

**MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING  
Fresno Unified School District  
January 20, 2016**

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Office of the Board of Education, Fresno Unified School District, Edison High School, 540 E. California Avenue, Fresno California, 93721.

At a Regular meeting of the Board of Education of Fresno Unified School District, held on January 20, 2016 there were present Members Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez. Student Board Member Correa and Alternate Omar Ceja were present. Superintendent Hanson was also present.

President Chavez convened the meeting at 4:00 p.m. and ADJOURNED to Closed Session to address items 1 through 7. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 6:09 p.m.

**Staff Present**

Deputy Superintendent/CFO Quinto, Associate Superintendent Aguilar and Sanchez. Executive Director of Student Services Dorsey. Chief Academic Officer Mecum, Chief Operations Officer Temple, Chief Human Resources/Labor Relations Officer Idsvog, Chief Information Officer Arias, and Chief of Staff Nelson.

**Reporting Out of Closed Session**

There were no items to report.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Cambridge High School student Kolby Lee, Edison High School student Sambria Morgan, and Fresno High School student Draquari McGhee, recently elected members of the United Black Student Unions of California's Youth Advisory Board led the flag salute.

**APPROVE Minutes**

**APPROVED, as recommended,** the draft minutes for the January 6, 2016 Regular Meeting.

Member Johnson moved for approval, seconded by Member De La Cerda, which carried a vote of 7-0-0, as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez.

## **ADOPT Resolution Proclaiming the Month of February 2016 as African American History Month**

**Adopted as recommended**, a resolution proclaiming the month of February 2016 as African American History Month. All schools are encouraged to celebrate the contributions of African Americans throughout the month of February through the use of curricular materials and other school-related activities.

Member Johnson moved for approval, seconded by Member Davis, which carried a roll call vote of 9-0-0, as follows: AYES: Student Board Members: Correa and Ceja, Board Members: Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez.

## **HEAR Reports from Student Board Representatives**

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

Student Board Representative Omar Ceja and Yohana Rodriguez provided comments/reports from the Student Advisory Board Representative meeting hosted by Edison High School. Members De La Cerda and Johnson attended their meeting. Student Board Representative Omar Ceja acknowledged the student ambassadors from Gaston Middle School who shared highlights of various Gaston school activities and experiences.

## **HEAR Report from Superintendent**

- Superintendent gave a recap of some of the ways in which students honored Martin Luther King Jr. over the long weekend. He spoke of elementary students who participated in the annual garland celebration downtown and Fresno High regional students who partnered with Fresno Parks and Recreation Department to clean and make repairs at Roeding Park.
- Superintendent Hanson highlighted the upcoming African American Student Leadership Conference on February 9 that Fresno Unified will host at the Fresno Convention Center. More than 800 students are expected, taking part in educational sessions, networking and a career and college fair.
- Superintendent Hanson then shared that students from Rutherford B. Gaston Middle School recently took part in a unique live Google Chat with HUD Secretary Julian Castro. Students joined high school students from Nashville, Tennessee and Newark, NJ and discussed affordable ways for their families to access Internet service. Secretary Castro is leading efforts through a program called ConnectHome starting in 28 communities; one of which is Fresno.
- Superintendent Hanson spoke of the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and the outreach opportunities available to the public for input—noting an online survey and a handful of upcoming regional meetings. He encouraged the audience to take a few minutes to complete the survey available on the district website.
- Superintendent Hanson made note of item A-10 being pulled from the agenda regarding ShotSpotter, adding that the district is looking at a potential expansion and still needed to address some details. It would come back to the board at another time.
- Superintendent Hanson finished his remarks by congratulating the Fresno High cheer team who have qualified for the United Spirit Association National Competition for the first time ever. They won their regional competition on January 8 in Roseville, CA.

On a motion by Member Davis, seconded by Member De La Cerda, the consent agenda, exclusive of agenda item: A-3a, A-4 and A-12 which were pulled for further discussion, was approved on a roll call vote of 9-0-0 as follows: Student Board Members: Correa and Ceja, Members Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez.

## **A. CONSENT AGENDA**

### **A-1, APPROVE Personnel List**

**APPROVED, as recommended** the Personnel List, Appendix A, as submitted.

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

**ADOPTED, as recommended** the Findings of Fact and Recommendations of District Administrative Panels resulting from hearings on expulsion and readmittance cases conducted during the period since the January 6, 2016, Regular Board meeting.

