

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION May 1, 2012

**PLACE** 

James Areida Education Support Center, 1305 E. Vine Street, Lodi

TIME

5:30 p.m. Closed Session; 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. There were no public comments on Closed Session items and the Board adjourned to Closed

Session.

Planning

**RECONVENE** 

The meeting was reconvened at 7:02 p.m. Attendance was recorded and the President led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT** 

<u>Board Members</u>: Mr. Ron Heberle, President; Mr. Joe Nava, Vice President; Mr. Mike Abdallah, Clerk; Ms. Bonnie Cassel; Ms. Ruth Davis, Mr. George Neely, Mr. Ralph Womack

<u>Administrators</u>: Dr. Cathy Washer, Superintendent; Mr. Mike McKilligan, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel; Mr. Tim Hern, Chief Business Officer; Mr. Art Hand, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities and

<u>Student Representatives</u>: Ms. Anh Nguyen, Bear Creek High School; Ms. Marysela Padilla, McNair High School (from 7:35 p.m.)

Recorder: Mrs. Lois John, Executive Assistant

CLOSED Student Matters Motion was made by Mr. Abdallah, seconded, and carried unanimously to approve the placement of Non-Public School Students 2011-12 #'s 118, 119, and 120.

Anticipated Litigation

Motion was made by Mr. Abdallah, seconded, and carried unanimously to reject Claim #458973.

Motion was made by Mr. Abdallah, seconded, and carried unanimously to reject Claim #464363.

Personnel Matters Motion was made by Mr. Neely, seconded, and carried unanimously to approve the appointment of Cassandra Iwamiya, Vice Principal, Lodi Middle School, effective date to be determined.

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Motion was made by Mr. Abdallah, seconded, and carried unanimously to approve the appointment of Kathleen Whisler, Assistant Principal, Tokay High School, effective date to be determined.

#### SUPERINTEN-DENT AND STAFF REPORTS

Dr. Washer reported on the GOT Kids Foundation, the Rosetta Stone iPad Pilot, Math Intervention; *Treasures* Implementation and the "Music in Our Schools" Concert.

#### **SPOTLIGHT**

Officer Ryan Holtz, Lodi Police Department, presented information on the Gang Resistance and Training (GREAT) Program offered to 6<sup>th</sup> grade students at several schools through the Lodi Police School Resource Officers.

#### **RECOGNITIONS**

Ms. Lori Bryant, Attendance Technician, Lodi High School, was recognized on being selected as the District's 2012-2013 Classified Employee of the Year.

Ms. Kathryn Scott, Social Science teacher, Bear Creek High School, was recognized on being selected as the District's 2012-2013 Teacher of the Year.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Heberle declared open the Public Hearing: CSEA "Sunshine" Proposal and Notice of Intent to Negotiate a "Successor" Agreement. There were no comments and the hearing was declared closed.

#### ACTION ITEMS Consent Agenda A -Routine Business

Mr. Neely requested the removal of Item A-2 Contracts. Ms. Cassel requested the removal of item A-4 "Pre-Algebra Essentials" and "Pre-Algebra/Algebra Essentials" Courses of Study. Ms. Martha Snider, member of the audience, asked that Item A-5 "General Earth Science" and "College Prep Earth Science" Courses of Study, be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Motion was made by Mr. Nava, seconded, and carried unanimously to approve amended Consent Agenda A – Routine Business, as follows:

- A-1 Changes to the Adopted Budget
- A-3 Minutes of the April 17, 2012, Regular Board Meeting
- A-6 Resolution 2012-24 Authorizing the Filing of the Notice of Completion (NOC) for the James Areida Education Support Center (JAESC) Hearing, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning System Controls Project
- A-7 Resolution 2012-25 Authorization to advertise and Solicit Proposals for the Kitchen Renovations at Various Sites (Davis and Heritage Elementary Schools) and Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Replacement at Heritage Elementary School

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#### Contracts

The student representative preferential vote was aye.

Mr. Hern provided clarification to a question by Mr. Neely regarding the contract with Keenan and Associates. Motion was made by Mr. Neely, seconded, and carried unanimously to approve Item A-2 Contracts. The student representative preferential vote was aye.

"Pre-Algebra Essentials: and "Pre-Algebra/ Algebra Essentials" Course of Study Ms. Cassel recognized the efforts of the math teachers who worked on designing the courses. Motion was made by Ms. Cassel, seconded, and carried unanimously to approve Item A-4 "Pre-Algebra Essentials" and "Pre-Algebra/Algebra Essentials" Course of Study. The student representative preferential vote was aye.

"General Earth Science" and "College Prep Earth Science" Courses of Study Ms. Martha Snider, teacher, McAuliffe Middle School, commented on her concern with the similarity of the textbooks, as the courses use the same pacing guide and benchmarks. Mr. Jay Bell, Science Specialist, commented on the same topic. Motion was made by Mr. Nava, and seconded, to approve Item A-5 "General Earth Science" and "College Prep Earth Science" Courses of Study. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Abdallah, Cassel, Heberle, Nava, Neely, Womack Abstain: Davis Motion carried

The student representative preferential vote was aye.

### PERSONNEL MATTERS

Motion was made by Mr. Nava, seconded, and carried unanimously by a roll call vote to approve the Certificated and Classified Personnel Matters, as presented.

## COMMUNICATIONS Comments from Student Reps.

Student Representatives Ms. Anh Nguyen, Bear Creek High School, and Ms. Marysella Padilla, McNair High School, reported on activities and events at their respective schools.

## Comments from the Public

Ms. Sam Wikert and Mr. Ryan Ozminkowski reported on their participation in the Storm Drain Detectives program.

Ms. Lori Celis and Ms. Aimee Ramserver asked the Board to consider reinstating release time for teachers to attend Curriculum Council.

Ms. Linda Gooden addressed the Board to voice her opposition to Governor Brown's proposed income tax increase.

Comments from Employee Group Reps.

Mr. Jeff Johnston, President, Lodi Education Association, commented on his optimism in reaching a tentative agreement, support for reinstating release time for Curriculum Council, student scholarships, and the Governor's proposal for a tax increase.

#### Comments from Board Members

Mr. Nava congratulated Ms. Bryant and Ms. Scott on their recognitions, and reported on student achievements in sporting championships.

Mr. Abdallah reported on attending the Music in Our Schools performance, and invited Board members to attend Bear Creek High School's performance of "Ladies Night at the Turkish Bath."

Mr. Womack commented on attending the Music in Our Schools concert, the Lao Family Appreciation Dinner, visits to school sites, and reported on the results of a track and field event at Bear Creek High School.

Ms. Davis commented on attending the Bubbles for Autism event at Woodbridge School, and attending a field trip with Reese Elementary School students.

Ms. Cassel reported on attending the Lockeford School Library Dedication and visits to several school sites. She thanked Ms. Kirst for her work in directing the Music in Our Schools Concert.

Mr. Neely commented on the iPad Pilot Program with Rosetta Stone as an example of how technology can be supplemented. He supported the efforts of Curriculum Council.

Mr. Heberle acknowledged the outstanding performances at the Music in Our Schools Concert and commented on the wonderful transformation of the Lockeford School Library. He offered his support to Curriculum Council.

Comments from the Superintendent

Dr. Washer recognized high school staff members, counselors, administrators and teachers for their contributions to the success of students as many have received incredible scholarships.

**ADJOURN** 

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Clerk of the Board

President of the Board