

YOLO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting: September 26, 2017
MINUTES

1.0 OPENING PROCEDURES

- 1.1 Call to Order and Roll Call. The Yolo County Board of Education met on September 26, 2017 at 3:43pm in Regular session in the Conference Center located at 1280 Santa Anita Court, Suite #120, Woodland, CA. Board Members present were: Matt Taylor, Carol Souza Cole, Cirenio Rodriguez and Shelton Yip. President Matt Taylor presided. Trustee Bill Owens was absent. Dr. Ronda DaRosa, Deputy Superintendent, filled in as the Superintendent's Designee (Superintendent Ortiz was absent). (Roll Call held).
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance. The pledge of allegiance was conducted.
- 1.3 Approval of Agenda. The agenda was approved as submitted.

MOTION: Rodriguez. **SECOND:** Souza Cole. **AYES:** Rodriguez, Souza Cole, Yip, Taylor. **NOES:** None. **ABSENT:** Owens.

- 1.4 Public Comment. There were no comments at this time.

2.0 REPORTS

2.1 Board Member(s)/Superintendent/SAT/Committee(s).

a. Board Members Reports:

- Trustee Souza Cole attended another beneficial conference in Monterey for California County Boards of Education (CCBE). At the conference, she attended a charter school workshop and a board governance workshop.
- Trustee Rodriguez will soon be attending the California Latino School Boards Association Fall Conference in Del Mar.
- Trustee Yip also attended the CCBE conference in Monterey and gained valuable information. He also serves on the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) and on the Board of Directors for the California School Boards Association (CSBA) and CCBE. He attended the golf fundraiser last Friday at the Yocha Dehe Golf Club with some of the YCOE staff and students from Cesar Chavez Community School. He encouraged members to attend *Understanding the Dashboard* sponsored by the Yolo County School Boards Association (YCSBA) on Wednesday, October 18, 2017, 6:00pm-7:30pm in the YCOE Conference Center (dinner included); Ronda DaRosa and Tami Ethier will be the presenters. Information was sent yesterday regarding the CSBA Region 6 Roadshow on October 9, 2017, 6:00pm-9:00pm at the Sacramento County Office of Education. He also mentioned an op-ed published in today's Sacramento Bee on the significant impact of childhood education, specifically, Head Start. The article mentions two outstanding alum, Anna Maria Chavez, the first Latina CEO of Girl Scouts of USA and Darren Walker, president of the Ford Foundation. He added that individuals who attend quality

preschool are “on track” by the time they reach 3rd grade; those who attend Kindergarten only may or may not be “on track” by the 3rd grade. He acknowledged that YCOE has a wonderful Head Start program; he and others are moving forward to create quality preschool countywide.

- Board President Taylor also attended the CCBE conference and brought back information on the shared governance session presented by the El Dorado County Superintendent of Schools, Ed Manansala, Heidi Weiland, Vice President of the El Dorado County School Board and attorney, Heather Edwards. The presentation included a couple of items – Ed Code states that revisions to the budget in excess of \$20k are supposed to be brought to the board and county boards are required to adopt the course of study of county community schools annually; President Taylor will be following up to make sure we are doing this. He has been invited by the California Collaboration for Educational Excellence to serve on their content library review panel to look at resources for evaluating the Local Control Accountability Plans (LCAPs), how to write LCAPs, etc. He will share any best practices discussed.

b. Superintendent

- 1) YCOE Employee of the Month -- None at this time.

c. Superintendent’s Advisory Team:

- Ronda DaRosa distributed and reviewed copies of the *Yolo County Board of Education Update, September 26, 2017* (copies can be found on file with the official records of this meeting). College and Career Technical Education Director, Lori Perez, introduced Karen Swan as the new Career Ready Specialist.
- Tami Ethier reported that interviews were held for the Internal Business Director position, which she hopes to fill by November 1st.

d. Committees:

- Trustee Souza Cole reported that the Policy Committee (Trustee Souza Cole and Trustee Yip) had met to review sample policies for naming of facilities to develop and formulate a recommendation for a YCOE policy, which will be presented at the October Regular meeting.

2.2 Associations.

- No reports.

3.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

3.1 Consent Agenda.

- a. Approval of Minutes: August 22, 2017 Regular Meeting.
- b. Approval of Minutes: September 12, 2017 Special Meeting.
- c. Temporary County Certificates

- d. Resolution #17-18/07 Resolution finding that Trustee’s absence from Board meeting is due to an acceptable hardship and authorizing payment of stipend pursuant to Education Code § 1090(d)

The Board took action to approve the Consent agenda.

MOTION: Yip. **SECOND:** Souza Cole. **AYES:** Yip, Souza Cole, Rodriguez, Taylor. **NOES:** None. **ABSENT:** Owens.

