

**MINUTES - BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
Fresno Unified School District
MARCH 12, 2008**

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

Regular Meeting

At a regular meeting of the Board of Education of Fresno Unified School District, held on March 12, 2008, there were present Members Asadoorian, Davis, Johnson, Mills, Ryan, and President Vang. Also present was Superintendent Hanson.

President Vang convened the meeting at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room and immediately adjourned to Closed Session to address items 1 through 5. *Member Nunez arrived at 4:45 p.m.*

Member Davis reported out of Closed Session at 5:30 that the board will reconvene at 5:50 p.m.

The Board of Education reconvened at 5:50 p.m. in the Board Room with Student Member Curry present and Member Vasquez absent.

Staff Present

CFO Quinto, Associate Superintendents Hauser, Marinovich, Mecum, Persaud, Tucker, CTO Madden, CIO Turnbull, Assistant Superintendents Bengel, Coronado, Franks, Locker, Jones, and Smits.

Reporting Out of Closed Session

1. By a vote of 7-0-0, the Board took action to hire Don Soyinthisane to Computer User Support Supervisor, Technology Services.
2. By a vote of 7-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session to reassign one Vice Principal/Program Manager, two District Coordinators and one Director to a classroom teaching assignments for the 2008-09 school year and to authorize the Superintendent or his Designee to give the affected employee notices.
3. By a vote of 7-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session to non-reelect five probationary classroom teachers at the conclusion of the 2007-08 school year and to authorize the Superintendent or his Designee to give the affected employees notice.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roeding Elementary volunteer, Pastor Natalie Chamberlain led the Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor Natalie is a valuable member of the Roeding family. She volunteers every Wednesday in a third grade classroom and has also scheduled volunteers to come to Roeding each week to work with first graders on reading fluency, phonics and other areas of need.

Minutes

APPROVED, as noted with corrections, the draft minutes for the December 14, 2007, Special meeting and January 9 and 23, 2008, Regular meetings.

Member Mills noted corrections to the minutes and moved for approval as corrected, seconded by Member Davis, which carried an 8-0-1 with Student Member Vasquez absent.

Reports from Student Board Representatives

Student Representatives Sanjeev Joshi and Mike Dixon reported an update from the Student Board Representative meeting hosted at Edison High School with Member Davis present.

Edison High School Decathlon Team for Taking First Place in the Fresno County Academic Decathlon

The Board and Superintendent recognized Edison High School for this year's participation in the Fresno County Academic Decathlon. Edison High placed 1st for the 12th year in a row. Coach Mrkaich and his team will represent Fresno County at the State Academic Decathlon next month.

Superintendent reported the following:

- **2 Students Recognized as All Stars**
Fresno County Superintendent Powell informed Fresno Unified was the only district in the state that had two students selected out of 25 students honored by the Governor last evening as Academic All Stars. Our students Armando Martinez from Fresno High and Jenny Rempel from Edison were joined by 5 other students from Fresno County at the event.
- **Chamber's State of Education Event**
Today, they were able to share with more than 200 community and business leaders about the transformation under way in Fresno Unified. Thanks to the Greater Fresno Area Chamber of Commerce, they had the opportunity to share the story of where they've been, where they are going, and how they are going to get there. He was proud of the many students they had there to showcase their talents in music, arts, academics and sports.
- **Fresno Unified's 'Excellence in Education' Honors 47 Outstanding Employees**
On March 10, Fresno Unified celebrated the Excellence in Education Awards and recognized 47 outstanding employees. Recognized was Nydia Anny Loera from Pyle Elementary School as Elementary Teacher of the Year; Andrea Nicolette from Tioga Middle School, Middle School Teacher of the Year; Cathy Cirimele from Bullard High School, High School Teacher of the Year; Dwayne Perry from Tioga, Classified Employee of the Year and Brian Radtke from Phoenix as Administrator of the Year. These individuals will advance to the Fresno County Office of Education's Educators of the Year competition that will take place later this fall.
- **Week of the Administrator**
They celebrated the Week of the Administrator last week and he wanted to take a few moments to commend the outstanding commitment and hard work of our leaders. There is a tremendous amount behind-the-scenes work happening at the schools and in this district work that they can all be proud of. He would like administrators, directors, and managers to stand so they can recognize and thank them for the work they do every day for the students and their families.

