MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
Fresno Unified School District
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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 January 11, 2017 there were present Student Board Members Riar, Board Members Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, and President Ashjian. Superintendent Hanson was also present. Student Board Member McCoy absent.

Board President Ashjian convened the Regular Board Meeting at 4:30 p.m. and ADJOURNED to Closed Session to address items 1 through 7.

Reporting Out of Closed Session
- By a vote of 7-0-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session to promote/appoint Karen Walker, Director, Instructional Services.
- By a vote of 7-0-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session for a Worker’s Compensation Settlement on Veronique Sigala, case number 2015-0852.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Alissa Vasquez, recipient of the Nadine M. Lambert Outstanding School Psychologist Award, led the flag salute.

APPROVE Minutes
Approved as recommended the draft minutes for the November 16, 2016 Regular Board meeting and November 28, 2016 Special Board Meeting. Member Mills requested the November 28, 2016 minutes be corrected to add the request of the board members to receive the detailed CORE data for each region. Member Mills moved for approval, seconded by Member Davis, which carried a vote of 5-0-2-0, as follows: AYES: Board Members: Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson Mills and President Ashjian. ABSTENTION: Board Members Cazares and Jonasson Rosas.

RECOGNIZE the Top Two Schools for the Hour of Code Week
The Board of Education and the Superintendent recognized Kings Canyon Middle School and Manchester GATE as the top two schools who participated in the Hour of Code Week, December 5 through 11. Over 60 schools participated in this worldwide event encouraging

*All times are approximate and subject to change
students across the globe to learn to code. Schools competed with each other for the highest participation by students as a percentage of enrollment.

HEAR Reports from Student Board Representatives
Student Board Representative Naida Montes provided comments/reports from the Student Advisory Board Representative meeting hosted by DeWolf High School. Board Member Mills attended their meeting. Baird Middle School student ambassadors were also introduced and given the opportunity to share highlights of various school activities and experiences.

HEAR Report from Superintendent
• Superintendent thanked the community for their kindness over the holidays as employees donated 300 coats for students in need; community members provided each of our 360 students at Kirk Elementary a wrapped gift; students and adults alike around our district gave their time at food banks, volunteering, donating and giving of their time for the students and families of our district.
• Students returned to Baird Middle School to a new building. While there are still a few final touches being made, the new classrooms are home to outdoor life sciences and an agriculture garden area.
• We’re weeks away from opening the new building at Bullard High School with 24 more classrooms. When combined with the new classrooms that opened this time last year at Bullard, 30 portable classrooms will have been replaced. All made possible by Measure Q dollars approved by voters in 2010.
• Superintendent mentioned new emergency notification system. The text system is designed to quickly alert parents/guardians when safety issues have developed that require early dismissal or changes that will potentially disrupt the school day. Superintendent made a plea to parents and guardians to make sure their emergency cell phone numbers are updated in the system.
• Superintendent Hanson spoke of a new partnership with CBS47, Fresno County Sherriff’s Department, Internet Crimes Children Task Force and EECU launching the CyberSafe Parent Program. Through a series of public service announcements (PSA) that will air on channel 47 and sister station KSEE 24 the program promotes safe and responsible use of the internet with online tips for parents.
• Hanson concluded by sharing that the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA), Region 9 serving school districts in Fresno, Merced, Madera and Mariposa will be honoring a number of staff at their Administrator of the Year awards in February. Finalist include: Edith Navarro, Principal Kings Canyon Middle School; Miguel Arias, Chief Information Officer; Paul Idsovoog, Chief Human Resources/Labor Relations; Yolanda Jimenez-Ruiz, Administrator Adult Education; Tammy Townsend, Executive State and Federal. Congratulations and best wishes to all the finalist on February 27th. Board President Ashjian added that Superintendent Hanson is also being recognized by ACSA with their President’s Choice Award.
On a motion by Member Mills, seconded by Member Jonasson Rosas, the consent agenda, exclusive of agenda items: A-3, A-4, A-5, and A-6 which were pulled for further discussion, was approved on a roll call vote of 8-0-0-1 as follows: AYES: Student Board Member Riar, Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerdá, Johnson, Jonasson Rosas, Mills and President Ashjian. ABSENT: Board Member De La Cerdá.

