



BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
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NUTRITION SERVICES
FRESNO, CA 93722
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AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 06, 2024
***4:30 P.M. (CLOSED SESSION) *6:00 P.M. (OPEN SESSION)**

*DESIGNATED TIMES FOR CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION ITEMS ARE ESTIMATES.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Tami Lundberg will lead the flag salute.

OPPORTUNITY for Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items.

A. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS

A-1, RECEIVE the Fresno Unified School District First Quarter Investment Report for Fiscal Year 2024/25 – G2

Included in the Board binders is the first quarter investment report for the period ending September 30, 2024. Board Policy 3430(a) requires the Superintendent, or designee, to supply the Board of Education with quarterly and annual reports on district investments. As of September 30, 2024, Fresno Unified School District is in compliance with Board Policy 3430(a) for investments. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: Patrick Jensen, telephone 457-6226.

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. Superintendent Search
5. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)).
 - a. Risk Management Litigation Report
6. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated, Pending, Threatened Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)).
 - a. Potential Case (one)

***6:00 P.M., RECONVENE** and report action taken during Closed Session, if any.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA

***6:05 P.M.**

B-2, DISCUSS and APPROVE the Arts, Music, & Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant - G1

Included in the Board binders is the Fresno Unified School District Arts, Music, & Instructional Discretionary Block Grant plan for 2024/25 and 2025/26. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$37.7 million are available in the Arts, Music, & Instructional Discretionary Block Grant budget. Contact person: Patrick Jensen, telephone 457-6226.

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

B-3, HOLD a Public Hearing and APPROVE in the Matter of the University High School Charter Renewal Petition – G2

Included in the Board binders is a copy of the University High School (UHS) renewal petition. UHS has been a district authorized charter school since August 2007 and is applying for the renewal of their charter. The University High School charter petition was submitted to Fresno Unified School District on September 03, 2024, and a Public Hearing was held at the October 09, 2024, board meeting. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: The estimated fiscal impact for the renewal to Fresno Unified School District for 2025/26 is \$2M, following an estimated fiscal impact of \$2.1M in 2026/27, \$2.2M in 2027/28 and \$2.3M in 2028/29. Contact person: Natasha Baker, Ed.D., telephone 457-3731.

***6:35 P.M.**

B-4, PRESENT, DISCUSS, and HOLD a Public Hearing in the Matter of the Aspen Meadow Public School Charter Renewal Petition – G2

Included in the Board binders is a copy of the Aspen Meadow Public School (AMPS) renewal petition. AMPS has been a district authorized charter school since August 2016 and is applying for the renewal of their charter. The AMPS charter petition was submitted to Fresno Unified School District on October 01, 2024, and will be presented to the Board for a decision at the December 11, 2024, Board meeting. Fiscal impact: The estimated fiscal impact for the renewal to Fresno Unified School District for 2025/26 is \$2.4M, following an estimated fiscal impact of \$2.5M in 2026/27, following an estimated fiscal impact of \$2.6M in 2027/28 and \$2.8M in 2028/29. 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 – G2

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 - S

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 October 23, 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 – G2

Included in the Board binders are draft minutes for the October 23, 2024, regular meeting of the Board of Education. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: Interim Superintendent, Mao Misty Her, telephone 457-3884.

C-8, ADOPT Provisional Internship Permits – G1

Included in the Board binders 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-9, ADOPT Variable Term Waiver for Bilingual Cross-Cultural, Language and Development Authorization – G1

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-10, ADOPT Variable Term Waiver for Career Technical Education Credential Holders – G1

Included in the Board binders are Variable Term Waivers for Career Technical Education Teachers, who need the English Learner Authorization until their credential are 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-11, ADOPT Resolution 25-25, Ordering the Date of the Annual Organizational Meeting of the Board of Education – G2

Included in the Board binders is a Resolution Ordering the Date of the Annual Organizational Meeting of the Governing Board as December 18, 2024. Pursuant to California Education Code § 35143, the governing board of each school district shall hold an annual organizational meeting. In a year in which a regular election for governing board members is conducted, the meeting shall be held on a day within a 15-day period that commences with the second Friday in December following the regular election. Therefore, the 2024 annual organizational meeting date must fall between December 13, 2024, and no later than December 27, 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-12, APPROVE Proposed Graduation Schedule for the Class of 2025- G1

Included in the Board binders is the proposed schedule for the Class of 2025 graduation ceremonies. Following Board approval, the Student Engagement Department will confirm services with the vendors. All necessary vendor documents will be prepared and submitted. These documents will be presented for review and approval at a future Board meeting. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: Natasha Baker, Ed.D., telephone 457-3731.

C-13, APPROVE Addition to Legal Services Agreements for 2024/25 – G2

Included in the Board binders is a document listing an additional legal firm recommended for approval to provide legal services to Fresno Unified School District during the 2024/25 fiscal year. The firm's name, location, and 2024/25 attorney hourly rates are also listed. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds are available in the 2024/25 budget in the Unrestricted General Fund, Workers' Compensation Fund, and Liability Fund. Contact person: Patrick Jensen, telephone 457-6226.

