



FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

REVISED MINUTES November 17, 2011

- CALL TO ORDER** President Cederquist called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag, followed by an inspirational reading by Jim Yovino.
- ATTENDANCE** Members present: President Del Cederquist; Vice President Barbara Thomas; Members Sally Tannenbaum, Keith Eubanks and Allen Clyde.
- Participating staff: County Superintendent of Schools Larry L. Powell; Deputy Superintendents Jim Yovino, Educational Services, and Richard A. Martin, Business Services; Maiya Yang, Legal Counsel, Legal Services; and Gloria Ferrer, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education.
- AGENDA**
Approved Member Eubanks moved to approve the November 17, 2011 agenda; seconded by Member Tannenbaum; motion carried unanimously.
- MINUTES**
Approved Vice President Thomas moved to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2011 Board meeting as presented; seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried unanimously.
- COMMUNITY INPUT** There were no comments from the public.
- Employee of the Month**
November 2011 Leonard Ramirez was selected as the November 2011 Employee of the Month. Leonard began his career at FCOE eleven years ago as a Special Day Class Teacher. From day one, it was obvious that Leonard had a heart for students with moderate to severe disabilities and an extraordinary ability to connect well with others. Leonard put his work experience, which included multi-media production, school bus driver, recruiter for a private vocational industry and member of the Kingsburg school board, into action in his classroom.
- Leonard has experienced many novel situations, embracing each one with determination with a positive spirit. With each challenge, his motto grew and became well known by others, "Welcome to Special Education, a continuous learning experience!" Leonard is an active member of the Knights of Columbus, raising monies for those in need. Leonard also actively supports a program called "Get on the Bus" which assists children in visiting their incarcerated mothers. While supporting all of these programs, Leonard continues to broaden his personal growth by pursuing a Masters Degree in Special Education.
- Congratulations, Leonard, we are proud to acknowledge you as the November 2011 Employee of the Month.
- RECOGNITIONS**
CAL/National Chess
Champions, Mendota
High School
- The Mendota High School Chess team was recognized for winning both the CAL Chess Competition and National Chess Championship.
- Dr. Allen Clyde, Fresno**
County Committee on
School District
Organization
- Dr. Allen Clyde was recognized for his nine years of service to the Fresno County Committee on School District Organization.
- RECESS** A recess was called at 1:51 p.m. for a reception to honor the Employee of the Month and the Mendota High School Chess Team. The meeting reconvened at 2:05 p.m.

MINUTES CONTINUED

REPORTS

Facilities Update
The Sanctuary Building
at KKEC

Jeff Becker updated the Board on current and future building and modernization projects. The Facilities sub-committee voted to demolish the Sanctuary building at KKEC due to the significant cost to repair the building. A report on the committee's action will be provided to the Board.

Scout Island Property

Jeff Becker reported that there is a potential buyer for the north portion of Scout Island. This item will be returned for further discussion.

Burrel Union Get Healthy
Project

Cyndi Dean, Consultant, Safe & Healthy Kids Department reported on the Burrel Get Healthy! Project. The program offers K-8 students the opportunity to participate in a school-based intervention teaching healthy food options and physical fitness cognitive concepts that support a healthy lifestyle.

First Reading of Revised
Superintendent/Board
Policies/Administrative
Regulations/Board Bylaws
**Received with
Corrections**

The Board received the first reading of revised Superintendent/Board Policies/Administrative Regulations/Board Bylaws regarding Business and Non-instructional Operations: AR 3541.1, AR 3550, BP 3553, BP/AR 3580; Students: BP/AR 5020, BP 5021, BP/AR 5022, BP/AR 5125, BP/AR 5125.1, Exhibit 5125.1, BP 5030, BP/AR 5111, Instruction: BP 6000, BP 6112, BP 6120, BP/AR 6159.3, BP 6161, BP/AR 6164.2, BP 6173, Exhibit 6173, BP/AR 6174, Exhibit 6174, BP/AR 6173.1, BP/AR 6173.2; and Bylaws of the Board: BB 9271. Presented by Maiya Yang, Legal Services. Received with corrections.

2010/11 FCOE Budget/
Actual Comparison
Received

Kevin Otto reported on the 2010/11 FCOE Budget/Actual Comparison through June 30, 2011. The Board acknowledged receipt of the 2010/11 FCOE Budget/Actual Comparison.

FCOE First Interim
Financial Report
Received

Kevin Otto reported on the First Interim Financial Report as of October 31, 2011. The Board acknowledged receipt of FCOE's First Interim Financial Report. The information will be made available to the public.

EXPULSION HEARING
Fresno Unified School
District

Those present at the hearing included: student's parents, Paul Lopez and Donell Stiers; Toby Wait, family friend; Bryan Martin, Legal Counsel for Fresno Unified School District and Ambra Dorsey, Fresno Unified School District representative; members of the Fresno County Board of Education; Larry Powell, County Superintendent of Schools; Jim Yovino, Deputy Superintendent; Jason Parkin, Legal Counsel; and Gloria Ferrer, Administrative Assistant to the Fresno County Board of Education.

Board members sought input from those present.

