

**MINUTES - BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
Fresno Unified School District
MAY 28, 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 May 28, 2008, there were present Members Asadoorian, Davis, Mills, Nunez, Ryan, and President Vang. Also present was Superintendent Hanson.

President Vang convened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. in the Board Room for the purpose of the Board Workshop on the Facilities Master Plan. *Member Johnson arrived at 2:10 p.m.*

Superintendent Hanson stated that the staff and consultants will provide the Board with the process and the progress being made as they move towards the Facilities Master Plan. The presentation will provide an update from May of the work that has been completed.

Workshop on Facilities Master Plan

Executive Director LeBlanc along with Jacobs Carter Burgess consultants presented the Facilities Master Plan including the major themes arising from community input and various focus groups which followed with a discussion by the Board and staff generated on any topics contained in the presentation related to the Facilities Master Plan. The presentation provided an open discussion; work to date-preliminary conclusions/comments, themes for discussion and interactive input, and next steps.

- Process Overview
- Community Meeting Results – (six locations and 270 participants)
 - Responses at the meetings: 1) identified opportunities for facility improvement; 2) will influence the various options for Facilities Master Plan; and 3) overall the responses reinforced what they thought was true.
- Middle School Focus
 - The purpose was to seek the student’s perception of what facilities and programs they believe are missing or need improvement and to address the critical issue of drop outs.
 - Each middle school provided a cross-section of the student body and series of questions were asked using interactive technology. A group discussion followed with 290 student participants – representing a small sample of the student population.
 - Major input from the middle school students: Facility improvement, safety, programs, technology, facility maintenance, after school activities, and school choice

Workshop on Facilities Master Plan – continued

Member Johnson departed the Board meeting at 2:35 p.m.

- Conditions Assessment
 - Purpose to establish a baseline of current facility conditions through a thorough visual inspection and to provide a rating that reflects an estimated capital need.

President Vang recessed for a BREAK at 2:45 p.m. and RECONVENED at 2:55 p.m. to continue the dialogue with consultants.

- Enrollment Management
 - Strengthen and create neighborhood learning communities by maintaining flexibility for a variety of grade configurations and school sizes.
 - Enhance predictable feeder patterns, fields of study, and athletics to allow strategic, meaningful, and relevant progression for students.
 - Strengthen pathways and transitions from elementary school to middle school, middle school to high school, and high school to post-secondary.
 - Expand educational offerings by providing early childhood education and adult education options.
 - Review utilization of all schools and determine the most efficient use of all facilities.
- Proposed Standards – the recommended District Facility Standards were developed based on input from:
 - Visioning, Board, community meetings, District Facilities input, middle school meetings, regulations and codes, other school District examples, and world-class trends in education
- Non-Instructional Support
- Parent and Community Involvement
- Physical Education and Co-Curricular Environment
- Safety and Security
- Facilities
- Student Engagement
- Technology and Communication
- Where the district is today
 - To date they have completed: Visioning, Board Workshop, the first round of the community meetings, and middle school student focus groups
 - To date the district has started: Recommended standards, suitability assessment, conditions assessments, and demographics.
- Next Steps: Community meetings, summer workshops, and plan development.

Comments were made by Members Ryan, Davis, Asadoorian, Mills, Nunez, President Vang, and Superintendent Hanson.

President Vang RECESSED for Closed Session at 4:05 p.m.

Member Davis reported out at 5:30 p.m. and announced that the Board will reconvene at 5:55 p.m.

Superintendent Hanson departed the Board meeting at 5:45 p.m.

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

Reporting Out of Closed Session

1. By a vote of 6-0-1 *with Member Johnson absent*, the Board took action in Closed Session to promote Robert Nelson to Administrator, Human Resources/Labor Relations.
2. By a vote of 6-0-1 *with Member Johnson absent*, the Board took action in Closed Session to hire John Quinto to Computer User Support Supervisor, Technology Services.
3. By a vote of 6-0-1 *with Member Johnson absent*, the Board took action in Closed Session to hire Edward Gomes to Principal II, Jefferson Elementary School.
4. By a vote of 6-0-1 *with Member Johnson absent*, the Board took action in Closed Session to promote Elizabeth Fralicks to Head Counselor, Edison High School.

