



**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING**  
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**MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING  
Fresno Unified School District  
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Office of the Board of Education, Fresno Unified School District Board Room, Education Center, 2309 Tulare Street, Fresno, CA 93721.

At a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Fresno Unified School District, held on August 08, 2018, there were present Board Members Ashjian, Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas. Superintendent Nelson was also present.

Board President Jonasson Rosas CONVENED the Regular Board meeting at 4:31 p.m. in the Board room and ADJOURNED to Closed Session to address items 1 through 6. The Board RECONVENED in Open Session at 6:17 p.m.

**Staff Present**

Deputy Superintendent/CFO Quinto, Chief Academic Officer Mecum, Chief of Human Resources and Labor Relations Idsvoog, Chief Technology Officer Madden, Chief Operations Officer Temple, Chief of Communications Arias, Chief Equity and Access Officer Sanders, Executive Director of Student Services Dorsey, Executive Director of Constituent Services Plascencia, Executive Director McCulley, Administrative Analyst Jensen and Chief of Staff David Chavez.

**Reporting Out of Closed Session**

1. On a motion by Board Member Ashjian, seconded by Board Member Davis, by the following vote 7-0-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session to Hire Tamera Lundberg, Executive Director of Information Technology.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Patrick Jensen, Administrative Analyst led the flag salute.

**HEAR Report from Superintendent**

- Highlighted the work done over the summer to support students over the break, from summer learning, to free meals, to preparing for the new school year.

- Superintendent congratulated 119 summer school graduates, 92 of which walked across the graduation stage in a special ceremony on July 13 at the Audra McDonald Theater at Roosevelt High School
- School starts Monday, August 13, Nelson shared a public service announcement (PSA) currently running on local television stations to remind the public about student safety as students head back to school
- Superintendent spoke about the district-wide Active Assailant Training thanking facilitators from the Fresno County Sherriff’s Department who led staff through Run Hide Fight preparation. He shared that district posters reflecting Run Hide Fight were on their way to school sites and district offices to serve as reminders to parents and staff of this initiative.

**OPPORTUNITY for Public Comment on Consent Agenda Items**

There were no individuals for this portion of the agenda.

On a motion by Member Davis, seconded by Member De La Cerda, the consent agenda, exclusive of agenda item: A-6, A-10, A-15, A-16 and A-17 which were pulled for further discussion, were approved on a roll call vote of 7-0-0-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas.

**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**  
**APPROVED 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 June 13, 2018 Regular Board meeting.
- A-3, APPROVE Minutes from Prior Meeting**  
**APPROVED as recommended**, the draft minutes for the May 23, 2018 Regular Meeting.
- A-4, ADOPT Variable Term Waiver for Career Technical Education Credential Holders**  
**ADOPTED as recommended**, the Variable Term Waiver for Career Technical Education (CTE) Credential holders. The Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) has stated the Preliminary CTE credential holders (see attached) should be issued a Variable Term Waiver for the English Learner Authorization until the CTE program is completed. The English Learner classes are embedded in the CTE program. Individuals will not have the English Learner authorization stated on their credential document until the CTE program is completed and the clear credential is issued.
- A-5, APPROVE Budget Revision No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2018/19**  
**APPROVED as recommended**, Budget Revision No. 1 for fiscal year 2018/19. Periodic updates to the district’s budget are presented to the Board of Education for approval.

**A-6, APPROVE Annual Agreements for the 2018/19 School Year**

**APPROVED as recommended**, a matrix detailing agreements to provide services to Fresno Unified School District. These agreements start in August for the school year and include the following categories:

- Campus Safety and Security
- College and Career Readiness
- Leadership Development
- Maintenance and Operations
- Opportunities to promote arts, activities and athletics
- Targeted Assistance:
  - Student Achievement Outcomes
  - Social Emotional Supports

Contracts will commence after Board approval and will end no later than June 30, 2019.

**Prior to the vote Board Member Cazares read the following statement:**

*FFDA Properties, LLC, doing business as M Street Arts Complex, is one of the vendors listed in Agenda Item A-6. FFDA Properties is owned by the Assemi Family. Because of my former employment with the Assemi Family, I have a remote financial interest in this contract.*

*Consistent with prior recusals from decisions relating to the M Street Arts Complex, and in the interest of full Transparency, I am abstaining from this vote pursuant to Board Bylaw 9270.*

For the record, there were no questions. Member Davis moved for approval seconded by Member De La Cerda, which carried a vote 6-0-1-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas. ABSTENSION: Board Member Cazares.

**A-7, APPROVE Provisional Internship Permits**

**APPROVED as recommended**, Provisional Internship Permit (PIP) recommendations to rehire or hire upon Board approval.

**A-8, APPROVE Article 20 Waivers for Various Schools for the 2018/19 School Year**

**APPROVED as recommended**, letters received from the Fresno Teachers Association approving the requests from various schools to waive Article 20 of the collective bargaining agreement.

