

YOLO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting: October 22, 2019
MINUTES

1.0 OPENING PROCEDURES

- 1.1 Call to Order and Roll Call. The Yolo County Board of Education met on October 22, 2019 at 3:33 p.m. in Regular session at the Conference Center located at 1280 Santa Anita Court, Suite 120, Woodland, CA. Board Members present were: Melissa Moreno, Cirenio Rodriguez, Carol Souza Cole, Matt Taylor, Shelton Yip. Board President Shelton Yip presided. Superintendent Garth Lewis was also present. (Roll Call held). President Yip commented on working to make a safer and less violent community. He asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Alvaro Gamera, Yolo county student who lost his life last night in a shooting in Woodland.
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance. The pledge of allegiance was conducted.
- 1.3 Approval of Agenda.

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

- 1.4 Public Comment. Several comments pertaining to agenda item 6.2 *Resolution #19-20/16: Establishment of Native American Heritage Month.* Comments will be made during agenda item 6.2

2.0 RECOGNITION OF TRUSTEE CIRENIO RODRIGUEZ

Presentation of plaque and resolution in recognition of Trustee Rodriguez's service on the Yolo County Board of Education. Trustee Souza Cole presented a plaque from YCOE and Lysette Marshman of Senator Bill Dodd's office and Saira Delgado of Assemblymember Aguiar-Curry's office read the resolution. Trustee Rodriguez thanked the public and stated he has enjoyed his time serving the kids and community of Yolo County.

3.0 CERTIFICATE OF APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER AND OATH OF OFFICE

Tico Zendejas, Ed.D., took the Oath of Office and was seated. He thanked his family, mentors and Board. He is looking forward to being an advocate for students.

4.0 YOLO COUNTY TEACHER OF THE YEAR PRESENTATION

Deb Bruns, Director, Curriculum and Instruction presented a plaque and flowers to Ms. Nikki Harris for the Yolo County Teacher of the Year 2019-20. Ms. Bruns and Superintendent Lewis commented on Ms. Harris's dedication to her students. Ms. Harris thanked her family, mentors and other teachers at Freeman Elementary. She is very honored to accept this award for supporting her students. Dr. Gonzalez, Principal, Freeman Elementary thanked Ms. Harris' work as a teacher. He commented on her desire to help every student and to help them to achieve their dreams.

**A five-minute recess was taken at 3:58 p.m;
the meeting resumed at 4:11 p.m.**

5.0 REPORTS

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

a. Board Reports

Trustee Taylor

- *Attended the Elected Leaders breakfast on October 18, 2019.*
 - *It was a great event and nice to hear from all the districts on what they are working on.*

Trustee Souza Cole

- *Attended the Yolo County School Boards Assn. meeting on September 30, 2019.*
 - *Welcomed Larry Kierny, newly appointed board member from Esparto USD.*
 - *Discussed the Excellence in Education (EIE) awards 2019 debrief and the upcoming 2020 EIE Awards that is now scheduled for Monday April 27, 2020.*
- *Discussed an upcoming Board member education workshop with the topic of curriculum related to equity.*
 - *This will be discussed more at the next YCSBA meeting next month.*

Trustee Moreno

- *Attended the Elected Officials gathering at YCOE on October 18, 2019.*
 - *Heard from the superintendents at each district and learned more about what they intend to accomplish on Equity.*
- *Attended CA Latino School Boards Assn. Conference*
- *Had conversations with Santa Clara COE and Sonoma COE leaders on thinking of ways of supporting ethnic studies for local districts.*

Trustee Yip

- *Attended a school safety forum for Solano COE.*
 - *District Attorney office along with Solano COE superintendent convened this group and FBI agent Arvinder Ginda participated. Will forward information from event for Supt. Lewis*
 - *Attended a training for bus drivers on school safety with TSA at Woodland Jt. USD.*
 - *Possible event for YCOE in future.*
- *Attended the youth climate summit.*
 - *Discussed climate change.*
 - *100 kids coming out from the region.*

