved to approve the amended June 21, 2007 agenda; seconded by Member Eubanks: motion carried.

MINUTES Approved

Member Thomas moved to approve the May 17, 2007 minutes as submitted; seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

It is a sincere pleasure to the Fresno ROP management team to have Jacqueline (Jackie) Franz honored as the July 2007 Employee of the Month. Since January 2005, Jackie has been ROP's Department Automation Specialist-Curriculum (prior to this, she worked part-time for the ROP DSP Training Program). In assuming this responsibility, Jackie has more than met and exceeded staff expectations. In a short period of time, Jackie has become a most valuable and trusted team member who consistently demonstrates increased work skills and competencies, contributes greatly to our services with excellent work initiative and decision-making skills, and may be the most genuine and nicest person working for FCOE.

Fresno ROP strives to provide exemplary career-teaching education leadership and services to our 22 member school districts; any success is greatly due to the efficient organization and accessibility of relevant information and processes. In her role as Department Automation Specialist, Jackie must assume much of this responsibility and her success in this is certainly noteworthy.

In our quest to continue to be dynamic and innovative, Fresno ROP routinely desires a storm of activity and effort within our office. Fresno ROP and the Fresno County Office of Education at large would like to take this opportunity to publicly recognize Jackie for another outstanding quality that we will never take for granted: Jackie's calm and controlled manner, which more than anything else, reflects her quiet confidence and skill, enables her to conquer the tasks set before her, and overcome any associated stress. We use the words "valuable and trusted" when describing Jackie and hope she fully knows how appreciated she is. Congratulations, Jackie, and thank you for the exceptional work that you do.

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: SPECIAL PRESENTATION Academic Decathlon Small School National Champions – University High School Special Projects Coordinator Jennifer Quinn reported that University High School's (UHS) Academic Decathlon Team took second place at the 2006-07 Fresno County Academic Decathlon. UHS was the top scoring "small school" in the Statewide event held in Los Angeles and then claimed the "National Small School Championship" after competing against 19 other "small school" teams. Ms. Quinn thanked University High School's Academic Decathlon coach, Mr. Sean Canfield, for his commitment to the team. Superintendent Powell also commended the team.

President Tannenbaum congratulated Mr. Canfield and the team and awarded each of the team members certificates of accomplishment.

Mr. Canfield thanked the Superintendent and Board for the recognition. He commended his students for their hard work and discipline and thanked them for inspiring him. He also thanked Ms. Quinn for coordinating a model competition.

California School Public Relations Association Award Presentation (CALSPRA) Ms. Kelly Avants, representative of CALSPRA, presented the California Gold Award to Ms. Armen Bacon in recognition of her work on the "Mehas Celebration" event.

Ms. Bacon recognized the following members of her staff and thanked them for their continuing support on all FCOE projects: Peggy Stathem, Sophia Rivera, and Jennifer Quinn. She also thanked the following partners for their support: Dan Pessano, Channel 30, Jeffrey Scott Advertising and John Ostlund, and the many other partners who helped make the event a success.

Ms. Avant then presented Jennifer Quinn with Awards of Merit in recognition of her work on the Fresno County Educator of the Year; Fresno Area College Night, and the Fresno County Academic Decathlon.

MOVED TO CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION Williams Lawsuit Settlement Monitoring Update Williams Compliance Director Dr. Kathryn Catania reported on changes made to the Williams Compliance legislation and stated that all school boards would receive notification of the changes. The purpose of the changes is to facilitate the best possible intent of the settlement.

Superintendent Powell commended Dr. Catania for running a model program.

MOVED TO: MULTIMEDIA SERVICES Media for Discussion Media Services Coordinator Randy Reed presented multimedia services for discussion. He also reported that Media Services is working with Fresno Unified School District to acquire more cable channels for live broadcasting of board meetings on Channel 96.

MOVED TO: FRESNO ROP Ratify the Approved Minutes of the March 21, 2007 ROP Advisory Board of Management Regular Meeting On behalf of Fresno ROP Administrator Valerie Vuicich, ROP Coordinator Janet Sloan presented ratification of the approved minutes of the March 21, 2007 ROP Advisory Board of Management regular meeting.

Member Cederquist move to ratify the Approved Minutes of the March 21, 2007 ROP Advisory Board of Management regular meeting; seconded by Member Thomas; motion carried.

Ms. Sloan reported that the California Association of Regional Occupational Programs/Centers plans to put new language in the state budget regarding excess growth. This new language will not be completed by June 2007. Information will be forthcoming.

