

MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
Fresno Unified School District
May 03, 2017

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

At a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Fresno Unified School District, held on May 03, 2017, there were present Board Members Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Jonasson Rosas, Mills and President Ashjian. Interim Superintendent Nelson was also present.

President Ashjian convened the Regular Board meeting at 4:30 p.m. in the Board room and ADJOURNED to Closed Session to address items 1 and 6. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 6:06 p.m.

UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS PRIOR TO CLOSED SESSION

Manuel Bonilla – A teacher at McLane spoke about the culture at the high school. The lack of leadership, lack of student accountability, the low level of teacher satisfaction and would like to work through the avenues of communication.

Staff Present

Deputy Superintendent/CFO Quinto, Chief Academic Officer Mecum, Chief Human Resources/Labor Relations Officer Idsvoog, Chief Operations Officer Temple, Chief Information Officer Arias, Chief Technology Officer Madden, Associate Superintendent Jorge Aguilar, Executive Director of Constituent Services Plascencia, and Executive Director of Student Services Dorsey and Interim Chief of Staff David Chavez.

Reporting Out of Closed Session

1. By a vote of 7-0-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session to promote Gina Gordon, Principal I/Manager I, Rata High School.
2. By a vote of 7-0-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session to promote Debbie Duran, Principal II, Roeding Elementary.
3. By a vote of 7-0-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session to promote Kevin Her, Principal II, Norseman Elementary.
4. By a vote of 7-0-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session to promote Blair Eliason-Sagardia, Principal IV, Patiño High School.
5. By a vote of 7-0-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session to ratify one classified employee 1035987 compulsory leave of absence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Cecilia Borrows and Mr. William Morales, parents that have had a positive impact at Aynesworth Elementary led the flag salute.

APPROVE Minutes

APPROVED as recommended, the draft minutes for the March 8, 2017 Regular Meeting, and March 20, 2017 Special Meeting. Member Mills moved for approval, seconded by Member Johnson, which carried a vote of 6-0-0-1, as follows: AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and President Ashjian. ABSENT: Board Member Jonasson Rosas.

Fresno Unified School District was recognized as the recipient of the award for Excellence in Financial Management from the Council of the Great City Schools. Presentation by Michael Casserly.

The Council of the Great City Schools' (CGCS) established the Award for Excellence in Financial Management in 2008 to recognize Council member districts that support the highest standards in financial accountability and controls that are needed to safeguard and protect the financial integrity of the district. Fresno Unified School District has been selected to receive the Award for Excellence in Financial Management, and is only the fifth district in nine years to receive this prestigious award.

ADOPT Resolution Proclaiming May 10, 2017 as National School Nurse Day

ADOPTED as recommended, a Proclamation declaring May 10, 2017 as National School Nurse Day. National School Nurse Day is a time to celebrate the nursing profession and the specialty of school nursing. The Board of Education of Fresno Unified officially declared May 10, 2017 as National School Nurse Day and recognizes the unique contributions of our school nurses to the health and well-being of our children. Member Mills moved for approval, seconded by Member De La Cerda, which carried a vote of 9-0-0-0, as follows: AYES: Student Board Members Riar and McCoy. Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Jonasson Rosas, Mills and President Ashjian.

HEAR Reports from Student Board Representatives

Student Anna Cervantes from Sunnyside High School provided a report to the Board of Education, sharing details of their SAB meeting and thanked Board Member Davis for attending and encouraging the students to work hard and believe in themselves. The students shared some news happening at Sunnyside High School, including the fact that there are 49 valedictorians this year, Sunnyside is currently holding its annual staff appreciation "Wildcat Family Week," and a secret guerilla art project was recently unveiled on campus. In addition, students from Terronez Middle School shared what activities they participate in and why they love attending Terronez.

HEAR Report from Interim Superintendent

- Thanked Michael Casserly and Robert Carlson from the Council of Great City Schools for coming all the way from Washington D.C. to personally recognize Fresno Unified and in particular, the fiscal teams that work daily to ensure financial stability. Led by Deputy Superintendent and Chief Financial Officer Ruthie Quinto, Nelson congratulated Ruthie,

Jacquie Canfield, Santino Danisi, Kim Kelstrom, Andrew De La Torre, Paul Rosencrans, Steven Shubin and the many folks who make up these remarkable teams.

