

**MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING  
Fresno Unified School District  
November 9, 2016**

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Office of the Board of Education, Fresno Unified School District, Education Center, 2309 Tulare Street, Fresno California, 93721.

At a Regular meeting of the Board of Education of Fresno Unified School District, held on November 9, 2016 there were present Student Board Members McCoy and Riar, Board Members Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez. Superintendent Hanson was also present. Board Member Johnson was absent.

Board President Chavez convened the Regular Board Meeting at 3:01 p.m. and ADJOURNED to Closed Session to address items 1 through 7. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 5:34 p.m.

**Staff Present**

Chief Academic Officer Mecum, Chief Human Resources/Labor Relations Officer Idsvoog, Chief Operations Officer Temple, Chief Information Officer Arias, Executive Director Student Services Dorsey, and Executive Director of Constituent Services Plascencia.

**Reporting Out of Closed Session**

No items were reported out of Closed Session.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Nichollette Mijangos, a parent that has had a positive impact at Yokomi Elementary, led the flag salute.

**APPROVE Minutes**

The draft minutes for the October 26, 2016 Regular Board Meeting were approved\*, with Board member Ashjian requesting a correction to the minutes, stating a speaker during the Unscheduled Oral Communication portion of the October 26, 2016 agenda was never one of his employees. Member Ashjian moved for approval, seconded by Member Mills, which carried a vote of 6-0-0-1, as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez. ABSENT: Board Member Johnson.

*\*The Board minutes for the October 26, 2016 meeting were once again considered for approval during the November 16, 2016 board meeting because the minutes did not require any corrections.*

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

Student Board Representatives Junior Touch, and Benton Johnson provided comments/reports from the Student Advisory Board Representative meeting hosted by Fresno High School. Board Member Mills attended their meeting. Student Board Representative Benton Johnson acknowledged the student ambassadors from Cooper Academy who shared highlights of various school activities and experiences.

## **HEAR Report from Superintendent**

- The Fresno community spoke clearly, through their support of Measure X that educating our youth is a priority for this community. It's a confirmation that this community is confident in Fresno Unified's ability to move forward with an additional \$225 million in facilities improvements.
- Next month the Board of Education will formally welcome two new board members who were voted in yesterday: Elizabeth Jonasson Rosas representing Area 2 (Roosevelt Region), and Claudia Cazares representing Area 6 (Hoover Region). Congratulations to *now* Councilmember Luis Chavez as he moves down the street to join Fresno City Council representing District 5. Superintendent Hanson thanked both Trustee Chavez and Trustee Ryan for their commitment and service, and welcomed Trustees Jonasson Rosas and Cazares.
- Superintendent Hanson encouraged everyone to keep the big picture of democracy in mind and asked that we each do our part to respond to hatred with kindness; respond to exclusion with inclusion; respond to injustice with justice; and make sure we respond to hopelessness with hope and opportunity--our kids need adults to show up and model how to rise up and move forward.
- Three of Fresno Unified's incredibly talented employees were recognized at the county level at the *Fresno County Educators of the Year* ceremony on October 27, 2016. These remarkable Fresno Unified employees, three of our Excellence in Education winners, stood out from among thousands of educators. Danny Alberty – Campus Assistant at Edison High School, was chosen from 22 classified finalists as classified Employee of the Year for Fresno County. Jacqueline Ruiz, chemistry teacher at Fresno High School, was chosen from 22 teacher finalists as Teacher of the Year for Fresno County. Cecilia Ballesteros, counselor at Sequoia Middle School, was among the top 16 administrators nominated throughout Fresno County.
- Work at the district is already underway to outline the 2017/18 school year's priorities for our Local Control and Accountability Plan, or LCAP. The LCAP is the district's plan and budget for investing the state's Local Control Funding Formula dollars. The district is already beginning to gather community input on the LCAP by hosting Community Idea Exchange workshops. Workshops include a presentation about previous investments and programs, and also opportunities for sharing of ideas.

On a motion by Member Davis, seconded by Member De La Cerda, the consent agenda, exclusive of agenda items: A-13, which was pulled for further discussion, was approved on a roll call vote of 8-0-0-1 as follows: AYES: Student Board Member: McCoy and Riar, Board Members: Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez. ABSENT: Board Member Johnson.

## **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 October 26, 2016, Regular Board Meeting.
- A-3, ADOPT Waiver Request for Cydney Danisi to Serve as Speech Language Pathologist**  
**ADOPTED, as recommended** a waiver request for Cydney Danisi to serve as a Speech Language Pathologist. The Education Code 44225(m) allows the commission to grant waivers to fill unanticipated needs in an area deemed hard-to-fill.
- A-4, APPROVE Addendum to Independent Contractor Services Agreement with PresenceLearning, Inc.**  
**APPROVED, as recommended** an addendum to an existing agreement with PresenceLearning, Inc. in the amount of \$176,720. This vendor will provide speech/language services to students as required by Individualized Education Programs.
- A-5, APPROVE State Center Community College District Partnership Agreement for Dual Enrollment**  
**APPROVED, as recommended** the College and Career Access Partnership Agreement between the State Center Community College District (SCCCD) and Fresno Unified School District to expand opportunities for students and develop seamless pathways from high school to community college for career technical education or preparation for transfer by offering dual enrollment courses.
- A-6, APPROVE 2016/17 Carl D. Perkins Career Technical Education District Advisory Committee Member List**  
**APPROVED, as recommended** the 2016/17 Carl D. Perkins Career Technical Education (CTE) District Advisory Committee List. Members provide input and recommendations for the CTE programs and serve as a bridge to community organizations, work-based learning opportunities for students, and externships for CTE Teachers.
- A-7, DENY Claim #16-0503-0129**  
**DENIED, as recommended** a Claim for Damages by Minor, case #16-0503-0129.
- A-8, DENY Claim #16-0919-0277**  
**DENIED, as recommended** a Claim for Damages by a Minor and Cindy Garcia, case #16-0919-0277.
- A-9, DENY Claim #16-1017-0315**  
**DENIED, as recommended** a Claim for Damages by Monica Jolly, case #16-1017-0315.

