

YOLO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting: November 27, 2018
MINUTES

1.0 OPENING PROCEDURES

- 1.2 Call to Order and Roll Call. The Yolo County Board of Education met on November 27, 2018 at 3:32 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, Matt Taylor and Shelton Yip. Board President Cirenio Rodriguez was absent. Board Vice President Shelton Yip presided. Dr. Jesse Ortiz, Superintendent of Schools, was also present. (Roll Call held).
- 1.3 Pledge of Allegiance. The pledge of allegiance was conducted.
- 1.4 Approval of Agenda. The agenda was approved as submitted.

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

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

2.0 YOLO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION EMPLOYEE(S) OF THE MONTH

Executive Director of Human Resources, Margie Valenzuela, presented Steve Lowe, Custodian and Wayne Garske, Network Systems Specialist with Certificates of Appreciation. Yolo County Office of Education (YCOE) staff commented on Mr. Lowe's positive attitude and flexibility with the many changes that occur on a daily basis with the conference room set-up and maintaining all the work areas at YCOE. Mr. Lowe thanked everyone for their support. Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services commented that Mr. Garske is celebrating his 20th year with YCOE. She and other staff also stated that he is always there to support staff and he assumed responsibilities during the vacancy of the Information Technology (IT) Director position and worked collaboratively with the Associate Superintendent and Support Operations Services (SOS) Director assisting with decisions on projects related to the new program construction. Mr. Garske thanked everyone and stated that he has appreciated working for an organization that supports students.

3.0 REPORTS

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

a. Board Members

- Trustee Souza Cole is attending the California School Boards Association (CSBA) conference this weekend.
- Trustee Taylor is happy to be re-elected to the Yolo County Board of Education. He has found it helpful to educate constituents on what the county board does during the last few months. He is working with Butte County schools in Paradise (Camp Fire that has destroyed the area) on

school locations and retrieving portables and classroom supplies to start school again on Monday, December 3, 2018.

- Trustee Yip thanked Carolynne Beno, Assistant Superintendent of SELPA, for her help to support the schools in Paradise county. YCOE is sending three (3) people to help work with students on transition. Trustee Yip will work with state officials on this issue. The Yolo County School Boards Association (YCSBA) had a meeting last night on November 26, 2018. They discussed the Excellence in Education Awards to be held on April 29, 2019 and staff should expect to see information on that event soon. YCSBA is also planning an event in February/March 2019 for board members in Yolo County explaining what YCSBA/YCOE does. There will also be a fundraiser to help support students in Paradise/Butte County at the event. YCSBA is considering bringing a board member from Paradise/Butte County to speak at the event on this issue. Trustee Yip attended the Greengate School Harvest Festival and the Resilient Yolo Conference. He was amazed by the students and staff at both of these wonderful events. He also attended the Breaking Barriers conference recently where students shared their experiences with the foster care system. Trustee Yip congratulated Trustee Taylor on winning his board race and stated that Melissa Moreno will be the new trustee in Area #2 (Bill Owens current seat) and she will be joining us at the December 11, 2018 Regular meeting. Trustee Yip commented on the service Trustee Owens has given to the Yolo County Board of Education (YCBOE) and appreciates his service over the years. Trustee Owens was presented with a joint resolution from the assembly and senate. Trustee Souza Cole served with Trustee Owens for four (4) years and stated it was a good experience and that she appreciated how he would listen and comment on each topic with careful consideration. Trustee Taylor stated that it has been a pleasure serving with him and Trustee Yip commented that he learns something from Trustee Owens at every meeting. His ability to analyze issues was vital for students.

- Trustee Owens thanked the superintendent, trustees, staff and educators. It has been an honor and pleasure to work with everyone and he appreciates everything that staff does on behalf of the children of Yolo County. He is very hopeful for the future. Melissa Moreno the incoming board member in his area is well qualified and is the ideal person to take over the board seat. In regards to the future, there have been many changes with YCOE leadership. It will help the incoming board member to attend the California County Board of Education (CCBE) and CSBA conferences and Trustee Owens is sure that she will be welcomed. This is an important position and board members need to be actively engaged in the process. Trustee Owens is looking forward to her participation in the coming years and looks forward to a bright future for YCOE. Superintendent Ortiz appreciates Trustee Owens' knowledge and how he was not afraid to challenge and ask questions. Incoming Superintendent Garth Lewis also commented on how

his questions and requests were always clear and appreciated his support of YCOE.

A recess was taken at 4:02 p.m. while the Board had cake for Trustee Owens' last meeting; the meeting resumed at 4:16 p.m.