- *Christopher Cabaldon, West Sacramento mayor and Darryl Steinberg, Mayor, Sacramento were involved*
- *Attended Youth empowerment fundraiser with Jesse Salinas, Yolo County Assessor/Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters.*
 - *Need to find new location, possibly Woodland Community College so more kids can attend.*

Trustee Zendejas - none

b. Superintendent

Superintendent Lewis

- *Attended along with some YCOE staff the Winters Education Association 10th Anniversary celebration on September 26, 2019.*
- *Attended the YCSBA meeting on September 30, 2019 and discussed an Equity focused workshop for policy makers in the Spring.*
- *Attended Special Board Meeting on October 1 regarding candidates seeking appointment to the Board.*
 - *Congratulations to Dr. Tico Zendejas on appointment*
- *Attended United Way merger meeting with Woodland and Capitol Region United Way in October focused on support in Yolo County.*
 - *Focused on support and collaboration.*
- *Attended 3x2x2 meeting WCC, City of Woodland, District on October 9, 2019.*
 - *Lots of exciting opportunities regarding the Youth Master Plan.*
- *Toured Accenture (large technology firm) on October 10, 2019*
 - *looking for interns*
 - *Dr. Pimentel, President Woodland Community College also attended (possible partnership).*
- *Attended first showing of the Cost of Darkness Documentary put together by Culture Co-Op regarding system issues, oppression and marginalization of communities of color.*
 - *lots of invigorating conversation.*
- *Knocked on doors with the recruitment team from Head Start on October 11, 2019.*
 - *Issue with private properties. Will be reaching out to property owners.*
- *Attended the 3rd Annual Youth Leadership Academy on October 11-13 2019. YCOE and DA's office partnership.*
 - *Administration of Justice, Woodland Community College and Career Readiness partnership.*
- *Attended Elected officials breakfast on October 18, 2019*
 - *Great event and turnout.*
- *Attended Empty Bowls fundraiser (fourth and hope) on October 17, 2019.*
 - *Large attendance from YCOE.*

- *Attended census presentation to Woodland HS history teacher.*
 - *Yolo County and Sacramento COE work with state officials to get word out about census.*
 - *Effort to reach out to messengers on issue of immigration to help engage*
 - *Trustee Yip commented on how important this issue is and get the correct message out.*

Employee of the month

Margie Valenzuela, Executive Director, Human Resources presented Kristen Cracchiolo, paraeducator, Alternative Education as the employee of the Month for October 2019. Staff made comments thanking her for her hard work and dedication.

c. *Superintendent's Advisory Team*

Dr. Carolynne Beno, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services and Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services reviewed the material in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board. Some items discussed were:

Educational services

- *Head Start program focusing on the rights of students who are transgender and their support.*
- *Update on group of parents and teachers who attended Yolo County Board of Education meeting last month and spoke during Public Comment:*
 - *Woodland Jt. USD heard them speak at board meeting. The Board directed staff to pursue licensing and reinstate program. Students continue to have access to program.*

Administrative Services

- *Internal Business Services department working on actuals.*
- *Auditors visit soon.*
- *External Business Services department working on actuals for districts.*
- *IT team at sites.*
 - *Replace copiers.*
 - *upgrade phone connections.*
- *SOS fully staffed.*
 - *Busy planning projects*
 - *Greengate ADA compliance and safety gates.*

Committees.

None. Trustee Yip stated that the Executive Committee has asked staff to compile a list of all resolutions to include relevant listings throughout the year.

2.2 *Associations.*
None.

6.0 ACTION ITEMS

6.1 Consent Agenda.

- a. Approval of Minutes:
 - September 24, 2019 Regular Meeting
 - October 1, 2019 Special Meeting

- b. Temporary County Certificates

The Board took action to approve the minutes above and the Temporary County Certificates.

