

YOLO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting: February 26, 2019
MINUTES

1.0 OPENING PROCEDURES

- 1.2 Call to Order and Roll Call. The Yolo County Board of Education met on February 26, 2019 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: Melissa Moreno, Carol Souza Cole, Matt Taylor and Shelton Yip. Board Vice President Carol Souza Cole presided. Cirenio Rodriguez was absent. Garth Lewis, 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: Yip **SECOND:** Taylor **AYES:** Yip, Taylor, Souza Cole, Moreno **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

Margie Valenzuela, Executive Director of Human Resources, presented Monica Aceves Robles, Alternative Education ELPAC Assessment Test Administrator and Thomas DeVaney, Paraeducator, Davis Horizon, a certificate commending their hard work and dedication. Staff commented on Ms. Aceves Robles' assessment of 35 students and that she is an outstanding team member. Mr. DeVaney is a dedicated employee who cares about his students. His work with incorporating social games into the classroom has led to increased positive emotional regulation, peer socialization and critical thinking. Superintendent Lewis thanked them for their hard work and dedication.

3.0 REPORTS

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

a. Board Members

- Trustee Yip commented on the upcoming retirement of Deputy Superintendent, Ronda DaRosa and Sharon Holstege, Director of Special Education. He will miss them! Thank you to Board members for attending the Board retreat on February 6, 2019. The Yolo County School Boards Association (YCSBA) event last night was very nice and the presentation by Amy Christianson, Trustee from the Butte County Office of Education was very informative. The work that the Superintendent and Board did to help facilitate the education of kids during an emergency situation (Camp fire) is important and this is a reminder that we should all be prepared. Emergency preparedness is an important issue today and will be addressed at the upcoming California County Board of Education (CCBE) and California School Boards Association (CSBA) conferences. Trustee Yip

attended the African American Student Leadership conference on February 2, 2019 and he also attended the State of the State event with Peter Birdsall, Executive Director, California County Superintendents Educational Services Association (CCSESA). Board members can sign up for CSBA's Advocacy day on March 12, 2019 to discuss important issues (including fair funding and ADA) with government representatives. A student expulsion appeal will be soon be coming to the Yolo County Board of Education. An email on scheduling, will be forwarded to you soon.

- Trustee Souza Cole – She attended the Poetry Out Loud event from Yolo County and it was an amazing experience. The young woman from Esparto (ninth grade) won. She would love for the student to attend a future Board meeting and recite a poem for the Board. Trustee Souza Cole also attended the YCSBA event, which was very interesting especially the concise report from Trustee Christianson. The Education in Excellence Awards are on April 29, 2019. Also the Executive Planning Committee for YCSBA met and discussed recommendations as a group for the Teacher of the Year program.
- Trustee Taylor – Thank you for the recent board retreat, it was very informative. He also forwarded information on a Youth mediator program to Yvette Seibert, Executive Assistant who will email it to staff.

b. Superintendent

- Superintendent Lewis attended the YCSBA event last night and he commented on how he appreciated Trustees Yip and Souza Cole for helping with this event. There was lots of information on emergency preparedness and lessons that districts could learn from the Butte County Office of Education. This month is also Black History month and Superintendent Lewis was happy to be able to attend the Yolo County African American Student Leadership event and speak at Fairbanks Elementary school. He also participated in *Dream America* which was an opportunity to hear poems and have discussions on the immigration issue. Superintendent Lewis thanked Ronda DaRosa, Deputy Superintendent; Micah Studer, Executive Director, Equity and Support Services and Carolynne Beno, Assistant Superintendent, SELPA for all their hard work on Differentiated Assistance. Construction is nearing the end in Suite 190 (Charter School). We should, hopefully have possession of the building by the next Board meeting in March 2019. He discussed the Careers in Education conference and also asked if a trustee would be interested in attending the 3x2x2 meeting of Community Colleges and the Woodland City planner. Superintendent Lewis also attended the Small School District symposium in Sacramento on February 21, 2019. Superintendent Lewis reminded the Board that the SWIM TEAM film viewing at YCOE is this Monday at 6 p.m.