Pledge of Allegiance

Sunset Elementary parent, Maricela Velazquez led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Velazquez is a star parent and a valuable member of the Sunset family. Mrs. Velazquez volunteers numerous hours in her children's classrooms. She is also a part of the School Site Council, PTA and ELAC.

Reports from Student Board Representatives

Student Representatives Jasmine Sling and Andrea Mendoza reported from the Student Board Representatives meeting held at DeWolf High School with Members Mills and Ryan present.

Minutes

APPROVED, with noted corrections by Members Mills and Asadoorian, the draft minutes for April 8, 2008, Joint Board Meeting with CART, Fresno and Clovis Unified School Districts, April 9 and 23, 2008, Regular Meetings.

Member Mills moved for approval with noted corrections, seconded by Member Davis, which carried an 8-0-1 vote *with Member Johnson absent*.

Student Advisory Board Representatives for 2007/08 School Year

The Board and Superintendent recognized Student Board Members, Charles Curry from Fresno High School and Vanessa Vasquez from McLane High School for serving on the Board of Trustees for the 2007/2008 School Year.

Acting Superintendent Quinto Reported the following:

- **Celebrated New Fresno Unified Leaders**

Last week we celebrated 29 Fresno Unified leaders who completed the Leadership Preparation Program Cohort 2 and just this morning we celebrated 26 leaders who completed the Aspiring Administrators Program. She recognized Julie Severns for her outstanding work in leading these groups. A tremendous amount of time and sacrifice goes into making sure these programs are of the highest caliber and we are truly fortunate for her leadership. These leadership programs are helping Fresno Unified School District to sustain change and bolster our efforts to improve student performance.

Acting Superintendent Quinto Reported – *continued*

- **Fresno Unified’s BTSA Program Lauded as ‘Model Program’ for the State of California**
A review team from the California Department of Education (CDE) and the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC) has deemed Fresno Unified School District’s Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment (BTSA) program to be a “model program for the State of California.” She congratulated Jonel Mueller and her team for their diligent and outstanding work. In less than a year, intense improvement actions were put into place, resulting in a perfect rating in meeting all 85 elements of the program standards required by the CCTC.
- **Fresno Unified students to Receive Triumph Awards at Mayor’s State of the City Address**
Pleased to share that three of our students will receive the Triumph Award at Mayor Autry’s State of the City address this Friday. Daniella Allen from Kings Canyon Middle School, Veronica Garcia from Roosevelt High School and Josh Delaney from Cooper Middle School will be honored for their perseverance in overcoming challenges.
- **Edison High School Ranked ‘Top Public High School’ in the Nation by *Newsweek***
Edison High School has been ranked 572 out of 1300 of the top public high schools in the nation by *Newsweek*. Other high schools in the area include Clovis Unified’s Buchanan High School, ranked at 702, and Clovis West High School, ranked at 792. *Newsweek* ranks the schools based on the number of Advanced Placement and Baccalaureate tests taken by graduating seniors.
- **Fresno Unified Students Making their Mark**
Announced a few recent accomplishments of FUSD students. They can all be proud of the outstanding performance of our students and here are just a few examples.
 - ***Nationally Ranked Bullard Boys Volleyball Team win Championship***
Our Bullard High School boys’ volleyball team won the Central Section title by defeating Buchanan High School last Friday night. The title is Bullard’s first since 2004 and the team is ranked No. 13 in the nation by Studentsports.com.
 - ***Manchester GATE Student Competes in State Elementary Spelling Championship***
Elizabeth Rodriguez, a 6th grade student at Manchester GATE, placed 31st among 61 competitors in the California State Elementary Spelling Championship on May 17. She was eligible to compete at the state level because of her successful performance at the school, regional, and county spelling bees.
 - ***Bullard High School Badminton Player Finishes Season with Perfect Record***
Bullard High School’s Harleen Kaur did not lose one match all season and was named Valley Champion in badminton singles.
 - ***McLane Baseball Team Wins Division III Championship***
The McLane baseball team defeated South Bakersfield High School to win the Division III championship. This is the first baseball championship since 1973.
 - ***Bullard Boys’ Tennis Team Wins Third-Straight Central Section Title***
The Bullard boys’ tennis team won its third-straight Central Section team title in a 7-2 victory.
 - ***Baird Students Take First Place Awards in Slick Rock Film Festival***
Baird students took home three first place awards from the Slick Rock Film festival. The students won for foreign film, one for documentary, and one for music video. The students’ work will be broadcasted On Demand soon.
 - ***Edison High School Teacher Receives Prestigious Award from Carlston Family Foundation***
Announced that Julie Peterson, activities director, at Edison High School received the Outstanding Teacher of America Award from the Carlston Family Foundation. She is one of six outstanding high school teachers selected from throughout the state of California and will be honored at an awards ceremony in November.

