



BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
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AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2024
***4:30 P.M. (CLOSED SESSION) *5:30 P.M. (OPEN SESSION)**

*DESIGNATED TIMES FOR CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION ITEMS ARE ESTIMATES.

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***4:30 P.M.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ambra O'Connor will lead the flag salute.

OPPORTUNITY for Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items.

RECESS for Closed Session to discuss the following:

1. Student Expulsions Pursuant to Education Code Section 35146.
2. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Government Code Section 54957.6); Fresno Unified School District Negotiator(s): David Chavez and Paul Idsvoog; Employee Organizations(s): FTA, CSEA, Chapter 125, CSEA, Chapter 143, SEIU, Local 521, FASTA/SEIU, Local 521/CTW, CLC, Fresno Unified Building & Construction Trades/FTA; International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers (IAMAW), Unrepresented Employees: All Management, Confidential, and Supervisory Employees.
3. Public Employee Discipline, Dismissal, Release, Reassignment, Resignation (Government Code Section 54957).
4. Public Employment/Appointment (Government Code Section 54957).
 - a. Executive Officer, Department of Analysis, Measurement, and Accountability
 - b. Superintendent Search
5. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)).
6. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated, Pending, Threatened Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)).
 - a. Potential Case (one)

A. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS

A-1, RECEIVE Results of Issuance and Sale of the General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2020, Series C, and Refunding Bonds

Included in the Board binders is a summary which describes the results of the issuance and sale of the (i) General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2020, (Measure M), Series C Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$60 million; and (ii) Refunding Bonds for \$18.6 million on August 14, 2024. Fiscal impact: The issuance and sale of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds resulted in savings of approximately \$7.4 million. Contact person: Patrick Jensen, telephone 457-6226.

***5:30 P.M., RECONVENE** and report action taken during Closed Session, if any.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA

***5:35 P.M.**

B-2, PRESENT and DISCUSS 2024 Student Achievement Data

The Interim Superintendent will present a detailed overview of student achievement data, instructional strategies, data collection and an overview of the board meeting student outcome data presentation schedule for this academic year. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: Ambra O'Connor, telephone 457-3838.

***6:20 P.M.**

B-3, PRESENT and DISCUSS the Charter School Renewal Process Review for 2024/25

Included in the Board binders is a presentation which provides an overview of the charter school renewal process in preparation for four charter school renewals during the 2024/25 school year. The presentation will include a brief review of charter school legislation, provide information regarding the renewal process, and provide a renewal timeline for each school. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: Natsha Baker, Ed.D., telephone 457-3731.

***6:50 P.M.**

B-4, HOLD a Public Hearing and ADOPT Resolution 25-17, Certifying Sufficiency of Instructional Materials

Included in the Board binders is Resolution Number 25-17 certifying that all Fresno Unified students have standards-aligned textbooks and instructional materials. A survey, to determine sufficient instructional materials at each school site, was administered to all schools, transitional kindergarten through grade twelve. The Interim Superintendent recommends adoption. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: Natasha Baker, Ed.D., telephone 457-3731.

OPPORTUNITY for Public Comment on Consent Agenda Items

ALL CONSENT AGENDA items are considered routine by the Board of Education and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Board member requests, in which event, the item(s) will be considered following approval of the Consent Agenda.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

C-5, APPROVE Personnel List

Included in the Board binders is the Personnel List, Appendix A, as submitted. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: David Chavez, telephone 457-3713.

C-6, ADOPT Findings of Fact and Recommendations of District Administrative Board

The Board of Education received and considered the Findings of Fact and Recommendations of District Administrative Panels resulting from hearings on expulsion and readmittance cases conducted during the period since the regular meeting of the Board held September 11, 2024. The Interim Superintendent recommends adoption. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: Carlos Castillo, Ed.D., telephone 457-3471.

C-7, APPROVE Meeting Minutes

Included in the Board binders are draft minutes for the August 31 – September 01, 2024, special meeting and the September 11, 2024, regular meeting of the Board of Education. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district. Contact person: Interim Superintendent, Mao Misty Her, telephone 457-3884.

C-8, ADOPT Resolution 25-16 in Support of Proposition 2

Included in the Board binders and presented for adoption is Resolution 25-16, in support of Proposition 2: Kindergarten through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024. The Interim Superintendent recommends adoption. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: Ambra O'Connor, telephone 457-3838.

C-9, ADOPT Provisional Internship Permits

Included for Board consideration are Provisional Internship Permit (PIP) recommendations to rehire or hire teachers for the 2024/25 school year due to hard-to-fill credential positions. The Interim Superintendent recommends adoption. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: David Chavez, telephone 457-3713.

C-10, ADOPT Variable Term Waiver Requests for Bilingual Cross-Cultural, Language and Development Authorization

Included in the Board binders are Variable Term Waiver requests for Bilingual Cross-Cultural, Language and Development (BCLAD) Authorization for the 2024/25 school year. The Interim Superintendent recommends adoption. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: David Chavez, telephone 457-3713.

C-11, ADOPT Variable Term Waiver Requests for Career Technical Education Credential Holders

Included in the Board binders are Variable Term Waiver Requests for Career Technical Education teachers, who need the English Learner Authorization until their credential is cleared. The Interim Superintendent recommends adoption. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: David Chavez, telephone 457-3713.