Superintendent Reported the following – continued

- **Susan Bedi – Selected as ACSA’s Statewide Classified Manager of the Year**
Announced Community Relations Officer Susan Bedi has been selected as ACSA’s Classified Manager of the year statewide for ACSA. Susan was recently honored by ACSA Region IX as Classified Manager of the Year and went on to the State level where she competed against managers from 18 other districts. Once again FUSD’s talented team members are being recognized throughout the state for the great work that they are doing. They are lucky to have someone of her skills working on the communications team.
- **AVID National Conference**
At the AVID national conference, Valerie Martinez from Sunnyside High School was recognized for her work with integrating AVID with the needs of the English Learners.
- **Fresno Unified Receives \$1 Million Grant to Help Students ‘Kick Asthma’**
Fresno Unified received a \$1 million Grant for Asthma from the Department of Health and Human Services and Center for Disease Control and Prevention. In collaboration with the American Lung Association of California, Fresno Unified will implement an asthma management program that will provide asthma surveillance; classes for students in middle schools to help them better manage their asthma, as well as parent awareness workshops and professional development for school administrators and teachers. As you may know, Fresno Unified students have some of the highest asthma rates in the country so this grant is particularly helpful to the district to serve the students.

On motion by Member Davis, seconded by Member Johnson the Consent Agenda was approved on a roll call vote of 8-0-1 as follows: Student Member Vasquez, Members Asadoorian, Davis, Johnson, Mills, Nunez, Ryan, and President Vang. *Student Member Curry was absent.*

A. CONSENT AGENDA

A-1, Personnel List

APPROVED, as recommended, the Personnel List, Appendix A, as submitted.

A-2, 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 February 27, 2008, Regular Board Meeting.

A-3, Two New Independent Contractor Services Agreements and One Amended Independent Contractor Services Agreement with Center for Communications Skills

RATIFIED, as recommended, two new Independent Contractor Services Agreements and one amended Independent Contractor Services Agreement with the Center for Communication Skills to provide speech/language assessments and services to FUSD students as part of the IEPs and under settlement agreements; thus, the District is responsible to remit payment for these services. These agreement periods are from November 9, 2007 through May 9, 2008, and September 26, 2007 through September 26, 2008, for the new contracts, and July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008, for the amended contract. Funding will be provided through Special Education funds in the amount of \$31,720 for the two new agreements and \$60,000 for the amended agreement.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued**A-4, Legal Services Agreement with Olson, Hagel & Fishburn**

RATIFIED, as recommended, a general retainer agreement between Olson, Hagel & Fishburn, LLP, and the Center for Advanced Research and Technology (CART) to perform legal services related to CART's appeal from findings made in the 2005/06 and 2006/07 fiscal year audits. CART is shown as the "client" in the agreement, as it is a separate legal entity; Fresno Unified School District and Clovis Unified School District are parties to the agreement as the sponsors of CART. The agreement is dated February 7, 2008, as preparation was required for a State Board of Education hearing scheduled for March 7, 2008. The firm's hourly rate ranges from \$105 (law clerk/paralegal) to \$285 (partner). It is estimated that legal services will total approximately \$25,000, to be evenly split between FUSD and CUSD. Sufficient funds for legal expenses are budgeted in the unrestricted General Fund.

A-5, Submission of the Kaiser Permanente Community Health Benefit Grant Application to Kaiser Permanente Community Health

APPROVED, as recommended, an application material for a Kaiser Permanente Community Health Benefit grant application. FUSD Health Services is submitting a request for funding to practically cover the cost of the Mobile health Center. The FUSD Mobile Health Center provides services to students and families throughout the district. There is an increasing need for health services as more families are helped and word spreads in the community. Current services include physical exams, immunizations, health education, and medical treatment to uninsured/low income students. Grant funds will pay for all program costs.

A-6, Reappointment of Member to Measure K Oversight Committee

APPROVED, as recommended, the reappointment of Paul Williams to the Measure K Oversight Committee by Member Nunez. The Oversight Committee members serve two-year terms, with a two-term limit. The term of Oversight Committee member Paul Williams, who was appointed by Member Nunez, expired at the end of February. Mr. Williams has an excellent attendance record for Committee meetings.

