



## FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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### MINUTES March 15, 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. Member Robinson was absent.
- 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** Vice President Clyde moved to approve the March 15, 2012 agenda, seconded by Member Cederquist; motion carried unanimously.
- MINUTES**  
**Approved** Member Cederquist moved to approve the minutes of the February 16, 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**  
**March 2012** Renee Welch was selected as the March 2012 Employee of the Month. Renee is a School Psychologist, in the Pupil Personnel Services Department. She counsels students having difficulty in school and provides social language skills training and offers guidance to groups of children struggling with grief along with teaching a six-week parenting skills class in the evenings. Renee is also a community leader as she takes the time to facilitate leadership classes in her community and coordinates Red Ribbon Week and the Red Ribbon Week carnival at her school site, Washington Colony.
- Congratulations, Renee, we are honored to celebrate you as the March 2012 Employee of the Month.
- RECESS** A recess was called for a reception to honor the Employee of the Month.
- REPORTS**  
**Facilities Update** This item was removed from the agenda.
- New Spirit Charter**  
**Academy** The Board received an update on the New Spirit Charter Academy (NSCA) regarding progress towards opening NSCA in 2012-13. The NSCA petition was approved by the County Board on June 16, 2011, for a four-year term, after denial by the Fresno Unified School District on March 9, 2011. The four-year term included one planning year and three operating years. A Memorandum of Understanding between the Board and the NSCA was approved by the County Board on November 17, 2011. The purpose of this report was to update the Board regarding the progress towards opening the NSCA for the 2012-13 school year.
- First Reading of Revised**  
**Administrative Regulation**  
**Received** The Board received the first reading of revised Superintendent/Board Policies/Administrative Regulations/Board Bylaws: Students: BP/AR 5141.21, BP 5141.23, BP/AR 5141.27 and BP 5141.3; Instruction: AR 6142.7 and AR 6200.

MINUTES CONTINUED

ACTION  
Resolution No. 2012-04,  
Construction Cost  
Accounting Procedures  
**Adopted**

Motion by Member Cederquist, seconded by Member Eubanks, adopting Resolution No. 2012-04, updating the adopted Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Procedures, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

Adopt Revised  
Administrative Regulation  
No. 6173  
**Adopted**

Motion by Member Eubanks, seconded by Vice President Clyde, adopting revised Administrative Regulation 6173, as presented; motion carried unanimously.

TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES  
Travel Requests

Motion by Member Eubanks, seconded by Member Cederquist, approving President Thomas and Member Cederquist to attend May Delegate Assembly in Sacramento, May 19-20, 2012.

Travel/Mileage  
Reimbursements

No travel reimbursements submitted.

Receipt of Correspondence

No correspondence received.

Comments by the Board

- Outstanding Mock Trial Event
- FCOE's participating in Chamber of Commerce Education Job Fair – April 4, 2012

SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT

- State Budget
- Board Cabinet Seminar – April 30
- FCOE Honors Event – September 29, 2012
- Common Core Standards
- Senate Bill 48

CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation (Gov. Code § 54956.9 (a)), Fresno Unified School District v. Fresno County Office of Education Case No. 12CECG00519

FUTURE AGENDA  
ITEMS

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.