### **A-3, APPROVE Budget Revision No. 2 for Fiscal Year 2015/16**

**APPROVED, as recommended** Budget Revision No. 2 for fiscal year 2015/16. Periodic updates to the district's budget are presented to the Board of Education for approval. Budget Revision No. 2 includes adjustments for updated information and necessary adjustments to support the acceptance of various grant awards.

The following items are included in Budget Revision No. 2 for fiscal year 2015/16:

- Expense changes to reflect items reported in the First Interim Financial report presented to the Board on December 9, 2015
- Program adjustments and grant revisions

### **A-3a, APPROVE Agreement with Gibson, Dunn, & Crutcher, LLP**

**APPROVED, as recommended** an agreement with Gibson, Dunn, & Crutcher, LLP to provide legal services to Fresno Unified School District. The services of Gibson, Dunn, & Crutcher, LLP are recommended for approval to allow staff to engage the firm to assist with legal needs of the district. The contract period is January 21, 2016 through June 30, 2016.

**Member Mills** – My first comment is in respect to the language that was placed on the agenda itself. It states this agenda item is *to allow staff to engage the firm to assist with legal needs of the district*. I would like the district to consider changing the language. Legal counsel are actually hired by the board not by staff, and if we are engaging on a particular item I don't think it should be a broad engagement that lists for any matter. Secondly, in respect to the contract itself. I have a concern that this is the third firm that we are shifting to on the Davis vs. Fresno Unified case. The hourly rate is a blended rate of \$750.00 per hour for the attorney's, it doesn't matter if they are one year out of law school or 20 years out of law school. It does state that the rate would typically increase three to four percent each year and we are probably looking at a multiple year litigation. I recognize that there are some services they do not charge for but they do charge for secretarial time in a large case, which presumably this is going to be. They also charge for

their legal research, computer research, travel and meals, electronic document storage and they have other charges listed. Using this firm, in my view, is going to mean that we have just increased the fees on this case that this district is incurring. I want to note that there is an indemnification clause in this contract as well as a clause that requires us to submit to binding arbitration. The indemnification clause does have some exceptions, which include, according to the backup material, professional malpractice. I also want to note that it says applications to subsequent matters. I think there needs to be clarification as to the scope of the employment because the agenda item does not just limit it to one case. The contract contemplates further potential services other than on the one case and I think if the board is going to hire someone then it needs to limit it to one case.

**Superintendent Hanson** – To Member Mills’ point, the expressed intent of it being before the board is for this singular case. We would not be engaging as a staff without board knowledge.

**Member De La Cerda** – I think if we take into consideration what Member Mills just stated, given the importance and the significant impact of the on-going legal issues this case can have on our district as well as our state, I believe it is prudent for us to approve this agreement tonight.

**Member Ashjian** – I realize that this is a very important decision; a very important case. It’s for all the marbles for some and it is a big deal for Fresno Unified. It is very difficult for me to support a law firm at a price of \$750 an hour. It is equally troubling to know that we are going to be paying one or two lawyers out of San Francisco to come to Fresno and be paying the travel time at \$750 an hour a piece. This is a very important decision for the board to look at and a very important case. I like to spend our dollars local and hoped that we could spend our dollars locally. I am struggling with this one.

**Member Johnson** – I want to say that I support the motion. What we are dealing with is critical and the fact that we are looking at an outside agency is in the best interest of the district. I think the money we are talking about, the hourly rate, will be well spent and anything less than that is not in the best interest of the district. When we look at where we are and everything that has been talked about in the press and elsewhere, we need to move forward and do what is best for the district and what is best for our students.

**Member Ryan** – I believe it will cost this district far more if we are not well represented in this case. This law firm is one of the best in the state and I believe we are doing a good thing by hiring them.

**Community Member Andy Fabela** – As Member Mills pointed out there are several items in this contract that cause me pause, one being the hourly rate. One of the things they don’t mention is the fee per court room appearance. We are spending a lot of money on legal fees and I know a lot of students who could use this money for tutoring. The indemnification clause; again we are allowing an outside firm to be completely devoid of liability. We need to find a way to cut our losses.

**FTA Representatives Mo Kashmiri and Tish Rice** – Stated that they opposed this motion. It is a shame that this district would even consider taking money away from the poorest kids in the state and sending it to a San Francisco law firm at \$750 per hour. The teachers tell me they have too many kids, they can’t give the kids the individual attention they need, they don’t have the technology they need, they don’t have supplies. Yet we can afford \$750 an hour. This money is for the classrooms not out of town law firms. Tish Rice requested a roll call vote.