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 December 14, 2016, Regular Board meeting.

A-3, ADOPT Resolution 16-11, to Certify Measure X Bond Election and Designate Existing Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee to Act as Such for Measure X
PULLED for discussion
ADOPTED, as recommended Resolution 16-11, the adoption of which is recommended to certify to the Fresno County Board of Supervisors the results of the Measure X Bond Election conducted on November 8, 2016. In addition, pursuant to Proposition 39 approved by California voters on November 7, 2000, and Education Code section 15278, Resolution 16-11 designates the existing Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) to serve as the oversight body for Measure X in addition to Measure Q (2010 bond). The existing members and bylaws of the CBOC would continue for oversight of Measure X.

For the record, comments/questions were made regarding the support in the rollover of the Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee, term limits, community involvement, Trustee Cazares’ request to meet with the community members that were appointed prior to her term and appreciation to the voters for approving the measure. Chief Operations Officer Karin Temple was available to answer questions and provide clarification. Member Davis moved for approval, seconded by Member Mills, which carried a 6-0-0-1 vote. AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, Johnson, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, and President Ashjian. ABSENT: Board Member De La Cerdá.

A-4, APPROVE Renewal Agreement with ChiroMetrics, Inc. for Chiropractic and Acupuncture Administration Services
PULLED for discussion
APPROVED, as recommended a renewal agreement with ChiroMetrics, Inc. to provide chiropractic and acupuncture administration services for eligible active employees and retirees. The renewal period is for a four (4) year term commencing February 1, 2017 through December 31, 2020.

For the record, comments/questions were made regarding the process of a RFP for this type of vendor, what the schedule was in reviewing the vendor, how the vendor compared to
other vendors in comparison to costs, and how many employees used the services. Director of Benefits/Risk Management Andrew De La Torre were available to answer questions and provide clarification. Member Cazares moved for approval, seconded by Member Jonasson Rosas, which carried a 6-0-0-1 vote. AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, Johnson, Jonasson Rosas, Mills, and President Ashjian. ABSENT: Board Member De La Cerda.

A-5, RATIFY Change Orders for the Projects Listed Below

PULLED for discussion

RATIFIED, as recommended Change Orders for the following projects:

Bid 16-28 Water Conservation and Irrigation Improvements at Various Schools
Section A - Change Order 1 (Thomas Elementary School): $20,000
Section C - Change Order 1 (Homan Elementary School): $13,700
Section D - Change Order 1 (Roeding Elementary School): $19,049

Bid 16-31 Turner Elementary School New Classroom and Administration Buildings
New Buildings - Change Order 1: $35,713
Interim Housing - Change Order 1: $60,920

For the record, comments/questions were made regarding reasons for abstaining to the vote, the irrigation control issues, change orders specific to Turner Elementary and why they were not in the original scope of work and Fresno Unified’s watering policy how does it align with Fresno City. Legal Counsel Mary Beth de Goede, Chief Operations Officer Karin Temple, Executive Officer Jeff Friesen, Assistant Superintendent Alex Belanger were available to answer questions and provide clarification. Member Mills moved for approval, seconded by Member Jonasson Rosas, which carried a 6-0-1-0 vote. AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Jonasson Rosas, and Mills. ABSTENTION: President Ashjian.