3.2 Mini-Grant Presentations

- a. *Teach Town* – Michael Jackson, Autism Teacher at Greengate School presented information on computer-based software he is using with autism students.

3.3 Yolo County Board of Education’s Response to Grand Jury Report: *Are Yolo County Schools in Compliance with School Safety?*. Board President Matt Taylor presented a draft response letter for Board’s consideration. Trustee Souza Cole stated that she noticed the letter did not note the attachment (response letter from the Superintendent).

The Board took action to approve the draft response letter to the Yolo County Grand Jury from the Yolo County Board of Education noting the attachment.

MOTION: Souza Cole. **SECOND:** Yip. **AYES:** Souza Cole, Yip, Rodriguez, Taylor. **NOES:** None. **ABSENT:** Owens.

3.4 Naming of New Support Operations Services (SOS) Conference Room. Board President Taylor briefed the Board on this item and stated that the Policy Committee would have a subsequent meeting to review and develop board policy for naming of facilities; this item will be brought the Board in October.

The Board took action to name the new SOS conference room, *The Branum Room*.

MOTION: Yip. **SECOND:** Souza Cole. **AYES:** Yip, Souza Cole, Rodriguez, Taylor. **NOES:** None. **ABSENT:** Owens.

3.5 Public Hearing. At 4:15pm, Board President Taylor opened the public hearing to receive comments from parents, teachers, members of the community, and bargaining unit leaders regarding the stipulation of the State Instructional Materials Program and the sufficiency of instructional materials in the Yolo County Office of Education Alternative Education Programs, Grades 9-12, Fiscal Year 2017-18. No comments were received and the Public Hearing was closed at 4:16pm.

3.6 Resolution #17-18/08: Regarding Sufficiency or Insufficiency of Instructional Materials, 2017-18. Garth Lewis reviewed information regarding the requirements to receive funding from the State Instructional Materials Program and responded to

questions of the Board.

The Board took action to adopt Resolution #17-18/08 with one exception; per Trustee Souza Cole the time stated on the resolution should be changed from 3:36pm to 4:15pm.

MOTION: Souza Cole. **SECOND:** Rodriguez. **AYES:** Souza Cole, Rodriguez, Yip, Taylor. **NOES:** None. **ABSENT:** Owens.

3.7 Head Start/Early Head Start Reports

- a. Enrollment Update
- b. Program
- c. Financial Status

Ronda DaRosa presented this item as information and responded to questions of the Board.

3.8 Attendance Reports

- a. Alternative Education
- b. Special Education

Garth Lewis presented this item for information. Attendance reports were distributed to the Board for review (copies can be found on file with the official records of this meeting).

- 3.9 Proposed Yolo County Career Academy Charter School Update. Ronda DaRosa and Garth Lewis provided an update on the development of the charter school and responded to questions of the Board. A handout, *Charter School Petition for County Served Student [Ed. Code § 47605.5]* and an article, *Understanding "Dependent" Charters* was reviewed and discussed. Deputy Superintendent DaRosa stated that staff would be contacting the Charter School Subcommittee, Board President Taylor and Trustee Souza Cole (established at the September 12, 2017 Special meeting), in order to meet and review the draft petition.

- 3.10 Quarterly Report of Investments for Period Ending June 2017. Tami Ethier presented this item for information.

- 3.11 Public Disclosure of Costs Associated with the 2016-17 Agreement Between the Yolo County Office of Education (YCOE) and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Union (AFSCME), Classified. Tami Ethier presented this item for information and responded to questions of the Board.

- 3.12 Public Disclosure of Costs Associated with the 2016-17 Agreement Between the Yolo County Office of Education (YCOE) and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Union (AFSCME), Certificated. Tami Ethier presented this item for information and responded to questions of the Board.

- 3.13 Public Hearing: At 4:58pm, Board President Taylor opened the public hearing to receive comment from parents, teachers, members of the community, and bargaining unit leaders regarding the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools' response to the initial proposal from the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), Council 57, Certificated Unit. No comments were received and the Public Hearing was closed at 4:58pm.
- 3.14 Public Hearing: At 4:59pm, Board President Taylor opened the public hearing to receive comment from parents, teachers, members of the community, and bargaining unit leaders regarding the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools' response to the initial proposal from the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), Council 57, Classified Unit. No comments were received and the Public Hearing was closed at 5:00pm.
- 3.15 Suggested Future Agenda Items. The Board reviewed the future agenda items list. Trustee Souza Cole noted that the naming of facilities policy would be on the October agenda.

4.0 ADJOURNMENT. The meeting adjourned at 5:03pm.

MOTION: Souza Cole. **SECOND:** Rodriguez. **AYES:** Souza Cole, Rodriguez, Yip, Taylor. **NOES:** None. **ABSENT:** Owens.

Jesse Ortiz, Ed.D.
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Secretary to the Yolo County Board of Education

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