



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

**Fresno, California
February 12, 2020**

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 February 12, 2020, there were present Board Members Cazares, Davis, Islas, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, and President Thomas. Superintendent Nelson was also present.

Board President Thomas CONVENED the Regular Board Meeting at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room and ADJOURNED to Closed Session to address items one through five.

The Board RECONVENED in Open Session at 5:46 p.m.

Reporting Out of Closed Session

- For the record, Board Clerk Davis reported Felicia Quarles-Treadwell, Principal at Gaston Middle School, will transfer to Director, Human Resources and Labor Relations.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Andrea Ortega, a parent from Del Mar Elementary School led the Pledge of Allegiance.

HEAR Reports from Student Advisory Representatives

The Board heard a report from Najee Jamison, Vincent Graves, and Delilah Pineda Student Advisory Representatives from J.E. Young and student ambassadors from Cooper Academy.

RECOGNIZE High School Athletic Team for the 2019/20 School Year – Fall Season

The following Fresno Unified student athletic team/athletes were recognized for the 2019/20 school year – fall season, Fresno High School Girls Cross Country Team – Division 4 State Qualifiers. Head Coach – Jesus Campos

RECOGNIZE All-State Student Musicians

The following Fresno Unified students were recognized for auditioning and being chosen to be part of the highly selective California All-State Honor Ensembles: Isley Parada, a junior trumpet player from Sunnyside High School, will perform as a member of the High School Symphonic Band; and Xavion Torres, a seventh-grade student at Computech, will be playing viola in the Junior High School Orchestra. Both ensembles will be featured at the California State Music Educator Conference in Fresno.

HEAR Report from Superintendent

- Highlighted African American History Month celebrations started last week with Gaston's 6th Annual Black History Month program at the historic Warnor's Theater. Special recognition to the Edison region BSU and students, Lisa Nichols and all the team for putting together another amazing show celebrating our African American community.
- Shared last week the district celebrated its annual Excellence in Education awards banquet at Hoover's High School's event center. Congratulations to the 46 finalist that were honored.
- Shared all households should have received their March 3 ballots and reminded how important it is to vote. Voters will be making several important local decisions, including our district's school facilities bond measure, Measure M.
- Congratulated Sunnyside High School for receiving CollegeBoard's Advanced Placement Female Diversity Award in Computer Science Principles. Out of 20,000 institutions offering AP courses, Sunnyside is recognized as just one of 639 to receive this award.
- Recognized teams and school sites for a fantastic Federal Program Monitoring review over the last couple of weeks. The two-week onsite visit resulted in zero school findings, zero compensatory education findings, and just nine program area findings – all of which we plan to have resolved or planned with CDE well before the 45-day timeframe required.
- Acknowledged that this week opened our Climate and Culture surveys. Fresno Unified is surveying parents, staff, and students in grades 4-12 on a range of school climate and culture indicators that have been found to impact student achievement. Paper-to-pen versions of the parent Climate and Culture survey will be sent home with students on the week of February 10.

- Remind students the Fresno Unified Scholarship Fund is currently receiving applications. The application can be found on our website and all applications must be submitted with letters of recommendation and transcripts by Friday, February 28. Students can apply online or can talk to their high school counselor for more information.
- Shared there are still three more opportunities to join our LCAP community meetings. The next LCAP meeting is Fresno High on February 13, Roosevelt on February 19, and ending at Sunnyside on February 20.
- Superintendent ended his remarks with a video highlighting our 2020 elementary spelling bee. Congratulations to our winners that will head on to the Fresno County Spell-Off on March 17

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS

Member Cazares: Announced Fresno Unified has been chosen to host the CIF Grand Masters Wrestling Championships on Friday, February 21 and Saturday, February 22, 2020 at Hoover High School Event Center. Thank you to Kurt Madden for pioneering eSports. Explained Club Rush. Congratulated Mr. Thele on his retirement from Yokomi Elementary School.

Member Jonasson Rosas: Would like follow-up on comment made during Student Representative report regarding student facilitators. Requested clarity pertaining to board communication regarding California School and District Accountability, would like comparison year by year and areas of improvements in a matrix or spreadsheet format.

Member Islas: Commented on policy reform in the area of student wellness. Thanked Rowell, Leavenworth, Kratt, Hidalgo, and Mayfair for conversations pertaining to school food. Commented on food waste within the District. Shared that she will bring a report forward for board and staff information. Requested a board communication pertaining to the creation of a group/taskforce to allow for the review and selection of foods. The communication should include thoughts of how it will be implemented and be useful. Requested a board communication in response to Sunset parent request. Shared she will bring forward a report pertaining to Safe Routes to Schools.