A-6, RATIFY the Filing of Notices of Completion for the Following Projects

PULLED for discussion

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

Bid 16-28 A-D Water Conservation and Irrigation Improvements at Various Schools
Bid 16-30 B Installation of Exterior Lighting at Various Sites

For the record, comments/questions were made regarding reasons for abstaining to the vote. Member Mills moved for approval, seconded by Member Jonasson Rosas, which carried a 6-0-1-0 vote. AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Jonasson Rosas, and Mills. ABSTENTION: President Ashjian.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA
UNSYCHLED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
Kay Bertken with The Children’s Movement and the League of Women Voters – Introduced herself and wanted to encourage the Board to lobby one of the district’s partners. On February 2, 2017 the Fresno City Council will be considering a rental housing inspection program and asked the board to join the Children’s Movement and the League of Women to support the program and to encourage the City to do the same.
Mr. Venancio Gaona – Spoke on behalf of several Latino Agency’s and requested the following from the Board: 1) Approve and initiate a national search for the pending vacancy of the Superintendent, 2) Hire a reputable consulting firm who has experience with diverse districts such as Fresno Unified, and 3) Approve and establish a search committee that is representative of the diverse ethnic constituency of our community, the various district communities called for by federal title programs, students and stakeholders.
Tish Rice president of FTA – Encouraged the Superintendent to step down early.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA

Agenda Item B-7, Present and Discuss Gaston Middle School Health and Wellness Center, and Potential Expansion of School Based Health Centers
Staff presented information on the Gaston Health and Wellness Center (HWC), including background on the facility and services provided, impacts on students and staff, integration of the HWC into the school environment, and operational sustainability. In addition, staff will presented an update on potential development of additional school based health centers on Fresno Unified campuses identified as located in areas with the highest need for accessibility to health care services.

Presentation by Chief Operations Officer, Karin Temple

An opportunity was provided to hear questions/concerns from members of the board and staff was available to respond.

For the record, comments/questions were made regarding concerns about recommended site locations, no recommended site in the Fresno High region, co-pays, student and public access how do we keep our students safe, how will this affect us with the possible changes to the Affordable Care Act, will other services be available, will just students be served, how did Clinica Sierra stack up against other vendors, what are the wait times, what are the risks associated with each of the sites and concern on health indicators not representative of students. Chief Operations Officer Karin Temple, Chief of Staff Bob Nelson, Principal Felicia Quarles-Treadwell, and Chief Administrative Officer from Clinica Sierra Ruben Chavez were available to answer questions and provide clarification. No action was required for this item.
Agenda Item B-8, Opportunity for Public Discussion on the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers (IAMAW) Proposal to Fresno Unified School District for the 2016/17 School Year
Presented in accordance with Government Code 3547, all initial proposals of the public school employers shall be presented at a public meeting of the public school employer, and thereafter shall be public record.

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

An opportunity was provided to hear questions/concerns from members of the board and staff was available to respond.

For the record, there were no comments/questions. No action was required for this item.

Agenda Item B-9, Opportunity for Public Discussion and Adopt the Fresno Unified School District Proposal to International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers (IAMAW) for the 2016/17 School Year
ADOPTED, as recommended and in accordance with Government Code 3547, all initial proposals of the public school employers shall be presented at a public meeting of the public school employer, and thereafter shall be public record.

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

An opportunity was provided to hear questions/concerns from members of the board and staff was available to respond.

For the record, there were no comments/questions. Member De La Cerda moved for approval, seconded by Member Davis, which carried a 7-0-0-0 vote. AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Jonasson Rosas, Mills and President Ashjian.

C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS

Agenda Item C-10, Receive Valley Preparatory Academy Charter Renewal Petition
Valley Preparatory Academy Charter (Valley Prep or VPA) delivered a renewal petition to the district seeking authorization to operate July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022. Valley Prep is currently serving approximately 365 students in grades TK-8. The school is located at 4221 N. Hughes Ave. in Fresno.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS
Board Member De La Cerda – Requested the postponement of the January 12, 2017 Special Board Meeting so that all board members could be present. Stated he was not asked or polled about his availability for the meeting.
Board Member Davis – Was not aware of the Special Board Meeting and was not polled or asked if available.

D. ADJOURNMENT
With no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Ashjian declared the meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, January 25, 2017 – OPEN SESSION AT 5:30 P.M.