**Member Johnson** – I just want you to know that no one puts pressure on Cal Johnson. I do not succumb to the Superintendent and I don't succumb to you. I make my own decisions and I don't make them based on what you have to say.

**Member Mills** – I just want clarify for the members of the public, if the board approves this contract the firm is representing the district and not any individual staff member of the district.

Member De La Cerda moved for approval, seconded by Member Ryan , which carried a vote of 5-2-0, as follows: AYES: Board Members: Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Ryan and President Chavez. Noes: Member Ashjian and Mills.

- A-4, APPROVE Agreements with CORE and Long Beach Unified School District**  
**APPROVED, as recommended** two agreements, one with CORE and one with Long Beach Unified School District, to provide support to Fresno Unified schools. A key element involves creating partnerships between schools. Fresno Unified will be providing support to ROOTS International Academy in Oakland Unified and Long Beach Unified will be providing support to Sequoia and Yosemite Middle Schools. CORE will facilitate and support school partnerships.

**Community Member Andy Fabela** – Spoke about his opposition towards the CORE agreement and feels that Title I funds should go directly to students to assist in their education achievement such as tutoring.

**Member De La Cerda** – Ms. Townsend, could you please give a brief overview of what we do so the public has an understanding of what this item is?

**Tammy Townsend** – There are actually three contracts involved. One is with the CORE organization, one is a contract with Long Beach and the third is a contract where we are a recipient of funds from Oakland Unified. What this is, is a pairing of schools. It is kicked off with a pairing institute and there is a specific agenda with meetings and accomplishments where schools get to spend time together to learn from each other. This is one of the great opportunities that has come to us as a result of our federal waiver. In the past some of these funds were spent on programs that statistically were not successful for our students. This is actually at a lower cost than the other older tutoring programs that we had that did not produce results for our students. This is an alternative where schools get to pair with other successful schools for best practices and ideas.

**Superintendent Hanson** – To put it into perspective, we need to look back where we were five years ago. We were forced to spend money on specific tutoring that was approved by the state, which was a debacle state-wide. Also, if a school was not improving, or was deemed in trouble academically, the options used to be, to close the school, charter the school or reconstitute the school. All of these options were harsh and not based on any real expectation of improving the school. What we have done is moved ourselves into a position where schools that need help are getting it by schools that look like them in our district and/or outside our district. In the partnerships with Oakland, our school is the one leading the pairing in education improvement. Even when we are the school that is better in performing, the partnership allows the staff to improve because they are teaching and it helps them refine what they are doing. We are hoping this is the model that the Federal Government moves to in the future for everybody. Where it is about encouragement,

recognition and continuous improvement instead of slash and burn, shame and blame. We have every reason to believe, based on a state-wide task force that I sit on, that by the time we are done, the state-wide accountability system and the response for schools not responding will look a lot like what we are doing here in Fresno.

**Member De La Cerda** – With the CORE districts you mentioned we are engaging a million kids.

**Superintendent** – Correct. When you put Fresno, Long Beach, Los Angeles Unified, Santa Ana, Garden Grove, Sacramento, Oakland and San Francisco all together. There is a lot of kids that fall under the work we are doing to try to improve on what goes on in our schools.

**Member De La Cerda** – As educators we try to reach as many kids as possible, we are tasked to do that as teachers, administrators, classified employees. To have that type of impact I wanted our audience to know. The numbers that we are dealing with and the impact we are making with CORE. That we are trying something different, something we have not tried before and to see the benefits that we are having.

Member De La Cerda moved for approval, seconded by Member Davis, which carried a vote of 7-0-0, as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez.

**A-5, APPROVE agreement with Signature Solutions for African American Hall of Legends Mobile Museum**

**APPROVED, as recommended** an agreement with Signature Solutions to provide an African American “Hall of Legends” Mobile Museum materials and services to Fresno Unified School District. In celebration of African American History Month, and in alignment with the Goal 2 Transition Initiative, the district would purchase a state of the art interactive display gallery featuring legendary African Americans, and Signature Solutions would provide school assemblies, student leadership workshops, support services, and promotional materials for distribution and use at all 10 high school sites. Fresno Unified would maintain ownership of the interactive banners for rotational use at Fresno Unified middle and high school sites in subsequent years.

