



**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**
2309 TULARE STREET
BOARD ROOM, SECOND FLOOR
FRESNO, CA 93721-2287
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AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, March 25, 2015, 4:15 P.M.

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***4:15 P.M., CALL TO ORDER** by the President; **RECESS** to Cabinet Room for Closed Session to discuss the following:

1. Student Expulsions pursuant to Education Code Section 35146.
2. Conference with Labor Negotiator - (Government Code Section 5495736); FUSD Negotiator(s): Kim Mecum; Employee Organizations(s): FTA, CSEA, Chapter 125, CSEA, Chapter 143, SEIU, Local 521, FASTA/SEIU, Local 521/CTW, CLC, Building &
3. Construction Trades Council of Fresno, Madera, Kings, and Tulare Counties/AFL-CIO; Unrepresented Employees: All Management, Confidential, and Supervisory Employees.
4. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassignment/Resignation.
5. Public Employment/Appointment - (Government Code Section 54957).
 - a. *Director*
 - b. *Principal*
6. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(a)).
7. Conference with Legal Counsel - Pending/Threatened Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)).
 - a. *Number of Potential Cases: One (1)*

**All times are approximate and subject to change*

5:30 P.M., RECONVENE and report action taken during Closed Session, if any.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Jennifer Milton-Burns, a parent that has had a positive impact at Slater Elementary, will lead the flag salute.

APPROVE Minutes

Included in the Board binders are the draft minutes for the March 11, 2015 Regular Meeting. The Superintendent recommends approval. Contact person: Michael E. Hanson, telephone 457-3884.

ADOPT Resolution Commending the Fresno High School Senate on 125 Years as a Continuously Active High School Club

Included in the Board binders is a resolution commending the Fresno High School Senate on the significant milestone of its 125th Anniversary, which will be celebrated March 28, 2015. The Fresno Unified School District Board of Education recognizes the sacrifices, achievements and accomplishments of the staff and students at Fresno High School in having the oldest continuously active high school club in the United States. The Superintendent recommends adoption. Contact person: David Chavez, telephone 457-3566.

HEAR Reports from Student Board Representatives

An opportunity is provided to hear comments/reports from Student Board Representatives from Cambridge High School. Contact person: Rosario Sanchez, telephone 457-6223.

HEAR Report from Superintendent

ALL CONSENT AGENDA items are considered to be routine by the Board of Education and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Board member or member of the community so requests, in which event, the item(s) will be considered following approval of the Consent Agenda.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

A-1, APPROVE Personnel List

Included in the Board binders is the Personnel List, Appendix A, as submitted. The Superintendent recommends approval. Contact person: Kim Mecum, telephone 457-3548.

A-2, ADOPT Findings of Fact and Recommendations of District Administrative Board

The Board of Education received and considered the Findings of Fact and Recommendations of District Administrative Panels resulting from hearings on expulsion and readmittance cases conducted during the period since the March 11, 2015, Regular Board meeting. The Superintendent recommends adoption. Contact person: Rosario Sanchez, telephone 457-6223.

A. CONSENT AGENDA - continued

A-3, APPROVE Property and Liability Insurance for 2015/16

Included in the Board binders is a summary of quotations received by the District's insurance broker, DiBuduo & DeFendis, for our various forms of coverage. Included for renewal is coverage related to our Property, General Liability, Designated Lessees and Excess Liability requirements. The contract period will be from April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016. The Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal Impact: Sufficient funds are available in the District's Liability Internal Service Fund. Contact person: Ruth F. Quinto, telephone 457-6226.

A-4, APPROVE Update to the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement and Operating Agreement for the Center for Advanced Research and Technology

Included in the Board binders are amendments to the agreements between Fresno Unified School District and Clovis Unified School District for the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement (JPA) and Operating Agreement for the Center for Advanced Research and Technology (CART). These agreements are being updated to reflect current practices, restore two teaching positions beginning in 2015/16, and provide funding to maintain the program and central operations. The Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal Impact: For 2014/15 the additional cost is \$87,500 and is included in the General Fund budget. For 2015/16, the estimated additional cost is \$113,000. Contact person: Ruth F. Quinto, telephone 457-6226.

