



**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**
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**MINUTES - BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
Fresno Unified School District**

**Fresno, California
October 16, 2019**

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 October 16, 2019, there were present Board Members Davis, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, Thomas, and President Cazares. Superintendent Nelson was also present.

Member Islas participated from the following teleconference location: Crowne Plaza Albuquerque, 1901 University Boulevard NE, Albuquerque, NM 87102, Room 403

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953 (b)(2), all action taken during this teleconferenced meeting was by roll call vote.

President Cazares CONVENED the Regular Board Meeting at 4:31 p.m. in the Board Room and ADJOURNED to Closed Session to address items one through seven. The Board RECONVENED in Open Session at 7:01 p.m. For the record, Board President Cazares left meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Staff Present

Deputy Superintendent/CFO Quinto, Chief Academic Officer Mecum, Chief of Equity and Access Sanders, Chief Information Officer Henry, Chief of Labor Relations and Human Resources Idsvoog, Chief Technology Officer Madden, Chief of Operations Temple, Executive Director McCulley, Executive Director Plascencia, Administrative Analyst Jensen and Chief of Staff Chavez.

Reporting Out of Closed Session

- On a motion by Board Member Davis, seconded by Board Member Jonasson Rosas by the following roll call vote, 6-0-0-1, the Board took action in Closed Session for a Workers' Compensation settlement with Edwin Ramirez, Case No. 2017-0724. AYES: Board Members: Davis, Islas, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, Board President Cazares. ABSENT: Member Thomas.

- On a motion by Board Member Mills, seconded by Board Member Jonasson Rosas by the following vote, 7-0-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session for a Workers' Compensation settlement with Veronica Benson, Case No. 2013-0879, 2017-0095. AYES: Board Members: Davis, Islas, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, Thomas, Board President Cazares.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Steven and Tvin Russell parents from Eaton Elementary School led the Pledge of Allegiance.

HEAR Reports from Student Board Representatives

The Board heard a report from Paige Dote, ACADEC Team Captain and Jesus Sepulveda, SAB representative from Design Science Middle College High School; and, students from Tenaya Middle School spoke about what they love about being a student at Tenaya.

HEAR Report from Superintendent

- Highlighted, Monday, the district held its annual State of Education luncheon. With 400 district and community partners in attendance. Attendees had the opportunity to hear the wonderful Sunnyside Chamber Orchestra, bid on auction items designed and created by district students and hear about the important district work being done on behalf of our kids.
- Shared during the event, details around SBAC progress, graduation rates and A-G completion, facility improvements and employee retention efforts. His larger message focused around the "why" that fuels the work we do each day. Shared that just over \$46,000 was raised for the Fresno Unified Scholarship Fund, that is approximately \$15,000 more than the prior year. On behalf of our students - Thank you!
- Next, Superintendent shared that the board recognized the month of October as Cyber Safety Security Awareness Month. From the onset of the school year, we have made a concerted effort to drive home the importance of responsible social media through parent flyers, public service announcements and on our social media. The week of October 21-25, teachers and students around the district will participate in cyber safety curriculum that will help students avoid pitfalls on their way to becoming strong digital citizens.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS

Member Major Slatic – Request for follow up to Education Code 49709 pertaining to students on probation. Request for percentage of students whom received a GPA of 1.99 or less.

Member Jonasson Rosas – Shared that during October Dysautonomia is recognized. Dysautonomia is a condition in which the autonomic nervous system does not work properly. World-wide there are more than 70 million people living with Dysautonomia.

Member Islas – Spoke to a concern pertaining to Member Major Slatic. Requested to know if he has a concealed carry permit and would like to know that he is not bringing weapon to board meetings. Shared an invite to the Central Valley Scholars Banquet at 6:00 p.m. on October 19, 2019. Acknowledged events taking place in the McLane Region. Recognized Raine Bumatay for her award at the Marjaree Mason Center event.

Member Thomas – Congratulated Raine Bumatay.

Member Davis – Shared invitation to Alumni Football Game at Sunnyside where Holland Locker's family will be honored.

