

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
FARMERSVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

April 12, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Farmersville Unified School District was held at the District Office Board Room, 571 E. Citrus, Farmersville, CA on April 12, 2016.

DATE & PLACE

Trustees Attendance

Don Mason, President
Lupe Fernandez, Clerk
Al Vanderslice, Trustee
Jorge Vazquez, Trustee
John Alvarez, Trustee

TRUSTEES
ATTENDANCE

Freddy Valencia, Student Board Rep.

Administration Present

Janet Jones, Acting Superintendent
Randy DeGraw, Director of Human Resources
Frank Silveira, Chief Academic Officer
Rachel Mendez, Hester School Principal
Melinda Canning, Snowden School Principal
Richard Albay, Ed.D., Freedom School Principal
Loretta Aragon, Farmersville Jr. High School Principal
Lisa Whitworth, Farmersville High School Principal
Manuel Mendez, Farmersville High School Assistant Principal
Lupe Perez, Deep Creek Academy Principal
Raymond Navarro, Director of MOT & Facilities
Jason Kaff, Business Manager/CBO
Jeff Higgins, Psychologist/DOSE
Iliana Hernandez, Learning Director of Pupil Services

ADMINISTRATORS
PRESENT

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by President Don Mason.

CALL TO ORDER

The members of the assemblage pledged allegiance to the flag.

FLAG SALUTE

On a motion by Trustee Al Vanderslice and seconded by Trustee Lupe Fernandez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda including the following revision: Delete Item 16.1 - Approval of LCAP Revision.

ADOPTION OF
AGENDA (4.1)

On a motion by Trustee Jorge Vazquez and seconded by Trustee Lupe Fernandez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the special Board meeting minutes for March 8, 2016.

APPROVAL OF
SPECIAL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
FOR 03/08/16 (5.1)

On a motion by Trustee Jorge Vazquez and seconded by Trustee Lupe Fernandez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the regular Board meeting minutes for March 15, 2016.

APPROVAL OF
REGULAR BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
FOR 03/15/16 (5.2)

On a motion by Trustee Lupe Fernandez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice , the Board voted unanimously to approve the released warrants dated:

March 4, 2016 in the amount of \$245,646.26
March 11, 2016 in the amount of \$429,202.95
March 16, 2016 in the amount of \$2,940.07
March 23, 2016 in the amount of \$235,765.94

APPROVAL OF
RELEASED
WARRANTS (5.3)

Rachel Mendez, Hester School Principal, recognized Mario Hernandez, Grade 1 student, and his parents. Mario was one of 1100 students who submitted a picture for the calendar contest for the Tulare County Farm Bureau and was selected for the month of November. He was the youngest selected out of all the other students. Janet Jones, Acting Superintendent, stated Mario was also recognized by the Tulare County Board of Supervisors. Mrs. Mendez stated Mario was awarded a \$25.00 check from the Tulare County Board of Supervisors.

AWARDS/
PRESENTATIONS
(6.1, 6.2, 6.3)

Brent Calvin, College of the Sequoias, made a PowerPoint presentation regarding enrollment of first -time students (fall terms); course load of first-time students (fall terms); educational programs of first-time students; English: college-level placement of first-time students; Math: college-level placement of first time students; success rates of first-time students (fall terms); Fall-to-Fall persistence of first-time students; and degrees/certificates awarded to all students. Earl Mann, COS representative, was also present.

Freddy Valencia, Student Board Member, made an oral report to the Board regarding FHS activities.

Alice Lopez, community member, stated “I just had a question on that because you guys know that I’m a big proponent of advancing on our Ag department and I’ve always wanted them to keep on improving but now we’re working off of bond money and I’m not sure that because the hog pens fell apart that that should come out of bond money. I think we’re lucky it came apart now rather than when we have these hogs moving around in there and I really do think that money should come out of some other budget other than the bond. I’m not sure that’s what the people voted for to spend money like that on the hog pens.”

PUBLIC COMMENTS
(8.0)

Billie Shawl, Farmersville Community for Child Well Being, stated “it’s a project for Tulare County Child Abuse and Prevention Council. I came tonight to invite you personally to the culmination of 4 years of community building. We are going to dedicate a children’s bench in front of the white church on Thursday, April 28th at 3:30 p.m. The children’s bench is dedicated to the well being of all children and we know that everybody who works in education is concerned about children’s well being. This will be a symbol for Farmersville but also we think a symbol for Tulare County, maybe the State of California and maybe the nation because we don’t think it’s been done anywhere else.” Mrs. Shawl also stated “April is National Blue Ribbon Child Abuse Prevention Awareness month.”