**A-6, APPROVE the 2015/16 Department of General Services/Office of Administrative Hearings Agreement**

**APPROVED, as recommended** Information regarding the agreement with Department of General Services, Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) and Fresno Unified School District. This agreement would allow OAH to provide Administrative Law Judge services, interpreters, court reporters and general support for the purpose of conducting dismissal hearings pursuant to Government Code section 27727.

**A-7, APPROVE Job Descriptions for Select Management, Supervisor, and Classified Positions**

**APPROVED, as recommended** new and revised job descriptions for California School Employees Association (CSEA), Fresno Chapter 143, Food Service Unit and Director, Career Readiness.

**A-8, APPROVE Adjustments to Supervisory and Classified Salary Schedules**  
**APPROVED, as recommended** adjustments to the Supervisory and Classified salary schedules in relation to revisions to California School Employees Association (CSEA), Fresno Chapter 143, Food Service Unit job descriptions.

**A-9, APPROVE Award of Bid 16-10, Food Service Disposable Products**  
**APPROVED, as recommended** Bid 16-10 to establish firm pricing for disposable products used for food services such as napkins, cups, trays, plastic film and foil. The request for bid was lawfully advertised on November 20, 2015, and November 27, 2015. The bids were opened on December 4, 2015. Notifications were sent to ten (10) vendors, and the district received four (4) responses. The bid is for a one-year term price agreement with the option to extend for two additional one-year periods.

Staff recommends award to the lowest, responsive responsible bidders.

Focus Packaging	(Fresno, California)	\$500,383.75
Sysco Central California	(Modesto, California)	\$ 51,322.00
Tronex	(Mount Olive, New Jersey)	\$ 21,021.47

**A-10, APPROVE Service Agreement with ShotSpotter, Inc. to Support Expansion of ShotSpotter Coverage Area, in Conjunction with Fresno Police Department**

It is recommended that the Board approve a three-year service agreement between Fresno Unified and ShotSpotter, Inc. to support expansion of the coverage area for the ShotSpotter gunshot location system used by the Fresno Police Department (FPD). The agreement is for \$150,000 per year for three years. Fresno Unified will not monitor, manage, administer, analyze or otherwise utilize the ShotSpotter system or any data acquired by the system. The FPD uses information provided by ShotSpotter to respond quickly to gunshots, analyze gunshot patterns/trends, and obtain evidence. Responding officers are able to pinpoint the location, often within ten feet of the shot(s) fired, and the forensic evidence can be used by the FPD to solve crimes and strengthen prosecution. The ultimate value of the system is enhanced community safety. The Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Funding of \$150,000 for year one is available in the 2015/16 General Fund budget. Contact person: Karin Temple, telephone 457-3134.

**A-11, RATIFY Notification of Closure for the Valley Arts and Science Academy Charter School**

**RATIFIED, as recommended** two recommendations:

1. To receive the Notification of Closure for the Valley Arts and Science Academy (VASA) Charter located at 735 N. Glenn, Fresno, California (Attachment A – Letter from VASA Charter). On November 13, 2015, the VASA Board of Directors voted to close the school effective June 15, 2016.
2. To ratify the Charter School Closure Agreement between Fresno Unified School District and VASA Charter (Attachment B).  
District staff continues to work closely with the VASA Charter Board, Administration and families to ensure a smooth transition for students.

**A-12, RATIFY the Filing of Notices of Completion for the Projects Listed Below**

**RATIFIED, as recommended** Notices of Completion for the following projects, which have been completed according to plans and specifications:

- Bid 15-13A Bullard and Fresno High Schools Exterior Lighting Upgrade
- Bid 15-26 Design/Build Services for Sequoia Middle School Gymnasium HVAC System
- Bid 15-34 Infrastructure for Portable Buildings Relocation at Various Schools. Schools included in this project are Bakman, Storey and Wilson Elementary Schools; Computech Middle School; Edison High School; and J.E. Young Academic Center.

**Member Mills** – This item has a notice of completion for exterior lighting for Fresno High. The main campus was completed but the parking lot was left dark. Facilities has brought in some portable lights that has helped enormously. I understand that lighting for the parking lot is coming on a near future agenda.

