



**MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
Fresno Unified School District
November 14, 2018**

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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 November 14, 2018, there were present Student Board Members Casarubias and Sarama, Board Members Ashjian, Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas. Superintendent Nelson was also present.

Board Member De La Cerda arriving at 4:40 p.m.

Board President Jonasson Rosas CONVENED the Regular Board meeting at 4:30 p.m. in the Board room and ADJOURNED to Closed Session to address items 1 through 6. The Board RECONVENED in Open Session at 5:51 p.m.

Staff Present

Deputy Superintendent/CFO Quinto, Chief Academic Officer Mecum, Chief of Human Resources and Labor Relations Idsvoog, Chief Operations Officer Temple, Chief Equity and Access Officer Sanders, Executive Director of Student Services Dorsey, Executive Director of Constituent Services Plascencia, Executive Director McCulley, Administrative Analyst Jensen and Chief of Staff David Chavez.

Reporting Out of Closed Session

There were no items to report out.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Hoover High School Unified Soccer team led the flag salute.

RECOGNIZE Unified Sports Champions for Fall 2018/19 School Year

The Board of Education and Superintendent Nelson recognized the Unified Sports Champions for the Fall 2018/19 school year.

- Hoover High School Unified Soccer Team – North Yosemite League Champions. Head Coach, Mike Hill and Nic Peterson

HEAR Reports from Student Board Representatives

Wilma Tsutsui, ASB representative from Fresno High School, shared with the board their fall project-- a donation drive for "Be a Santa to a Senior". Schools will be collecting items that senior citizens will enjoy this holiday season such as stuffed animals, warm socks, scarves, and blankets. Students also talked about doing a collection drive for the residents of Paradise recently affected by the Camp fire. Students also shared the drama department at Fresno High is presenting its fall production "Many Moons" taking place in Royce Hall on November 15, 16 and 17. Campus culture, band, cheer, folklorico, JROTC and leadership will be visiting Hamilton and Cooper Academy in the next weeks to highlight various Fresno High programs available for incoming students.

ADOPT Resolution Proclaiming December 3-7, 2018 as Inclusive Schools Week

The Board of Education adopted a resolution proclaiming December 3-7, 2018 as Inclusive Schools Week. Fresno Unified urges all schools and individual citizens to participate in Inclusive Schools Week in order to support schools and the community in the process of becoming more inclusive. On a motion by Member De La Cerda, seconded by Member Mills, by the following vote 9-0-0-0 AYES: Student Board Members Casarubias and Samara, Board Members Ashjian, Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Jonasson Rosas.

RECOGNIZE Fresno Unified Board of Trustees for their Service to Fresno Unified School District

The Superintendent recognized departing board members Brooke Ashjian, Christopher De La Cerda and Lindsay Cal Johnson and acknowledged their years of service and contributions to the district.

Community member Michelle Asadoorian thanked Board Member Ashjian for his service as the elected official for the Bullard region.

The Board of Education took a break.

HEAR Report from Superintendent

- A reminder that the window to nominate a fellow colleague for Excellence in Education is closing; last day to do so will be Friday, November 16. This is an opportunity to nominate a colleague who goes above and beyond for the students and employees of Fresno Unified. Finalist will be honored, and winners announced, at the Excellence in Education awards banquet on Monday, February 4, 2019.
- Nelson shared that this week is School Psychology Awareness Week. Fresno Unified has more than 70 school psychologists and 7 interns supporting our school sites. They provide district support and interventions for students, and collaborate with teachers, social workers, administrators and families to improve strategies that support the whole child, both in and out of the classroom.
- Superintendent recognized that the month of November is California Sikh American Awareness and Appreciation Month. The success of our community is dependent on the diverse residents who call Fresno home. The largest concentration of Sikhs in America live

in California, New York and New Jersey. We all play a critical role in promoting and celebrating the diversity that makes our community great. Nelson shared how thankful he was for those in the Sikh community who help us share that knowledge.

- Superintendent highlighted that Tuesday, November 27, the District will begin hosting a number of community engagement workshops as the district prepares to develop next school year's fiscal budget. This effort is part of the Local Control and Accountability Plan, or LCAP. Workshops give parents and community members an opportunity to share their voice and ideas regarding potential budget investments and programs designated to support student outcomes.

OPPORTUNITY for Public Comment on Consent Agenda Items

Jessica Mahoney – commented on the timing of the Date of the Annual Organizational Meeting and how that would work with board bylaw 9230 and 9100. Feels that things should remain the same.

On a motion by Member Davis, seconded by Member De La Cerda, the consent agenda, exclusive of agenda items: A-5, A-6, A-8, A-13 and A-14 which were pulled for further discussion, were approved on a roll call vote of 9-0-0-0 as follows: AYES: Student Board Members Casarubias and Sarama, Board Members: Ashjian, Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas.