Board President Thomas: Requested clarity pertaining to the board communication regarding direct access to electricity.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

There were no members of the public wishing to address the Board on the Consent Agenda.

On a motion by Member Islas, seconded by Member Mills, the consent agenda was approved, apart from Agenda Item A-10, on a roll call vote of 7-0-0-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, Islas, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, and Board President Thomas.

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 29, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.

A-3, APPROVE Minutes from Prior Meeting

APPROVED as recommended, the draft minutes for the January 29, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.

A-4, APPROVE Provisional Internship Permits

APPROVED as recommended, Provisional Internship Permit recommendation to rehire or hire upon Board approval.

A-5, APPROVE Use of Individual Piggyback Contract

APPROVED as recommended, the piggyback contract listed below for use during the remainder of 2019/20 for efficient and cost-effective procurement of technology equipment.

Piggyback Contract	Supplier	Est. Annual \$
Monterey County Office of Education (CalSave) Contract 530067, Technology Equip & Software	CDW-Government (Vernon-Hills, IL)	\$15,000,000

A-6, APPROVE Agreement with Erahm Christopher for Student Voice Active Listener Training

APPROVED as recommended, an agreement with Erahm Christopher to provide Active Listener Training using the movie *Listen* in support of the Student Advisory Board student voice objectives.

A-7, APPROVE Proposed Revisions for Board Policy

APPROVED as recommended, proposed revisions for Board Policy 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures. These revisions meet the legal mandates recommended by CDE's Federal Program Monitoring (FPM) requirements.

A-8, RATIFY Change Orders for the Projects Listed Below

RATIFIED as recommended, information on Change Orders for the following projects: Bid 19-36, Fresno High School Locker Room and Weight Room HVAC Improvements, Change Order 2 presented for ratification \$14,926; Bid 19-41, Wawona K-8 School Classroom and Restroom Additions, Change Order 3 presented for ratification \$76,886.

A-9, RATIFY Purchase Orders from November 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019, and Zero Dollar Contracts – Primary Report

RATIFIED as recommended, is information on purchase orders issued from November 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019. Also attached and included for ratification is a list of zero-dollar contracts that specify terms, but no funds will be exchanged between Fresno Unified and other entities.

A-10, RATIFY Purchase Orders from November 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019 – Supplemental Report

RATIFIED as recommended, is information on purchase orders issued from November 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019. Two agenda items are presented to ratify purchase orders. The first item includes the Primary Report with all purchase orders issued during the reported dates with the exception of those that may present a potential conflict of interest for an individual Board member. All remaining purchase orders are in the Supplemental Report and presented as a second agenda item.

For the record, Member Jonasson Rosas read the following statement:

“Item A-10 on tonight’s agenda contains a purchase orders for Fresno Economic Opportunity Commission. I am employed by Fresno EOC, which is a nonprofit corporation. I did not participate in making the contracts related to these purchase orders; but because of my employment with Fresno EOC, I have a remote financial interest in the contract. Therefore, consistent with my prior recusals relating to Fresno EOC, and in the interest of full transparency, I am abstaining from this vote pursuant to Board Bylaw 9270.”

For the record, Member Mills read the following statement:

“Item A-10 on tonight’s agenda contains a purchase order for PG&E. I have financial investments that are valued at or above the reporting threshold in PG&E. Therefore, in the interest of full transparency, I am abstaining from this vote pursuant to Board Bylaw 9270.”

On a motion by Board Clerk Davis, seconded by Board Member Cazares, Agenda Item A-10 was ratified by a roll call vote of 5-0-2-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, Islas, Major Slatik, and Board President Thomas. ABSTAINED: Board Members Jonasson Rosas and Mills.

UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Juan Ortiz – Yielded his time to Shelby Ortiz.

Shelby Ortiz – Spoke to Wawona K-8 School.

Chrissy Kelly – Spoke to Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA).

Julie Rodriguez – Spoke to Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA).

Claudia Deeg – Spoke regarding lead in school drinking water.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA

B-11, DISCUSS and DECIDE in the Matter of the Endeavor Charter School Petition

Staff presented information pertaining to the petition presented by Western Sierra Charter Schools for the establishment of a new charter, Endeavor Charter School, to operate July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025.

For the record, there were questions/comments from Board Members to address Agenda Item B-11. A summary is as follows: Commented on prior request to have legal counsel available at Board Meetings. Requested clarity on intent of legislation pertaining to the moratorium. Manager Debra Odom, and Legal Counsel Susan Hatmaker (via phone), were available to provide clarity.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEM B-11

Xee Lor – Spoke in support of Endeavor Charter.

Glenn Reid – Spoke in support of Endeavor Charter.