A-5, APPROVE Award of Bid 15-09, Fresh Produce

Included in the Board binders is information on Bid 15-09 for Fresh Produce, to establish firm pricing for fresh fruit and vegetables for the district's Food Services program. The request for bid was lawfully advertised on December 5, 2014, and December 12, 2014. The bids were opened on December 19, 2014. Notifications were sent to eight vendors, and the district received four responses. The bid is for a one-year term price agreement with the option to extend for two additional one-year periods. Costs are based on estimated annual use. Staff recommends award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidders.

Aggregate I – Nutrition Center (awarded by line item)

1st Quality Produce (Fresno, California) \$ 400,907

Line Items: 3, 8, 9, 20, 22, 38, 41, 44

Fresh Innovations (Oxnard, California) \$ 224,400

Line Item: 2

Fresno Produce Company (Fresno, California) \$1,811,845

Line Items: 1, 4, 5, 10-19, 21, 23-31, 39, 40, 42, 43, 45

Staff recommends rejecting line items 6, 7, 32-37 to pursue lower negotiated pricing.

A. CONSENT AGENDA - *continued*

Aggregate II – Middle and High Schools (all lines awarded together)

Fresno Produce Company (Fresno, California) \$ 355,480

The Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal Impact: Sufficient funds are available in the Cafeteria Fund budget. Contact person: Karin Temple, telephone 457-3134.

A-6, APPROVE Award of Bid E18001, Network Equipment for Internal Connections

Included in the Board binders is information on Bid E18001, Network Equipment for Internal Connections. The project will replace network equipment at the end of its useful life (7-12 years) and continue to improve the performance and reliability of the district's network. The Bid was lawfully advertised on January 20, 2015, and January 27, 2015. Bids were opened on February 13, 2015. Bid specifications were posted on the E-Rate website for 28 days, and the district received five responses. Staff recommends award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. The cost is based on availability of E-Rate funding through the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

Nexus IS Fresno, California \$1,441,328

The Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal Impact: The actual amount of equipment purchased will be contingent on availability of E-Rate Category 2 funding. If E-Rate funds are available, the program will provide up to approximately \$1,225,129 and the district is responsible for 15% of project costs up to \$216,199. Funding will be provided from the Information Technology budget and other sources. Contact person: Karin Temple, telephone 457-3134.

A-7, APPROVE Proposed K-8 Mathematics Curriculum Materials

At the board workshops held on November 12, 2014 and March 11, 2015, staff shared resources, professional learning and feedback regarding the K – 8 mathematics curriculum adoption pilot. Adoption is being requested for the proposed recommendation of the K – 8 mathematics curriculum materials. The Superintendent recommends adoption. Fiscal Impact: Funding will be provided through textbook allocation and categorical budgets. Contact person: Rosario Sanchez, telephone 457-6223.

A-8, DENY Claim #14-0820-0246

Included in the Board binders is a Claim for Damages on Rose Marie Emler, case #14-0820-0246. The Superintendent recommends that the Claim be denied and the matter referred to the district's Director of Benefits and Risk Management for further handling. The Superintendent recommends denial. Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: Ruth F. Quinto, telephone 457-6226.

A. CONSENT AGENDA - *continued*

A-9, DENY Claim #15-0122-0050

Included in the Board binders is a Claim for Damages on Shannon Taylor, case #15-0122-0050. The Superintendent recommends that the Claim be denied and the matter referred to the district's Director of Benefits and Risk Management for further handling. The Superintendent recommends denial. Fiscal Impact: There is not fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: Ruth F. Quinto, telephone 457-6226.

