

YOLO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting: September 25, 2018
MINUTES

1.0 OPENING PROCEDURES

- 1.1 Call to Order and Roll Call. The Yolo County Board of Education met on September 25, 2018 at 3:33 p.m. in Regular session in the Conference Center located at 1280 Santa Anita Court, Suite #120, Woodland, CA. Board Members present were: Carol Souza Cole, Bill Owens, Cirenio Rodriguez, Matt Taylor and Shelton Yip. Board President Cirenio Rodriguez presided. Dr. Jesse Ortiz, Superintendent of Schools, was also present. (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: Owens **SECOND:** Souza Cole **AYES:** Owens, Souza Cole, Rodriguez, Taylor, Yip **NOES:** None. **ABSENT:** None

- 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

- Trustee Souza Cole would like the Yolo County Office of Education (YCOE) to move toward attaining the California School Boards Association's (CSBA) Agenda Online for the board packets. She asked that the Superintendent's office begin the process of purchasing this program. Superintendent Ortiz stated that we will look into purchasing CSBA's Agenda Online and will give an update on the progress at the next meeting. Trustee Souza Cole attended the California County Board of Education (CCBE) conference on Friday, September 14 through Sunday, September 16 and learned quite a bit including an interesting and powerful presentation on the Latest Trends Among Youth. She suggested that YCOE should present this information to parents and anyone who works with youth in Yolo County. Assistant Superintendent Garth Lewis commented that he has the PowerPoint and has already shared some of the information. Also at the CCBE conference, Timothy Makris, Co-Founder and Managing Director of Sandy Hook Promise presented on the programs they use and offer in educating parents and the community to prevent gun violence before it happens. The programs create a culture engaged and committed to: identifying, intervening and getting help for individuals who may be at risk of hurting themselves or others. This is important for the Yolo County school community and she would like to volunteer to get this information to parents and teachers.
- Trustee Owens also attended the CCBE conference, which will be his last, and commented that it has grown in the eight (8) years he has been attending. He has noticed much more engagement with board members

and state officials this year. He also attended the Yolo County School Boards Association's (YCSBA) Evening with State Elected Officials on Monday, September 17, 2018. This event reflected on the engagement with our office and statewide officials. It is important to provide a forum for state elected officials to be available to interact and receive input from trustees on matters of statewide significance. Also as his time is coming to an end as a board member he wanted to take this opportunity to comment and reflect on two (2) items for the board's future. The first item is the board's engagement and development of the budget. How do we as a board get more money in the budget and work with the state to have access to more resources needed for schools. One possible way is to become more involved with CCBE, CSBA and its Delegate Assembly which gives board members an opportunity to engage with legislators. Trustee Owens feels it is very important to continue to focus on the development of the budget and adequate and consistent funding for all students. The second item he would like to comment on is facilities. It is important that the education programs work together with facilities to maintain adequate communication and coordination. YCOE is a good example of facility and education program integration and suggests that we look for opportunities to present this as an ideal program for others (examples include county school facility programs and the Coalition for Adequate School Housing (CASH)). He suggests that YCOE should share these ideas on facility planning and education program integration with other organizations in the future.

- Trustee Taylor has been attending the community meetings regarding Washington Unified School District's (WUSD) California Voting Rights lawsuit where they are adopting new trustee areas. Meetings have been a bit contentious. The next meeting is this Thursday, September 27th where a final decision will be made on the maps. The WUSD is moving from at-large to trustee areas and the decision to approve these maps will eventually come to the Yolo County Board of Education. Trustee Owens requested the lawyers for YCOE be involved with this issue and to maybe revisit the agendas and speakers from ten (10) years ago when this issue happened in Winters, Esparto and Woodland. Superintendent Ortiz stated he doesn't know the timeline for WUSD but he will contact them and give an update to the board at the next meeting. Dr. Ortiz also commented that we could have a 20 minute presentation on the role of the county board on district boundary issues when we know the timeline. Trustee Owens requested information on the critical question of what is our role and what is the decision criteria with the boundary issues.
- Trustee Yip attended the Latino Youth Conference with Dr. Victor Rios on Friday, September 7th at YCOE. It was well received and he felt it was an important message that should be shared with other districts and boards. One of the items CCBE is going to start to do is focus on the programs and work that YCOE is providing for students. He also attended the YCSBA event on September 17, 2018 which he enjoyed and felt was important for all trustees to participate in. Trustee Yip will be part of the planning committee for CCBE next year. He has suggested Arvinder "Vinny" Ginda

from the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) who spoke at a YCOE event about making decisions under stress and the emotional piece of that issue as a possible speaker for the next CCBE conference. Trustee Yip will also be on the CSBA and Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) legislative committees and will be advocating for fair and full funding along with the needs of county offices. He is also advocating for a STRS/PERS resolution to be adopted by all county and district boards. Trustee Yip has been forwarding our resolution to other counties/districts and will continue to advocate on this issue.