**A-9, APPROVE Donation from Francine and Murray Farber to Provide Teaching Artists for Tehipite Middle School Students**

**APPROVED as recommended.** Mr. and Mrs. Farber are donating \$18,000 to provide additional art opportunities to the students of Tehipite Middle School. Two teaching artists will provide instruction to students after school, up to nine hours per week. Students may take classes in either folkloric dance or theatre.

**A-10, APPROVE Memorandum of Understanding with the School of Unlimited Learning APPROVED as recommended,** the Memorandum of Understanding with the School of Unlimited Learning detailing the relationship between the district, the Charter Corporate Entity, and the charter school regarding operation, oversight, and monitoring.

**Prior to the vote Board Member Jonasson Rosas read the following statement:**

*Agenda Item A-10 is a memorandum of understanding between the District and Fresno EOC operating as the School of Unlimited Learning. I am employed by Fresno EOC, which is a nonprofit corporation. I did not participate in making this contract. Because of my employment with Fresno EOC, I have a remote financial interest in this contract.*

*Consistent with prior recusals relating to Fresno EOC, and in the interests of full transparency, I am abstaining from this vote pursuant to Board Bylaw 9270.*

For the record, there were no questions. Member Davis moved for approval seconded by Member Mills, which carried a vote 6-0-1-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Ashjian, Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, and Mills. ABSTENSION: Board President Jonasson Rosas.

~~**A-11, APPROVE Purchase of Fitness/Weight Equipment and Related Facility Improvements for Bullard, Duncan, Edison, Fresno, Hoover, McLane, Roosevelt and Sunnyside High Schools STAFF REMOVED ITEM FROM THE AGENDA. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THIS ITEM.**~~

~~It is recommended the Board approve the purchase of new weight/fitness equipment for Bullard, Duncan, Edison, Fresno, Hoover, McLane, Roosevelt and Sunnyside High Schools. The projects will replace aging equipment to provide additional physical education (PE) opportunities for all girls and boys including students with disabilities, promote more effective conditioning, support healthy fitness habits, and foster increased athletic competitiveness. Providing new, state-of-the-art, high-quality equipment will reduce inequity among high schools. Currently the quality, quantity and serviceability of equipment varies, and some equipment cannot be used due to safety concerns. The recommended projects will include related facility improvements including flooring with school colors/logos. All high school Athletic Directors support the project and indicate that updated fitness/weight equipment is a high priority need on their campus and would have an immediate positive impact for a wide range of students. The Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: \$1.4 million for fitness/weight equipment is available in the Unrestricted General Fund Reserve. Approximately \$600,000 for facility improvements related to the new equipment is available in the Measure X Fund. Funding for other projects will be recommended in the future. Contact person: Robert G. Nelson, telephone 457-3884.~~

**A-12, APPROVE Fresno County Cradle to Career Partnership**

**APPROVED as recommended.** The Cradle to Career (C2C) Partnership for Fresno County is a community-wide partnership of public, private, nonprofit and philanthropic leaders who are organizing efforts and resources around building a shared community vision that all Fresno County youth will realize success and good health at every age, from cradle to career.

**A-13, APPROVE Updated Energy Services Agreement with NORESCO**

**APPROVED as recommended,** updates to the master agreement with NORESCO for the remainder of the five- year period. The updated agreement includes terms favorable to the district that supersede the original agreement including a higher standard of care and more vendor accountability for errors and omissions. This is similar to the updates to engineering services contracts the Board approved on May 30, 2018.

**A-14, RATIFY Agreement with Fresno Police Department for Student Resource Officers, and APPROVE Increase to Operational Services Budget**

**PULLED BY STAFF. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THIS ITEM.** ~~It is recommended the Board ratify a three-year agreement with the Fresno Police Department (FPD) for Student Resource Officers (SROs) at high schools. The agreement provides for eleven SROs assigned to Bullard, Cambridge, Duncan, Edison, Fresno, Hoover, McLane, Phoenix, Roosevelt and Sunnyside high schools, and Fort Miller Middle School, plus a Sergeant. SROs perform regular law enforcement services and support safe and secure school environments. The agreement is for July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021, with the option to extend for one two-year period. The 2018/19 cost to the district is \$1,725,941, an average of \$143,828 per Officer/ Sergeant; the amount may increase in future years based on negotiated wages. An augmentation of \$349,280 is recommended to fund the FPD services. The full amount was not known during the budget development process, and the Board was informed that the contract was being negotiated.~~

**A-15, RATIFY Change Orders for the Projects Listed Below**

**RATIFIED as recommended,** Change Orders for the following projects:

**Bid 17-14, Fresno High School - Royce Hall Acoustical Improvements and Remodel**

Change Order 2: \$56,628

**Bid 18-02, Adult Transition Program (ATP) Modernization Project**

Change Order 3: \$20,250

Change Order 4: \$21,391

**Bid 18-05, McLane High School Bio-retention Basin Project**

Change Order 1: \$0

**Bid 18-08, HVAC Improvements in the Multipurpose Rooms for Pyle Elementary School, Fort Miller and Yosemite Middle Schools**

