



FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES February 19, 2015

- CALL TO ORDER** President Robinson called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by an inspirational reading by Lisa Birrell.
- ATTENDANCE** Members present: President Mike Robinson; Vice President Barbara Thomas; Member Delbert Cederquist; Member Dr. Allen Clyde, and Member Ismael Herrera. A quorum was established.
- Participating staff: County Superintendent of Schools Jim Yovino; Deputy Superintendent Dr. Kathryn Catania, Educational Services; Linda Bacon, General Counsel, Legal Services; Lisa Birrell, Public Relations/Communications; and Gloria Ferrer, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education.
- AGENDA**
Approved Member Clyde moved to approve the February 19, 2015 agenda; seconded by Vice President Thomas. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:
- Member Herrera – Yes
 - Vice President Thomas – Yes
 - Member Clyde – Yes
 - Member Cederquist – Yes
 - President Robinson – Yes
- MINUTES**
Approved Member Clyde moved to approve the amended minutes of the January 15, 2015 Board meeting, seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried by the following roll call vote:
- Member Herrera – Yes
 - Vice President Thomas – Yes
 - Member Clyde – Yes
 - Member Cederquist – Yes
 - President Robinson – Yes
- Employee of the Month**
February 2015 Rebecca Thao, Migrant Education Teacher, was honored as the February 2015 Employee of the Month. When describing Rebecca, the words her colleagues and students shared are fair, just, impartial, constructive and reliable. These are the traits and more that have made Rebecca a respected and effective Migrant Education teacher for the past 15 years, currently serving the Washington Unified School District.
- Her experience teaching multiple grade levels, as well as Migrant Out of School Youth (OSY) enables her to create a learning environment that enhances the collaboration process. She gives all students an equal opportunity to participate, express themselves and become successful. Rebecca has been instrumental in providing OSY students the opportunity to pass the California High School Exit Examination. She takes the time to examine her students' challenges and helps them to better prepare for the test.
- RECOGNITION**
Superintendent's Super Stars Superintendent Yovino recognized Chance Hull, Alice M. Worsley School student. Chance has demonstrated initiative and determination in attaining his academic and personal goals. Chance has excelled in his classes, has kept himself on task, and has encouraged his peers to do the same.
- RECESS** A recess was called for the reception honoring the Employee of the Month and the Superintendent's Super Star.

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COMMUNITY INPUT

There were no comments from the public.

REPORTS

New Spirit Charter

Kathy Brown, Executive Director of New Spirit Charter Academy, updated the Board on the progress of the charter school.

2014-15 Second Interim Financial Report

Kevin Otto reported on the 2014-15 Second Interim Financial Report.

PUBLIC HEARING

New Spirit Charter Academy

President Robinson opened a public hearing at 2:20 p.m., giving the public an opportunity to comment regarding the level of support for the New Spirit Charter Academy petition for renewal.

The following individuals spoke in favor of the New Spirit Charter Academy petition renewal: John Edmondson, Taya Masters, Mary Funk, Dr. Ruth Masters, Victoria Wiest, Linda Boen, Savanna Evaristo, Michael Griffith, Dulce Nava, Christina Estrada, Anabella Hudler, Kris Stuebner, and Sarah Mejias.

The public hearing was closed at 2:50 p.m.

Facilities Report

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

ACTION ITEMS

Special Education School Accountability Report Card

Approved

Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Vice President Thomas, approving the amended 2014-15 Special Education Department School Accountability Report Card. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Member Herrera – Yes
Vice President Thomas – Yes
Member Clyde – Yes
Member Cederquist – Yes
President Robinson – Yes

FCOE Court and Community/Community Day Schools Accountability Report Cards

Approved

Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Member Clyde, approving the 2014-15 FCOE Court and Community/Community Day School Accountability Report Cards. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Member Herrera – Yes
Vice President Thomas – Yes
Member Clyde – Yes
Member Cederquist – Yes
President Robinson – Yes

Ratification of ROP Advisory Board of Management Meeting Minutes

Ratified

Motion by Member Clyde, seconded by Vice President Thomas, ratifying the ROP Advisory Board of Management Meeting Minutes for October 15, 2014. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Member Herrera – Yes
Vice President Thomas – Yes
Member Clyde – Yes
Member Cederquist – Yes
President Robinson – Yes

Resolution No. 2015-02, Administrative Professionals Week

Adopted

Motion by Member Herrera, seconded by Member Clyde, adopting Resolution No. 2015-02, recognizing April 20-25, 2015 as Administrative Professionals Week in the Fresno County Office of Education. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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Member Herrera – Yes
Vice President Thomas – Yes
Member Clyde – Yes
Member Cederquist – Yes
President Robinson – Yes

Resolution No. 2015-03,
Cesar Chavez Day of
Service and Learning
Adopted

Motion by Member Herrera, seconded by Member Clyde, adopting Resolution No. 2015-03, observing March 31, 2015, as Cesar Chavez Day of Service and Learning. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Member Herrera – Yes
Vice President Thomas – Yes
Member Clyde – Yes
Member Cederquist – Yes
President Robinson – Yes

FCOE 2014-15 Budget
Revisions
Approved

Motion by Member Clyde, seconded by Member Cederquist, approving the FCOE 2014-15 Budget Revisions. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Member Herrera – Yes
Vice President Thomas – Yes
Member Clyde – Yes
Member Cederquist – Yes
President Robinson – Yes

TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES
Travel Requests

Motion by Vice President Thomas, seconded by Member Cederquist, approving travel request for Member Herrera to attend the CCBE new board member training March 7, 2015, in Sacramento. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Member Herrera – Yes
Vice President Thomas – Yes
Member Clyde – Yes
Member Cederquist – Yes
President Robinson – Yes

Motion by Member Clyde, seconded by Member Cederquist, approving travel request for Vice President Thomas to attend the state CSBA/LCFF meeting in Sacramento, March 7-8, 2015 and CCBC Legislative Committee on February 20, 2015, in Sacramento. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Member Herrera – Yes
Vice President Thomas – Yes
Member Clyde – Yes
Member Cederquist – Yes
President Robinson – Yes

Travel/Mileage
Reimbursements

There were no requests for travel reimbursement.

Receipt of Correspondence

No correspondence was received.

Comments by the Board

- Excellent Academic Decathlon & Super Quiz Event
- Excellent Martin Luther King, Jr., Banquet
- Fresno Chamber of Commerce

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SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

Superintendent Yovino reported on the following:

- Linda Bacon Retirement
- Maiya Yang, New General Counsel
- Central Valley Pathway Collaboration Grant Proposal
- Business Engagement Coordinator
- Approval of ECE Grant
- CIF Event

FUTURE ITEMS

1. Board Workshop – April 2015
2. Burrel School Update – April 2015

NEXT MEETING

The next regular Board meeting will be held on March 19, 2015, at 1:30 p.m., in conference room 301, Fresno County Office of Education.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:08 p.m.