- Trustee Rodriguez along with Superintendent Ortiz will be attending the California Latino School Boards Association (CLSBA) conference on October 4-6, 2018. He would also like to make some comments on the map redistricting issue in West Sacramento. Trustee Rodriguez would like to move forward on having our legal advisor look over everything in this process since the county board will need to approve the maps. He stated that we may have to hold a special meeting in December on this subject and deadlines and guidance is needed for the county board so they can make the correct legal decision. Trustee Taylor asked if we can we hold a hearing in West Sacramento on the redistricting issue and he would like the attorney presentation on this issue at YCOE. Trustee Owens would also like the board member analysis and recommendations along with the legal adequacy of the proposal from the district, analyzed by our attorney, before the board makes a decision on the redistricting issue. Trustee Yip also commented that the YCSBA discussed the legislative piece of how do we raise the profile of our districts and county board. He stated that we are considering writing an open letter to the legislature and community on education issues and every board member will sign it.
- b. Superintendent
 - Superintendent Ortiz commented on the integration with facilities and programming that YCOE is involved in. We have done a great job with integration which also includes special education and alternative education at the Greengate school. It is important for YCOE to continue to work as a team and support students. The Children's Conference is this Friday, September 28, 2018. There are currently 109 registered for the event and Margaret Brodtkin, Director, Funding the Next Generation is the keynote speaker. The Resilient Yolo event will be on October 30, 2018. Dr. Ortiz also wanted to comment on the positive feedback received for the Young Latino Males Conference with Dr. Victor Rios that was held on Friday, September 7. The day before the event Dr. Rios visited staff, parents and students at the Cesar Chavez Back to School event and mentored many students. He will be returning to Cesar Chavez in the future to help mentor and support more students. Both Senator Dodd's and Assemblymember Aguiar- Curry's office have asked to participate and observe the visit at Cesar Chavez Community School. Ralph Diaz, Acting Secretary, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation was also very impressed and would like to participate in the event as well. Trustee Yip commented on the work Dr. Rios has done with kids and parents. He was very impressed

with the mentoring and support he provided students and parents and looks forward to his return.

- c. Superintendent's Advisory Team
 - Ronda DaRosa, Deputy Superintendent presented this item that was included in the board packet and responded to questions of the board along with Lori Perez, Director, College and Career Readiness. Dr. DaRosa introduced Micah Studer, new Executive Director, Equity and Support Services. Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services introduced Wade Williams, new Information Technology Director. Dr. Ortiz also commented on the new YCOE website and hopes it will be completed in the next 4-5 weeks. Carolynne Beno, Assistant Superintendent, SELPA briefly reported and responded to questions on the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS).
- d. Committees
 - No reports.

2.2 Associations.

- Cory Wiegel, President, Yolo Education Association (YEA) has been in this position for three (3) months so far. He has been dealing with union engagement and administration communication. He has visited the West Sacramento and Davis sites to respond to concerns of members and foster relationships to find a solution to issues (communicate with leadership teams). He is also conducting interviews with candidates to endorse the Yolo County Board Member for Area #2 and they have endorsed current trustee Matt Taylor for Area #1. He is also currently getting ready to attend the Cordelia Instructional Leadership Conference on October 13, 2018.

3.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

3.1 Consent Agenda.

b. Temporary County Certificates

Trustee Souza Cole requested that Item (a) Approval of Minutes from the August 29, 2018 Regular meeting be pulled to discuss separately. The Board took action to approve Item (b) Temporary County Certificates of the consent agenda.

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

Trustee Souza Cole *complimented Yvette Seibert, Executive Assistant, YCOE for the complete and nicely written minutes for the Yolo County Board of Education meetings.*

Board Vice President Yip requested the following corrections:

Items 4.8, 4.9 and adjournment

- Remove Board President Rodriguez from the Aye motions and add as Absent after he left the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

The Board took action to approve the August 29, 2018 Regular meeting minutes with the above correction

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

3.2 Mini Grant Presentations

a. Adult Living Skills Wellness, Inclusion & Nutrition Program - Cory Wiegel, Special Education teacher along with Tony Wisneske, paraeducator presented and responded to questions of the board (*reviewed the PowerPoint presentation, Wellness, Inclusion and Nutrition - copy can be found on file with the official records of this meeting*). Adult Living Skills is a postsecondary program that services adults (ages 18-22) with moderate to severe disabilities. The primary goal is to facilitate student transition from high school to adulthood. The 2017-18 mini grant requested \$3,200.00 in funds to support all sixteen (16) attending students for six (6) months for a gym membership which included cardio exercises, recreational activities and a nutrition program. Developing fitness goals, tracking data and improving the quality of their life was part of the program. Mr. Wiegel would like to share this information with another foundation or organization in Davis to expand this program in the future.

b. Enhancing Lives with Virtual Reality – Caren Hill, Assistive Technology Specialist presented and shared the glasses used by students at Greengate School. The Virtual Reality videos and apps provide 3-D images with a 360-degree viewing area that responds to head movement. This allows the student to experience places, events, people and animals they would otherwise not be able to and enhances their curriculum. Board members and staff were able to experience the glasses during the meeting and videos were shared of students using the glasses in class.

c. Motor Activities Training Program Equipment - Elizabeth Hogan, Adapted PE Specialist presented and responded to questions of the board (*reviewed the PowerPoint presentation, Greengate PE – copy can be found on file with the official records of the meeting*). The students at Greengate school are able to learn, practice and improve their gross motor and object control skills through weekly practice of sports stations such as bowling, kicking a ball into a goal, shooting a basketball into a hoop, Frisbee, hula-hoops, bean bag toss and baseball.

