



## FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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### MINUTES February 16, 2012

- CALL TO ORDER** President Thomas 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 Barbara Thomas; Vice President Allen Clyde; Members Keith Eubanks and Delbert Cederquist.
- 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 February 16, 2012 agenda with the addition of revised Superintendent/Board Policy 1312; seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried unanimously.
- MINUTES**  
**Approved** Member Eubanks moved to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2012 Board meeting as presented; seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried unanimously.
- APPOINTMENT TO BOARD VACANCY AREA 2** Motion by Member Eubanks, seconded by Member Cederquist, appointing Michael L. Robinson as the Board replacement for Area 2. Motion carried unanimously.
- OATH OF OFFICE** Superintendent Powell administered the Oath of Office. Michael Robinson assumed his duties as a member of Fresno County Board of Education serving Area 2.
- COMMUNITY INPUT** There were no comments from the public.
- Employee of the Month February 2012** Dan Serrato was selected as the February 2012 Employee of the Month. He began his teaching career in Orange County and immediately began to integrate technology into his lesson plans and curriculum projects. In 2007, Dan moved to Fresno to be closer to his wife's family. Fortunately for us, Dan found a position in FCOE's Instructional Technology Department. Within no time at all, Dan's inspiring and imaginative ideas brought a unique element to his work as the Educational Technology Coordinator. Dan's talents have truly transformed the visual image of FCOE. His background and knowledge in web design has helped a number of departments rethink the way they view their presence on the web. He has been instrumental in the web development and design for Math on Call, Fresno Preschool, The Foundation @FCOE, the Central Valley Public Sector and Teaching American History.
- Dan's enthusiasm continues to spread throughout FCOE. Instructional Technology receives weekly calls requesting Dan's 'techie talents.' His dedication to educating us all is a true testament to his leadership. Recently, Dan coordinated an event open to educators and professionals around the state called "Educating on Design." This event helped foster a community of learners for teachers who rarely get to work alongside professionals in the design industry. This is the type of creative, innovative, ground-breaking work Dan brings to the FCOE family. Congratulations, Dan, we are honored to celebrate you as the February 2012 Employee of the Month.
- RECESS** A recess was called for a reception to honor the Employee of the Month.

MINUTES CONTINUED

REPORTS CIF Invitation	Brent Smither, Consultant for Safe & Health Kids, extended the Board an invitation to join FCOE volunteers at the 8 <sup>th</sup> annual CIF basketball playoffs at the Fresno Convention Center, March 2-3, 2012.
Facilities Update	Jeff Becker updated the Board on current and future building and modernization projects.
2010-11 Audit Report <b>Received</b>	Kevin Otto, Senior Director, Financial Services, and David Randall from Vavrinek, Trine and Day, reported there were no findings for the 2010-11 fiscal year. The Audit Report reflected no serious fiscal problems that require immediate attention. Therefore, the general fund ending balance did not change and agreed with the figures submitted to the State on the First Interim Financial Report for the period ending October 31, 2011.
2011-12 Second Interim Financial Report <b>Received</b>	Kevin Otto reported on the 2011-12 second Interim Financial Report.
First Reading of Revised Administrative Regulation <b>Received</b>	The Board received the first reading of Administrative Regulation 6173, Instruction.
ACTION Resolution No. 2012-02, School Facility Program Application - VHEA <b>Adopted</b>	Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Member Eubanks, adopting Resolution No. 2012-02, authorizing submittal of the School Facility Program Application for the Violet Heintz Education Academy construction project, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
Resolution No. 2012-03, Big Picture High School- Fresno Charter Petition Renewal <b>Approved</b>	Motion by Vice President Clyde, seconded by Member Cederquist, adopting Resolution No. 2012-03, approving the Big Picture High School-Fresno Charter petition renewal, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
2011-12 School Accountability Report Cards <b>Approved</b>	Motion by Vice President Clyde, seconded by Member Eubanks, the 2011-12 School Accountability Report Cards, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
2011-12 FCOE Budget Revisions <b>Approved</b>	Motion by Vice President Clyde, seconded by Member Robinson, approving the 2011-12 FCOE budget revisions, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
Adopt Revised Superintendent/Board Policies/Administrative Regulations/Board Bylaws <b>Adopted</b>	Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Member Clyde, to adopt revised Superintendent/Board Policies/Administrative Regulations/Board Bylaws: Community Relations: AR 1200.1; Instruction: BP 1312, AR 1312.4, BP/AR 6020, AR 6112, AR 6152, BP/AR 6154, BP/AR 6179, AR 6183, AR 6185, BP 6190, & BP 6200; Bylaws of the Board: BB 9230, as presented, motion carried unanimously.
Authorization of RFQ Lease-Lease Back Services <b>Approved</b>	Motion by Member Eubanks, seconded by Vice President Clyde, issuing a request for qualifications for lease-lease back services for the Violet Heintz Education Academy project, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
Apportionment of Forest Reserve Receipts <b>Approved</b>	Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Vice President Clyde, approving the 2011-12 apportionment of forest reserves, as presented; motion carried unanimously.
2012 CSBA Delegate Election <b>Approved</b>	Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Member Eubanks, nominating Barbara Thomas as the Region 10 nominee for the 2012 CSBA Delegate Election. Motion carried unanimously.

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TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES  
Travel Requests

There were no travel requests submitted.

Travel/Mileage  
Reimbursements

Motion by Member Eubanks, seconded by Member Cederquist, approving travel/conference reimbursement for President Thomas in the amount of \$2,296.89. This reimbursement will cover travel expenses to the Federal Relations Network Conference in Washington, D.C. last February. Motion carried unanimously.

Comments by Legal  
Counsel

Fresno County Superior Court records indicate Fresno Unified School District has filed a writ against the County Board regarding an expulsion appeal decision. The Board has not been served with the writ as of today.

Comments by the Board

- The Board expressed appreciation to Michael Robinson for his acceptance of the Board appointment
- President Thomas reported on her recent trip to Washington, D.C., to the Federal Relations Network Conference
- The Mayor's Job Fair
- The Board has requested to combine each of their travel/conference budgets into one line item to simplify and create more travel flexibility. This budget change will become effective July 1, 2012

SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT

- State Budget
- Drop-out Committee

Recess

The Board took a short recess at 3:04 p.m., and reconvened at 3:08 p.m.

EXPULSION APPEAL

Those present at the hearing included: 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 3:22 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 3:28 pm.

Vice President Clyde moved to adopt the Findings of Fact of the Fresno Unified School District, seconded by Member Eubanks; motion carried unanimously.

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

CLOSED SESSION  
Conference with Real  
Property Negotiators  
(Gov. Code § 54956.8)

The Board moved into closed session at 3:45 p.m. The Board reconvened at 4:15 p.m.

Jeff Becker gave a report on Sale/Lease Negotiations: Scout Island North, APNs, 049-093-06, 049-093-08 and 049-093-10, Madera County, California

MINUTES CONTINUED

FUTURE AGENDA  
ITEMS

1. There were no future agenda items discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Vice President Clyde, seconded by Member Eubanks, adjourning the meeting at 4:16 p.m.; motion carried unanimously.