Change Order 2 (Pyle): \$22,491

Change Order 2 (Fort Miller): \$23,114

Change Order 1 (Yosemite): \$18,802

**Bid 18-14, Addams Elementary School Portable Relocation and Infrastructure**

Change Order 1: \$6,340

**Prior to the vote Board Member Ashjian read the following statement:**

*Item A-15 includes change orders for construction projects involving Davis Moreno Construction, Inc. (Bid Number 17-14) and Mark Wilson Construction, Inc. (Bid Number 18-02).*

*I have done business with Davis Moreno Construction and Mark Wilson Construction in my private capacity on other projects not involving Fresno Unified beginning at least five years prior to my election to this Board. I did not participate in making these contracts. Because of my relationship with these companies, I have a remote financial interest in these contracts. Therefore, I am abstaining from this vote pursuant to Board Bylaw 9270.*

For the record, there were no questions. Member De La Cerda moved for approval seconded by Member Mills, which carried a vote 6-0-1-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas. ABSTENSION: Board Member Ashjian.

**A-16, RATIFY the Filing of Notices of Completion**

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

**Bid 17-27R,** Sections A and B, Edison and Roosevelt High Schools Tennis Courts Improvements Rebid

**Bid 18-05,** McLane High School Bio-retention Basin Project

**Bid 18-06,** Sections A-C and F, Playground Equipment Installation for Columbia, Edison-Bethune, Jefferson and Kirk Elementary Schools

**Bid 18-08,** HVAC Improvements in the Multipurpose Rooms for Pyle Elementary School, Fort Miller and Yosemite Middle Schools

**Bid 18-17,** Section C, Installation of Exterior Lighting Upgrades for Anthony, Bakman, and Olmos Elementary Schools and Cambridge High School

**Bid 18-21,** Sunnyside High School Irrigation Improvements

**Prior to the vote Board Member Ashjian read the following statement:**

*Agenda Item A-16 includes a notice of completion for a construction project involving Davis Moreno Construction, Inc. (Bid Number 17-27R).*

*I have done business with Davis Moreno Construction in my private capacity on other projects not involving Fresno Unified beginning at least five years prior to my election to this Board. I*

*did not participate in making this contract. Because of my relationship with this contractor, I have a remote financial interest in this contract. Therefore, I am abstaining from this vote pursuant to Board Bylaw 9270.*

For the record, there were no questions. Member Davis moved for approval seconded by Member De La Cerda, which carried a vote 6-0-1-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, Mills and Board President Jonasson Rosas. ABSTENSION: Board Member Ashjian.

**A-17, RATIFY Purchase Orders from May 1, 2018 through May 31, 2018, and Zero Dollar Contracts**

**RATIFIED as recommended**, purchase orders issued from May 1, 2018 through May 31, 2018. Purchase orders for \$10,000 or more are presented first, followed by purchase orders for less than \$10,000. A list of purchase orders issued for Associated Student Body (ASB) accounts is also provided. Also attached and included for ratification is a list of zero dollar contracts that specify terms but where no funds will be exchanged between Fresno Unified and other entities.

**Prior to the vote Board President Jonasson Rosas read the following statement:**

*Fresno EOC is the vendor for purchase order number 510381 as stated in item A-17. I am employed by Fresno EOC, which is a nonprofit corporation. I did not participate in making these contracts. Because of my employment with Fresno EOC, I have a remote financial interest in these contracts.*

*Additionally, purchase order numbers 509765 and 509788 are reimbursements to myself for expenses incurred as board president. Although I do not believe recusal is required for these items, I would like to disclose them.*

*Consistent with prior recusals relating to Fresno EOC, and the interests of full transparency, I am abstaining from this vote pursuant to Board Bylaw 9270.*

**Prior to the vote Board Member Ashjian read the following statement:**

*Included in item A-17 are purchase orders for Davis Moreno Construction (purchase order number 510231, 504932A, 504932B & 507682), Elite Landscape Construction (purchase order number 511182), Mark Wilson Construction (purchase order number 510838), Todd Companies (purchase order number 510806), and Expo Party Rental & Sales (purchase order numbers 510470 & 506669).*

*I have done business with Davis Moreno Construction, Elite Landscape Construction, Mark Wilson Construction, Todd Companies, and Expo Party Rental Sales in my private capacity on other projects not involving Fresno Unified Beginning at least five years prior to me election to this Board. I did not participate in Making these contracts. Because of my relationship with these companies, I have a remote financial interest in these contract. Therefore, I am abstaining from this vote pursuant to Board Bylaw 9270.*

For the record, there were no questions. Member Davis moved for approval seconded by Member De La Cerda, which carried a vote 5-0-2-0 as follows: AYES: Board Members: Cazares, Davis, De La Cerda, Johnson, and Mills. ABSTENSION: Board President Jonasson Rosas and Board Member Ashjian.

## **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

### **UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no individuals who wished to address the Board.

### **B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA**

There were no items for this portion of the agenda.

### **C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS**

The Board was in receipt of Agenda Item C-18, the Improving Special Education Services in the Fresno Unified School District Report.

### **BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS**

**Board Member Ashjian** – Requested a legal opinion regarding whether a teacher could maintain their current position and still run for a city office position.

### **D. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Board, Board President Jonasson Rosas declared the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.