C-14, APPROVE Agreement with JRG Consulting a Professional Corporation – G1

Included in the Board binders is a contract with JRG Consulting a Professional Corporation (JRG). JRG will offer a series of 11 professional learning sessions for our speech therapists, school psychologists, and regional instructional managers.

This comprehensive training aims to enhance the ability of our staff to conduct thorough, accurate, and compliant assessments, ultimately ensuring appropriate support for students in the least restrictive environment. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$43,000 are available in the Legal Services Fund. Contact person: Natasha Baker, Ed.D., telephone 457-3731.

C-15, APPROVE Budget Revision No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2024/25 – G1

Included in the Board binders is Budget Revision No. 1 for fiscal year 2024/25. Periodic updates to the district's budget are presented to the Board of Education for approval. Budget Revision No. 1 includes adjustments for updated information regarding carryover, actual beginning balances, and necessary adjustments to support the acceptance of various grant awards. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: As a result, the Unrestricted General Fund Reserve for Economic Uncertainties is estimated at approximately \$120.5 million at June 30, 2025. Contact person: Patrick Jensen, telephone 457-6226.

C-16, APPROVE Agreement with Corwin Press and John Muir Elementary School - G1

Included in the Board binders is an agreement between Fresno Unified School District and Corwin Press to provide five Coaching Cycles. The scope of work will include PLC+, Site Coaching from third to sixth grade teachers, and Instructional Leadership. The Coach will assess and give feedback on PLC+ progress, observe PLC+ team meetings, co-activate a PLC+ team meeting, and debrief with instructional leadership team on progress towards goals. Training will be conducted at Muir Elementary School once a month beginning in January 2025 - May 2025. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$37,500 are available in the John Muir Elementary School budget. Contact person: Natasha Baker, Ed.D., telephone 457-3731.

C-17, APPROVE Agreement with Corwin Press and Turner Elementary School – G1

Included in the Board binders is an agreement between Turner Elementary School and Corwin Press to provide five in-person and four virtual Professional Learning Communities + (PLC+) training sessions to all classroom teachers. Training will be held on various dates, determined by the school site, starting in December 2024 through April 2025. The PLC+ training will allow grade level/department teams to explore and implement the PLC+ process in service of improving student outcomes. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$44,000 are available in Turner Elementary School budget. Contact person: Natasha Baker, Ed.D., telephone 457-3731.

C-18, APPROVE Agreement with Instructure – G1

Included in the Board binders is an agreement with Instructure. Instructure will serve as the district's electronic transcript submission platform to ensure timely submissions to post-secondary institutions for requested transcripts as well as platform training and support for district registrars and counselors.

The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$110,746 are available in the College and Career Readiness budget. Contact person: Natasha Baker, Ed.D., telephone 457-3731.

C-19, APPROVE Agreement for the School Counselor Residency Capacity Grant – G1

Included in the Board binders is an agreement between Fresno Unified School District and California State University, Fresno to implement the School Counselor Residency Capacity Grant. This grant will allow fifteen to twenty California State University, Fresno, school counseling interns to earn a stipend while interning at Fresno Unified School District. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$115,000 are available in the School Counselor Residency Capacity Grant budget. Contact person: Natasha Baker, Ed.D., telephone 457-3731.

C-20, APPROVE Award of Bid 25-08, Starr Elementary School Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Energy Management System Replacement – G2

Included in the Board binders is information on Bid 25-08, Starr Elementary School Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Energy Management System Replacement. This project will improve classroom ventilation and air conditioning by replacing air handlers, heat pumps, energy management systems, and central plant equipment. Staff recommends award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder: Strategic Mechanical, Inc. (Fresno, California) \$2,171,000. The Interim Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$2,171,000 are available in the Measure M Funds. Contact person: Paul Idsvoog, telephone 457-3134.

C-21, APPROVE Proposed Revisions for Board Policies – G2

Included in the Board binders are proposed revisions for eight Board Policies (BP) as follows:

- BP 3110 - Transfer of Funds
- BP 3270 - Sale and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies
- BP 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts
- BP 3400.1 - Audit Committee
- BP 3452 - Student Activity Funds
- BP 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability
- BP 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment
- BP 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students

These revisions meet the California School Boards Association recommendations and best practices. The Board President recommends approval. Fiscal impact: There is no fiscal impact to the district at this time. Contact person: Ambra O'Connor, telephone 457-3838.

C-22, RATIFY Agreement with Fresno County Probation Office for School Year 2024/25 – G1

Included in the Board binders is an agreement with the Fresno County Probation Office. The Fresno County Probation Office provides Fresno Unified with probation officers at nine high schools to supervise students on probation, monitor school attendance and serve as a liaison between school and the courts. Probation officers further support campus safety and work alongside site administration and the student resources officer in providing a safe learning environment. This agreement is retroactively effective on July 01, 2024, and terminates on June 30, 2025, with the ability to extend for no more than two, one-year periods. The Interim Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$351,000 are available in the Safety and Security Budget. Contact person: Ambra O'Connor, telephone 457-3838.