MOTION: Taylor **SECOND:** Souza Cole **AYES:** Taylor, Souza Cole, Moreno, Yip, Zendejas **NOES:** None. **ABSENT:** None

6.2 Resolution #19-20/16: Establishment of Native American Heritage Month

Public Comment on this item was made by:

Patricia Apkaw
Dave Barrian
Lydia Bojorquez
Michael Bojorquez
Bambi Eagle, Northern Valley Indian Health
Pam Gonzales
Lisa Hoaglin
Marcelena Rita Sandoval
Nick Sandoval
Sebastian Sandoval

Everyone listed above came up together to speak with a timeframe of five (5) minutes.

Introductions were made from everyone in the group and included their own native language.

Information was given to the Board and public from Bambi Eagle, Health Education & Event Coordinator for the Northern Valley Indian Health organization and Pam Gonzales on the Cache Creek Conservancy which included the documents- *Tending and Gathering the Garden at the Cache Creek Conservancy and teaching respect for Native Peoples, Cache Creek Watershed (Home of the Wintun) and a map of Tribes in Yolo County* (Documents can be found on file with the official records of this meeting).

Ms. Gonzales also commented on the Native American curriculum/activities that are to be taught to students in November per the resolution. She stated that it is very important to teach students in the school districts about the local tribes. Focus should be on the tribes that were on the land first and to dispel stereotypes from

media and books. The culture and beliefs should be taught to students who live here in Yolo County per the tribal map. Learning about the different cultures helps to dispel the stereotypes of the local people.

Trustee Yip commented on his work on the Rancherias in the 70's and his work with youth on the tribes and issues they faced and still face today.

Ms. Gonzales commented on their group targeting non-profits to see if there is a need for a panel of Native American people in the surrounding areas that could lecture or have speaking engagements given to teachers/students in the classroom. Would that be something that the Yolo County Office of Education (YCOE) would be interested in. Superintendent Lewis asked her to leave her contact information with him.

Board member Moreno expressed gratitude to the various tribal members for being at the meeting and accepting the resolution. She commented on Native American studies and revisiting the idea with trustees at the district and county to provide the space for educators to re-evaluate their ideas and information regarding Native American curriculum. Also, to re-evaluate their notions around mission curriculum that need to be dispelled and deconstructed. She thanked all tribal members that are here today.

Superintendent Lewis read the resolution and thanked Trustee Moreno for bringing this resolution forward. Trustee Souza Cole thanked everyone for attending and sharing and is very interested in the panel of Native American people who could lecture/share about their Native American heritage in Yolo County.

Superintendent Lewis thanked everyone and stated that we hope to recognize the Yocha Dehe Tribe in November to celebrate their role and presence here in the county.

The Board took action to approve Resolution #19-20/16: Establishment of Native American Heritage Month.

MOTION: Moreno **SECOND:** Souza Cole **AYES:** Moreno, Souza Cole, Taylor, Yip, Zendejas **NOES:** None **ABSENT:** None

6.3 Resolution #19-20/17: Resolution Declaring November 3-9, 2019 as California Retired Teachers Week

The Board took action to approve Resolution #19-20/17: Resolution Declaring November 3-9, 2019 as California Retired Teachers Week. Superintendent Lewis read the resolution. Gil Walker, President, Retired Teachers accepted the resolution and commented on the work that the California Retired Teachers have accomplished this past year.

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

- 6.4 Adoption of the 2018-19 and 2019-20 Gann Limit
Debra Hinely, Director, Internal Business Department reviewed the 2018-19 and 2019-20 Gann Limit resolution in the board packet.

The Board took action to approve the 2018-19 and 2019-20 Gann Limit Resolution.

MOTION: Souza Cole **SECOND:** Taylor **AYES:** Souza Cole, Taylor, Moreno, Yip, Zendejas **NOES:** None **ABSENT:** None

- 6.5 Committed Fund Balance
Debra Hinely, Director, Internal Business Department reviewed the Committed Fund Balance Resolution in the Board Packet.

The Board took action to approve the Committed Fund Balance Resolution.

MOTION: Taylor **SECOND:** Souza Cole **AYES:** Taylor, Souza Cole, Moreno, Yip, Zendejas **NOES:** None **ABSENT:** None

- 6.6 Committed Fund Balance Pension Contribution
Debra Hinely, Director, Internal Business Department reviewed the Committed Fund Balance Pension Contribution Resolution and answered questions from the Board.