c. Trustee Moreno

- Trustee Moreno provided keynote for the Early Outreach event at the University of California, Davis (UCD) that emphasized careers in education and also served on a panel with Superintendent Lewis. Attended the “Dreaming America: Voices of undocumented youth” event by Acem Theatre Company with poetry written by youth in detention centers; it was also attended by Superintendent Lewis. Attended an event for Lt. Governor in Sacramento, where she emphasized support for education.
 - d. Superintendent’s Advisory Team
 - Ronda DaRosa, Deputy Superintendent reviewed the material in the Board packet and responded to questions of the Board.
 - e. Committees
 - No reports.
- 3.2 Associations.
- No reports.

4.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

- 4.1 Consent Agenda.
- a. Approval of Minutes: January 22, 2019 Regular Meeting
 - b. Approval of Minutes: February 6, 2019 Special Meeting
 - c. Temporary County Certificates
 - d. 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: Taylor **SECOND:** Yip **AYES:** Taylor, Yip, Souza Cole, Moreno
NOES: None. **ABSENT:** Rodriguez

- 4.2 Presentation from David A. Soldani, Partner, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo on the role of the county board on district boundary issues (Washington USD)

Power point presentation was given on the County Committee’s Role in Transitioning a District to a By-Trustee Area Election Method. Mr. Soldani went through the power point and answered questions from the Board on the process and Committee’s role. Items reviewed were the California Voting Rights Act of 2001; Litigation Risk; Sanchez v. City of Modesto Case; Other Notable CVRA Cases and Fees; Plaintiffs Continue to Threaten and Sue Public Entities Under the CVRA; Process for Transitioning to By-Trustee Area Elections; Required Public Hearings; New Requirements and Implementing By-Trustee Area Election Method. Superintendent Lewis and Trustee Yip will contact the Superintendent at Washington Unified School District for the next steps in this process. The Board discussed the possibility of a small subcommittee on this issue along with having talking points during the public hearing on district boundary issues.

4.3 Resolution #18-19/16: In Support of High School Voter Weeks, April 15-30, 2019

The Board took action to approve the Resolution #18-19/16: In Support of High School Voter Weeks, April 15-30, 2019

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

4.4 YCOE Community Advisory Committee Appointment

The Board took action to approve Beatriz (Betty) Rambarran as the YCOE Community Advisory Committee Appointment

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

4.5 Low Performing Student Block Grant

Micah Studer, Executive Director, Equity and Support Services, reviewed the Low Performing Student Block Grant proposal in the Board packet.

The Board took action to approve the Low Performing Student Block Grant

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

4.6 School Accountability Report Cards (SARCs)

Micah Studer, Executive Director, Equity and Support Services, reviewed the draft versions of the SARCs and responded to questions of the Board. Questions from Trustee Moreno were sent by email and will be answered by staff at a future date.

The Board took action to approve the School Accountability Report Cards (SARCs)

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

4.7 Yolo County Office of Education 2018-19 Second Interim Report

Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services, presented this item and answered questions from the Board. Ms. Huey also received questions on this item from Trustee Moreno and will answer them by email. Trustees Souza Cole and Yip requested breakdown of the charter school to be included in this item for future board meetings. Information on Multiyear projections; Dartboard; STRS/PERS clarification was discussed. Future reporting and adoption of budget schedule was discussed. Any detailed questions please email Debra Hinely, Director of Internal Business Services. Also, the Fund Balance break out was requested by trustees to be shown in one place in the future reporting of this item.

- 4.8 Yolo County Office of Education 2018-19 Second Interim Budget Revision Report
Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services, presented this item.

The Board took action to approve the Yolo County Office of Education 2018-19 Second Interim Budget Revision Report.

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

- 4.9 Annual Review of Yolo County Investment Policy
Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services presented this item.