C-23, RATIFY Agreement with Write Tools LLC – G1

Included in the Board binders is an agreement between Write Tools LLC and Greenberg Elementary School. Write Tools will provide a series of professional learning sessions in writing pedagogy for Greenberg teachers serving students in transitional kindergarten through grade six. Write Tools will provide eight days of training, demonstration lessons and coaching in the areas of informative and explanatory writing. The Interim Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$16,533 are available in the Greenberg Elementary School budget. Contact person: Natasha Baker, Ed.D., telephone 457-3731.

C-24, RATIFY Change Orders – G2

Included in the Board binders is information on Change Orders for the projects as follows:

Bid 22-21, Francine and Murray Farber Educational Campus
Change Order 12 presented for ratification: \$335,932

Bid 23-09, Sunnyside High School New Career Technical Education Health Science Building
Change Order 4 presented for ratification: \$34,974

Bid 23-16, Manchester, Pyle, and Vinland Elementary Schools Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning Energy Management System Replacement
Change Order 2 (Manchester and Pyle) presented for ratification: \$18,959
Change Order 2 (Vinland) presented for ratification: \$-13,948

Bid 23-54, Muir and Winchell Elementary Schools and Sequoia Middle School Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning Energy Management System Replacement
Change Order 1 (Muir) presented for ratification: \$286,408
Change Order 2 (Winchell) presented for ratification: \$131,036
Change Order 3 (Sequoia) presented for ratification: \$9,144

Bid 24-14, Birney and Centennial Elementary Schools Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning Energy Management System Replacements
Change Order 1 presented for ratification: \$-11,709

Bid 24-24, Wawona Middle School HVAC/EMS Replacement
Change Order 1 presented for ratification: \$44,540

Bid 24-26, Wolters Elementary School Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning Energy Management System Replacement
Change Order 1 presented for ratification: \$20,194

Bid 24-41, Sunset and Viking Elementary Schools Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Energy Management System, and Boiler Replacements
Change Order 1 presented for ratification: \$-17,419

Bid 24-55, Manchester Elementary School Portable Confidential Space Installation
Change Order 1 presented for ratification: \$9,166

The Interim Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal impact: Sufficient funds in the amount of \$370,906 are available in the Measure M Fund for Bids 22-21 and 23-09. Sufficient funds in the amount of \$476,369 are available in the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief III Federal Fund for Bids 23-16, 23-54, 24-14, 24-24, 24-26, 24-41, and 24-55. Contact person: Paul Idsvoog, telephone 457-3134.

C-25, RATIFY the Filing of Notices of Completion – G2

Included in the Board binders are Notices of Completion for the projects which have been completed according to plans and specifications as follows:

Bid 23-16, Manchester, Pyle, and Vinland Elementary Schools Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning Energy Management System Replacement

Bid 23-65, Robinson Elementary School Portable Relocation

Bid 24-14, Birney and Centennial Elementary Schools Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning Energy Management System Replacements

Bid 24-24, Wawona Middle School Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning Energy Management System Replacement

Bid 24-26, Wolters Elementary School Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning Energy Management System Replacement

Bid 24-28, Lowell Elementary School Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Energy Management System Replacement

Bid 24-41, Sunset and Viking Elementary Schools Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Energy Management System, and Boiler Replacements

Bid 24-55, Manchester Elementary School Portable Confidential Space Installation

The Interim Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal impact: Retention funds are released in accordance with contract terms and California statutes. Contact person: Paul Idsvoog, telephone 457-3134.

C-26, RATIFY Purchase Orders from August 01, 2024, through August 31, 2024 – Primary Report – G2

Included in the Board binders is information on purchase orders issued from August 01, 2024, through August 31, 2024, Primary Report. Two agenda items are presented to ratify purchase orders. The first item includes the Primary Report with all purchase orders issued during the reported dates with the exception of those that may present a potential conflict of interest for an individual Board member. All remaining purchase orders are in the Supplemental Report and presented as a second agenda item. The Interim Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal impact: Funding is noted in the support material. Contact person: Paul Idsvoog, telephone 457-3134.

C-27, RATIFY Purchase Orders from August 01, 2024, through August 31, 2024– Supplemental Report – G2

Included in the Board binders is information on purchase orders issued from August 01, 2024, through August 31, 2024, Supplemental Report. Two agenda items are presented to ratify purchase orders. The first item includes the Primary Report with all purchase orders issued during the reported dates with the exception of those that may present a potential conflict of interest for an individual Board member. All remaining purchase orders are in the Supplemental Report and presented as a second agenda item. The Interim Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal impact: Funding is noted in the support material. 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, NOVEMBER 20, 2024**