Member Mills – Congratulated Raine Bumatay on her award and Superintendent Nelson on his 7-0 Positive Evaluation. Shared invitation to the Pig Bowl on November 01, 2019 at Sunnyside Stadium. Requested information pertaining to the district's homework policy if there is a homework policy. Additionally, requested information from staff pertaining to what it will take in cost/planning in Transportation to avoid pulling students from class earlier than needed in order to get them to games/events.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Chris Roup – Spoke to her "why" on behalf of College and Career Readiness and the Career Technical Education Advisory Committee.

On a motion by Member Davis, seconded by Member Thomas, the consent agenda was approved, apart from Agenda Items A-4, A-5, A-6, A-11, and A-15, which were pulled for further discussion, on a roll call vote of 6-0-0-1 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Davis, Islas, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, Thomas. ABSENT: Board President Cazares.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

A-1, APPROVE Personnel List

APPROVED as recommended, the Board binders is the Personnel List, Appendix A, as submitted.

A-2, ADOPT Findings of Facts 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 02, 2019 Regular Board meeting.

A-3, APPROVE Minutes from Prior Meeting

APPROVED as recommended, the draft minutes for the July 17, 2019 Special Board Meeting and the October 02, 2019 Regular Board Meeting.

A-4, ADOPT Resolution Recognizing the Month of October as National Cyber Security Awareness Month

ADOPTED as recommended, resolution where Fresno Unified joins other districts across the country in recognizing the month of October as National Cyber Security Awareness Month.

On a motion by Member Davis, seconded by Member Thomas, Agenda Item A-4 was approved by a roll call vote of 6-0-0-1 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Davis, Islas, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, Thomas, and Board President Cazares.

A-5, APPROVE Agreement with Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates (FM3) to Conduct Secondary Community Survey Regarding Potential Bond Measure

APPROVED as recommended, a proposal from Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates (FM3) to conduct a secondary community survey to gauge voter interest in a potential 2020 bond measure to continue school facility improvements.

For the record, there were questions/comments from Board Members to address Agenda Item A-5. A summary is as follows: Would like the Board to be provided all questions which will be asked by the polling survey. Asked if the group surveyed in the first poll could be polled in the second round? Asked if the survey could be provided in Hmong? Chief Operations Officer Karin Temple was available to provide clarity.

On a motion by Member Davis, seconded by Member Thomas, Agenda Item A-5 was approved by a roll call vote of 6-0-0-1 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Davis, Islas, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, Thomas. ABSENT: Board President Cazares.

A-6, APPROVE Agreement with Aperture Education for Social Emotional Behavioral Screener

APPROVED as recommended, a request brought forward to purchase a social emotional screener and intervention system. Devereux Students Strengths Assessment developed by Aperture Education identifies students in need of additional instruction in social emotional skills. The purchase includes licenses, technical support, and training. The five-year agreement will be paid in two lump sums. The second sum will be paid after the district assesses effectiveness of the tool after its soft launch.

For the record, there were questions/comments from Board Members to address Agenda Item A-6. A summary is as follows: What will be done with this assessment report? How will resources be made available to students? Executive Director Ambra O'Connor was available to provide clarity.

On a motion by Student Member Romero, seconded by Member Mills, Agenda Item A-6 was approved by a roll call vote of 6-0-0-1 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Davis, Islas, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, Thomas. ABSENT: Board President Cazares.

A-7, APPROVE Grant Application to the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office – K12 Strong Workforce Program

APPROVED as recommended, Fresno Unified will apply for funding that aligns with the workforce development efforts occurring through the SWP, that are responsive to regional economic priorities, and that increase the transition from secondary to post-secondary and career with an emphasis on a collaborative approach between the K12 and Community College systems (Fresno City College, Clovis Community College, and Reedley College).

A-8, APPROVE Grant Application to the California Department of Education for the Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Program

APPROVED as recommended, The California Department of Education announced the California Career Technical Education Incentive Grant (CTEIG) program to encourage and maintain the delivery of high-quality career technical education programs. The CTEIG program is established as a state education, economic, and workforce development initiative with the goal of providing pupils in kindergarten through grade twelve, inclusive, with the knowledge and skills necessary to transition to employment and postsecondary education. The purpose of this program is to encourage and maintain the delivery of career technical education programs. Education Code (EC) sections 53070–53076.4.