**Karin Temple** – This is a notice of completion on exterior lighting upgrades at Bullard and Fresno High Schools. As the board is aware this is the last in a series of completion for new exterior lighting at all of our high schools. New LED lighting which is brighter and cost less to operate. At Fresno High we did a significant investment in lighting for the exterior of the campus. However, the focus of that project was working with campus preference, which was the interior of the campus; maintaining the light poles that are historically significant and preserve the architectural features while still doing LED lighting. There is parking lot lighting on the McKinley parking lot, however, we recognize it did not have the benefit of LED. We are preparing a proposal to bring forward to the board in the coming months to expand the LED lighting project to middle schools. I would suggest that we would assess what parking lots are still in need of lighting and Fresno High would be one of those schools.

**Member Mills** – Certainly after the lighting was done I heard from staff and parents that it is extremely dark in the parking lot especially the half near echo. We have students and staff coming back after evening games and it is a safety issue.

**Karin Temple** – We understand. We did have some of the new light poles on the north side of the parking lot but we will take another look and see how we can extend the brightness. We have received a lot of positive comments in regards to the new LED lighting. As soon as those comments were received by our staff we did have portable lights set-up in the parking lot. We are working to mitigate those concerns immediately.

**Member Ashjian** – Can you please explain this notice of completion for Bullard and reasoning for the portable lighting that we currently have, and where we are in the process?

**Karin Temple** – This notice of completion is for parking lot lighting at Bullard High. Previous to this particular project, there was installation for new LED lighting in conjunction with the modernization project at Bullard. The campus wide modernization that occurred in 2012/2013. There were several light poles installed along the fire lane which was part of that project. Some of the LED components we are finding are not functioning properly. In talking with the manufacturer we have found that it is a nationwide problem for this supplier. Anytime you enter into new technology there is a risk of something not being well tested, and apparently that is what we are dealing with, and many

other customers of the same supplier. We are working with the contractor and the supplier to get those components shipped to us. In the meantime, we are bringing in some fixtures from other places and portable lights until the issue is resolved.

**Member Ashjian** – I really appreciate your concern and I know we have been going back and forth on trying to get those lights fixed and it is important for the public to understand that the contractor that put them in had a problem with the supplier after the bulb broke and the supplier is the one who gave us the fit whether he was going to fix it or ship it and that is where the delay was. It is not a delay from your department. Do you know when the temporary lighting will be coming?

**Karin Temple** – Tomorrow.

**Member Ashjian** – I do appreciate you mentioning that we have been very diligent in working, as much as we can, to inspire the supplier to provide us the new components. They are experiencing their own issues. It is important for the public to know this last thing. When you have warranty issues, the district just can't jump in and go fix a light. You have to go through the proper channels.

**Karin Temple** – Thank you for mentioning that. The reason we don't just go in and fix it is because we would void the warranty if we did, and we are very mindful not to do that.

Member Ashjian moved for approval, seconded by Member Mills, which carried a vote of 7-0-0, as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez.

- A-13, RATIFY Purchase Orders from November 1, 2015, through November 30, 2015**  
**RATIFIED**, as recommended information on purchase orders issued from November 1, 2015, through November 30, 2015. Purchase orders for \$10,000 or more are presented first, followed by purchase orders for less than \$10,000. A list of purchase orders issued for Associated Student Body (ASB) accounts is also provided.

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

**UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**Terri Edwards** – Thanked Fresno Unified for their support to her family during the passing of her mother and father.

**Andrew Fabela** – Made comments in regards to the posting of board agendas and backup materials. Also, Fabela spoke about CORE and the hundreds of kids that still need to be reached.

**Mary Beth de Goede** – Explained the Brown Act and posting requirements of agendas and materials for board meetings.

## **B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA**

### **B-14, PRESENT and DISCUSS Overview of Governor's 2016/17 Proposed Budget**

**PRESENTED and DISCUSSED** Governor Brown is scheduled to release his proposed 2016/17 State Budget on January 7, 2016. Staff will attend a School Services of California workshop focused on the new budget on January 13, 2016 to receive the most update information. This information will be presented to the Board at the January 20, 2016 meeting. The presentation and discussion will outline the Governor's 2016/17 Proposed Budget. Fiscal impact: Not available at this time. Contact person: Ruth F. Quinto, telephone 457-6226.

Presentation by Deputy Superintendent Ruth F. Quinto, Tammy Townsend  
and Jacque Canfield

An opportunity was provided to hear questions/concerns from members of the board and staff was available to respond

**Member Ashjian** – Can you provide me the Local Control Funding Formula? I know we get so much for ADA, so much for English Learners, so much for students living in poverty, and so much for foster youth. Can you provide the breakdown for each group?

