



FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

REVISED MINUTES July 19, 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; Members Keith Eubanks, Delbert Cederquist, Allen Clyde, and Mike Robinson.
- Participating staff: County Superintendent of Schools Larry L. Powell; Deputy Superintendents Jim Yovino, Educational 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 amended July 19, 2012 agenda, seconded by Vice President Clyde; motion carried unanimously.
- MINUTES**
Approved Member Eubanks moved to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2012 Board meeting, as presented; seconded by Vice President Clyde; motion carried unanimously.
- COMMUNITY INPUT** There were no comments from the public.
- Employee of the Month
July 2012** Joe Riccardi, Custodian in Facilities & Operations, was selected as the July Employee of the Month. Joe has not slowed down since joining the FCOE team in 2009. He is always on the move; if you see a blur of blue in the corner of your eye, that's Joe. You can find Joe cleaning windows, taking down spider webs, setting up rooms or buffing floors. Taking care of the little details is one of the many ways Joe shows how much he cares for the students and staff that come into contact with his work on a daily basis. His enthusiasm and a great attitude do not go unnoticed as he goes about the work of making sure meetings and conferences go well for staff and visitors. Joe has brought a new level of skill and professionalism to the Custodial team. He has taught staff how to wax and buff floors and is currently learning the ins and outs of the air conditioning and heating systems in the buildings. He is eager to learn new skills and share those skills with others. At the end of day, Joe can often be heard saying, "We'll do it all again tomorrow." Congratulations, Joe, we are honored to celebrate you as the July 2012 Employee of the Month.
- RECESS** A recess was called for a reception to honor the Employee of the Month.
- REPORTS**
Facilities Update Jeff Becker updated the Board on current and future building and modernization projects.
- VHEA Project** Jeff Becker reviewed the VHEA project options and sought direction from the Board. The goals of this project are to: 1) rehabilitate the existing building to meet Division of State Architect requirements and become Field Act compliant; 2) provide the most appropriate educational spaces for students in accordance with the program's Education Specification previously prepared; and 3) provide students with an improved outdoor gathering/recreation area.
- The targeted construction budget for the project is \$2.1 million. After reviewing the project plans and specifications with both Harris Construction and the project architect, HMC Group, the estimated cost to construct the full project is estimated to be \$2.75 million. Recommendation is to move forward with full scope of project.

MINUTES CONTINUED

ACTION
2011-12 Court/Community
Schools Consolidated
Application, Part I
Approved

Motion by Vice President Clyde, seconded by Member Cederquist, to approve the FCOE Court/Community Schools 2011-12 Consolidated Application, Part I, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

Adopt Revised
Superintendent/Board
Policies/Administrative
Regulations/Board Bylaws
Adopted

Motion by Member Eubanks, seconded by Member Cederquist, to adopt revised Superintendent/Board Policies/Administrative Regulations: Students: BP/AR 5117, as presented, motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2012-12,
Fresno County Child Care
and Local Planning
Council Agreement
Approved

Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Member Robinson, adopting Resolution No. 2012-12, authorizing Fresno County Child Care and Development Local Planning Council (No. CLPC-2009) designated personnel to sign agreement-related documents for FY 2012-13, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

EXPULSION HEARING
Fresno Unified School
District

Those present at the hearing included: student's mother, JaManda Howell; 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; Linda Bacon and Jason Parkin, FCOE 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 2:41 p.m. and reconvened into open session at 3:05 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? Vote: 0 Yes, 5 No
2. Did the pupil receive a fair hearing before the district governing board? Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No
3. Was there a prejudicial abuse of discretion by the district governing board? Vote: 4 Yes, 1 No
4. If yes to question, was the district's abuse of discretion prejudicial? Vote: 5 No, 0 Yes
5. 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? Vote: 0 Yes, 5 No

Finding of Facts

Member Robinson moved to adopt the Finding of Facts, seconded by Member Clyde; motion carried unanimously.

Order of the Board

Member Cederquist moved to remand the District's decision to expel the student for the limited purpose of making the required findings under Ed. Code section 48923 (b), seconded by Vice President Clyde; motion carried unanimously.

Interdistrict Transfer
Appeal – Monyrangsey
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The Board sought information from Mr. Sam Sok, student's representative, and Sharon Hart, representative of the district of residence, Fresno Unified School District. Setha Nhim translated for Mr. Sok.

Member Eubanks made a motion to uphold the district of choice's denial for an interdistrict transfer to Clovis Unified School District from the district of residence, Fresno Unified School District, seconded by Vice President Clyde; motion by a 3-2 vote.

Interdistrict Transfer
Appeal – Joe Vang

The Board sought information from student's mother, Yer Vang, and district of residence, Fresno Unified School District. Maiya Yang translated for Mrs. Vang.

MINUTES CONTINUED

Member Eubanks made a motion to uphold the district of residence's denial for an interdistrict transfer to Clovis Unified School District, seconded by Vice President Clyde; motion carried by a 3-2 vote.

Interdistrict Transfer
Appeal – Hannah Garcia

The Board sought information from student's parent, Leangela Hernandez, and district of residence, Fresno Unified School District.

Member Robinson made a motion to uphold the district of residence's denial for an interdistrict transfer to Clovis Unified School District, seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried by a 4-1 vote.

Interdistrict Transfer
Appeal – Jeremy Ward

The Board sought information from student's parent, Brian Ward, and district of residence, Fresno Unified School District.

Member Robinson made a motion to uphold the district of residence's denial for an interdistrict transfer to Clovis Unified School District, seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried unanimously.

TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES
Travel Requests

No travel requests were submitted.

Travel/Mileage
Reimbursements

Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Member Eubanks, approving cash reimbursement for Member Robinson in the amount of \$68.32, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

Receipt of Correspondence

President Thomas received a thank you letter from Mayor Swearingen her participation in the Mayor's Youth Job Fair.

Comments by the Board

- Excellent KKEC Graduation
- Regan Johnson Tragedy

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

- IDT Procedure
- New Superintendent in Parlier Unified
- New Superintendent at Golden Plains Unified
- FCOE Email
- FCOE All Staff Day

FUTURE AGENDA
ITEMS

1. No future items discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Member Eubanks, seconded by Vice President Clyde, adjourning the meeting at 4:45 p.m.; motion carried unanimously.