Adoption of Resolution No. 2007-15, Capital Outlay and Equipment Replacement Expenditures Member Eubanks moved to adopt Resolution 2007-15, Capital Outlay and Equipment Replacement Expenditures; seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried.

Adopted

Ratified

MOVED TO: COURT & COMMUNITY SCHOOLS Approval of 2007-2008 Consolidated Application Part I On behalf of Court School Coordinator Tom Read, Court School Director Pam Coronado presented the 2007-08 Consolidated Application, Part I, for approval. Member Eubanks moved to approve the 2007-2008 Consolidated Application, Part I; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried.

Approved

MOVED TO: SUPPORT SERVICES Approval of Comprehensive Facilities Maintenance Plan Facilities Associate Director Jeff Becker presented the Comprehensive Facilities Maintenance Plan for approval. Member Clyde moved to approve the Comprehensive Facilities Maintenance Plan; seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried.

Approved

Authorization to Award Bid No. C2007-01

Authorized

Mr. Becker recommended that the Board reject all bids for the Juvenile Justice campus shop ventilation system project. Member Thomas moved to approve Mr. Becker's recommendation to reject all bids for the Juvenile Justice campus shop ventilation system project; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried. Mr. Becker showed a PowerPoint outlining all FCOE projects.

Approval of Architect and Engineer Selection for Various Projects Approved Member Clyde moved to approve the Architect and Engineer Selections for Various Projects; seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried.

MOVED TO:

BUSINESS SERVICES Acknowledge Receipt of Quarterly Disclosure of FCOE's Investment Policies Member Cederquist moved to acknowledge Receipt of Quarterly Disclosure of FCOE's Investment Policies; seconded by Member Thomas; motion carried. Member Eubanks moved to approve the 2006/07 FCOE Budget Revisions; seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried.

Acknowledged

Approval of 2006/07 FCOE Budget Revisions Approved President Tannenbaum opened the public hearing pursuant to Education Code Section 1620 for the Fresno County Office of Education's 2007/08 proposed budget.

Public Hearing on 2007/08 FCOE Budget

Internal Finance Senior Director Sue Hunsbarger and Senior Accountant Kevin Otto shared a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the 2006/2007 budget revisions.

Adoption of FCOE 2007/08 Budget

Adopted

Member Clyde moved to adopt the 2007/08 Budget; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried. Board Members asked several questions regarding the budget. Superintendent Powell commended the Finance Department staff for the services they provide FCOE and districts.

MOVED TO: EXPULSION APPEAL HEARING Selma USD The Selma Unified School District expulsion appeal was withdrawn by the appellant.

MOVED TO:

TRUSTEES ACTIVITIES
Approval of Meetings to
Attend

None.

Approval of Conference & Travel Reimbursement

Approved

Member Thomas moved to approve the following travel, conference, and mileage reimbursements to Board members: Delbert Cederquist \$2,281.02; Barbara Thomas \$43.65; Allen Clyde \$49.20; and Sally Tannenbaum \$237.17; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried.

September 20, 2007 County Board Meeting Time Change Member Clyde moved to begin the September 20, 2007 meeting at 5:00 p.m. with the public hearing on instructional materials sufficiency beginning at 6:00 p.m.; seconded by Member Thomas; motion carried.

Approved

Adoption of Resolution No. 2007-16; Fix the No Child Left Behind Act **Approved**

Member Cederquist moved to adopt Resolution No. 2007-16, Fix the No Child Left Behind Act; seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried.

Board Project Extension Discussion

Members discussed continuation of the Childhood Obesity Awareness and Reduction Project for the 2007-08 school year. Wellness and Nutrition Consultant Michelle Roman gave the Board an update on the progress with project partners.

Receipt of Correspondence

All members received correspondence from the Farnesi student.

Comment by Board Members Member Clyde reported that the County Committee had recently convened twice on the issue of territory transfers between Fresno and Clovis Unified School Districts. He also reported the Committee would meet again on 7/31/07.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Powell reported on the following:

- FCOE Personnel Changes
- Parlier USD Update
- Board Budget Committee Meeting Report
- Packard Funding Update
- Grizzlies Proposal to FCOE regarding school fundraising

official or urgent business; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried.

Superintendent Powell is scheduled to judge the Miss California pageant.

Member Thomas moved to cancel the July, 2007 County Board of Education meeting if there was no

MOVED TO:

Board Meeting Schedule

Change

COMMUNITY INPUT

None.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Continuation of the Childhood Obesity Awareness and Reduction Project for 2007-08.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:35p.m.

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