



FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES December 10, 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 Del Cederquist, Sally Tannenbaum and Barbara Thomas.
- 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 Cederquist moved to approve the December 10, 2009 agenda; seconded by Member Thomas; motion carried unanimously.
- Minutes**
Approved Member Thomas moved to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2009 Board meeting; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried unanimously.
- ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**
Election of Officers Deputy Superintendent Jim Yovino called for nominations for President. Member Cederquist moved to elect Vice President Keith Eubanks for President; seconded by Member Clyde. There being no further nominations, Deputy Superintendent Yovino closed the nominations and called for the vote. Vice President Eubanks was unanimously elected as President of the Board.
- Deputy Superintendent Yovino turned the meeting over to President Eubanks. President Eubanks then called for nominations for Vice President.
- Member Clyde moved to nominate Member Cederquist for Vice President, seconded by Member Tannenbaum. There being no further nominations, President Eubanks closed the nominations and called for the vote. Member Cederquist was unanimously elected as Vice President of the Board.
- Board Meeting Schedule**
Approved Vice President Cederquist moved to continue to meet on the third Thursday of each month at 1:30 p.m., in the County Schools Board Room; when a special meeting is needed, it will be called on the first Thursday of a given month; the motion was seconded by Member Thomas and carried unanimously.
- 2010 Board Meeting Dates
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| January, 21 2010 | July 15, 2010 |
| February, 18, 2010 | August 19, 2010 |
| March, 18, 2010 | September 16, 2010 |
| April 15, 2010 | October 21, 2010 |
| May, 20, 2010 | November 18, 2010 |
| June 17, 2010 | December 9, 2010 |
- Committee Appointments** Nominations for the following County committees will be discussed at the January 21, 2010 Board meeting. Board members wishing to serve on any of the committees should contact the Board secretary.

ROC/P Advisory Board
SARB
Trustees Association
California Board of Education Liaison
Fresno Chamber of Commerce
Facilities
Special Project Committees (appointed as need arises)
Charter Review Committee
Board Project Follow-up (Annual Report)

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Christina Longenecker was selected as the December 2009 Employee of the Month. Christina is described by her colleagues as selfless, kind, honest, and genuine. Christina is a Licensed Vocational Nurse assigned to Special Day and Emotionally Disturbed Special Education classes in the Sanger area. As an itinerant employee, Christina interacts with a large number of staff, students and parents on a daily basis and everyone who works with Christina knows that her professional talent is only outdone by her personal charm. Congratulations Christina, we are proud to honor you as Fresno County Office of Education Employee of the Month.

RECESS

A recess was called at 1:44 p.m. for a reception to honor the Employee of the Month. The meeting was reconvened at 1:50 p.m.

COMMUNITY INPUT

There were no comments from the community.

REPORTS

Facilities Update

Jeff Becker updated the Board on current and future building and modernization projects.

Safe & Healthy Kids
Voluntary Drug Testing
Program

Vince Wesson, Coordinator, Safe & Healthy Kids, shared the results of self-reported surveys administered to representative samples of students and parents during the 2008-09 school year. The Fresno County Office of Education's Voluntary Drug Testing Program (VDTP) is a collaborative effort among 18 high schools in six school districts to reduce the incidence of drug use, promote conversations about drug use in the home, and provide students with a tool to use against peer pressure.

Business Services
Quarterly Disclosure of
Investment Policies
Received

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Quarterly Disclosure of Investment Policies.

ACTION ITEMS
Authorization to Bid
Standard School Supplies
Approved

Motion by Vice President Cederquist, seconded by Member Tannenbaum, approving request to begin bid process for school supplies, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2009-24,
Short Term Loans to
School Districts
Adopted

Motion by Member Tannenbaum, seconded by Member Clyde, to adopt Resolution No. 2009-24, authorizing the Superintendent of Schools to provide temporary, short term loans between December 2009 and August 2010 to school districts, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

Curriculum & Instruction
Resolution No. 2009-25,
Black History Month
Adopted

Motion by Member Thomas, seconded by Vice President Cederquist, adopting Resolution No. 2009-25, recognizing February 2009 as Black History Month and encouraging districts in Fresno County to plan appropriate activities as presented; motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2009-26
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
(with revisions)
Adopted

Motion by Vice President Cederquist, seconded by Member Thomas, adopting Resolution No. 2009-26 observing January 18, 2010, as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and encouraging districts in Fresno County to plan appropriate activities as presented; motion carried unanimously.

Legal Services Revised BP/AR 5117, 5141.4 and 5144.3 Adopted	Motion by Member Thomas, seconded by Vice President Cederquist, to adopt revised BP/AR 5117, 5141.4 and 5144.3 regarding Student Expulsion Appeals, Interdistrict Transfer Appeals, and Mandatory Child Abuse Reporting, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES Meetings to Attend	Motion by President Eubanks, seconded by Member Clyde, to approve Member Thomas' request to attend the National School Board Association Federal Relations Network, January 31-February 2, 2010.
Travel/Conference Reimbursements	There were no travel reimbursements to report.
Board Correspondence	There was no correspondence to report.
Superintendent's Contract Approved	Superintendent Powell requested three additional vacation days per year added to his contract. Motion by Member Thomas, seconded by Vice President Cederquist to approve Superintendent's request; motion carried unanimously.
Comments by the Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Clyde reported a successful Court Schools Employee of the Year Reception
CSBA Annual Conference Report	Vice President Cederquist reported that overall attendance at the CSBA Annual Education Conference was down by 20%. The Trustee reception was well attended.
Recognition of Past President	Superintendent Powell recognized Member Clyde for his dedication and commitment while serving as Board President. Superintendent Powell presented Member Clyde with a Margaret Hudson figurine representing "Education."
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT	Superintendent Powell reported on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Budget Update • Race to the Top Funding Update • HR Staffing • Legal Services Staffing • West Fresno School District • Golden Plains School District
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS	2010 County Board Committee Appointments.
ADJOURNMENT	Motion by Member Clyde, seconded by Vice President Cederquist to adjourn the meeting; motion carried unanimously. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:01 p.m.