Student Member Curry departed the Board meeting at 6:20 p.m.

President Vang stated that Administration has pulled agenda items A-11 and A-21 and no action will be taken on these two items.

On motion by Member Nunez, seconded by Member Davis the Consent Agenda, exclusive of Agenda Items: A-9, A-11, A-20, and A-21, approved on a roll call vote of 7-0-2 as follows: Student Board Member Vasquez, Members Asadoorian, Davis, Mills, Nunez, Ryan, and President Vang. *Member Johnson and Student Member Curry were 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 May 14, 2008, Regular Board Meeting.

A-3, Retiree Contract for Velma Jean Williams

APPROVED, as recommended, a Retiree Contract for Velma Jean Williams to assist the Mental Health Coordinator in facilitation work with K-8 MDT (Multi-Disciplinary Team) process and convene Mega SARB panel and chair regular SARB meetings when required. She will serve as a participant on expulsion hearings and readmission panels. The contract begins July 1, 2008 and will end June 30, 2009. Funding will be provided through the Prevention and Intervention funds and not to exceed \$20,000.

A-4, Two Independent Contractor Services Agreements with Gail Robinette and Associates (GRA) for Easterby and Heaton Elementary Schools

APPROVED, as recommended, two Independent Contractor Services Agreements with Gail Robinette and Associates (GRA) to provide follow-up training and external technical assistance for the Easterby and Heaton Elementary Schools. GRA will provide professional development for Instructional Coaches, Teachers, and Administration and on-site support focusing on the implementation of the Academic Improvement Model (AIM). GRA will provide 42 days of support to the Instructional Coaches, direct support in the classrooms, collaboration with site Administration and Leadership Team and support at grade level meetings. Data will be used to inform standards focus, lesson design and implementation. The two agreements will commence on August 1, 2008 and will end May 15, 2009. Funding will be provided through the High Priority Grant funds in the amount of \$85,050 for each school site for a total of \$170,100.00.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued**A-5, Local Agreement with the California Department of Education for Child Development Services Contract #CRPM-7100, Facilities Renovation and Repair and Resolution**

APPROVED and ADOPTED, as recommended, the local Agreement for Child Development Services Contract #CRPM-7100 Facilities Renovation and Repair with Fresno Unified School District State Preschool and Child Development Program to provide renovation and repair to 13 sites: Balderas, Birney, Ewing, Greenberg, Heaton, Hidalgo, Holland, Mayfair, Powers-Ginsburg, Roeding, Turner, Wolters, and Webster. The period for expenditures may be made with these funds from December 15, 2007 through June 30, 2010. Funding will be provided through the California Department of Education Child Care and Development Fund in the amount of \$149,000.

A-6, Independent Contractor Services Agreement with San Joaquin Office of Education

APPROVED, as recommended, an Independent Contractor Services Agreement with San Joaquin County Office of Education to provide English Language Arts (ELA) SB472 professional development training for approximately 175 K-6 teachers in Reading First, High Priority, and School Assistance Intervention Team (SAIT) funded schools. Teachers will participate in 40 hours of professional development covering our curriculum and effective instructional practices. The contract will begin July 1, 2008 and will end June 30, 2009. Funding will be provided by Reading First, SAIT, and High Priority funds in the amount of \$148,750. The District will submit to the State for reimbursement, there will be no impact to the budget.