A-7, Bid #2814, Re-Roofing of Bullard High School

AWARDED, as recommended, Bid #2814 to the following lowest responsive, responsible bidder.

Graham Prewitt, Inc.	\$1,105,000.00
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A copy of the low bid is available for Board review in the Board Office. Sufficient funds have been budgeted for and are available in the 2007/08 Measure K and State Facility Program Fund.

A-8, Bid #2815, Bullard High School Modernization – Phase A

AWARDED, as recommended, Bid #2815 to the following lowest responsive, responsible bidder.

Durham Construction Company	\$2,933,900.00
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A copy of the low bid is available for Board review in the Board Office. Fiscal Impact: Sufficient funds have been budgeted for and are available in the 2007/08 Measure K and State Facility Program Fund.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

A-9, Filing of the Notices of Completions for the Projects Listed Below

RATIFIED, as recommended, the Notices of Completions for:

1. Bid #2722, Chiller Replacement for the Education Center
Fiscal Impact: Restricted Routine Maintenance Funds
2. Bid #2729-A & B, Modernization for Heaton Elementary and Lowell Elementary Schools
Fiscal Impact: Measure K and State Facility Program Funds
3. Bid #2733, Portable Relocation Project for Various Fresno Unified School District Sites
Fiscal Impact: Developer Fee Funds

The projects have been completed according to plans and specifications. Fiscal Impact: The 10% retention will be released after ratification of the Notices of Completions. Projects have been completed and funded with the following 2007/08 funds as noted in the item listed above.

President Vang stated that pursuant to the requirements of the Brown Act, the Education Code and Board Bylaw 9323, meetings of the Board of Education are held in public for the purpose of conducting school district business. The Brown Act also requires that members of the public be provided with an opportunity to exercise their right to comment publicly on matters relating to the school district's business. Matters presented during Public Comment will be referred to the Superintendent for appropriate follow up.

The Board is aware that members of the public who speak during Public Comment often have very strong feelings regarding school district issues. However, the Board expects all speakers to appreciate the rights of others by conducting themselves in a civil and respectful manner at all times. Any person who willfully disregards the rights of others, including but not limited to the nonconsensual disclosure of confidential information related to a particular student or employee, does so at his or her own risk.

The Board will not tolerate any unlawful disturbance or willful disruption of this meeting, and any person who conducts themselves in such a manner may be removed.

They appreciate their adherence to these requirements in an effort to safeguard your right to comment while at the same time, ensuring that this Board's meetings function properly.

UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

There are no speakers under the unscheduled oral communication.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA

B-10, Targeted Improvement Action Focus – AVID Update and Impact on Student Learning

Chief Academic Officer Hauser presented the Targeted Improvement Actions – AVID updated and the impact on student learning that is built on the foundation of the Board’s Core Beliefs and Commitments and driven by the Theory of Action. Fresno Unified School District has aligned and targeted resources (time, money, people, materials, facilities and energy) toward identifying district and school goals. Four types of Targeted Improvement Actions (TIAs) identified and supported the comprehensive and differentiated needs of the schools:

- a) *Additional* positions/services for students and school sites
- b) *Expanded* services to students and school sites
- c) *Sustained* programs and services that would have otherwise remained unfunded
- d) *Standardized* and differentiated school support

Chief Academic Officer Hauser and AVID Coordinator Martinez provided a deeper insight into the history of AVID within Fresno Unified, the expansion of AVID as a Targeted Improvement Action, the professional development of teachers, the impact on student learning and the future of AVID with emphasis on support for English Learners.

Students Evelyn Ramirez and Gregory Williams from Sunnyside High School provided the board with a brief report on what outcomes they have received from the AVID program.

Member Mills commended all the AVID teachers in the classroom and questioned what other elementary school sites will this program be implemented at and what is happening with English Learners in AVID?

Coordinator Martinez stated that this program will be implemented at: Aynesworth, Baird, Mayfair, Vinland, Robinson, Eaton, and will be waiting on grant approval to add additional schools. She commented that what they find successful is to have the English Learner student enroll into a regular AVID elective class, regardless whether they are a newcomer or long-term English Learner.

