



**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
November 8, 2011**

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

TIME 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Attendance was recorded and the President led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT Board Members: Mr. George Neely, President; Ms. Bonnie Cassel, Vice-President; Mr. Joe Nava, Clerk; Mr. Michael Abdallah; Ms. Ruth Davis; Mr. Ron Heberle

Administrator: Dr. Cathy Washer, Superintendent

Recorder: Mrs. Lynn Aebi, Executive Assistant

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OFFERINGS Mr. Neely presented a review of the requirement for all students to take college prep classes. Following a review of statistical data, he outlined proposed next steps:

- Eliminate the requirement for all students to take college prep classes;
- Improve the ability to process and use data;
- Immediately institute a K-12 philosophy based on early evaluation and intervention;
- Increase emphasis on meaningful CTE education;
- Take ownership of the problem.

Discussion was held among Board members and staff, followed by comments from the public. The unanimous consensus of the Board was to move forward with the defined next steps as presented, with a timeline for implementation being the start of the next school year.

ADJOURN The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Clerk of the Board

President of the Board