- This past Monday, Sunnyside High School students arrived to a uniquely different campus then they left on Friday -- complete with larger than life sized portraits of fellow classmates plastered on walls and staircases. The surprise “Guerilla” art project was a passionate gift of student art that took most of Saturday to complete. Led by photography teacher Tamela Ryatt, students brought the walls of Sunnyside High School to life showing that true art can live anywhere and is often seen in the eyes of one another.
- Monday also marked an important day for the district’s high school seniors – college commitment day. Our comprehensive and alternative ed. high schools have been hosting “Signing Day” ceremonies, celebrating the many college and universities students will soon call home. The signing day events at each of our high schools have been homegrown efforts, ranging from small intimate ceremonies to larger events in the quad over lunch or as part of a senior awards celebration. This year, thanks to the suggestion of Trustee Cazares, we provided some additional resources to ensure this monumental moment was forever captured at every school and celebrated on a larger scale. Thank you to Campus Culture Manager Leslie Loewen and the district’s media team for supporting this year’s effort.
- Interim Superintendent went on to speak about two very important events coming up – The CTE summit on Tuesday, May 9. Fresno Unified, Fresno City College and the office of the Fresno County Superintendent are invited community members, business partners, parents and students to join the first ever Career Technology Education Summit. Students will provide CTE demonstrations in nursing, therapy and rehabilitation services, construction, welding, manufacturing and automotive. The program will include open discussions about future CTE plans, needs and supports.
- The second event is the Fresno Unified Scholarship Awards dinner on May 10 where 49 deserving seniors will be honored at the Golden Palace Banquet Hall as they receive scholarships totaling \$61,000. Nelson thanked district employees and community partners who have donated to the Fresno Unified scholarship fund over the last eight years. Interim Superintendent also directed those interested in donating to the fund to the district website to learn more.

On a motion by Member Mills, seconded by Member Cazares, the consent agenda, exclusive of agenda item: A-4 which was pulled for further discussion, was approved on a roll call vote of 9-0-0-0 as follows: AYES: Student Board Member Riar and McCoy, Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Jonasson Rosas, Mills and President Ashjian.

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 April 19, 2017, Regular Board meeting.

A-3, APPROVE Amendment No. 1 to Master Affiliation Agreement between Fresno Unified School District and Clinica Sierra Vista Regarding Term; and Approve Resolution No. 16-19 to Exempt School Health and Wellness Centers from Division of State Architect (DSA) Approval
PULLED FROM THE AGENDA BY STAFF. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN. Included in the Board binders and recommended for approval is Amendment No. 1 to the Master Affiliation Agreement with Clinica Sierra Vista for operation of health and wellness centers at district schools, to:

1. Extend the initial term of the agreement to a twenty (20) year term.
2. Include Gaston Middle School Health and Wellness Center in the agreement.

Also included in the Board binders and recommended for approval is Resolution No. 16-19 enacting an exemption from the DSA for health and wellness centers, pursuant to Education Code section 17296. By Board resolution, facilities on school grounds housing health care services can be exempted from DSA approval provided they have been approved by the local jurisdiction and meet licensing requirements for health centers. Such approvals will be obtained.

A-4, APPROVE Award of RFP E20003, Network Equipment for Internal Connections APPROVED as recommended, Request for Proposal (RFP) E20003, to provide network equipment for the new Internet Firewall. Notifications were sent to fourteen (14) vendors, and the district received four (3) responses. RFP's were due February 3, 2017.

The evaluation committee scores resulted in a tie. In this case staff recommends award to the lowest priced, and best value respondent.

Dimension Data (Pleasanton, CA) \$965,150

For the record, comments/questions were made asking if the district would be buying equipment or if it was a hosting service. Would the district consider a hosting service instead of purchasing equipment? Chief Technology Officer Madden was able to provide clarification. Member Davis moved for approval, seconded by Member Mills, which carried a 7-0-0-0 vote. AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, and President Ashjian.

A-5, APPROVE Use of Cal Save - Monterey Office of Education Piggyback Contract for Technology Goods and Services
APPROVED as recommended, the use of piggyback contract #527683, Cal Save - Monterey County Office of Education, for Technology Goods and Services through June

30, 2017. Purchases in 2016/17 are estimated at \$6,500,000. Piggybacking is authorized under Public Contract Code 20118 and is a best practice that takes advantage of competitive pricing from a contract formally bid by another school district or public agency. Approval does not commit the district to purchases or use of any specific contract. Purchases associated with piggyback contracts will be presented to the Board for ratification on a future purchase order report.

A-6, APPROVE Grant Application to the California Department of Rehabilitation for the We Can Work Grant

APPROVED as recommended, for the grant application and funding from the California Department of Rehabilitation for the We Can Work Grant. The agreement provides paid work training that delivers pre-employment transition services to high school and post-secondary students between the ages of 16-21 with active Individualized Education Program goals and objectives.

A-7, RATIFY Change Orders for the Project Listed Below

RATIFIED as recommended, Change Orders for the following project:

Bid 16-31, Turner Elementary School New Classroom and Administration Buildings

Change Order 2 (New Buildings): \$28,205

Change Order 2 (Interim Housing): \$21,334

A-8, RATIFY the Filing of a Notice of Completion

RATIFIED as recommended, is a Notice of Completion for the following project, which has been completed according to plans and specifications.