- 4.10 Head Start/Early Head Start Reports
a. Enrollment Update
b. Program
c. Fiscal Report
d. Policy Council Meeting Minutes

Gail Nadal, Director, Early Childhood Education, reviewed the items in the board packet and responded to questions of the Board. This Friday is Dr. Seuss' day and Ms. Nadal invited Board members to come to the classrooms to read to students if they are available. The program Footsteps to Brilliance is also being re-introduced soon to parents.

- 4.11 Yolo County Census Boundary Updates
Superintendent Lewis reviewed the information in the board packet and responded to questions of the Board. He plans to bring back the maps that will show the changes to match school district boundaries. He also will ask the contact at Census Bureau School District Review Program (SDRP) if there is a government code, that gives them the authority to make these decisions without Board approval.

- 4.12 Initial Proposal to the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools from the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), Council 57, Certificated Unit
Superintendent Lewis presented this item for information.

- 4.13 Initial Proposal to the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools from the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), Council 57, Classified Unit
Superintendent Lewis presented this item for information.

- 4.14 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
Superintendent Lewis presented this item for information.

- 4.15 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
Superintendent Lewis presented this item for information.
- 4.16 Dan Jacobs School Draft Calendar 2019-20
Micah Studer, Executive Director, Equity and Support Services reviewed the information in the Board packet. Mr. Studer will bring the calendar back for action at the next Board meeting in March 2019.
- 4.17 Foster Youth Data – Yolo County
Micah Studer, Executive Director, Equity and Support Services reviewed the power point presentation in the Board packet and responded to questions of the board. He thanked Mariah Ernst-Collins, Program Specialist, Homeless Education and Foster Youth Services, for preparing the report and for meeting the needs of foster youth in Yolo County. Items discussed in power point included: Yolo County Foster Youth Services Coordinating Program (FYSCP); Program Demographics of Foster Youth Enrolled in K-12; Youth Enrolled in K-12 District in Yolo County; CAASPP Achievement graphics (mathematics and language arts); Chronic Absenteeism rate. Superintendent Lewis asked the Trustees to contact the Superintendent of the school district to schedule a meeting with the liaison if interested. Also, if they have information on any grant opportunities for this program to please contact Ms. Ernst-Collins.
- 4.18 Williams Report
Deb Bruns, Director, Curriculum and Instruction, presented this item.
- 4.19 Alternative Education Attendance Report
Micah Studer, Executive Director, Equity and Support Services reviewed the information in the Board packet. He thanked Janae McClain, Administrative Secretary, for putting together the new alternative education report. Trustees requested information on the new charter school be included in the report along with more clarity on Dan Jacobs school.
- 4.20 First Reading of Board Policies 5000 & 6000 (Instruction Series)
Ronda DaRosa, Deputy Superintendent, reviewed the policies in the Board packet and responded to questions of the Board. Dr. Da Rosa will bring back policies for action at the March 2019 meeting except for the *Use of Seclusion and Restraint* board policy. Only the AR was included in the board packet and we will need to look for a BP to accompany or write a new one for the next meeting in March 2019.
- 4.21 Suggested Future Agenda Items
March 2019 - ORR presentation

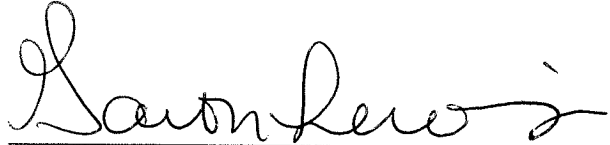
April 2019 - Information on how YCOE supports the education of incarcerated or detained persons

Special meeting for student expulsion – tentative time set for next Tuesday, March 5, 2019 depending on if we receive paperwork. We will possibly need to reschedule.

Future meeting - How do we insure ourselves (YCOE - Statement Certifying Insurance to Cover Assets purchased with certificates)

5.0 **ADJOURNMENT.** The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

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



Garth Lewis, Yolo County Superintendent of Schools
and Secretary to the Yolo County Board of Education

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