



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
February 19, 2013**

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

**TIME** 6:00 p.m. Closed Session; 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

**CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. There were no public comments on Closed Session items and the Board adjourned to Closed Session.

**RECONVENE** The meeting was reconvened at 7:01 p.m. Attendance was recorded and the Mrs. Cassel led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT** Board Members: Mr. Ralph Womack, President; Mr. Joe Nava, Vice President; Mrs. Ruth Davis, Mr. Ron Heberle, Mrs. Bonnie Cassel and Mr. Ron Freitas

Administrators: Dr. Cathy Washer, Superintendent;  
Mr. Mike McKilligan, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel;  
Mr. Tim Hern, Associate Superintendent/Chief Business Officer

Students: Ms. Raeni Sroufe, Lodi High School and Ms. Abbey Grundmann, Tokay High School

Recorder: Mrs. Valerie McFee, Executive Assistant

**ABSENT** Board Member: Mr. George Neely, Clerk

**CLOSED SESSION** Mr. Womack reported the following action taken in Closed Session:  
**Personnel Matters** Motion was made by Mr. Heberle, seconded, and carried unanimously  
**Resolution 2013-02** by the members present to approve Resolution 2013-02, Release/Non Reelection of Temporary Certificated Employees.

No further action was taken in Closed Session.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** Dr. Washer reported on the success of the Block L program, which was brought before the Board and District by Lodi High School Counselor, Lyndon Blodgett, a few years ago. Academic letters are block letters similar to the letters that students earn for athletic participation and success. Students are now entering the second phase of the program,

which is the presentation of a pin. Pictures were shown of Lodi High students proudly donning their jackets with the academic block letters, just as they would an athletic letter.

Dr. Washer reported that many of the programs are funded through donations to purchase pins and letters and to fund breakfast celebrations. This is having a positive impact on our students; it is great to see them with their academic letters. Thank you to Lyndon and the rest of the counselors who are providing this program in our high schools. This program is making a positive impact on our high school students.

**ACTION**

**ITEMS**

Consent

Agenda A -

Routine Business

Motion was made by Mr. Nava, seconded, and carried unanimously by the six members present to approve Consent Agenda A, as presented:

- A-1 Changes to the Adopted Budget
- A-2 Contact List
- A-3 Purchase Order Detail Report
- A-4 Warrants
- A-5 Minutes of the January 15, 2013 Regular Board Meeting
- A-6 Minutes of the January 29, 2013 Special Board Meeting
- A-7 Benjamin Holt College Preparatory Academy Charter Renewal
- A-8 Resolution 2013-04, Authorization to Advertise and Solicit Proposals for the Kitchen Renovations at Various Sites (Lakewood Elementary and Morada Middle)

The student representatives' preferential vote was unanimously aye.

Consent Agenda B

Student

Discipline Cases

Motion was made by Mr. Nava, seconded, and carried unanimously by the six members present to approve Consent Agenda B – Student Discipline Cases, as follows:

- B-1 Suspended Expulsion: Student #12/13-6-50
- B-2 Suspended Expulsion: Student #12/13-8-51
- B-3 Expulsion: Student #12/13-8-52
- B-4 Expulsion: Student #12/13-7-53
- B-5 Expulsion: Student #12/13-7-54
- B-6 Expulsion: Student #12/13-8-55
- B-7 Readmission: Student #10/11-9-71

**OTHER ACTION**

**ITEMS**

Disband Measure K

Bond Oversight

Committee

Mr. Hern reported that the Measure K Bond Oversight Committee Chairperson, Mr. Gary Reiff, had given the committees' annual report at the last Board Meeting. As outlined in that report, the committee recommends that, as all funds from bond sales pursuant to Measure K have been appropriately expended, the committee should be formally

disbanded, effective March 1, 2013. Mr. Hern added that the committee should be thanked for a job well done.

Mr. Nava thanked the committee members and especially Mr. Reiff for having served as committee chairperson. Mrs. Cassel commented that the bond measure and the committee administering it have made the District a better place. Mr. Heberle thanked the committee for their work. Mr. Heberle also noted that the public should be reassured that the taxpayers' money was spent correctly.

Motion was made by Mr. Nava, seconded, and carried unanimously by the six members present to approve the disbandment of the Measure K Bond Oversight Committee. The student representatives' preferential vote was unanimously aye.

California School  
Boards Association  
Delegate Assembly  
Election, 2013 for  
Subregion 8-A

Dr. Washer stated that the ballot to vote on CSBA Delegate Assembly was before the Board. Dr. Washer stated that there were a total of three candidates and that the Board could vote for two candidates. Mr. Womack read the candidates: Matthew D. Balzarini, Lammersville USD; Ron Heberle, Lodi USD; and George Neely, Lodi USD.

Mr. Nava motioned that, as our Board of Education has two qualified members, the Board should endorse them. Mr. Freitas seconded the motion and added that he felt that both candidates would represent our needs and interests adequately. The student representatives' preferential vote was unanimously aye. The motion was carried unanimously by the six members present to endorse the candidacy of Mr. Ron Heberle and Mr. George Neely for CSBA Delegate Assembly, Subregion 8-A.

PERSONNEL  
MATTERS

Motion was made by Mr. Nava, seconded, and carried unanimously by the six members present to approve the Certificated and Classified Personnel Matters, as presented.

COMMUNICA-  
TIONS  
Comments from  
Student Reps.

Student representatives Ms. Raeni Sroufe, Lodi High School, and Ms. Abbey Grundmann, Tokay High School, reported on activities and events at their respective schools.

Comments from  
The Public

Sonja Renhult – Teacher, Tokay Colony School, asked for Board consideration as to the possibility of bringing students from the Migrant Camp to Tokay Colony School to increase enrollment and decrease the possibility of combination classes.

Comments from  
Employee Group  
Representatives

None.

Comments from  
Board Members

Mr. Heberle commented that he attended the Cornerstone Ceremony for Lodi Union High School on February 13. He stated that the original cornerstone was laid in 1913 for the then Lodi Union High School. The site later became East Campus, then Tokay High School, which was burned down and later rebuilt as Hutchins Street Square. He also commented on the enjoyable luncheon provided by the SDC students at Vinewood School.

Mrs. Cassel commented that the Lockeford/Clements community is looking forward to completing the legal steps they have to take in order to establish the former Clements School as a community center.

Mr. Womack commented on the interesting WASC accreditation meeting he attended at Lincoln Technical Academy. He stated he also enjoyed the luncheon at Vinewood School. He attended the open house at Plaza Robles. One of the highlights of his week was as judge of the Cupcake Wars at the District Office. He congratulated Dr. Washer for winning Best Taste. Dr. Washer added that Rhonda Baumgartner won for Best Decoration and Bobbie Danderson for Best of Show. Dr. Washer noted that *Lodi News-Sentinel* reporter, Sara Pohlman, who was seated in the audience, was a judge at the event.

BOARD  
ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE  
REPORTS

No reports.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

  
Clerk of the Board

  
President of the Board