The Board requested Item 9.1 be discussed in closed session: Consideration of Expulsion of Student EXP #02-04-12-16.

ITEM 9.1 TO BE
DISCUSSED IN
CLOSED SESSION

The Board requested Item 9.2 be discussed in closed session: Consideration of Interdistrict Appeal IDA #04-12-01.

ITEM 9.2 TO BE
DISCUSSED IN
CLOSED SESSION

Mrs. Jones, Acting Superintendent, stated Item 9.3 was already taken care of: Consideration of Interdistrict Appeal IDA-04-12-01. Therefore the Board did not take action on this item.

NO ACTION TAKEN
RE: ITEM 9.3

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Lupe Fernandez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the extension of the TK Program. Education Code requires TK programs to be in equity with Kindergarten programs. Currently, this is not in practice, so TK day will be extended to be in compliance.

APPROVAL OF
EXTENSION OF
TK PROGRAM (10.1)

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to approve the field trip to Griffith Observatory on May 17, 2016, in Los Angeles, CA.

APPROVAL OF
FIELD TRIP TO
GRIFFITH
OBSERVATORY
(11.1)

On a motion by Trustee Al Vanderslice and seconded by Trustee John Alvarez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the amendment to agreement for the Building Trades instructor's hours which will be an increase of 90 hours, an additional \$4,500.00, to be funded through site LCAP funds.

APPROVAL OF
AMENDMENT TO
AGREEMENT FOR
BUILDING TRADES
INSTRUCTOR
HOURS (11.2)

Lisa Whitworth, FHS Principal, made a presentation regarding College and Career Academy Development. FHS is planning the transition to College and Career Pathways for the 2016-2017 school year. Mrs. Whitworth provided information relevant to the transition, detailed site needs and updated the Board on current trends.

COLLEGE & CAREER
ACADEMY
DEVELOPMENT
PRESENTATION
(11.3)

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to approve the California Career Trust Network Institute on May 11-13, 2016 in San Diego, CA.

APPROVAL OF
CALIFORNIA TRUST
NETWORK
INSTITUTE (11.4)

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to approve the TRiO overnight field trip on April 22-23, 2016 in Southern California. FHS has 20 students participating in the TRiO Program in partnership with COS.

APPROVAL OF TRIO
OVERNIGHT FIELD
TRIP (11.5)

On a motion by Trustee Jorge Vazquez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to approve the TK Equity Waiver Public Hearing.

APPROVAL OF TK
EQUITY WAIVER
PUBLIC HEARING
(12.1)

On a motion by Trustee Jorge Vazquez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to approve the TK Equity Waiver.

APPROVAL OF TK
EQUITY WAIVER
(12.2)

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Revised 2016-17 Instructional Calendar.

APPROVAL OF
REVISED 2016-17
INSTRUCTIONAL
CALENDAR (12.3)

On a motion by Trustee Al Vanderslice and seconded by Trustee Jorge Vazquez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Freedom 6th Grade Teacher employment (John Mora).

APPROVAL OF
FREEDOM 6TH
GRADE TEACHER
(13.1.1)

On a motion by Trustee Lupe Fernandez and seconded by Trustee Jorge Vazquez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the High School Language Arts Teacher employment (Michelle Duarte).

APPROVAL OF FHS
LANGUAGE ARTS
TEACHER (13.1.2)

On a motion by Trustee Jorge Vazquez and seconded by Trustee Lupe Fernandez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the High School Ag Teacher resignation (John Akin).

APPROVAL OF FHS
AG TEACHER
RESIGNATION
(13.1.3)

On a motion by Trustee Lupe Fernandez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Freedom Art Teacher resignation (Sam Taylor).

APPROVAL OF
FREEDOM
ART TEACHER
RESIGNATION
(13.1.4)

On a motion by Trustee Jorge Vazquez and seconded by Lupe Fernandez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Hester Community Liaison (Hester) employment (Guadalupe Gutierrez),

APPROVAL OF
HESTER
COMMUNITY
LIAISON (13.2.1)

On a motion by Trustee Lupe Fernandez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Snowden Community Liaison employment (Veronica Peña-Fernandez).