A-9, APPROVE Grant Application and Projects to the California Department of Education for the Career Technical Education Facilities Program

APPROVED as recommended, grant applications and identified projects to the California Department of Education for the Career Technical Education Facilities Program (CTEFP). The CTEFP funds projects to reconfigure, construct, or modernize Career Technical Education (CTE) facilities, and/or purchase equipment for CTE programs to modernize CTE facilities and/or equipment at comprehensive high schools.

A-10, APPROVE 2019/20 Fresno Unified Career Technical Education Advisory Committee Member List

APPROVED as recommended, California Education Code specifies that the governing board of each school district participating in a Career Technical Education (CTE) program shall approve a CTE advisory committee to develop recommendations on the program(s) and to provide liaison between the district and potential employers. The federal Carl D. Perkins Career Technical Education Act requires the committee shall consist of one or more representatives of the general public knowledgeable about the disadvantaged, students, teachers, business, industry, school administration, and the field office of the Employment Development Department (EC 8070). The Career Technical Education Advisory

Committee includes representatives from both K-12 (Section 131 funded programs) and Adult Education (Section 132 funded programs) and the business community.

A-11, APPROVE Annual Partnership Agreement with Fresno County Cradle to Career

APPROVED as recommended, The Cradle to Career (C2C) Partnership for Fresno County is a community-wide partnership of public, private, nonprofit and philanthropic leaders who are organizing efforts and resources around building a shared community vision that all Fresno County youth will realize success and good health at every age, from cradle to career.

For the record, there were questions/comments from Board Members to address Agenda Item A-11. A summary is as follows: In which grade levels will C2C be implemented? Superintendent Nelson was available to provide clarity.

On a motion by Student Member Romero, seconded by Member Davis, Agenda Item A-11 was approved by a roll call vote of 6-0-0-1 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Davis, Islas, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, Thomas. ABSENT: Board President Cazares.

A-12, APPROVE 2019/20 and Prior Years Management and Classified Salary Schedules

APPROVED as recommended, the 2019/20 and Prior Years Management and Classified Salary Schedules.

A-13, APPROVE the Use of County of Fresno Piggyback Contract for Bulk Fuel, Gasoline and Diesel

APPROVED as recommended, the use of the County of Fresno piggyback contract for Bulk Fuel, Gasoline and Diesel during 2019/20 for efficient and cost-effective fuel procurement. Piggybacking is allowed under Public Contract Codes 10299 and 20118. This best practice takes advantage of competitive pricing from a contract formally bid by another public agency.

A-14, APPROVE Budget Revision No. 2 for Fiscal Year 2019/20

APPROVED as recommended, Budget Revision No. 2 for fiscal year 2019/20. 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 regarding carryover, actual beginning balances and necessary adjustments to support the acceptance of various grant awards.

A-15, APPROVE Proposed Revisions for Board Policies 0415 (NEW), 1312.3, 6020 and 6142.6

APPROVED as recommended.

For the record, there were questions/comments from Board Members to address Agenda Item A-15. A summary is as follows: What is an asset lens? Who sat on

the committee that reviewed the board policies? Grateful that policies were provided to students to gather their feedback. Chief Lindsay Sanders was available to provide clarity.

On a motion by Member Mills, seconded by Member Jonasson Rosas, Agenda Item A-15 was approved by a roll call vote of 6-0-0-1 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Davis, Islas, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatik, Thomas. ABSENT: Board President Cazares.

A-16, RATIFY Amended Extension Letter with Price Paige & Company
RATIFIED as recommended, an Amended Extension Letter with Price Paige & Company for internal auditing services.

A-17, RATIFY Change Orders for the Projects Listed Below
RATIFIED as recommended, information on Change Orders for the following projects:

Bid 19-20 Section B, HVAC Multipurpose Room Improvements for Various Schools: Viking and Vinland Elementary Schools. Change Order presented for ratification (Vinland): \$22,896.

Bid 19-23 Section B, Gymnasium Bleacher Installation for Duncan High School. Change Order presented for ratification (Duncan): \$0
(contract duration increase only)

Bid 19-26 Sections A and B, Boiler Replacement for Various Schools: Balderas and Centennial Elementary Schools, Cooper Middle School, and McLane High School. Change Order presented for ratification (McLane): \$5,362

Bid 19-39 Sections A and B, Kings Canyon and Tehipite Middle Schools Gymnasium Bleacher Installation. Change Order presented for ratification (Kings Canyon): \$0; Change Order presented for ratification (Tehipite): \$0
(contract duration increase only).