C-12, APPROVE Certificated Retiree Contracts for Elementary Music

Included in the Board binders are certificated retiree contracts to address staffing shortages in elementary music. These retirees will provide classroom music instruction and teach band and string ensembles based on their areas of expertise. With 3.5 full-time equivalent (FTE) vacancies in elementary music, these contracts will help fill critical gaps. Specific assignments include Kratt and Starr Elementary for band and strings in grades five and six, and Turner and Thomas Elementary for classroom music in grades one through three. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$70,456 are available in the Elementary Music budget. Contact person: Natasha Baker, Ed.D., telephone 457-3731.

C-13, APPROVE Agreement between Fresno Unified School District, Department of Prevention and Intervention and Parent Project, LLC

Included in the Board binders is a request to approve an agreement between Fresno Unified School District, Department of Prevention and Intervention, and Parent Project, LLC. Parent Project, LLC will train district Child Welfare and Attendance Specialists and certify them to facilitate two parenting courses: Changing Destructive Adolescent Behavior and Loving Solutions. Increasing parenting skills and promoting positive attendance, engagement, and school connectedness for their children will reduce their chronic absenteeism. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$36,000 are available in the Medi-Cal reimbursement budget as approved by the Medi-Cal Collaborative. Contact person: Carlos Castillo, Ed.D., telephone 457-3471.

C-14, APPROVE Agreement with Council of the Great City Schools

Included in the Board binders is an agreement with Council of the Great City Schools to provide executive coaching services for the Interim Superintendent. The Council of the Great City Schools will provide a Primary Coach who will provide one-on-one coaching sessions to support the Interim Superintendent in leading a large urban school district. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$15,000 are available in the Office of the Superintendent's budget. Contact person: Ambra O'Connor, telephone 457-3838.

C-15, APPROVE Agreement with Identity Automation LP for Rapid Identity Software

Included in the Board binders is a three-year agreement with the software provider Identity Automation LP to purchase Rapid Identity Software. Rapid Identity will automate account creation and manage access to digital applications for all staff and students. This platform replaces the district's aging digital identity management processes and improves single sign-on into district applications. Rapid Identity also provides temporary access for vendors and community partners, self-service password resets, faster changes to system access, and increased visibility and reporting. These improvements strengthen the district's cybersecurity posture. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal Impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$246,600 for the first year and \$205,500 for the following two years are available in the Information Technology Budget. Contact person: Tami Lundberg, 457-3560.

C-16, APPROVE Agreement with Nightingale Dispute Consultants, Incorporated

Included in the Board binders is an agreement with Nightingale Dispute Consultants, Incorporated to provide certain conflict resolution services, including, without limitation, certain assessment, consulting, facilitation, training and other related products and services as delineated in the Consulting Agreement. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$45,000 are available in the Human Resources/Labor Relations budget. Contact person: David Chavez, telephone 457-3713.

C-17, APPROVE Amendment No. 5 to the Agreement with Pinnacle Training Systems, LLC

Included in the Board binders is Amendment No. 5 to the agreement with Pinnacle Training Systems, LLC. This amendment will increase the contract cost by \$11,130 and Pinnacle Training Systems will begin including prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood tests during the onsite wellness events for Fresno Unified Staff. The current agreement with Pinnacle Training Systems, LLC is from July 01, 2024, through June 30, 2027. The new total with this amendment will be approximately \$320,870 for the first year. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$11,130 are available in the Internal Service Health Fund budget to cover the cost of Amendment No. 5. Contact person: Patrick Jensen, telephone 457-6226.

C-18, APPROVE Partnership with Fresno County Cradle to Career

Included in the Board binders is a list of sponsors for the Cradle to Career (C2C) Partnership for Fresno County. C2C 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. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$50,000 are available in the Communications budget. Contact person: Ambra O'Connor, telephone 457-3838.

C-19, APPROVE Potential 2024 Bond Measure Project Priority List

Included in the Board binders is the staff recommended potential 2024 Bond Project List and Priorities. Future project implementation will depend on project definition and scoping, funding availability and Board approval. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: Paul Idsvoog, telephone 457-3134.

C-20, RATIFY the Completion of Measure X Project Funding

The Board is requested at this time to ratify a transfer from Measure M to Measure X to complete the Measure X bond measure allocations. The Interim Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$15.3 million are available in the Measure X Building Fund budget. Contact person: Paul Idsvoog, telephone 457-3134.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA
(ROLL CALL VOTE)**

UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Individuals who wish to address the Board on topics within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, but **not** listed on this agenda may do so at this time. If you wish to address the Board on a specific item listed on the agenda, you should do so when that specific item is called. Individuals shall submit a speaker card specifying the topic they wish to address. The card must be submitted before the Board President announces unscheduled oral communications.

While time limitations are at the discretion of the Board President, generally members of the public will be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes per speaker for a total of thirty (30) minutes of public comment as designated on this agenda. The Board recognizes that individuals may ask the Board to answer questions or respond to statements made during unscheduled oral communications and in accordance with Board Bylaw 9323, the Board shall take no action or discussion on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except as authorized by law.

Members of the public with questions on school district issues may submit them in writing. The Board will automatically refer to the Superintendent any formal requests brought before them at this time. The appropriate staff member will furnish answers to questions.

D. ADJOURNMENT

**NEXT SCHEDULED REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 09, 2024**