A-7, Renewal Independent Contractor Services Agreement with Araceli Gallardo for Lowell's First5 School Readiness Program

APPROVED, as recommended, a renewal Independent Contractor Services Agreement with Araceli Gallardo to provide counseling services for the Lowell's First5 School Readiness Program. The mission of First5 Fresno County is to be a catalyst for creating an accessible and effective network of quality services for young children (0-5 years) and their families. Contractor agrees to provide counseling services to children ages three, four and five and their families. Services include play therapy, art therapy and discussion to help children learn empathy, coping and communication skills and build resiliency. This agreement will begin on August 18, 2008 and will end on June 12, 2009. Funding will be provided through the First5 Fresno County Children and Families Commission in the total amount of \$23,450.

A-8, Renewal Independent Contractor Services Agreement with Central Valley Children's Services Network for First5 Fresno County School Readiness (SR) Programs for Addams, Burroughs, Lowell, and Mayfair Schools

APPROVED, as recommended, a renewal Independent Contractor Services Agreement with Central Valley Children's Services Network for School Readiness Program in creating an accessible and effective network of quality services for young children (0-5 years) and their families at Addams, Burroughs, Lowell, and Mayfair Schools. Contract includes: Three School Readiness Coordinators, eight Home Educators, one Social Services Specialist, one Program Assistant and one Preschool Assistant. This contract will begin on July 1, 2008 and will end June 30, 2009. Funding will be provided through the First5 Fresno County Children and Families Commission in the total amount of \$631,680 and allocated in the following manner: Addams, \$46,657; Burroughs, \$172,704; Lowell, \$240,887; and Mayfair \$171,432.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

A-9, Contract with the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) for McLane High School

PULLED for discussion.

A-10, Agreements with Various Agencies for Use of Facilities for Fresno Adult School

APPROVED, as recommended the six agreements delineated in the matrix for Fresno Adult School for facility usage:

- Decision Home of Fresno
- El Encino Baptist Church
- Maroa Home
- Mennonite Community Church
- Pilgrim Armenian Church
- Sierra Tribal Consortium

The Adult school will provide adult education at the facilities in preparation for General Education Development (GED), Adult Basic Education, English as a Second Language, Career Technical Education, Older Adult Programs, Parent Education Programs and/or other adult education programs. A copy of each contract is available for review in the Board office. There is no cost to the District.

A-11, Independent Contractor Services Agreement with California Teaching Fellows for Fresno Adult School

PULLED from this agenda for consideration.

A-12, Master and Individual Service Agreements for Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency Services with Creative Alternatives, Inc., Joseph Novack Academy/Reyn Franca School

RATIFIED, as recommended, Master Agreement for nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency services and an Individual Service Agreement between Fresno Unified School District and Creative Alternatives, Inc., Joseph Novack Academy/Reyn Franca School. Under California law, the District is responsible only for costs of providing education services to special education children in residential placements (see California Government Code Section 7570 et seq.). Thus, the District must bear the costs of the nonpublic school component of the student's placement. This placement fulfills the District's obligation under AB3632, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and related California law that provides this student with a free and appropriate public education. The contract began November 11, 2007 and will end June 30, 2008. Funding will be provided through the Special Education funds in the amount of \$18,788.90.

A-13, Amendment to an Independent Contractor Services Agreement with Deaf and Hard of Hearing Service Center (DHHSC)

RATIFIED, as recommended, an Amendment to an Independent Contractor Services Agreement with the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Service Center to increase interpreting services for Fresno Unified School District students, parents, and employees who are deaf or hard of hearing when educational interpreters are not available. The agreement began July 1, 2007 and will end June 30, 2008. Funding will be provided through the Special Education funds. This is to increase the contract by \$50,000.00. The range and cost of services vary by interpreter requests based on the need of the school district. This also includes any charges for mileage if necessary.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

A-14, Agreement with Perry-Smith, LLP

RATIFIED, as recommended, a letter of engagement with Perry-Smith, LLP to provide auditing services on behalf of the Joint Health Management Board. The services provided will be for the annual period ending June 30, 2008. The Joint Health Management Board desires to utilize Perry-Smith for audit services specific to the District's Health Internal Service Fund. Sufficient funds are available in the Health Internal Service Fund. The fee for these services is not to exceed \$20,000.00.

