



FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES April 16, 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 Superintendent Jim Yovino, Educational Services; 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 Tannenbaum moved to approve the April 16, 2009 amended agenda, seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried unanimously.
- Minutes**
Approved Member Thomas moved to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2009 Board meeting, seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried unanimously.
- COMMUNITY INPUT** There were no comments from the community.
- EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH** Myron Washington was selected as the April 2009 Employee of the Month. Myron came to work for FCOE in 2004 as the Braille Transcriber and in five short years he has changed the visually impaired program for the better. Myron is considered a “techno wiz” in the department because he is at the cutting edge of new innovations for supporting blind and visually impaired students with technology. Myron has a heart for all people with disabilities. Myron willingly takes on new responsibilities without complaint. He is extremely well organized and continually offers his support at the Kermit Koontz Education Center. Myron, you put the ‘special’ in the Special Education Department and we are proud to honor you as Fresno County Office of Education Employee of the Month.
- Recognition of State Academic Decathlon Champions** Jennifer Quinn recognized the 2009 Fresno County Academic Decathletes and Coaches from Edison High, University High, Bullard High and Hallmark Charter High Schools. The University High School team won the Small School Division and will be advancing to the Nationals.
- RECESS** A recess was called at 1:47 p.m. for a reception to honor Myron Washington, Employee of the Month, and the Academic Decathletes and Coaches. The meeting was reconvened at 2:02 p.m.
- REPORT**
Recognition of Healthy Behaviors Learning Site Madison Elementary School Cyndi Kirby-Dean, Wellness and Nutrition Consultant, recognized the After School Program at Madison Elementary in Central Unified School District for their exemplary practices in nutrition, physical activity and food security.
- Member Clyde suggested that a garden project at Scout Island would be worth looking into.
- ACTION ITEMS**
Resolution No. 2009-08, National School Library Media Month
Adopted Motion by Vice President Eubanks, seconded by Member Thomas, to adopt Resolution No. 2009-08, proclaiming April 2009 as National School Library Month, as presented; motion carried unanimously

<p>Resolution No. 2009-13, Administrative Professionals Day Adopted</p>	<p>Motion by Member Tannenbaum, seconded by Vice President Eubanks , to adopt Resolution No. 2009-13, recognizing April 22, 2009, as Administrative Professionals Day in the Fresno County Office of Education, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>2007-2008 Court/ Community/Community Day Schools Accountability Report Cards Approved</p>	<p>Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Vice President Eubanks, to approve the 2007-2008 Accountability Report Cards for Court/Community/Community Day Schools, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>Resolution No. 2009-11, National School Nurses Day, May 6, 2009 Adopted</p>	<p>Motion by Member Tannenbaum, seconded by Member Thomas, to adopt Resolution No. 2009-11, recognizing May 6, 2009, as National School Nurses Day in the Fresno County Office of Education, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>Facilities Update</p>	<p>Jeff Becker updated the Board on current and future building and modernization projects.</p>
<p>Resolution No. 2009-12, Transfer of Building to Sanger Unified School District Adopted</p>	<p>Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Member Thomas, to adopt Resolution No. 2009-12, transferring ownership of one classroom building from Fresno County Office of Education to SUSD, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>Resolution No. 2009-09, Classified School Employees Week Adopted</p>	<p>Motion by Member Tannenbaum, seconded by Member Cederquist, to adopt Resolution No. 2009-09, recognizing the week of May 17-23, 2009, as Classified School Employees Week in the Fresno County Office of Education, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>Resolution No. 2009-10, Hume Lake Charter School Petition Approved</p>	<p>Motion by Vice President Eubanks, seconded by Member Cederquist, to conditionally approve Hume Lake Charter School Appeal contingent upon development and execution of a Memorandum of Understanding between the petitioners and the Fresno County Board of Education, as presented; motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>PUBLIC HEARING Categorical Program Flexibility – SBX3 4, 3:30 PM</p>	<p>President Clyde opened a public hearing to address the concerns of the public regarding the categorical program flexibility provisions authorized by SBX3 4.</p> <p>There were no comments from the public.</p>
<p>Public Hearing Closed</p>	<p>The Public Hearing was closed at 3:35 PM</p>
<p>Resolution No. 2009-14, Authorization to Utilize Flexibility Provided by SBX3 4 Adopted</p>	<p>Motion by Vice President Eubanks, seconded by Member Thomas, adopting Resolution No. 2009-14, authorizing the Fresno County Office of Education to utilize the flexibility provided by SBX3 4, as presented; motion carried by the following roll call vote:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Member Tannenbaum – Yes Vice President Eubanks – Yes Member Thomas – Yes Member Cederquist – Yes President Clyde – Yes</p>
<p>Approve Authorization to Utilize Flexibility Provided by SBX3 4 Approved</p>	<p>Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Vice President Eubanks, approving the authorization to utilize the flexibility provided by SBX3 4, as presented; motion carried by the following roll call vote:</p>

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

TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES
Travel & Conference
Requests

Member Thomas requested approval to attend the December 2009 CSBA Education Conference in San Diego, California, and Member Cederquist requested approval to attend the May 2009 CSBA Delegate Assembly meeting in Sacramento, California.

Motion by Vice President Eubanks, seconded by Member Cederquist to approve the conference requests by Members Thomas and Cederquist, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

Travel/Conference
Reimbursements

There were no Travel/Conference reimbursements reported.

Board Correspondence

No receipt of correspondence reported.

Discussion of Yale
Education Center

Due to the Boot Camp closing, Superintendent Powell is recommending that the Yale Education Center be named the *Violet Heintz Education Academy*. Superintendent Powell will place this item on the next Board agenda for action.

Member Thomas reported that she will not be in attendance at the May 21, 2009 Board meeting. She stated that she would like to vote *in absentia* in favor of naming the Yale Center the *Violet Heintz Education Academy*.

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

Superintendent Powell reported on the following:

- Rachel's Challenge/Daryl Scott Presentation/Columbine's 10th Anniversary
- Jim Coiner Ropes Course at Scout Island
- State Budget Election
- Big Picture Charter Petition

Week of the Young Child

Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher and Wilma Hashimoto gave a brief report on the 2009 Week of the Young Child.

FUTURE AGENDA
ITEMS

No future items discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Vice President Eubanks, seconded by Member Tannenbaum, to adjourn meeting; motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.