Member Davis questioned if the requirements have changed in the courses of study and AP classes?

Coordinator Martinez stated that they want complete open access to the honors or AP classes so that any student who is willing to make the effort will be allowed in them.

Member Nunez commended Coordinator Martinez and the program. He also emphasized the need to assist the undocumented students and the fees they have to pay at the colleges.

President Vang congratulated the students and questioned the ethnicity percentage drop of the students from 2006 to 2007?

Coordinator Martinez commented that it depends on the students who apply to the program, in the past they had to recruit students but now every school has a waiting list for their AVID elective classes. They try to pick the students that will appropriately fit the program.

President Vang questioned how much information goes out to the students and parents about AVID?

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued**B-10, Targeted Improvement Action Focus – AVID Update and Impact on Student Learning – continued**

Coordinator Martinez stated that this is one area that she will be working in and having Parent forums in their primary languages to be aware of the AVID program.

President Vang questioned how long will it take a student from an L-1 to understand student content in L-2?

Coordinator Martinez stated that it depends on how long the student has spent in school in their home country. The more schooling they have the faster they get through their ELD classes.

President Vang expressed concerns with the comprehension aspect of L-1 and will it delay them in learning English?

Coordinator Martinez stated that it does not, it actually accelerates it.

Comments were made by Members Johnson, Ryan, Davis, Nunez, Mills, Asadoorian, and Nunez.

B-11, Secondary Athletic Facility Projects

CFO Quinto and Associate Superintendent Persaud and Director provided the Board a list of high priority secondary athletic facility projects, also referred to as the high school pressure projects list. As you know, the City of Fresno recently approved a \$2 million earmark in their Park Bond toward these Fresno Unified athletic facilities. This agreement will include more specific information as to the application of the City's \$2 million contribution to athletic facility projects. They are continuing to work with City staff and hope to present the agreement for approval at your March 26, 2008 meeting. Total cost estimated at \$9.7 million. Currently \$5.8 million is earmarked in the 2007/08 unrestricted General Fund. Additional funding sources are actively being pursued.

Proposed Athletic Facilities

- Weight Room: Hoover
- Stadium Improvements: McLane
- All-Weather Tracks: Hoover, Fresno and Bullard
- Track Resurface: Sunnyside
- Track Lighting: Bullard, Edison and Roosevelt
- Relocate track-jumping pits: Roosevelt
- Track seating: Edison
- Turf inside track: Bullard
- New Pools: Fresno and Bullard

Commitment to maintenance/cleanliness

- *Train Maintenance staff on preventive and routine maintenance of facilities based on manufacturer maintenance schedules
**includes new Figarden ball fields as well as other district facilities*
- Daily “ground level” inspection by site-based Plant Coordinator
- Monthly inspection by Maintenance Supervisor

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued

B-11, Secondary Athletic Facility Projects – continued

Funding for Athletic Facilities

- Coregis Reserve (Athletic Facilities) at \$5.8M
- City of Fresno (Park Bond) at \$2.0 M
- Other – Material Inaccuracy* at \$2.0M
 *continuing to pursue relief from excessive penalty calculation
- Total at \$9.8M
- All one-time funding

CFO Quinto provided the Board with the joint use agreement status and next steps:

- Negotiations with City of Fresno ongoing and challenging
- Agreement will include specific information about the application of City’s \$2M contribution to athletic facility projects
- Hopeful that Agreement will be ready for Board consideration on March 26, 2008

Next steps:

- Board approval of secondary athletic facility projects
- Facilities and Athletic Department staff to meet with school Administrators to get final input and discuss project scheduling
- Staff will assign architects to the projects for design
- Projects will be bid for construction
- Board will be asked to approve construction contracts
- Work will begin on new and improved facilities

The following individuals addressed the Board with their concerns regarding the safety of the pool, track and field at Fresno High.

- Ashley Rocha
- Vanessa Wright
- Emily Flores
- Jamie Priet
- Jonathan Jackson
- Anastacia Frago
- Angelina Duarte
- Jasmine Yezmene
- Kim Campbell

Member Nunez moved for approval, seconded by Member Davis, which carried an 8-0-1 with *Student Member Vasquez absent*.