Bid 19-41, Wawona K-8 School Classroom and Restroom Additions. Change Order presented for ratification: \$53,312

Bid 19-44 Sections A and B, Easterby and Kratt Elementary Schools Playcourt and Parking Lot Rehabilitations. Change Order presented for ratification (Easterby): \$19,012; Change Order presented for ratification (Kratt): \$8,520

Bid 19-51 Section A, Mechanical Improvements for Various Schools: Malloch Elementary School, Tehipite Middle School, and Bullard High School. Change Order presented for ratification (Bullard): \$420

Bid 19-56, Renovations at Fresno City College for Design Science High School. Change Orders presented for ratification: \$23,201

A-18, RATIFY the Filing of Notices of Completion

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

Bid 18-30, Hoover High School Electrical Infrastructure Improvements

Bid 19-20 Section B, HVAC Multipurpose Room Improvements for Viking and Vinland Elementary Schools

Bid 19-23 Section B, Gymnasium Bleacher Installation for Duncan Polytechnical High School

Bid 19-29, McLane High School Installation of Stadium Turf and Infrastructure for Portable Restrooms

Bid 19-38, Edison High School Gymnasium Floor Replacement

Bid 19-39 Sections A and B, Kings Canyon and Tehipite Middle Schools Gymnasium Bleacher Installation

Bid 19-44 Sections A and B Easterby and Kratt Elementary Schools Playcourt and Parking Lot Rehabilitation

Bid 19-51 Section A, Mechanical Improvements for Bullard High School

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Jim Cobb – Provided letter to Board Members.

Michelle Smith – Spoke in support of the Community Advisory Committee.

Bob Gray – Spoke to concerns regarding Safety with middle school cross country.

Elizabeth Krista Silva – Spoke to concern of moving Calwa administrators.

Elia Melecio – Spoke to concern regarding a staff member at Calwa Elementary; specifically, regarding cross walk duty.

Fabiola Valencia – Spoke in support of administrators at Calwa Elementary.

Joana Anguiano – Spoke in support of administrators at Calwa Elementary.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA

B-19, PRESENT and DISCUSS the Fall 2019 California Dashboard Local Indicators

The Board will receive an overview of the 2019 California Dashboard local indicators. The local indicators are based on information that the district collects locally and will be used for the release of the Fall 2019 California Dashboard.

For the record, there were questions/comments from Board Members to address Agenda Item B-19. A summary is as follows: What steps will be taken to improve the percentage pertaining to school climate? Chief Lindsay Sanders and Executive Director Ambra O'Connor were available to provide clarity.

For the record, no action was required for this item.

B-20, PRESENT and DISCUSS Global California 2030 Initiative in Fresno Unified

In November 2016, California voters approved Proposition 58, also known as the California Education for a Global Economy (CA Ed.G.E.) Initiative. The purpose of the CA Ed.G.E. Initiative is to ensure that all children in California public schools receive the highest quality education, master the English language, and access high-quality, innovative, and research-based language programs that prepare them to fully participate in a global economy. The presentation will include the district's approach to Global 2030 Initiative.

For the record, there were questions/comments from Board Members to address Agenda Item B-20. A summary is as follows: Requested clarification on the correlation between the English Learner Master Plan and the Global 2030 Initiative. Staffing at high schools to address need. Request for number of students which began program speaking a single language and finished program speaking more than one language. Assistant Superintendent Sandra Toscano was available to provide clarity.

For the record, no action was required for this item.

C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS

C-21, RECEIVE Request for Material Revision by Aspen Valley Prep Academy

Received as recommended, Aspen Public Schools hand delivered a petition to the district seeking a material revision to Aspen Valley Prep Academy's current petition, to expand to an additional site, offering a Middle College High School program in grades nine through twelve. Aspen Valley Prep is currently located at 4221 North Hughes Avenue and offers a seat-based program for students in grades transitional kindergarten through eight. The school intends to open Fall of 2020 with approximately 100 students in grade nine. Fiscal impact: The estimated fiscal impact to Fresno Unified School District for 2020/21 is \$917,000. Contact person: Kim Mecum, telephone 457-3731.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Clerk Mills declared the meeting adjourned at 9:34 p.m.