A-15, Renewal of Community Based English Tutoring (CBET) Program for Fresno Adult School for the 2008/09 School Year

APPROVED, as recommended, the renewal Community Based English Tutoring (CBET) Program Application form for Fresno Adult School for the 2008/09 school year. Approval of this application will allow continuance of community-based English tutoring at approximately 30 sites throughout the Fresno area. Students in these classes are parents of school-age children, and learn strategies that best assist their children to increase academic achievement and decrease the drop-out rate. There is no cost to the District.

A-16, Kindergarten Extended Day Waiver for Winchell Elementary and Burroughs Elementary Schools for the 2008/09 School Year

APPROVED, as recommended, letters from FTA Executive Board approving the requests from Burroughs and Winchell Elementary Schools for a contract waiver to increase the instructional minutes from Kindergarten from 47,700 minutes to 50,400 minutes. There is no fiscal impact to the District.

A-17, Out of State Field Trip for Hoover, Bullard, and Edison High Schools

APPROVED, as recommended, request for approval of an out-of-state field trip to Henderson, Nevada for 11 Forensics students (3 from Bullard, 2 from Hoover, 6 from Edison) to compete in the National Forensics Tournament June 14 – 21, 2008. Total cost of the field trip, approximately \$16,500, will be paid by Secondary Education.

A-18, Fresno Unified School District's Individual School Site Comprehensive Safe School Plans for 2008/2009

APPROVED, as recommended, the Comprehensive Safe School Plans for 2008/2009. These plans have been organized to align with the California Standardized Emergency Management Systems (SEMS) and the District staff has reviewed the plans. There is no fiscal impact to the District.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued**A-19, Deferred Maintenance Program, Five-Year Plan**

APPROVED, as recommended, the Deferred Maintenance Program, Five-Year Plan for Fresno Unified School District. The State Allocation Board (SAB) requires the Board to annually approve the District's Five-Year Plan for major repairs or replacement of building systems. Attached is a two-page summary of the plan by year and category. Plan approval by the SAB means that any project on the plan may be funded from the Deferred Maintenance Fund. The Deferred Maintenance Plan is normally a dollar for dollar state-matched program. The District uses Measure K funds for the local contribution of approximately \$3.3 million. The state's proposed budget reflects a 10.9% reduction to the program. Using an 89.1% funding ratio, FUSD's state portion is estimated to be \$2.9 million. It should be noted that deferred maintenance funding is not sufficient to cover all eligible projects. Upon approval from the SAB, the projects become eligible for funding utilizing the Deferred Maintenance Fund. Expenditures will be from the 2008/09 fiscal year.

A-20, Request to Delay the Opening of Fresno Academy for Civic and Entrepreneurial Leadership Charter (Fresno ACEL) to the Fall Semester of 2009

PULLED for discussion.

A-21, Technology Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)

PULLED from this agenda for consideration.

A-22, Change Order #1 to Bid #2726 B, Modernization of Fremont Elementary School

RATIFIED, as recommended, the Change Order and backup information for the following bid:

- Bid #2726 B, Modernization of Fremont Elementary School
Change Order #1 for \$59,285.00. The new contract amount is \$1,674,685.00. This change order includes, but may not be limited to, authorizing quick ship on doors, frames and hardware, adding two floor drains, additional abatement, rewiring and modernization of acoustical grid, new tile in two rooms, additional vinyl covered tack board, blinds, and electrical work for additional scope required.

Sufficient funds have been budgeted and are available in the 2007/08 Measure K and State Facility funds.

A-23, Request For Qualifications (RFQ) #2813, Construction/Project Management Services

APPROVED, as recommended, the RFQ #2813 issued to establish a list of qualified companies to provide comprehensive, professional construction and project management services to the following best qualified respondents.

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| • Bernards | • PB Americas Inc. |
| • Harris Construction | • PhaseOne Construction Group |
| • Heery International | • URS Corporation |
| • Kitchell | |

Funding will be established on a project by project basis.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued**A-24, Bid #2827, Roof Replacement at Dailey and Winchell Elementary Schools, Wawona Middle School, and DeWolf and Fresno High Schools**

AWARDED, as recommended, Bid #2827 for the roof replacement at Dailey and Winchell Elementary Schools, Wawona Middle School, and DeWolf and Fresno High Schools to the following lowest responsive, responsible bidder.