Member Nunez questioned the timeline of the construction and is it possible to drain them and repair the surfaces of the pools?

CFO Quinto stated that they will review Member Nunez’ concern and the timeline would be about 18 months.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued

B-11, Secondary Athletic Facility Projects – continued

Member Nunez questioned if there is a practice shoe students can wear when the students are in the pool and is there any maintenance that can level off the tracks?

CFO Quinto stated when you look at the conditions of the tracks it's just not leveling but also removing of materials and replacing it completely.

Member Nunez stated that in fairness of the students they need to act as soon as they can.

Member Nunez called for the questioned.

Student Member Curry stated that the facilities are on life support and at the point; pull the plug. He expressed concerns with the safety of the track and field and pool and stated that this should be mandatory to repair the facilities at Fresno High and this is a necessity.

Member Davis questioned more seating at Roosevelt High School and more bathrooms facilities?

CFO Quinto stated that these are not included in the project scope but does not preclude them being included in future master plans.

Student Member Curry departed the Board meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Member Mills questioned if the turf at Bullard High is artificial and is the Board being requested to approve?

CFO Quinto stated no specific designed is set in stone and the Board is not being asked to approve any particular design.

Member Mills requested if staff can look at the neighboring school districts regarding artificial turf. She questioned the specifications of the track lanes at Fresno, Hoover and Bullard and stated that community members have requested a competition track at Fresno High and all-weather with lighting at Fresno and Hoover High.

Manager Semmen stated that the tracks at Fresno and Hoover High Schools are competition level and not invitational tracks. They would all be able to have elementary and middle school events.

Member Mills questioned if the all weather track was included in the plan and how many lanes for each school?

CFO Quinto states that the all weather tracks are included in the design with 6 lanes for Hoover and Fresno and 9 lanes at Bullard.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued

B-11, Secondary Athletic Facility Projects – continued

Member Mills questioned the timelines for the projects?

Superintendent Hanson stated that he would provide the Board with that information. They do not have a specific timeline at this time. He also stated that the turf at Bullard will be back to the Board for discussion to vote on.

President Vang stated there is a motion and second and called for all those in favor, which carried a 7-0-2 vote *with Student Members Curry and Vasquez absent.*

Comments were made by Members Davis, Nunez, Ryan, Mills, and Asadoorian.

President Vang recessed for a BREAK at 8:23 p.m. and reconvened at 8:32 p.m.

B-12, Status of the 2007/08 Suspension-Expulsions

Associate Superintendent Tucker and staff presented the district's 2007-2008 Semester I Suspension and Expulsion data, as well as short and long-term strategies targeted at reducing these numbers. A number of improvement actions have been taken to support student social-emotional needs, strengthen student connection to school, and promote a safe, more secure, engaging, positive learning environment. These coordinated efforts across schools and between departments are intended to prevent serious behavior problems and significantly reduce current suspension and expulsion rates.

Superintendent Hanson wanted to comment on the targets and they are targeting the improvement of the behavior that leads to suspensions and expulsions, thus leading to fewer suspensions and expulsions.

Presentation Outcomes

- Understand the Contextual background
- Examine data
- Review Current Actions
- Understand Next Steps

Assistant Superintendent Franks provided student success; focus on social emotional support and targeting suspensions and expulsions.

Superintendent Hanson commented on the expulsions and suspensions trends.

Assistant Superintendent Jones provided the board with an update on students with emotional and behaviors needs in the district.

Member Ryan questioned if the district is mainstreaming students too quickly into the system?

Assistant Superintendent Jones stated that they are not.

Member Ryan questioned what is the district doing to prevent a negative environment?

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued

B-12, Status of the 2007/08 Suspension-Expulsions – continued

Assistant Superintendent Jones stated that there are isolated incidents and that the campuses are still safe.

Associate Superintendent Tucker provided the next steps and highlighted the implementation of the automated K-12 student conduct referral tracking system and the participation in a research study of tiered systems of Social Emotional Supports.

Member Nunez commented that parent involvement is critical, and questioned what kind of solutions will help the students?

Member Davis questioned the ethnicity of the suspensions and expulsions?