Bid 16-30A, Installation of Exterior Lighting at Various Sites

(Computech, Scandinavian, Sequoia and Terronez Middle Schools)

Presented for information only

Original contract amount:	\$	76,980
Change order(s) previously ratified:	\$	<u>0</u>
Final contract amount:	\$	76,980

A-9, RATIFY Purchase Orders from February 1, 2017 through February 28, 2017

RATIFIED as recommended, purchase orders issued from February 1, 2017, through February 28, 2017. 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

UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Sherry Wood – Shared concerns about the kindergarten classroom at Pyle Elementary. Mentioned the construction of the bathrooms, playground and access to the classroom. Appreciated the district listening to their concerns and suggestions.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA

Agenda Item B-10, Present and Approve 2017/18 Single Plans for Student Achievement. Presentation by Ruth F. Quinto and staff.

Approved as recommended, the Single Plans for Student Achievement (SPSA). The development of the SPSA is a collaborative process involving staff, students, parents and community in the analysis of data to identify the needs of students, as well as an analysis of the effectiveness of practices and programs at the school. A copy of each SPSA is available in the Office of State and Federal Programs for review, as well as at each school site office.

For the record, comments/questions were made regarding the types of social and emotional supports that will be provided at each of the sites, how are the budgets determined at each of the schools, clarity of the family connections/liason positions and are the positions an overlap of what has been discussed previously in the budget conversations or are they the same positions. Executive Officer Tammy Townsend was able to provide clarification. Member Davis moved for approval, seconded by Member Mills, which carried a 7-0-0-0 vote. AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, and President Ashjian.

Agenda Item B-11, Present and Discuss the 2017/18 Strategic Budget Development. Presentation by Ruth F. Quinto and staff. The Governor released the proposed State budget for 2017/18 on January 10, 2017. The Board of Education has discussed the Governor's proposal and the potential impacts on Fresno Unified, as well as the strategic budget development process, at the following Board of Education meetings:

- January 25, 2017
- February 8, 2017
- February 22, 2017
- March 8, 2017
- March 22, 2017
- April 5, 2017
- April 19, 2017

In addition to the strategic budget development discussions listed above, the 2016/17 Second Interim Financial Report was presented to the Board of Education on March 8, 2017. On May 3, 2017, staff and the Board continued budget development discussions.

For the record, comments/questions were made regarding how many students are enrolled in the Medical Application of Science and Health pathway, the work that students do at Hy-Pana Nursing Home, what is meant by medium/heavy truck, how many students does Duncan have, explanation of what JROTC is all about, building a relationship with Ryder, is there a way to open our doors at Duncan after-hours to help returning students or adults, is the IRS program at Roosevelt closing, the Engineering and Construction Management program needs to include different areas of construction not just management, what will we do when the grants sunset, how we change our messaging, how do are parents find out, what are our plans for expansion for CTE at Fresno

Unified, what are we doing about the training for CTE credentialing, would like to explore the possibility of offering financial incentives for CTE credentialing, what is Apprenticeship for grades 9-Adult, is the budget for 2017/18 of \$20.1 million an increase from last year, why is there not an increase, replicating the pathways of Porterville of building a house, difficulty in changing a student's schedule during the first two weeks of school, how many counselors would be added for middle school, will the IT technicians be in the field or at a desk, what does increase IT staff knowledge mean, and are we looking into students who are learning the technology trade to help at their school sites, Interim Superintendent Nelson, Principal Jeremy Ward, Executive Officer Sally Fowler and Chief Technology Officer Kurt Madden were able to provide clarification. No action is required on this item.

Agenda Item B-11a, Opportunity for Public Disclosure and Ratification of the 2016/17 Negotiated Collective Bargaining Agreement between Fresno Unified School District and California School Employees Association, Chapter 125, White Collar. Presentation by Paul Idsvoog.

Ratified as recommended. In accordance with Government Code 3547.5 all major provisions of collective bargaining agreements are to be presented at a public meeting of the public school employer before the employer enters into written agreement with an exclusive representative. Provided to the Board was a copy of the tentative agreement between Fresno Unified School District and California School Employees Association, Chapter 125, White Collar.

For the record, no comments/questions were made. Member Mills moved for approval, seconded by Member Jonasson Rosas, which carried a 6-0-0-1 vote. AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, and President Ashjian. ABSENT: Board Member Johnson.

C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS

The Board was in receipt of Agenda Item C-12, Proposed Revisions for Board Policies (BP) 0410, 5113, 5141.21, (NEW) 5141.52, 6173, 6174, and (NEW) Exhibit (E) 5113.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS

Member Mills – Requested information on the criteria used for our specific school websites. Feels they are not user friendly.

Member Cazares – Thanked Sally Fowler and staff for coordinating the Fresno Unified to Fresno State Welcoming Ceremony for our seniors. Also suggested field trips for either all Kindergarteners or First Graders to visit Fresno State to get them acquainted to high education early.

Member Jonasson Rosas – Would like additional clarity on the district's policy regarding Epi pens. Would like to see the district allow anyone to be able to administer an Epi pen to a student. Also requested information regarding the district's plan to replace in-house counseling and therapeutic services.

D. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Ashjian declared the meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.