Grace Reeve – Spoke in support of Endeavor Charter.

On a motion by Board Member Cazares, seconded by Board Clerk Davis, the decision in the Matter of the Endeavor Charter School Petition was approved, by a vote of 6-1-0-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, and Board President Thomas. NOES: Board Member Islas.

B-12, OPPORTUNITY for PUBLIC DISCUSSION of the California School Employees Association, Chapter 125 2020-2021 initial proposal to the Fresno Unified School District

Staff presented the California School Employees Association, Chapter 125 2020-2021 initial proposal to the Fresno Unified School District which was presented at the January 29, 2020 meeting of the Board of Education and returned to this agenda for a formal presentation, public discussion and acknowledgement of receipt.

Presentation by Chief of Human Resources/Labor Relations, Paul Idsvoog.

For the record, there were questions/comments from Board Members to address Agenda Item B-12. A summary is as follows: Requested clarity on attendance portion of proposal pertaining to school days only. Chief of HR/LR Paul Idsvoog was available to provide clarity.

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

B-13, OPPORTUNITY for PUBLIC DISCUSSION and ADOPTION of the Fresno Unified School District 2020-2021 Initial Proposal to the California School Employees Association, Chapter 125

ADOPTED as recommended and in accordance with Government Code 3547, all initial proposals of the public-school employer shall be presented at a public meeting of the public-school employer, and thereafter shall be public record. The Fresno Unified School District 2020-2021 initial proposal to the California School Employees Association, Chapter 125 was presented at the January 29, 2020 meeting of the Board of Education and returned to this agenda for a formal presentation, public discussion and Board adoption.

Presentation by Chief of Human Resources/Labor Relations, Paul Idsvoog.

For the record, there were no comments/questions from Board Members to address Agenda Item B-13.

On a motion by Board Clerk Davis, seconded by Member Mills, agenda item B-13 was adopted, by a vote of 7-0-0-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, Islas, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, and Board President Thomas.

B-14, OPPORTUNITY for PUBLIC DISCUSSION of the California School Employees Association, Chapter 143, Food Service 2020-2021 initial proposal to the Fresno Unified School District

Staff presented the California School Employees Association, Chapter 143, Food Service 2020-2021 initial proposal to the Fresno Unified School District which was presented at the January 29, 2020 meeting of the Board of Education and returned to this agenda for a formal presentation, public discussion and acknowledgement of receipt.

Presentation by Chief of Human Resources/Labor Relations, Paul Idsvoog.

For the record, there were no comments/questions from Board Members to address Agenda Item B-14, and no action was required for this item.

B-15, OPPORTUNITY for PUBLIC DISCUSSION and ADOPTION of the Fresno Unified School District 2020-2021 Initial Proposal to the California School Employees Association, Chapter 143, Food Service

ADOPTED as recommended and in accordance with Government Code 3547, all initial proposals of the public-school employer shall be presented at a public meeting of the public-school employer, and thereafter shall be public record. The Fresno Unified School District 2020-2021 initial proposal to the California School Employees Association, Chapter 143, Food Service was presented at the January 29, 2020 meeting of the Board of Education and returned to this agenda for a formal presentation, public discussion and Board adoption.

Presentation by Chief of Human Resources/Labor Relations, Paul Idsvoog.

For the record, there were no comments/questions from Board Members.

On a motion by Board Clerk Davis, seconded by Member Mills, agenda item B-15 was approved, by a vote of 7-0-0-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, Islas, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, Major Slatic, and Board President Thomas.

B-16, PRESENT and DISCUSS Updates on the Local Control and Accountability Plan Stakeholder Outreach

Staff presented the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) which outlines the district goals, actions and expenditures planned for improving student outcomes.

Presentation by Executive Director, Santino Danisi

For the record, there were questions/comments from Board Members to address Agenda Item B-16. A summary is as follows: Acknowledged the time and effort of staff to provide successful LCAP meetings. Commented that it is critical the waiting list for after school programs be addressed in next year's budget. Requested the need for school psychologists be captured in the budget. Requested a proposal from Facilities pertaining to the cost of addressing lead in school drinking water.

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

C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS

C-17, RECEIVE Proposed Revisions for Board Policy

RECEIVED proposed revisions for two Board Policies 5030 Student Wellness, and 6142.8 Comprehensive Health Education. These revisions meet the legal mandates recommended by the California School Boards Association, Alliance for a Healthier Generation, and best practices. These items will be brought back for approval at a future Board meeting.

C-18, RECEIVE Draft Fresno Unified School District Superintendent Goals for 2020/21

RECEIVED the draft Fresno Unified School District Superintendent's Goals for 2020/21.

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Thomas declared the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.