The Board took action to approve the Committee Fund Balance Pension Contribution Resolution.

MOTION: Souza Cole **SECOND:** Taylor **AYES:** Souza Cole, Taylor, Moreno, Yip, Zendejas **NOES:** None **ABSENT:** None

- 6.7 Public Hearing. At 5:10 p.m. Board President Yip opened the public hearing to receive comments from parents, teachers, members of the community, and bargaining unit leaders regarding the Initial Proposal to the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools from the Yolo Education Association (YEA). The public hearing closed at 5:11 p.m.

7.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

- 7.3 Head Start/Early Head Start Reports
- a. Enrollment Update
 - b. Program
 - c. Financial Reports
 - d. Policy Council Meeting Agenda
 - e. Policy Council Meeting Minutes

Debra Hinely, Director, Internal Business Services reviewed the Financial

Reports in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board. Gail Nadal, Director, Early Childhood Education presented the Enrollment Update and Program report and responded to questions from the Board. Ms. Nadal commented on Superintendent Lewis attending recruitment efforts and the local planning counsel. Also, thanked the Board for recognizing Native American month as it helps to recognize members in the community and their experience with the childcare system. Trustee Zendejas thanked Superintendent Lewis for his leadership on recruitment outreach by knocking on doors and the impact on childhood early education. Trustee Moreno asked a follow up question regarding the update on food in the program. Ms Nadal stated it is a priority for them and they are working through some issues. All of us want kids to have nutritional food and we are working/partnering with districts to accomplish this.

7.1 Yolo County Superintendent of Schools' Response to the Initial Proposal from the Yolo Education Association. Superintendent Lewis presented this item for information.

7.2 Initial Proposal to the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools from the California School Employees Association and its Chapter 639. Superintendent Lewis presented this item for information.

7.4 Curriculum Proposal for the Ag. Welding Training Program for Adults Deb Bruns, Director, Curriculum & Instruction reviewed the Proposal in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board. Currently exploring partnerships with Health and Human Services department in Yolo County. The course needs to be approved by Board and will come back as an Action item next month. Trustee Souza Cole stated it is a great first step and excited that it is geared towards adults and high school students.

Trustee Taylor asked how many hours per day are the classes and Ms. Bruns stated it could be a combination of Saturdays or Tuesday/Thursday evenings. A certificate will also be offered and outreach in West Sacramento will be done. Trustee Moreno asked about the program being piloted in the Corazon Center and stated that the metal labor unions offer apprenticeships in West Sacramento which we could reach out to them for more information. Ms. Bruns will look into a partnership. Trustee Yip stated that this is an important offering.

7.5 2018-19 Unaudited Actuals Debra Hinely, Director, Internal Business Services reviewed the items in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board. Trustee Moreno requested a cost of the Lincoln building. Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services gave information on the ending fund balance to maintain property until the end of the lease. Federal funds can not be used since there are no students in the facility. Out of the general fund \$166,000 is set aside for maintaining the property.

7.6 2019-20 Budget Development Calendar

Debra Hinely, Director, Internal Business Services reviewed the items in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board. Trustee Taylor asked the executive committee if the budget committee should schedule meetings on the budget or discuss it as a whole board. It was decided to discuss this issue and goals at the annual organizational meeting. Ms. Huey also stated that the Board can make an appointment to address any budget questions with her or Ms. Hinely.

Trustee Moreno requested information on facility use and when changes take place what will be the cost of the facility. Ms. Huey stated that it depends on the facility which expenditures are reduced and what program is operated in the facility.

During the December organizational meeting the Board will discuss meeting date changes per reporting deadlines. A list of reporting deadlines will be included for business and educational services in the next meeting packet.

7.7 Disposition of Surplus Items

Debra Hinely, Director, Internal Business Services reviewed the items in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board.

