

## FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

## MINUTES December 13, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

President Thomas called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the

flag, Board member roll call; followed by an inspirational reading by Armen Bacon.

**ATTENDANCE** 

Members present: President Barbara Thomas; Vice President Allen Clyde; Members Keith

Eubanks, Delbert Cederquist and Mike Robinson.

Participating staff: County Superintendent of Schools Larry L. Powell; Deputy Superintendents Jim Yovino, Educational Services, and Richard A. Martin, Business Services; Linda Bacon, Legal Counsel, Legal Services; and Gloria Ferrer, Administrative Assistant to the Board of

Education.

AGENDA Approved

Member Cederquist moved to approve the December 13, 2012 agenda, seconded by Vice

President Clyde; motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES **Approved** 

Vice President Cederquist moved to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2012 Board meeting, as presented; seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried unanimously.

OATH OF OFFICE

 $Superintendent\ Powell\ administered\ the\ Oath\ of\ Office\ to\ Mrs.\ Barbara\ Thomas,\ Dr.$ 

Allen Clyde and Mr. Mike Robinson.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING Election of Officers Superintendent Powell called for nominations for President. Member Cederquist moved to elect Vice President Allen Clyde for President; seconded by Member Eubanks. There being no further nominations, Superintendent Powell closed the nominations and called for the vote. Vice President Clyde was unanimously elected as President of the Board.

Superintendent Powell turned the meeting over to President Clyde. President Clyde then called for nominations for Vice President.

Member Cederquist moved to nominate Member Eubanks for Vice President, seconded by Member Thomas. There being no further nominations, President Clyde closed the nominations and called for the vote. Member Eubanks was unanimously elected as Vice President of the Board.

Member 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; seconded by Member Thomas; motion carried unanimously.

Board Meeting Schedule **Approved** 

2013 Board Meeting Dates

 January 17, 2013
 July 18, 2013

 February 21, 2013
 August 15, 2013

 March 21, 2013
 September 19, 2013

 April 18, 2013
 October 17, 2013

 May 15, 2013
 November 21, 2013

 June 20, 2013
 December 12, 2013

## MINUTES CONTINUED

**Committee Appointments** 

Nominations and Action on the following County committees will be taken at the January 17, 2013 Board meeting.

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)

**Board Cabinet Seminar** 

**COMMUNITY INPUT** 

There were no comments from the public.

Employee of the Month December 2012

Rhonda Lodridge was selected as the December 2012 Employee of the Month. Over the past 10 years, Rhonda has held three critical positions in the Human Resources Department. As the HR Assistant, Rhonda set a new County Office standard for the hiring and placement of high quality substitute teachers and support staff. As the HR/Payroll Technician, she developed complex spreadsheets and accountability systems that ensured HR and payroll records were processed flawlessly for nearly 400 After School employees. Now, as our Benefits Analyst, Rhonda is known organization-wide as the "Benefits Guru." As a matter of fact, she is also widely known as the "DMS Queen." She is an outstanding resource for FCOE employees, retirees, and school district partners regarding all aspects of benefits administration, workers' compensation and attendance reporting.

Rhonda knows and understands current federal and state legislation impacting her assignment. She takes the initiative to seek out resources to increase her knowledge in the ever changing world of health benefits and leaves of absence. What she learns, she applies - always to *benefit* our FCOE employees and their families. Rhonda also plays a vital role on several committees including the Benefits Committee and Safety Committee. She prepares agendas and minutes, builds SharePoint sites full of information and more – all for the well-being and safe-keeping of our FCOE family.

Congratulations, Rhonda, we are proud to honor you as the December Employee of the Month.

Recognition of FCOE Fit Club Contest Winners The FCOE Fit Club recognized the winners of the "Biggest Winners" weight loss challenge for FCOE employees. The top three winners were awarded a certificate of recognition and cash prizes from the Fit Club.

RECESS

A recess was called for a reception to honor the Employee of the Month and the FCOE Fit Club Challenge Winners.

REPORTS
Facilities Update

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

**ACTION** 

Resolution No. 2012-26, Dr. Martin Luther King,

Jr., Day **Adopted** 

Motion by Member Thomas, seconded by Member Eubanks, adopting Resolution No. 2012-26, designating January 21, 2013, as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Day in Fresno County, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2012-27, Black History Month

Adopted

Motion by Vice President Eubanks, seconded by Member Cederquist, adopting Resolution No. 2012-27, recognizing February 2012 as Black History Month in Fresno County, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

## MINUTES CONTINUED

Amend Superintendent's Compensation Agreement **Approved**  Motion by Member Thomas, seconded by Vice President Eubanks, to adopt amendments to the County Superintendent of Schools Compensation Agreement, effective December 13, 2012, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2012-28, Amendment to County Superintendent's Compensation Agreement Adopted Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Vice President Eubanks, adopting Resolution No. 2012-28, amending the County Superintendent of School's Compensation Agreement, effective December 13, 2012, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES
Travel Requests

No travel requests were submitted.

Travel/Mileage Reimbursements

There were no travel reimbursements submitted.

Receipt of Correspondence

The Board acknowledged receiving a newsletter from Crescent View Charter School.

CSBA Annual Education Conference Update Despite the rain and low attendance, the CSBA Annual Education Conference was a success earlier this year.

Comments by the Board

- New Board Member Training
- Trustee Association Meetings
- Restorative Justice Meeting
- Truancy Prevention
- KKEC Graduation
- Member Thomas expressed her appreciation for the flowers she received during her recent surgery

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Daniel Pink Conference, February 20, 2013
- Peter Buffett Event, February 2, 2013
- Proposition 30
- Petition for Special Election

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Update on Legal Action
- 2. Update on Medical Bill-Backs
- 3. SOP 105 Cell Phone Discount

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Member Robinson, seconded by Member Cederquist, adjourning the meeting at 2:45 p.m.; motion carried unanimously.