Associate Superintendent Tucker stated that she will provide that detailed information.

Superintendent Hanson stated the District has a big issue that they're trying to address.

Member Mills questioned the Community Day School (Teilman) 7-12 and what can the district do better or differently?

Assistant Superintendent Jones stated that the committee and staff at Teilman feel that there are a lot of things they cannot provide and one is the mental health component with some of the students needing intensive mental health services and they need to start looking at taking care of their own students.

Member Mills questioned if they do their own Community Day School, the statutes require providing the students with whatever they need. Are they expecting to hire their own mental health services?

Assistant Superintendent Jones stated that is correct and they would have to look at providing and having control of their own services.

Member Mills questioned the number of students who need these services?

Assistant Superintendent Jones stated under special Ed and general Ed they are looking at around 100 and it fluctuates up and down.

Superintendent Hanson stated that there are funding and all other kinds of things that come up with these issues but it comes down to that there are too many expulsions and suspensions; too many behaviors that lead up to it and they need to do something about it; they're in the position to explore it and identify what they can do for this serious issue.

Member Asadoorian requested clarification on expulsion?

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued**B-12, Status of the 2007/08 Suspension-Expulsions – continued**

Hearing Specialist Torosian stated that expulsion can mean they are completely eliminated from the District altogether and for elementary students they would go to Phoenix Academy and grades 7-12 they would go to the County Community School or have the option of going to a Charter School. A student can also be expelled but not from the District, a suspended expulsion, the student is placed in another district program on probation.

Member Asadoorian questioned if a student goes to Phoenix Academy can they return back to the District?

Hearing Specialist Torosian stated that an expulsion is not forever for anybody, the longest period for a student expulsion is for one calendar year, and that is for a firearm or explosive, otherwise, the longest is the current or following semester. The student goes through a re-admission process where they meet with a panel and have to show good attendance, grades and behavior and have complied with any special orders. They are then readmitted to a different school from which they were expelled.

Member Asadoorian stated that this information needs to be communicated to the school sites.

Superintendent Hanson stated Member Asadoorian is correct, what's difficult are the lower level problems, the repeaters are what frustrates the administration. What they need to do is a better job while at schools like Phoenix or facilities like Community School.

Member Asadoorian questioned the suspensions that vary at every site?

Hearing Specialist Torosian stated that outside the five mandatory offenses, with everything else the administrators have discretion to do what they feel is appropriate. They look at a number of things, how egregious was the offense, was this offense repeated, history of the student, victims on the campus, they have to look at each individual incident and the totality of it.

Member Asadoorian questioned if school sites actually have conversations about suspensions?

Hearing Specialist Torosian stated he receives phone calls all the time and the District runs four in-services per year on disciplinary issues.

Superintendent Hanson stated the communication from Prevention and Intervention is always consistent. They have a lot of inconsistencies at the school sites and they need to improve so that what happens at one site is handled the same way at another.

Member Nunez requested a workshop on this agenda item with Board recommendations on resources to help students and families.

Member Nunez commented there are many things that still need to be explored. They seem to be hiding the fact that there are gang problems in the schools; he questioned if they have been invited to attend any of the meetings on gang violence from the Police Department?

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued**B-12, Status of the 2007/08 Suspension-Expulsions – continued**

Hearing Specialist Torosian stated that every school site is involved with the mayors' gang prevention taskforce. Students are constantly referred to that particular taskforce. They can't mandate parents to take a particular child to counseling services; a community day school provides that type of services right there on site.

Superintendent Hanson stated that the schools are actively engaged in gang prevention. The earliest to have a workshop would be this summer.

Member Nunez requested the Social Workers' report on the outcomes of the services they are providing at the school sites.

Superintendent Hanson stated that this information was provided about two months ago with the presentation about middle school and web of support and he feels that's why they're seeing a difference in the Middle School figures.

Comments were made by Members Ryan, Asadoorian, Mills, Davis, and Nunez.

B-13, 2007/08 Second Interim Financial Report with a Positive Certification

APPROVED, as recommended, the 2007/08 Second Interim Financial Report with a Positive Certification. The report has been developed based on the January 31, 2008, year-to-date revenue and expenditures as required by state law and for submission to the County Superintendent of Schools with a positive certification.