7.8 Supervisors of Attendance Certification

Micah Studer, Executive Director, Equity & Support Services reviewed the items in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board. Effective January 1, 2020, each district and county office governing board must appoint a Supervisor of Attendance pursuant to Education Code 48240. Attached to this item was the list of names of candidates who successfully completed the training. This item will come back as an Action item next month.

7.9 Criteria for determining LCAP Approval

Superintendent Lewis reviewed the document in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board.

7.10 Alternative Education Attendance Reports

Renee Collins, Director, Student Services reviewed the reports in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board. Trustee Taylor had questions regarding attendance at Cesar Chavez and Independent Study. Superintendent Lewis stated that we will email future updates on shooting victim including the vigil and funeral. Principal Gayelynn Gerhart, Cesar Chavez Community School gave a current update and responded to questions on the shooting and will keep the Board posted since the investigation is ongoing. Trustee Moreno requested data on homeless youth in Yolo County. Superintendent Lewis stated that the homeless youth numbers will be emailed

to the Board. Trustee Moreno commented that the San Diego County Office of Education actually has a facility for homeless youth to wash clothes, seek shelter and includes a food pantry.

- 7.11 19-20 YCOE Williams First Quarter UCP Report
Deb Bruns, Director, Curriculum & Instruction reviewed the report in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board. Information for districts will be included in next month's meeting.
- 7.12 First Reading of Board Policies – 6000 (Instruction) Series – 6 policies
Carolynne Beno, Associate Superintendent reviewed this item in the Board packet which included:
- a. AR 0420.4 (a) Charter School Authorization - First Reading
 - b. BP/SP 0420.4 (a) Charter School Authorization - First Reading
 - c. AR 5141(a) Health Care and Emergencies - Currently Adopted
 - d. AR 5141(a) Health Care and Emergencies - with track changes
 - e. BP/SP 5141(a) Health Care and Emergencies - Currently Adopted
 - f. BP/SP 5141(a) Health Care and Emergencies - with track changes
 - g. AR 6142.1(a) Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction - Adopted
 - h. AR 6142.1(a) Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction - with track changes
 - i. BP 6142.1 (a) Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction - First Reading

Ms. Beno responded to questions from the Board. Board requested that we update the Charter School Authorization policies after the law regarding AB 1505 changes January 1, 2020. Ms. Beno stated that the teachers will receive training per 6142.1 policies. Also moving forward, the ARs will not be included for action in future meetings per Ms. Beno.

- 7.13 Information on Closure of Yolo County Career Academy (YCCA) – Next Steps
Superintendent Lewis presented this item and responded to questions from the Board. Trustee Souza Cole stated that it's important to track the funds used with the charter school which should be stated in the final audit. She wants to make sure that the Board will see how much was spent and what was left. Superintendent Lewis stated that the Board will get a full picture of revenues, expenditures, what remains, revenue sources and the next steps.
- Trustee Taylor will present at the upcoming Charter Conference in early December.

- 7.14 Suggested Future Agenda Items

January/February 2020 - Trustee Taylor requested a board study session in January

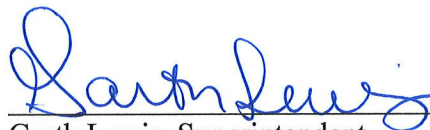
or February 2020 to discuss ideas on the charter school.

Future meeting – Trustee Rodriguez requested adding YCOE innovation in area to share with surrounding counties to expand ethnic studies. YCOE should take lead helping neighboring county offices for resources and implementation.

Superintendent Lewis commented on the partnership with Yocha Dehe Wintun Tribe and stated that they were not able to participate tonight in accepting the Native American Heritage month resolution because of their process to review statements. Superintendent Lewis hopes to receive feedback from them next month on the resolution. He also recommends that we honor Yocha De He Tribe’s contributions to Yolo County at the next Board meeting.

7.0 **ADJOURNMENT.** The meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

MOTION: Souza Cole **SECOND:** Yip **AYES:** Souza Cole, Yip, Moreno, Taylor, Zendejas **NOES:** None. **ABSENT:** None



Garth Lewis, Superintendent

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