- Fresno Roofing \$266,000.00

Sufficient funds have been budgeted for and are available in the 2007/08 Deferred Maintenance Fund.

A-25, Bid #2828, Construction of New Library Media Center at Ericson Elementary School

AWARDED, as recommended, Bid #2828 for the construction of a new Library Media Center at Ericson Elementary School to the following lowest responsive, responsible bidder.

- BMY Construction Group Inc. \$796,215.00

Sufficient funds have been budgeted for and are available in the 2008/09 Measure K funds.

A-26, Filing of the Notice of Completion for the Project Listed Below

RATIFIED, as recommended, the Notice of Completion for Bid #2804 B (Part Two), installation of heat pumps at 25 Elementary School sites. The project has been completed according to plans and specifications. The 10% retention will be released after ratification of the Notice of Completion. Projects have been completed and funded with the following 2007/08 Year-Round Air Conditioning (YRAC) funds.

A-27, Purchase Orders from March 24, 2008 through April 21, 2008

RATIFIED, as recommended, purchase orders, in excess of \$10,000, submitted for ratification by the Board.

UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

President Vang stated the Brown Act requires the public be given an opportunity to speak on matters relating to the school district's business during Board meetings and this Board welcomes public comment as designated on the agenda. Matters presented during Public Comment will be referred to the Superintendent for appropriate follow up. The Board recognizes that Public comment speakers often have very strong feelings regarding school district issues, which may involve individual school district employees or other persons. However, the Board expects all speakers to appreciate the rights of others by conducting themselves in a civil and respectful manner at all times. As Board President, I cannot permit any speaker to discuss confidential information regarding a particular student or employee and must ensure that speakers abide by their obligation to respect the rights of others. The board appreciates your observance of these principles of civility, respect and order, which will best ensure that the right of public comment is safeguarded without compromising the efficient and effective conduct of Board meetings.

UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – continued**Jeanne Davidson**

Expressed concerns with the funds for school supplies and textbooks. There are many teachers who have spent money out of their own pocket to provide supplies for their classrooms. She extended an invitation to the Board members to visit school sites and teacher lounges to hear their concerns.

Member Ryan requested clarification regarding school supplies.

Interim Superintendent Quinto stated for clarification that an increase in supplies for each school site was approved.

Jake Turner

Expressed concerns with the conditions of Cooper Middle School and the poor behavior of the students in almost every classroom he visited. Administration is not willing to deal with the discipline issues and having teachers handle it. With regards to the school supplies, the District can allocate all the money they want to the schools, but it does not necessary mean it will get to the classroom.

Diane Corbin

Expressed concerns with military presence at Ahwahnee Middle School and were allowed to walk all around the school and make conversation with the students.

Member Mills commented that Ahwahnee was hosting Career Day and the Marines were invited to attend Career Day.

Gary Alford

Expressed concerns with the Collective Bargaining Agreement for FTA– Article 13 – District Rights; Section 2 – Powers being limited by law. He stated that Article 62 – transfer of assignment with regards to two teachers at Rowell Elementary School.

President Vang stated that the matter has been referred to Interim Superintendent Quinto.

Juan Carlos Chavez

Informed the Board of a meeting he had with Associate Superintendent Tucker and Assistant Superintendent Maldonado regarding DELAC bylaws where he did not completely agreed upon some of the topics that were discussed. The District is not taken into consideration the bylaws that the parents have put into place. He stated that if the District is going to take control of these meetings, then they need to inform the parents, because many of these parents are volunteers and don't get paid for their services and don't discriminate against the parents.

Jose Castro

He stated that the board bylaws are to work together as a board. The DELAC bylaws were created by the parents for the parents. These bylaws are not to be used in Ms. Tucker's or Ms. Maldonado's office. He stated that Ms. Maldonado is not a member of the DELAC or school site and has no voice in the committee. He also expressed concerns that the DELAC/ELAC parents were not included in the process for selecting an Assistant Superintendent of the English Learners department and that to him is a discrimination of the rights for parents. He requested the Board look into this so they will not have to file a complaint.

UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – continued**Jose Castro – continued**

Member Nunez stated that the bylaws of the DELAC committee have not been approved by this Board and there is conflict between Board Policy and bylaws by the DELAC committee. He stated that this Board needs to look into this and resolve as quickly as possible. There are some violations that need to be addressed.

President Vang stated that the matter has been referred to Interim Superintendent Quinto.

Nida Palmore

Expressed concerns about accolades in the report by Interim Superintendent Quinto at the beginning of the meeting. She questioned what the district is doing for the rest of the high schools? Need curriculum for all students; not just GATE it should be across the board. Every student deserves the best education. She has called the Superintendent's Office and has had no returned call.

Interim Superintendent Quinto requested CAO Hauser address the speakers concerns.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA**A-9, Contract with the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) for McLane High School**

APPROVED, as recommended, a contract with the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) to provide training for McLane High School certificated staff. The topic of the professional learning is Understanding by Design. Understanding by Design is a curriculum and lesson planning process which targets student achievement. This training is part of McLane High School's QEIA plan. McLane High School staff has learned the beginning stages of Understanding by Design in previous training. This contract will provide another opportunity for all staff to deepen their ability to plan instruction to ensure students learn. The contract will begin June 16, 2008 and will end on June 30, 2009. Funding will be provided through the QEIA Grant funds in the amount of \$93,322.53.

The following individual addressed the board with his thoughts and concerns regarding this agenda item:

- Jose Castro expressed concerns with the cost of this item during these times of budget cuts and questioned the type of services that will be provided. He requested clarification of the cost and the type of training teachers will receive.

Student Member Vasquez praised the program and the use of QEIA funds and moved for approval, seconded by Member Ryan, which carried a 7-0-2 with *Member Johnson and Student Member Curry absent*.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued**A-20, Request to Delay the Opening of Fresno Academy for Civic and Entrepreneurial Leadership Charter (Fresno ACEL) to the Fall Semester of 2009**

PULLED for discussion.

APPROVE, as recommended, the request from Fresno ACEL Charter Lead Developer John Minkler requesting to delay the opening of its charter school until fall 2009. Charter Consultant, Joan Strohauer, California Department of Education advises that Fresno ACEL Charter has submitted their application and the charter petition, approved by Fresno Unified Board on March 14, 2007, looks very promising for consideration in their distribution of startup funding for the charter. Staff recommends that if Fresno ACEL Charter is unable to open by September 2009, that the charter be revoked and all necessary steps as outlined in a school closure are followed, including the notification to the Fresno County Office of Education and the California Department of Education. The estimated fiscal impact for 2008/09 is \$363,340. This assumes that all 80 students are from Fresno Unified.

Director Bessard stated for clarification the fiscal impact would be for 2009/10; not 2008/09 and the figures listed are only estimates.

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

B-28, Proposed Board of Education Dates for the 2008/09 School Year

APPROVED, as recommended, the proposed Board of Education Dates for the 2008/09 School Year. Approval of these dates will not preclude either additions or changes any time.

Member Mills questioned the last meeting date of July is not the 4th Wednesday of the month.

Interim Superintendent Quinto stated that based on vacation schedules submitted by the governing board, July 30th was the only Wednesday in the month of July that the full governance team would be available.

Member Asadoorian questioned if the back-to-back meetings on May 27 and June 4 are to accommodate the graduation ceremonies for the high schools.

Interim Superintendent Quinto stated that was correct.

Member Asadoorian moved for approval, seconded by Member Nunez, which carried a 7-0-2 vote with *Member Johnson and Student Member Curry absent.*

President Vang recessed at 7 p.m. to the Cabinet Room for Closed Session to continue addressing items 2, 3, 5, and 6.

C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS

There are no items to receive.

Reporting Out of Closed Session

There were no items to report out of Closed Session.

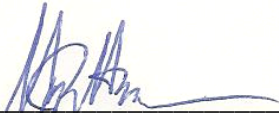
BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS

There were no Board/Superintendent communications.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 7:34 P.M.

With no further business to come before the Board of Education at this time, President Vang declared the meeting adjourned 7:34 p.m.



MICHAEL E. HANSON, Secretary to the
Board of Education