A-10, RATIFY Submission of Grant Application to the California Department of Education

Ratification is requested for an application to the California Department of Education for the Education for Homeless Children and Youth (EHCY) Grant Program to facilitate the enrollment, attendance, and success in school for homeless children and youth. The Department of Prevention and Intervention, Project ACCESS serves over 3,000 homeless children and youth daily. Through this grant, the department proposes to pilot a teacher on special assignment and a classified technician to facilitate supportive services which include identifying and connecting homeless students to Project ACCESS services, school retention through extended day tutorial, enrollment in summer programs, training for parents and/or caregivers, and assistance in college and career preparations (FAFSA financial aid applications, scholarship applications, SAT test-prep support, college and university admission applications, higher education/career workshops and tours, etc.) for youth in 11th and 12th grades transitioning to higher education and/or post-secondary careers. The Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal Impact: Grant funds will cover all program costs. Contact person: Ruth F. Quinto, telephone 457-6226.

A-11, RATIFY Submission of Grant Applications to the California Department of Education for the California Career Pathways Trust

Ratification is requested for grant applications to the California Department of Education for the California Career Pathways Trust (CCPT). The goal of the CCPT is to build robust partnerships between employers, schools, and community colleges to better prepare students for the 21st century workplace and improve student transition into postsecondary education, training, and employment. Fresno Unified is a lead applicant/fiscal agent for one CCPT application in partnership with Fresno City College, and is also a partnering member in the Fresno County Office of Education CCPT application in partnership with Fresno City College and Reedley College. The Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal Impact: Grant funds will cover all program costs. Contact person: Ruth F. Quinto, telephone 457-6226.

A-12, RATIFY Notification of Closure for the Academy for Civic and Entrepreneurial Leadership Fresno Charter School

Included in the Board Binder are two recommendations:

1. To receive the Notification of Closure for Academy for Civic and Entrepreneurial Leadership (ACEL) Fresno Charter located at 1713 Tulare Street Ste. 202, Fresno, California (Attachment A - Letter from ACEL Fresno Charter). On March 5 the ACEL board voted to close the school effective March 6, 2015.

A. CONSENT AGENDA - *continued*

2. To ratify the Charter School Closure Agreement between Fresno Unified School District and ACEL Fresno Charter (Attachment B).

The Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district. Contact person: Rosario Sanchez, telephone 457-6223.

A-13, RATIFY the Filing of the Notices of Completion for the Projects Listed Below at Sequoia Middle School and Bullard High School

Included in the Board binders are Notices of Completion for the following projects, which have been completed according to plans and specifications:

1. RFP 13-13, Sequoia Middle School Modernization
2. RFP 14-22, Bullard High School Master Plan Improvements, Demolition and Site Preparation

The Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal Impact: Retention funds are released in accordance with contract terms and California statutes. Sufficient funds are available in the Measure Q budget. Contact person: Karin Temple, telephone 457-3134.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA
(ROLL CALL VOTE)**

UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Individuals who wish to address the Board on topics within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, but **not** listed on this agenda may do so at this time. While all time limitations are at the discretion of the Board President, generally members of the public will be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes per speaker for a total of thirty (30) minutes of public comment as designated on this agenda. Any individual who has not had an opportunity to address the Board during this initial thirty (30) minute period may do so at the end of the meeting after the Board has addressed all remaining items on this agenda. Individuals with questions on school district issues may submit them in writing. The Board will automatically refer to the Superintendent any formal requests that are brought before them at this time. The appropriate staff member will furnish answers to questions. Please note that if you wish to address the Board on an agenda item, you should do so when that specific item is called.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA

6:00 P.M.

B-14, PRESENT and DISCUSS the 2015/16 Strategic Budget Development

At the January 21, 2015 and February 11, 2015 Board of Education meetings, the 2015/16 Governor's Proposed Budget and the District's preliminary strategic budget development were discussed. On February 25, 2015 staff presented and discussed the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). On March 25, 2015, staff and the Board will continue budget development discussions. Fiscal Impact: Not available at this time. Contact person: Ruth F. Quinto, telephone 457-6226.

C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS

C-15, RECEIVE the Proposed Board of Education Meeting Dates for the 2015/16 School Year

Included in the Board binders are the proposed Board of Education meeting dates for the 2015/16 school year. These dates will not preclude either additions or changes any time throughout the year. The proposed dates will return to the next Board meeting for the Board's discussion and approval. Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district. Contact person: David Chavez, telephone 457-3566.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS

D. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, April 08, 2015 – OPEN SESSION AT 5:30 P.M.