APPROVAL OF
SNOWDEN
COMMUNITY
LIAISON (13.2.2)

On a motion by Trustee Lupe Fernandez and seconded by Trustee Jorge Vazquez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Freedom Community Liaison employment (Lisandro Rivera).

APPROVAL OF
FREEDOM
COMMUNITY
LIAISON (13.2.3)

On a motion by Trustee Lupe Fernandez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Jr. High Community Liaison employment (Maria Carbajal).

APPROVAL OF JR.
HIGH COMMUNITY
LIAISON (13.2.4)

On a motion by Trustee Jorge Vazquez and seconded by Trustee John Alvarez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the High School Community Liaison employment (Rebecca Rodriguez).

APPROVAL OF FHS
COMMUNITY
LIAISON (13.2.5)

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Jorge Vazquez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Hester Food Service Worker I/Vending Cart Server employment (Maria Romero).

APPROVAL OF
HESTER FOOD
SERVICE WORKER I/
VENDING CART
SERVER (13.2.6)

On a motion by Trustee Al Vanderslice and seconded by Trustee Jorge Vazquez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the FHS Cook employment (Merie Risenhoover).

APPROVAL OF FHS
COOK (13.2.7)

On a motion by Trustee Jorge Vazquez and seconded by Trustee Lupe Fernandez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Hester Noon Duty Aide employment (Alicia Guzman).

APPROVAL OF
HESTER NOON
DUTY AIDE
EMPLOYMENT
(13.2.8)

The Board reviewed the Personnel Action report.

PERSONNEL ACTION
REPORT REVIEWED
(13.3)

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Jorge Vazquez, that Board voted unanimously to approve the agreement with Tulare County Office of Education for Administrative Services Credential program.

APPROVAL OF TCOE
AGREEMENT FOR
ADMINISTRATIVE
SERVICES
CREDENTIAL
PROGRAM (13.4)

On a motion by Trustee Al Vanderslice and seconded by Trustee Lupe Fernandez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agreement with Fresno State University for student teacher placement.

APPROVAL OF
AGREEMENT WITH
FRESNO STATE
UNIVERSITY (13.5)

On a motion by Trustee Lupe Fernandez and seconded by Trustee John Alvarez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the end of the year “reflective” table talks with Principals, FTA, CSEA and two board members.

APPROVAL OF
TABLE TALKS (14.1)

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Budget Revision report. The Board requested information regarding the maintenance budget for the past 3 years.

APPROVAL OF
BUDGET REVISION
REPORT (15.1)

On a motion by Trustee Al Vanderslice and seconded by Trustee John Alvarez, the Board voted unanimously to approve requesting bids for Milk and Bread products.

APPROVAL TO
REQUEST BIDS FOR
MILK & BREAD
PRODUCTS (15.2)

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to select Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co. LLP to perform the Prop 39 General Obligation (GO) financial audit and performance audit.

APPROVAL OF
SELECTION OF
PROP 39 GENERAL
OBLIGATION (GO)
BOND AUDITOR
(15.3)

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Jorge Vazquez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Budget May Revise Workshop on May 24, 2016 in Fresno, CA

APPROVAL OF
BUDGET MAY
REVISE WORKSHOP
(15.4)

Jason Kaff, Business Manager/CBO, made a PowerPoint presentation regarding Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), State Teachers Retirement System (STRS), and Public Employees Retirement System (PERS).

LCFF, STRS & PERS
PRESENTATION
(15.5)

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Public Disclosure of Tentative Salary Agreement with CSEA.

APPROVAL OF
PUBLIC
DISCLOSURE OF
TENTATIVE SALARY
AGREEMENT WITH
CSEA (15.6)

On a motion by Trustee Al Vanderslice and seconded by Trustee Jorge Vazquez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Tentative Agreement with CSEA.

APPROVAL OF
TENTATIVE
AGREEMENT WITH
CSEA (15.7)

On a motion by Trustee Jorge Vazquez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to approve purchasing Option 1 for Food Service Truck Replacement:
2016 Isuzu Truck, Diesel, with stops (\$63,069.25)

APPROVAL TO
PURCHASE OPTION
1 FOR FOOD
SERVICE TRUCK
REPLACEMENT
(15.8)

The Board reviewed the February 2016 Financial Report.