The Board moved into deliberations at 3:05 p.m. and reconvened into open session at 3:11 p.m. The Board moved into deliberations at 3:27 p.m. to discuss the following Finding of Facts:

1. Did the district's governing board proceed without or in excess of its jurisdiction in expelling the pupil?
2. Did the pupil receive a fair hearing before the district governing board?
3. Was there a prejudicial abuse of discretion by the district governing board?
4. Is there now relevant evidence which, in the exercise of reasonable diligence, could not have been produced or which was improperly excluded at the hearing before the governing board?

The Board reconvened at 4:01 pm.

Member Tannenbaum moved to reverse the findings of the Fresno Unified School District, seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried unanimously.

Order of the Board: Vice President Thomas moved to reverse the District's decision to expel the student, seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES CONTINUED

PUBLIC HEARING Energy Services Contract with BAP Power Corporation	President Cederquist opened a public hearing to give the public an opportunity to express comments or concerns regarding the Board entering into an energy services contract with BAP Power Corporation. There were no comments from the public.
ACTION Resolution No. 2011-28, Energy Services Agreement Adopted	Motion by Member Eubanks, seconded by Member Clyde, adopting Resolution No. 2011-28, making findings and authorizing and approving an energy services contract with BAP Power Corporation and authorizing the execution and delivery of other documents and action required in connection therewith, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
Photovoltaic Installation Project at KKEC Approved	Motion by Member Clyde, seconded by Vice President Thomas, approving and authorizing the Superintendent or his designee to file a CEQA Notice of Exemption for the KKEC Photovoltaic System Installation Project, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
Resolution No. 2011-29, Annual Organizational Meeting of the County Board of Education Adopted	Motion by Member Clyde, seconded by Vice President Thomas, adopting Resolution No. 2011-29, setting the date of December 8, 2011, as the Fresno County Board of Education's Annual Organizational Meeting, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
Resolution No. 2011-30, Sikh American Awareness & Appreciation Month Adopted	Motion by Member Eubanks, seconded by Member Clyde, adopting Resolution No. 2011-30, recognizing November as Sikh American Awareness and Appreciation Month, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
New Spirit Charter Academy MOU Approved	Motion by Member Clyde, seconded by Vice President Thomas, approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the New Spirit Charter Academy, the Fresno County Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
Adopt Revised Superintendent/Board Policies/Administrative Regulations Adopted	Motion by Member Clyde, seconded by Vice President Thomas, adopting revised Superintendent/Board Policy/Administrative Regulations: Community Relations 1312.3; Business and Non-instructional Operations BP/AR 3580 & 5125; Students: BP/AR 5125.1 & Exhibit 5125.1 and Instruction: BP 6159.3, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
Adopt Revised Superintendent/Board Policy 1312 Adopted	Motion by Vice President Thomas, seconded by Member Tannenbaum, adopting revised Superintendent/Board Policy 1312, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
2011-12 Site Plans for Student Achievement Approved	Motion by Member Eubanks, seconded by Member Tannenbaum, approving the 2011-12 site Plans for Student Achievement for Fresno County Office of Education Court and Community/Community Day Schools, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
FCOE 2011-12 Budget Revisions Approved	Motion by Member Tannenbaum, seconded by Member Eubanks, approving FCOE's 2011-12 Budget Revisions, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
Redistricting of Fresno County Board of Education Trustee Areas Approved	Motion by Vice President Thomas, seconded by Member Clyde, approving the Fresno County Board of Supervisors' redistricting plan and authorizing the County Superintendent to complete the mapping process for those areas of Fresno County school districts in Tulare, Kings, Madera, San Benito and Monterey Counties, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES CONTINUED

- TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES
Call for County CSBA
Delegate Assembly
Nominations
- Motion by Member Tannenbaum, seconded by President Cederquist, nominating Vice President Thomas to represent the Fresno area on the CSBA Delegate Assembly ballot. Motion carried unanimously.
- Travel Requests
- Vice President Thomas has requested to attend the 2012 Federal Relations Network (FRN) Conference February 5-7, 2012, in Washington, D.C. The FRN Conference is an opportunity for school board members from across the country to meet with their congressional representatives and discuss federal education issues.
- Motion by Member Tannenbaum, seconded by Member Clyde, approving Vice President Thomas' request to attend the FRN Conference in February 2012; motion carried unanimously.
- Travel/Mileage
Reimbursements
- There were no travel/mileage reimbursements submitted.
- Receipt of Correspondence
- The Board received a thank you note for an \$800 donation to the Fowler High School FFA from Paul H. Magill.
- Comments by the Board
- Vice President Thomas expressed her appreciation to the Fresno County Office of Education for the help they provided at the California Association of School Psychologists workshop
 - Vice President Thomas acknowledged November as National School Psychologist Month
 - Deputy Superintendent Jim Yovino introduced Trish Small, new Director of Pupil Personnel Services
 - Excellent Educator of the Year Event
 - The Foundation @ FCOE Donations
- SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT
- Mid-Year Cuts
 - District Funding Delay
 - Superintendents Summit
 - Parlier Unified School District
 - West Fresno Elementary School
 - Golden Plains Unified School District
 - SB 48
 - Common Core Standards
- FUTURE AGENDA
ITEMS
1. Discuss Common Core Standards at the January 2012 meeting
- ADJOURNMENT
- Motion by Vice President Thomas, seconded by Member Eubanks, to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m.; motion carried unanimously.