



FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES February 19, 2009

- CALL TO ORDER** President Clyde 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 Allen Clyde; Vice President Keith Eubanks; and Members Sally Tannenbaum, Barbara Thomas and Del Cederquist.
- Participating staff: Superintendent Larry L. Powell; Deputy Superintendents Jim Yovino, Educational Services, and Richard A. Martin, Business Services; Armen Bacon, Communications/ Public Relations; Lead Legal Counsel Linda Bacon, Legal Department; and Gloria Ferrer, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education.
- AGENDA** Member Thomas moved to approve the February 19, 2009 agenda, seconded by Member Tannenbaum; motion carried unanimously.
- Minutes**
Approved Member Thomas moved to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2009 Board meeting, seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried unanimously.
- COMMUNITY INPUT** There were no comments from the community.
- EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH** Lisa Rocha-Danks was selected as the February 2009 Employee of the Month. Lisa joined the Human Resources Department 9 years ago as the first ever Human Resources Analyst. Lisa's initial charge was to develop and implement a top notch recruitment process and new employee orientation program. Lisa hit the ground running and within a short time her role expanded as she became a key player in the development of Human Resources policies, procedures and forms. Lisa was also instrumental in the development of the HR Procedures Manual, the Fresno County Fingerprint Consortium Manual and the After School Program Human Resources/Payroll Procedures Manual. Lisa was promoted to Human Resources Supervisor in November 2007. Her leadership and commitment have gained the admiration of her colleagues throughout the organization. We are proud to honor Lisa as Fresno County Office of Education Employee of the Month.
- RECESS** A recess was called at 1:40 p.m., for a reception to honor Lisa Rocha-Danks, Employee of the Month. The meeting was reconvened at 1:55 p.m.
- PUBLIC HEARING**
Big Picture Charter
Appeal President Clyde opened a public hearing to address the concerns of the public regarding the Big Picture Charter appeal.
- Mr. Jon Morse and Dr. Gerry Catanzarite addressed the Board in support of the school. A PowerPoint presentation was shown indicating "like school" statistics. Several members of the community also expressed their support of the charter.
- Fresno Unified School District** Debra Odom, Coordinator of Charter Schools for Fresno Unified School District, stated that the district denied Big Picture's charter school petition of December 10, 2008, due to vagueness and an unclear instructional format.
- REPORTS**
Facilities This item was moved to Action Items.

<p>ACTION ITEMS Business Services 2008-09 Budget Revisions Approved</p>	<p>Motion by Member Tannenbaum, seconded by Member Thomas, to approve the 2008-09 budget revisions, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>										
<p>2008-09 2nd Interim Financial Report Received</p>	<p>Motion by Vice-President Eubanks , seconded by Member Cederquist, to receive the 2008-09 2nd Interim Financial Report, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>										
<p>Apportionment of Forest Reserves Approved</p>	<p>Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Member Thomas, to approve the apportionment of forest reserves, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>										
<p>Fresno ROP Board of Management Approved</p>	<p>Motion by Member Tannenbaum, seconded by Vice-President Eubanks, to ratify the approved Minutes of the ROP Advisory Board of Management Regular Meeting of October 15, 2008; motion carried unanimously.</p>										
<p>Curriculum & Instruction Resolution No. 2009-03, Read Across America Day Adopted</p>	<p>Motion by Member Tannenbaum, seconded by Vice-President Eubanks , to adopt Resolution No. 2009-03, in support of Read Across America Day, March 2, 2009, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>										
<p>Facilities Reject Bid #2009-01 2007-08 Audit Report Received</p>	<p>Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Member Thomas, to reject all bids for Bid #C2009-01, Beth Ramacher School Modernization Project, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>										
<p>Facilities Update</p>	<p>Andy Perez, Facilities Technician, gave a brief update on current and future building and modernization projects.</p>										
<p>Educational Services 2009-2014 FCOE LEA Plan Adopted</p>	<p>Motion by Member Thomas, seconded by Member Cederquist, to approve the 2009-2014 Local Agency Plan (LEA); as presented, motion carried unanimously.</p>										
<p>Resolution No. 2009-04, Hughes Bill Mandated Cost Claim Settlement Adopted</p>	<p>Motion by Member Tannenbaum, seconded by Member Thomas, adopting Resolution No. 2009-04, Behavioral Intervention Plan (Hughes Bill) Mandated Cost Claim Settlement and agreement to waive future claims, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>										
<p>Resolution No. 2009-05, Covenant Affecting Real Property Adopted</p>	<p>Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Member Thomas, to adopt Resolution No. 2009-05, granting the covenant affecting real property, as presented; motion carried by the following roll call vote:</p>										
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<p>TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES Travel & Conference Requests</p>	<p>No travel requests reported.</p>										
<p>Travel/Conference Reimbursements</p>	<p>Motion by Vice-President Eubanks , seconded by Member Cederquist, to approve conference expense reimbursements for Member Thomas, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>										

Board Correspondence	No correspondence reported.
Comments by the Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter from CCBE President • Martin Luther King Celebration • Tree Fresno Workshop • National School Board Association • CSBA/NSBA renewals • Budget reviews in April and May • Departmental reports to Board throughout the year • Harvest of the Month • FCOE logo <p>Member Thomas distributed the American Recovery Reinvestment Act of 2009 - House-Senate Conference Committee Report.</p> <p>Member Thomas asked the Board secretary to make copies of the <i>Statutory Functions of County Boards of Education and County Superintendents of Schools</i> for members of the Board, Superintendent Powell, Linda Bacon and Rick Martin. She would like to schedule lunch meeting to discuss this document before the April 16, 2009 Board meeting.</p>
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT	<p>Superintendent Powell reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Budget – Education Funds/Deferments • Clarification of Superintendent's Contract • CIF Section Finals – March 6-7, 2009
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS	No future items discussed.
ADJOURNMENT	Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Member Thomas to adjourn meeting; motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.