Member Nunez moved for approval.

CFO Quinto provided the board with the 2007/08 Second Interim Financial Report with a Positive Certification, presented in an overview included the following:

- Financial Reporting Timelines
- Second Interim Report on 2007/08
- Second Interim Report Multi-Year Projections for 2008/09 and 2009/10

Superintendent Hanson commented that all the projections indicate a 2-year trend and the plan is to spend down the reserve. He states that if the trend changes they will pull up out of the plan and present to the Board the new model.

Member Mills questioned the Coregis report (reserve) and this money is to be used for current projects? She doesn't expect it to still be there in 2009/10, how will this affect the budget then?

CFO Quinto stated that at the time this report was prepared the \$5.8 million was not appropriated and it had to be shown in all 3 years. The Coregis reserve is not included in the ending balance therefore if this expenditure is not there, within the next 3 years, they will still come out in a positive certification.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued**B-13, 2007/08 Second Interim Financial Report with a Positive Certification – continued**

Member Mills wanted to confirm that even after expenditure of that fund questioned if the District will still have a positive certification?

CFO Quinto stated that not only would they have a positive certification but also that they are accounting this separate and apart from the net Unrestricted General Fund Balance.

Member Ryan commented that she is thrilled with the job well done on the positive certification.

Member Nunez moved for approval, seconded by Member Ryan, which carried a 7-0-2 *with Student Members Curry and Vasquez absent.*

B-14, MID-CAL Entrepreneurial and Mathematics Charter School Petition

PULLED from consideration from the agenda.

B-15, 2008 California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly, Subregion 10-B

CASTED Votes as recommended, for the candidates running for the Delegate Assembly for the vacancy in Subregion 10-B for 3 candidates who will serve two-year terms beginning April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2010.

- Mark A. Aguilar (Washington Colony ESD)
- Gilbert F. Coelho (Firebaugh-Las Deltas USD)*
- Kenneth R. Marcantonio (Sanger USD)
- Betsy J. Sandoval (Clovis USD)*
- Norman Saude (Sierra USD)*

**Denotes incumbent*

Member Mills moved for approval of Gilbert Coelho, Betsy Sandoval and Norman Saude, seconded by Member Johnson, motion carried with a 6-1-2 vote *with Member Nunez dissenting and Student Members Curry and Vasquez absent.*

C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS**C-16, Revised Board Policies Based on Legally Mandated Changes and Categorical Program Monitoring Review**

RECEIVED drafts of revised Board Policies being recommended in response to legally mandated changes and Categorical Program Monitoring review. The draft policies include:

- Board Policy 1312.2 – Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials.
- Board Policy 6142.1 – Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction.

(CSBA recommendation to merge previous policies 6142.1 and 6142.2)

Legally mandated changes are in green font, CSBA recommended language addition is highlighted in yellow, deletion recommendations are in red strikeout, and clarification is in blue font.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS

Member Nunez

- Announced he will be attending the Conference with the Council of Great City Schools
- Proposed that they support the resolution by CSBA, opposing the Governors cutbacks, 77 other Districts have already taken action on the resolution and he hopes Fresno Unified will join them.

Superintendent Hanson

- Announced that Member Nunez will be representing Fresno Unified at the upcoming conference with the Council of Great City School.

Member Mills

- Requested an update on Dailey School.
- Received an email from CSBA on regulations changes regarding Charter Schools and requested an update to see how it will affect Fresno Unified with these regulations going into effect March 29.
- Requested a copy of the PowerPoint Superintendent Hanson presented at the Chamber Commerce luncheon.

Superintendent Hanson stated that he will provide the Board with the PowerPoint presentation and the information on the Charter School changes.

Member Ryan

- Would like to explore the idea of starting the Board meetings at 5 p.m.

President Vang

- Informed the Board about Assemblymember Arambula's introduction to Bill AB2064 related to AB 78, to be part of the Social Study curriculum about the Secret war in Laos and would like to see the Boards support on this Bill.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

With no further business to come before the Board of Education at this time, President Vang declared the meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.



MICHAEL E. HANSON, SECRETARY to the
Board of Education