FEBRUARY 2016
FINANCIAL REPORT
REVIEWED (15.9)

The Board reviewed the Budget Hearing and Adoption dates.

BUDGET HEARING &
ADOPTION DATES
REVIEWED (15.10)

The Board reviewed the ASES Grant renewal information.

ASES GRANT
RENEWAL
INFORMATION
REVIEWED (16.2)

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Jorge Vazquez, the Board voted unanimously to approve soliciting requests for qualifications for a swimming pool architect.

APPROVAL OF RFQ
FOR ARCHITECT
FOR SWIMMING
POOL PLANS (16.3)

On a motion by Trustee Al Vanderslice and seconded by Trustee John Alvarez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the FHS Vocational Education Building Change Order #O1R.

APPROVAL OF FHS
VOC ED BUILDING
CHANGE ORDER
#O1R (16.4)

Consideration was given to items that the Governing Board wished to have placed on the agenda for the next meeting:

CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Trustee Jorge Vazquez requested the following:

1. An estimate to repair the chiller system at the High School.
2. An estimate to replace chiller system with air conditioning units at FHS.

Trustee Lupe Fernandez requested the following:

1. Fans to help circulate the air in the classrooms for teachers who want them.

Trustee John Alvarez requested the following:

1. Grant Writer for District

Future regular board meetings will be held on:
April 19, 2016 Study Session (Facilities) at 6:00 p.m.
April 26, 2016
May 10, 2016

FUTURE MEETING DATES (17.1)

The Board conducted the First Reading of Board Policy 9250.1:
Business Expense Reimbursement

FIRST READING: BP 9250.1 (19.1)

The Board adjourned to closed session at 8:56 p.m. to discuss Consideration of Expulsion of Student EXP #02-04-12-16; Consideration of Interdistrict Appeal IDA #04-12-01; Public Employee: Discipline/Dismissal/Release/ Complaint (Gov. Code § 54957); Student Discipline & Other Confidential Student Matters (E.C. 35146, 48900 et. seq. 48912(b); Conference with Labor Negotiator (G.C. 54956.7) It is the intention of the Board to meet in closed session to review its position and to instruct its designated reps Agency Designated Representatives: Randy DeGraw, Jason Kaff, Janet Jones; Name of Organization: FTA, CSEA; and Public Employee Appointment/ Employment - Title Business Manager/CBO (Gov. Code § 54957).

CLOSED SESSION (20.0)

The Board returned to open session at 10:21 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Lupe Fernandez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the expulsion panel recommendation to not expel Student EXP #02-04-16-16. The panel determined the student had not violated Education Code 48915(a)(1)(E) and California Penal Code sections 240 and 242; assault or battery upon any school employee. The panel members could not establish that the student's actions were in violation of the Education Code. The members also determined that other factors, including classroom environment and employee practices, were likely contributory to the incident. The student shall be allowed to return to school immediately. The members of the panel recommended a change in classroom environment, and continued support from the District's School Psychologist.

NON-EXPULSION OF STUDENT EXP #02-04-12-16 (9.1/21.2)

On a motion by Trustee John Alvarez and seconded by Trustee Al Vanderslice, the Board voted unanimously to deny Interdistrict Appeal IDA #04-12-01 (Mellado).

DENIAL OF
INTERDISTRICT
APPEAL
IDA #04-12-01 (9.2)

The Board did not take action regarding Item 21.1: Public Employee: Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Gov. Code § 54957).

NO ACTION TAKEN
RE: ITEM 21.1

The Board did not taken any action regarding Item 21.3: Conference with Labor Negotiator (G.C. 54956.7) It is the intention of the Board to meet in closed session to review its position and to instruct its designated reps Agency Designated Representatives: Randy DeGraw, Jason Kaff, Janet Jones; Name of Organization: FTA, CSEA.

NO ACTION TAKEN
RE: ITEM 21.3

The Board tabled Item 21.4 to the next meeting: Public Employee Appointment/ Employment - Title Business Manager/CBO (Gov. Code § 54957).

ITEM 21.4 TABLED
TO NEXT MEETING

On a motion by Trustee Al Vanderslice and seconded by Trustee Jorge Vazquez, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT
(22.0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Jones, Acting Superintendent

Approved by,

Lupe Fernandez, Clerk of the Board