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 17, 2018 Regular Board meeting.

A-3, APPROVE Minutes from Prior Meeting

APPROVED as recommended, the draft minutes for the October 3, 2018 Regular Meeting.

A-4, ADOPT Resolution Ordering the Date of the Annual Organizational Meeting of the Governing Board

ADOPTED as recommended, a Resolution Ordering the Date of the Annual Organizational Meeting of the Governing Board as December 12, 2018. Pursuant to section 35143 of the Education Code of the State of California, the governing board of each district shall select an annual organizational meeting date. The date must fall within a 15-day period commencing on the day a new member's term begins or would begin, i.e. the same 15-day period applies to election and non-election years. Pursuant to California Education Code section 5017, in 2018 new member terms begin on the first

Friday of December. Therefore, the 2018 annual organizational meeting date must fall between December 7, 2018 and no later than December 21, 2018.

A-5, APPROVE Agreement with Swun Math

APPROVED as recommended, an agreement with Swun Math to support the continued improvement in mathematics. The term of this agreement will begin on January 1, 2019 and end on June 7, 2019 with a total cost of \$133,500.

For the record, there were comments/questions requesting staff to provide the public more information regarding the agreement with Swun Math and its anticipated outcomes in the backup material, which schools were part of the pre-assessment, who created the diagnostic exam, elaboration on which schools have seen positive growths already, the amount of the contract, five percent movement is worth the cost, and clarification on the five percent movement. Chief Academic Officer Kim Mecum was available to respond. Member Jonasson Rosas moved for approval, seconded by Member Davis, which carried a vote 7-0-0-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas.

A-6, APPROVE Amended Agreement with Educational Consulting Services, Inc.

APPROVED as recommended, an amended agreement with Educational Consulting Services, Inc. in the amount of \$435,550. Educational Consulting Services coordinates the Saturday Academy attendance recovery program. Amended amount reflects the increase in services as part of a districtwide program expansion.

For the record, there were comments/questions regarding ADA recovery and net recovery, and a mention that this is a great program and opportunity for our students. Executive Director Dorsey and Executive Officer Kelstrom were available to respond. Member Mills moved for approval, seconded by Member De La Cerda, which carried a vote 7-0-0-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas.

A-7, APPROVE Award of Bid 19-06 Phase 1B, Installation of District Video Security System at Elementary Schools: Anthony, Easterby, Homan, Muir, Pyle, Starr, Webster, Wolters

APPROVED as recommended, Bid 19-06 Phase 1B, to provide high definition video security systems at eight elementary schools: Anthony, Easterby, Homan, Muir, Pyle, Starr, Webster and Wolters. The project includes installing low voltage wiring and electrical power connections, and mounting district supplied video security equipment. This is the second of eight phases of the project to provide enhanced security systems to all elementary schools. All phases are planned to be completed next summer.

Staff recommends award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder:

Section 1 & 2: Extenda Networks, Inc. (Van Nuys, Ca.) \$177,119

A-8, APPROVE Revision to Add a Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting Date to the 2019/20 School Year

APPROVED as recommended, adding December 18 to the 2019/20 calendar in addition to the already scheduled December 11, 2019 meeting. A copy of AB 2449, which amends Education Code §§ 1007, 1009, 5017, and 72027, was provided for reference.

For the record, there were comments/questions regarding the need for two meetings in December, why 2449 passed and what is different from previous years, and clarity regarding the need for county clerk to have 30 days to certify the election votes. Chief of Staff David Chavez was available to respond. Member Cazares moved for approval, seconded by Member Mills, which carried a vote 7-0-0-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas.

A-9, APPROVE Provisional Internship Permits

APPROVED as recommended, Provisional Internship Permit (PIP) recommendations to rehire or hire.

A-10, DENY Claim #GL18-0301-1767

DENIED as recommended, a Claim for Damages by a Minor, case #GL18-0301-1767.

A-11, RATIFY Article 20 Waivers for Various Schools for the 2018/19 School Year

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

A-12, RATIFY Grant Application to the California Department of Education for the Student Support and Academic Achievement Program

RATIFIED as recommended, a grant application submitted to the California Department of Education for the 2018 Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE) program. Fresno Unified prepared an application to support greater access and opportunities for a well-rounded education for all students. In alignment to the Council of the Great City Schools recommendations to improve services to students with disabilities, the application proposes to enhance visual and performing arts (VAPA) education for all students with disabilities.

A-13, RATIFY Change Orders for the Projects Listed Below

RATIFIED as recommended, Change Orders for the following projects:

Bid 18-16, Kings Canyon Middle School Underground Water Piping Replacement
Change Order 1: \$36,187

Bid 18-25, Roosevelt High School Construction of New Aquatic Complex
Change Order 1: \$21,540

Prior to the vote Board Member Ashjian made the following statement:

Item A-13 includes change orders for a construction project involving Mark Wilson Construction, Inc. (Bid Number 18-25).