Trustee Yip thanked Yvette Seibert, Executive Assistant for her help with Agenda Online and setting up the training for this program which will be on January, 8, 2019.

b. Superintendent

- Superintendent Ortiz stated that at the December 11, 2018 Regular meeting there will be oaths of office conducted for incoming trustees (Moreno, Souza Cole and Taylor) and if they have someone that they would like to administer the oath to please let him know. Drawings by students at Epic Charter school expressing thanks were handed to all of the board members. Tomorrow, November 28th from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at YCOE, Victor Rios will work with students from Cesar Chavez Community School (lunch will be provided). There will be about 45 students participating in this event. On Friday, November 16, 2018 all Yolo County schools closed because of the air quality. Superintendent Ortiz went over the process and decision made on this issue to close the schools. The CSBA conference is on Thursday, November 29, 2018 and he wanted to let Board Members know that if they are attending the CCBE breakfast on Friday, November 30, 2018 that the strike is still ongoing at the Marriott Hotel in San Francisco. If they do not plan to attend the CCBE breakfast, CSBA will refund the money. Superintendent Ortiz asked the board members to let him or Yvette know if they do not plan to attend the event. Also, if any board members are interested in attending dinner Thursday at the conference, a text will go out on a time and place to meet.

c. Superintendent's Advisory Team

- Ronda DaRosa, Deputy Superintendent reviewed the material in the board packet and responded to questions of the Board.

Committees

- Trustee Owens has a brief report on the facility planning committee meeting that recently happened. These meetings and reports are very productive and efficient. He encouraged the board to continue the facilities meetings and to continue to be actively engaged in this process.

3.2 Associations.

- No reports.

4.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

4.1 Consent Agenda.

- a. Approval of Minutes: October 23, 2018 Regular Meeting

- b. Approval of Minutes: October 23, 2018 Special Meeting
- c. Temporary County Certificates
- d. Resolution #18-19/13 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: Souza Cole **SECOND:** Taylor **AYES:** Owens, Souza Cole, Taylor, Yip **NOES:** None. **ABSENT:** Rodriguez

4.2 Elected Official Program: Jesse Salinas, Yolo County Assessor/Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters Presentation

Jesse Salinas, Yolo County Assessor/Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters reviewed the powerpoint presentation, *Youth Empowerment Summit Say Yes! To leadership and civic engagement* – (copy can be found on file with the official records of this meeting) and responded to questions of the Board. Mr. Salinas presented on the partnership and summit held on March 24, 2018 at the Woodland Community College. This event is a way for students in Yolo County to participate in Civic engagement and voting. Seventy-Four (74) students participated and he shared the event data comparison information. Mr. Salinas also stated that he would like to use the student data to check pre-registered student voting and their civic engagement in the future. Mr. Salinas would also like to expand this program to other counties. Trustee Yip and Superintendent Ortiz both participated and stated it is an excellent program. The next event will be on March 16, 2019.

4.3 Set Date for Annual Organizational Meeting

The Board took action to approve the December 11, 2018 Regular Meeting as the date of the 2019 Annual Organizational Meeting. Board retreat date will need to be added to calendar per Trustee Souza Cole.

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

4.4 Second Reading of New Board Policies – Series 6000 (Instruction)

- a. BP/SP 6145 – Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities
- b. BP/SP 6145.8 – Assemblies and Special Events
- c. BP/SP 6146.3 – Reciprocity of Academic Credit

Deputy Superintendent Ronda DaRosa presented this item

The Board took action to approve the above policies (a-c).

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

The Superintendent hereby adopted the above policies (a-c) on this date.

4.5 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. Head Start is fully enrolled but there were questions from Trustee Taylor on the data reported for recruitment. Ms. Nadal will invite Nicole Castrejon, Family Support Services Manager to the next Regular Board Meeting on December 11, 2018 to answer questions of the board on the recruitment of kids for the Head Start program. A new position titled Board Liaison has been filled and she will be attending the next board meeting (reports information to Head Start policy committee) where Trustee Souza Cole will personally welcome her. Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services answered questions on the fiscal reports. There was a question from Trustee Taylor on page 66 in regards to the grand total number. The percent of budget spent and percent of budget encumbered does not add up to 100. Ms. Huey will ask Debra Hinely, Director Internal Business Services and report back to the board at a future meeting.

4.6 Williams Quarterly Report on Yolo County Schools in Decile 1 – 3 Covering the Months of July, August and September 2018

Micah Studer, reviewed the material in the board packet and responded to questions of the Board. Only one complaint from Davis Joint Unified School District was reported (*copy can be found on file with the official records of this meeting -Item was handed out at the meeting*).