**A-10, RATIFY Article 20 Waivers for Various Schools for the 2016/17 School Year**

**RATIFIED, as recommended** letters received from the Fresno Teachers Association approving the requests from 11 schools to waive Article 20 of the collective bargaining agreement.

**A-11, RATIFY Amended Agreement between Fresno Unified School District and State Center Community College District for Adult Education Consortium Staff Reimbursement of Costs**

**RATIFIED, as recommended** an amendment to the 2015/16 agreement between Fresno Unified School District and State Center Community College District for the reimbursement of a loan of an employee to the State Center Adult Education Consortium (SCAEC). The district will be reimbursed for the full salary and benefits from the SCAEC funding (Assembly Bill 104 Adult Education Block Grant). Additional reimbursement in the amendment will total \$3,517.

**A-12, RATIFY Agreement between Fresno Unified School District and State Center Community College District for Adult Education Consortium Staff Reimbursement of Costs**

**RATIFIED, as recommended** an agreement between Fresno Unified School District and State Center Community College District for the loan of a Fresno Unified staff member to the State Center Adult Education Consortium (SCAEC). The agreement began on July 1, 2016 and ended on August 9, 2016. This employee returned to a Fresno Unified School District site. Fresno Unified will be reimbursed for the full salary and benefits from the SCAEC funding (Assembly Bill 104 Adult Education Block Grant). Total reimbursement will be \$5,108.

**A-13, RATIFY Change Orders for the Project Listed Below**

**PULLED for discussion**

**RATIFIED, as recommended** Change Orders for the following project:

Bid 16-32, Summer 2016 Portable Classroom Relocation and Infrastructure Project

Change Order 1 (ATP): \$ 6,992

Change Order 1 (Bakman): \$22,532

Change Order 1 (Ewing): \$ 1,105

Change Order 1 (Patiño): \$ 7,926

Fiscal impact: \$38,555 is available in the Capital Facilities fund. A previous change order for this project, for \$26,393 (Olmos), was ratified on October 26, 2016

For the record, comments/questions were made regarding reasons for abstaining to the vote. Member Davis moved for approval, seconded by Member Mills, which carried a 5-0-1-1 vote. AYES: Board Members: Davis, De La Cerda, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez. ABSTENTION: Board Member Ashjian. ABSENT: Board Member Johnson.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

## **UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

No individuals addressed the Board during Unscheduled Oral Communication.

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

### **Agenda Item B-14, Discuss and Approve Fresno Unified School District's Graduate Profile.**

The Graduate Profile will unify the community around a single set of student learning outcomes that serves to define a Career Ready Graduate. It will support the instructional program for the district and bring greater focus, coherence, and alignment to the existing programs. The profile was developed over two years with extensive input from students, teachers, business and industry partners and our higher education partners.

Presentation by Executive Officer Sally Fowler

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

For the record, comments/questions were made by Student Board Members and Board Members regarding the survey process, students moving grade levels, getting the information out to our parents and students, and data collection. Executive Officer Sally Fowler and Assistant Superintendent Brian Beck, were available to provide clarification. Member Davis moved for approval, seconded by Member De La Cerda, which carried a 6-0-0-1 vote. AYES: Board Members Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez. ABSENT: Board Member Johnson.

### **Agenda Item B-15, Discuss and Decide in the Matter of the Charter Renewal Petition for University High School**

University High School (UHS) has delivered a renewal petition to the district seeking authorization to operate July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022. UHS is currently serving approximately 480 students in grades 9-12. The school is located at 2611 E. Matoian, on the California State University, Fresno campus.

Presentation by Debra Odom

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

For the record, comments/questions were made by Community Members Lydia Anderson and Janelle Hobbs, and Board Members regarding the diversity of University High School, working together to achieve access to all, the lottery process, and the exceptional school that University High School is. Debra Odom, was available to provide clarification. Member Ryan moved for approval, seconded by Member Mills, which carried a 6-0-0-1 vote. AYES: Board Members Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Mills, Ryan and President Chavez. ABSENT: Board Member Johnson.

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

The Board was in receipt of Agenda Item C-16, Fresno Unified School District's First Quarterly Investment Report for Fiscal Year 2016/17 and Agenda Item C-17, Proposed Revisions for Board Policies (BP) 1312.3, 3100, 5145.3, and 5145.7

### **BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **Member Davis**

- With the passage of Measure X, Member Davis requested information on the proposed work that is in store for the district as soon as possible.

### **D. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Chavez declared the meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, November 16, 2016 – OPEN SESSION AT 5:30 P.M.**