I have done business with Mark Wilson Construction in my private capacity on other projects not involving Fresno Unified beginning at least five years prior to my election to this Board. I did not participate in making this contract. Because of my relationship with the vendor, I have a remote financial interest in this contract. Therefore, I am abstaining from this vote pursuant to Board Bylaw 9270.

Member Davis moved for approval, seconded by Member De La Cerda, which carried a vote 6-0-1-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas. ABSTENTION: Board Member Ashjian.

A-14, RATIFY the Filing of Notices of Completion for Various Projects

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

Bid 18-16, Kings Canyon Middle School Underground Piping Replacement

Bid 18-20, Gaston Middle School Portable Classroom Relocation and Infrastructure

Bid 18-37, Terronez Middle School Playcourt and Parking Lot Asphalt Rehabilitation Project

Prior to the vote Board Member Ashjian made the following statement:

Item A-14 includes a notice of completion for a construction project involving Davis Moreno Construction, Inc. (Bid Number 18-20).

I have done business with Davis Moreno in my private capacity on other projects not involving Fresno Unified beginning at least five years prior to my election to this Board. I did not participate in making this contract. Because of my relationship with the vendor, I have a remote financial interest in this contract. Therefore, I am abstaining from this vote pursuant to Board Bylaw 9270.

Member De La Cerda moved for approval, seconded by Member Mills, which carried a vote 6-0-1-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas. ABSTENTION: Board Member Ashjian.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Jessica Mahoney – Thanked and spoke about each of the exiting board members for their contributions to the district.

Julie Rodriguez – Spoke about her autistic son and the need for him to be in an inclusive environment. It is the duty of the district to follow best practices and law to allow students to be educated in an inclusive environment.

Michael Kelly – Spoke about why inclusion is important for special need students, separate education is not an equal education and the Council of the Great City Schools report states that inclusion is an area of needed improvement within Fresno Unified School District.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA

Agenda Item B-15, Opportunity for Public Discussion of the Fresno Area Substitute Teachers Association initial proposal to the Fresno Unified School District for the 2019-2022 Successor Agreement

In accordance with Government Code 3547, all initial proposals of the exclusive representative shall be presented at a public meeting of the public school employer, and thereafter shall be a public record. The Fresno Area Substitute Teachers Association (FASTA) initial proposal to the Fresno Unified School District for the 2019-2022 Successor Agreement was presented at the October 17, 2018 meeting of the Board of Education and returned to the November 14, 2018 agenda for formal presentation, public discussion and acknowledgment of receipt.

Presentation by Chief of Human Resources and Labor Relations Paul Idsvoog

For the record, there were no comments/questions. Chief of Human Resources and Labor Relations Paul Idsvoog was available to provide clarification. No action is required on this item.

Agenda B-16, Opportunity for Public Discussion and Adopt the Fresno Unified School District initial proposal to the Fresno Area Substitute Teachers Association for the 2019-2022 Successor Agreement

In accordance with Government Code 3547, all initial proposals of the public school employers shall be presented at a public meeting of the public school employer, and thereafter shall be a public record. The Fresno Unified School District's initial proposal to the Fresno Area Substitute Teachers Association (FASTA) for the 2019-2022 Successor Agreement was presented at the October 17, 2018, meeting of the Board of Education and returned to the November 14, 2018 agenda for public discussion and Board adoption.

Presentation by Chief of Human Resources and Labor Relations Paul Idsvoog

For the record, there were no comments/questions. Chief of Human Resources and Labor Relations Paul Idsvoog was available to provide clarification. Member Davis moved for adoption, seconded by Member Mills, which carried a vote 5-0-0-2 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas. ABSENT: Board Members Ashjian and De La Cerda.

Agenda Item B-17, Opportunity for Public Discussion of the Service Employees International Union initial proposal to Fresno Unified School District for the 2019-2022 Successor Agreement

In accordance with Government Code 3547, all initial proposals of the exclusive representative shall be presented at a public meeting of the public school employer, and thereafter shall be a public record. The Service Employees International Union (SEIU), Local 521, initial proposal to the Fresno Unified School District for the 2019-2022 Successor Agreement was presented at the October 17, 2018, meeting of the Board of Education and returned to this agenda for formal presentation, public discussion and acknowledgment of receipt.

Presentation by Chief of Human Resources and Labor Relations Paul Idsvoog

For the record, there were no comments/questions. Chief of Human Resources and Labor Relations Paul Idsvoog was available to provide clarification. No action was required on this item.