4.7 2017-18 Annual Report on Williams Uniform Complaints & Data Related Audit Findings

Micah Studer, reviewed the material in the board packet and responded to questions of the Board.

4.8 Alternative Education Attendance Report

Gayelynn Gerhart, Principal, Cesar Chavez Community School reviewed the material in the board packet and responded to questions of the Board.

4.9 Homeless and Foster Youth Information

Mariah Ernst-Collins, Homeless and Foster Youth Services (YCOE) reviewed the power point presentation, *Foster and Homeless Youth Yolo County* – (copy can be found on file with the official records of this meeting) and responded to questions of the Board. Ms. Ernst-Collins presented on the YCOE mission, Foster/Homeless youth enrollment count, Homeless and Foster Youth services were identified along with a listing of the Yolo County Foster/Homeless Youth Liaisons. Trustee Souza Cole requested seeing the whole Foster/Homeless youth population of YCOE (Head Start, etc.) and thought that information would be helpful also in changing the wording of expected outcomes/challenges for youth to be more reflective of

YCOE's mission and work. Ms. Ernst-Collilns will create more of snapshot of the issues for a future meeting and will also include elementary age children in the data. The goal of this program is to improve the equity and educational access for Foster/Homeless youth at YCOE. YCOE will be looking at the needs of the children so that we can support them. This support includes a needs assessment on Foster Focus, early intervention, ride sharing programs for counseling and attendance, streamlining paperwork and the system used to track information on students.

4.10 LCAP Overview – Esparto USD and Washington USD

Micah Studer, Executive Director, Equity and Support Services reviewed the power point presentations, *Esparto & Washington USD LCAP Overviews* – (copies can be found on file with the official records of this meeting) and responded to questions of the Board. Dr. Studer reviewed both Esparto and Washington USD's LCAP which included a Dashboard Overview, Stakeholder Input (Engagement and the Impact on the LCAP), Goals and Actions Overview, Differentiated Assistance and the Demonstration of Increased or Improved Services for Unduplicated Pupils (DIISUP). Next month (December 5, 2018) the revised dashboard will be introduced. Also, all schools and charter school LCAPs are posted on their websites and next month there will be a presentation to the board on the new Dashboard.

4.11 California Healthy Kids Survey 2019

Micah Studer, Executive Director, Equity and Support Services reviewed the power point presentation, *California Healthy Kids Survey 2019* – (copy can be found on file with the official records of this meeting) and responded to questions of the Board. Dr. Studer reviewed the survey, costs and process. YCOE will have all district information on the survey in June 2019.

4.12 First Reading of New Board Policy – BP 0415 (Equity)

Ronda DaRosa, Deputy Superintendent, presented this item and responded to questions of the Board. This board policy reflects YCOE's mission. Trustee Souza Cole requested a change on Page 134 of packet. In the third sentence:

The County Board shall make decisions with a deliberate awareness of impediments.. . . to change *indigent communities to socio –economic disadvantaged communities.*

This policy will come back as a second reading to be adopted at the next YCBE Regular meeting on December 11, 2018.

4.13 Initial Proposal to the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools from the Yolo Education Association (YEA) for 2018-19

Superintendent Ortiz presented this item for information.

4.14 Initial Proposal to the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools from the California School Employees Association (CSEA) for 2018-19

Superintendent Ortiz presented this item for information.

4.15 Suggested Future Agenda Items

February 2019 board retreat – Add Superintendent Compensation methodology.

March 2019 - Information on how YCOE supports the education of incarcerated or detained persons

March 2019 - Upcoming oversight responsibilities over districts in crisis

January 2019 possible - 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: Superintendent Ortiz commented that Washington Unified School District (WUSD) approved the new county boundaries two weeks ago. WUSD is working with State Board of Education to get a petition to not have a community wide vote on this issue. The resolution did pass but they are behind the timeline. The Yolo County Board of Education needs to approve the new boundaries at a future meeting. We will include an attorney presentation on this issue also. Special meeting was suggested to be held in West Sacramento. Superintendent Ortiz will speak with the Superintendent in West Sacramento and will have an answer in a week on how to proceed on this issue.

Future meeting - Report on seeing the whole Yolo County community (Head Start, etc.) population on Foster/Homeless youth. Ms. Ernst-Collins will create more of snapshot of the issues and will also include elementary age children in the data

5.0 **ADJOURNMENT.** The meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

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



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

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