**Ruth Quinto** – The breakdown is not provided by the categories that you mentioned. The disadvantaged student include all of those categories. However, those are the descriptions of the unduplicated counts. The way that the resources come through however, are by grade span, K-3, 4-6, 7-8 and 9-12. We have provided that information in a board communication actually a couple of times and we can resend that to you tomorrow.

**Member Ashjian** – Can we take a look at slide 9? It states *funding is based on a per student formula for all students*. Then there are three items listed that is part of it but, there is more to it?

**Ruth Quinto** – Funding is based on a per student formula, by grade span but it includes an unduplicated count for students that are disadvantaged that are either living in poverty, English Learners, or foster youth.

**Member Ashjian** – I am understanding what you are explaining but if you could provide some type of formula for the general public and maybe put it on the website that would be helpful.

**Ruth Quinto** – I wish it were that easy but unfortunately when we get that formula from the state it is really not that simple. What we can do it provide that board communication again and actually put that communication on the website.

**Member Mills** – It sounds as if the news is good but not great. We anticipate a little more money but we have STRS and PERS contributions that are going up. The Governor is still not supporting a facilities bond or any increase to facilities monies and the state coffers are at zero. The COLA it says is lower than expected and is almost nonexistent. I understand the board is going to have more conversations about money and how to spend it, but I am going to make my comment again that the fact that we are only required to have 3% in the restricted routine maintenance fund doesn't mean that 3% is a sufficient amount. I would encourage the board to seriously consider increasing that so the facilities that we have can be properly repaired and maintained.

**Member Davis** – I want to thank you for the on-going engagement that you have been doing. On slide 11 it shows how you are reaching out to our students and I think that is very important and beneficial to us. Have you considered talking to our middle school students?

**Tammy Townsend** – Last year we had one meeting with each of our high schools and we worked primarily with the student leadership group and this year we sent some very strategic invitations out to a different group of students, a wider variety of students and invited them to our first meeting. We had some wonderful feedback and now our plan is to go back and asked if they wanted to be more involved. We now have a smaller group that wants to be more involved and we are going to work with them to prioritize their feedback. My recommendation for next year for improvement would be to reach out to all of the middle schools.

**Member De La Cerda** – I am looking at slide 11 and I don't see the special education committee.

**Tammy Townsend** – I believe that meeting is up and coming. We are on their agenda and we have been reaching out to them.

**Member Chavez** – I want to make sure myself and my colleagues have the complete budget with plenty of time to review. I think that would be very helpful. We will have a better picture after the May revise, and it will be a good tool to see where we want to prioritize our resources.

*No action is required on this item.*

A copy of the PowerPoint is available on the district website

**B-15, DISCUSS and ADOPT the Proposed Academic Calendars for 2016/17 and 2017/18 DISCUSSED and ADOPTED** the proposed 2016/17 and 2017/18 Academic Calendars for Fresno Unified School District. The proposed 2016/17 and 2017/18 Academic Calendars have been developed to address important calendar components. Please note that the 2017/18 calendar will replicate the format of the 2016/17 Academic Calendar. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district. Contact person: Rosario Sanchez, telephone 457-6223.

Presentation by Associate Superintendent Rosario Sanchez

An opportunity was provided to hear questions/concerns from members of the board and staff was available to respond

**Member Mills** – I wanted to thank you for the hard work. I am pleased to see that the community supported calendar A. I also support calendar A.

**Member Davis** – I would like to know how you managed Parent University. How did you connect with the different areas and regions?

**Ryan Coe** – We met with a Parent University group that represented all of the Parent Universities.

Member Mills moved for approval, seconded by Member De La Cerda, which carried a vote of 7-0-0, as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez.

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### **C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS**

There are no items for this portion of the agenda.

### **BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS**

**Member Mills** – Mentioned the Fresno County Trustees Dinner that recently took place. The subject matter was on Career Technical Education. Superintendent Jim Yovino announced that the County Office of Education will be opening a Career Technical Education high school which will be focused on what I like to call “vocational education pathways” that lead to skilled trades. Also, stated that CSBA will be in Fresno County providing a seminar for board members on LCFE and LCAP if anyone is interested.

**Member Davis** – Thanked Superintendent for visiting the veteran’s home.

### **D. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Board of Education at this time, Board President Chavez declared the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, February 10, 2016 – OPEN SESSION AT 5:30 P.M.**