Agenda Item B-18, Opportunity for Public Discussion and Adopt the Fresno Unified School District initial proposal to the Service Employees International Union for the 2019-2022 Successor Agreement

In accordance with Government Code 3547, all initial proposals of the public school employers shall be presented at a public meeting of the public school employer, and thereafter shall be a public record. Included in the Board binders is the Fresno Unified School District initial proposal to the Service Employees International Union, Local 521, for the 2019-2022 Successor Agreement presented at the October 17, 2018, meeting of the Board of Education and returned to this agenda for public discussion and Board adoption.

Presentation by Chief of Human Resources and Labor Relations Paul Idsvoog

For the record, there were no comments/questions. Chief of Human Resources and Labor Relations Paul Idsvoog was available to provide clarification. Member Davis moved for adoption, seconded by Member Mills, which carried a vote 5-0-0-2 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Davis, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas. ABSENT: Board Members Cazares and De La Cerda.

Agenda Item B-19, Present and Discuss the California Dashboard Overview Series, Part Three

The Board received an overview and review of the California Dashboard. The presentation is part three of a three-part series on the California Dashboard. The presentation provided a brief review of the local indicators for Fresno Unified School District.

Presentation by Chief of Equity and Access Lindsay Sanders.

For the record, there were comments/questions regarding a request to have the surveys separated out by schools, how and where are the surveys administered, the proper supports for our new and tenured teachers, the state's Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) is misleading to the actual condition of district facilities, broad course of study offerings, concerns over the decline in school climate, work

order process, concerns in using the same contractor year after year for the FIT survey, concerns about having several new teachers at the same site- there needs to be an even distribution, and clarity on the academic standards for the districts World Language offerings. Chief of Equity and Access Lindsay Sanders was available to provide clarification. No action was required on this item.

Agenda Item B-20, Present and Discuss Updates on the 2018/19 Local Control and Accountability Plan Actions

The Fresno Unified School District Board of Education adopted the 2018/19 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) on May 30, 2018. The plan, as required, outlines the goals, outcomes, actions and expenditures from the Local Control Funding Formula aimed at improving student success. The presentation included an update from staff on planned initiatives and plans for upcoming community and stakeholder engagement.

Presentation by Executive Officer Santino Danisi.

For the record, there were comments/questions regarding the recent board investments in reduced class sizes, social/emotional supports and Goal 2 and the potential impact for an increased percentage in school climate surveys, district promotion of LCAP meetings and surveys, the importance in getting the message out to parents, students, community members and community partners, and clarity on collaboration with community partners. Executive Officer Santino Danisi was available to provide clarification. No action was required on this item.

Agenda Item B-21, Discuss and Approve Actions and Expenditures for Special Education

Staff presented information and recommended expenditures for 2018/19 in response to the recommendations from the Council of the Great City School's *Improving Special Education Services in the Fresno Unified School District* Report.

Presentation by Assistant Superintendent Brian Beck

For the record, there were comments/questions regarding the lack of support for Special Education, the Board of Education and the District is moving forward, clarity on the dollars spent on Special Education, clarity on the 4.6 million for the multi-tiered system of support, concern on stating that \$10 million went to Special Education, how much parent involvement was part of the strategic multi-year categories, concern on zero dollars spent in engaging and empowering parents, \$50,000 is not a big enough ask for building skills and competencies for staff, a suggestion to have one person take incoming calls from Special Education maybe in Constituent Services, Special Education department needs to ask for more money, a reminder that what is in front of the board currently is for the remainder of the 2018/19 school year, new recommendations/requests will start with the budget cycle which will be coming soon, what will the Special Education sites look like in each region, would like more information on what the standard will look like, would like more information on the plan for universal inclusion, will the equipment for Special Education be on the refresh plan, need to be able to provide the community a plan and a timeline, and how soon can these current requests be implemented. Assistant Superintendent Brian Beck was available to provide clarification. Member De La Cerda moved for approval, seconded by Member Davis,

which carried a vote 6-1-0-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas. NOES: Board Member Cazares.

C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS

The board was in receipt of the following items:

Agenda Item C-22, Fresno Unified School District's First Quarterly Investment Report for Fiscal Year 2018/19; Agenda Item C-23, Constituent Services Quarterly Reporting; Agenda Item C-24, Proposed Revisions for Board Policy (BP) 5127.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION

Member Mills – Thanked the out-going board members for their service to the board and students of the district and congratulated the assuming board members, requested from staff when presenting agenda items that effect specific schools that those schools are listed in the backup material, encouraged board members to attend the CSBA conference, and shared available housing information regarding victims of the recent fires in Paradise.

Member Cazares – Thanked and shared her appreciation for the out-going board members.

Member Davis – Thanked the out-going board members and spoke about the Veteran's Day Parade and how exciting it was to see all the students involved.

Member Johnson – Made a recommendation to place Tony Perry's name on the football field at Edison High School.

D. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Board President Jonasson Rosas declared the meeting adjourned at 10:06 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, December 12, 2018