3.3 Head Start/Early Head Start Reports

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

Gail Nadal, Director, Early Childhood Education, presented this item and responded to questions of the Board. Early Head Start/Head Start programs are currently fully

enrolled. Ms. Nadal commented on her recent trip to New Zealand and Australia. She was given the opportunity to speak on how the Yolo County Office of Education supports infants and toddlers in our programs. Debra Hinely, Director, Internal Business commented on the financial documents.

- 3.4 Public Hearing. At 5:22 pm, Board President Rodriguez 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 2018-19. No comments were received and the Public Hearing was closed at 5:23 pm.

- 3.5 Resolution #18-19/08: Regarding Sufficiency or Insufficiency of Instructional Materials, 2018-19

Assistant Superintendent Garth Lewis, Instructional Services and Equity presented this item and responded to questions of the Board.

The Board took action to approve Resolution #18-19/08: Regarding Sufficiency or Insufficiency of Instructional Materials, 2018-19

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

- 3.6 Consideration and Nomination of John Gordon for CSBA Hispanic Director-At-Large

Trustee Yip presented this item for information and action. Trustee Owens has known Mr. Gordon for twenty (20) years and feels confident he would make a very committed and thoughtful CSBA Hispanic Director-at-Large.

The Board took action to approve the nomination of John Gordon for CSBA Hispanic Director-At-Large.

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

- 3.7 Second Reading: BP/SP 3230 Business and Noninstructional Operations

Deputy Superintendent Ronda DaRosa and Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services presented this item and responded to questions of the Board.

The Board took action to approve BP/SP 3230 Business and Noninstructional Operations

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

The Superintendent hereby adopted the above policy on this date.

3.8 Second Reading: BP/SP 6171 Instruction

Deputy Superintendent Ronda DaRosa presented this item and responded to questions of the Board.

The Board took action to approve BP/SP 6171 Instruction with the below correction:

In the last paragraph BP/SP 6171 (c) under Program Evaluation – 2nd paragraph please change count to county:

During the annual evaluation of the County Office's progress toward achieving each goal identified in the LCAP or other planning document.....

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

The Superintendent hereby adopted the above policy on this date.

3.9 Data on the California Healthy Kids Survey

Gayelynn Gerhart, Principal, Cesar Chavez Community School presented this item and responded to questions of the Board. Data reported was reflected in the PowerPoint slides that reflect attitudes, behaviors and experiences of students enrolled in the YCOE alternative education programs at Cesar Chavez Community School and the Yolo County Construction Program (YCCP). Trustee Taylor also suggested that there are some data dashboards on Calschls.org that give a statewide percentage for non-traditional students and we could compare that data in the future with ours which might be helpful for analysis. The full report will be emailed to the board.

3.10 Update on the Role of the Executive Director, Equity and Support Services

Micah Studer, Executive Director, Equity and Support Services presented this item and responded to questions of the Board. The first four (4) weeks in the role has been focusing on building relationships with the Local Education Agencies (LEAs) which include Davis, Esparto, Winters, West Sacramento, Woodland and YCOE. All LEAs have different needs for students (he is a resource and support for them) and this includes the Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS), Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and Differentiated Assistance (DA). Mr. Studer will also continue the equity work done with Latino/African American youth. Mr. Studer will highlight a different LEA and their LCAP in future meetings. Davis Joint Unified School District will be presented at next month's regular board meeting on October 23, 2018.

3.11 Setting the Salary of the Incoming Superintendent

The committee (President Rodriguez and Vice President Yip) met with the incoming county superintendent, Garth Lewis on this issue. Data will be available shortly on superintendent salary and benefits. Recommendation/action from the board will be requested at the October meeting. Trustee Souza Cole will possibly be out of town in October and will call in to the regular board meeting on October

23, 2018.

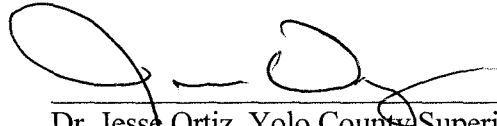
3.12 Suggested Future Agenda Items

Place Davis Joint Unified School District LCAP Analysis on board agenda for next month October 23, 2018.

Presentation from attorney on the role of the county board on district boundary issues when we know the timeline of the West Sacramento boundary issue.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT. The meeting adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

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



Dr. Jesse Ortiz, Yolo County Superintendent of Schools
and Secretary to the Yolo County Board of Education

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