

YOLO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting: February 18, 2020
MINUTES

1.0 OPENING PROCEDURES

- 1.1 Call to Order and Roll Call. The Yolo County Board of Education met on February 18, 2020 at 3:32 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, Carol Souza Cole, Matt Taylor, Shelton Yip and Tico Zendejas. Board President Carol Souza Cole presided. Superintendent Garth Lewis was present. (Roll Call held).
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance. The pledge of allegiance was conducted.
- 1.3 Approval of Agenda.
- MOTION: Yip SECOND: Taylor AYES: Yip, Taylor, Moreno, Souza Cole, Zendejas NOES: None ABSENT: None**
- 1.4 Public Comment. None.

2.0 REPORTS

- 2.1 Board Member(s)/Superintendent/SAT/Committee(s).
- a. Board Reports
- Trustee Yip
- *Congratulated Trustee Taylor and his team for being honored as 2020 Education champions.*
 - *Attended district teach-in on ethnic studies at Davis Jt. USD.*
 - *Joined several staff members on January 29, 2020 for the showing of the California's Forgotten Children documentary on Human Trafficking.*
 - *Attended African-American Student Leadership Conference on February 1, 2020.*
 - *Attended the State of the State event featuring Dr. Patti Herrera, School Services on February 5, 2020.*

Trustee Taylor

- *Thanked Trustee Yip for mentioning the honor he and his team received in regards to the four (4) schools honored as top performing schools serving a majority of African-American students.*
 - *A document will be released soon with the National Action Network around Civil Rights education and will identify characteristics of the Top Performing Schools that are serving a*

majority of African-American students. Document will be brought to the Board for ongoing conversation.

Trustee Moreno

- *Attended the district teach-in on ethnic studies at Davis Jt USD.*
- *Attended the State of the State event featuring Dr. Patti Herrera, School Services on February 5, 2020.*
- *African American Student Leadership Conference on February 1, 2020.*

Trustee Zendejas

- *Attended the State of the State event featuring Dr. Patti Herrera, School Services on February 5, 2020.*
 - *Great information and projections that schools are expecting.*

Trustee Souza Cole

- *Attended Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Community event at YCOE on January 22, 2020.*
 - *Great speaker (Dr. Fortune)*
- *Attended Community event with Supt. Lewis that was formed to discuss the vision and positive efforts that are underway in regards to the recent shootings in Woodland to support our youth.*
- *Announced the Yolo County School Boards Association (YCSBA) Effective Governance training scheduled for Monday, February 24, 2020.*
 - *Trustee Moreno and Souza Cole plan to attend.*

Trustee Moreno attended the 3 x 2 x 2 meeting recently that includes County Superintendent, Woodland Joint USD, City of Woodland and the Woodland Community College representatives.

Trustee Yip plans to attend the Association of California School Administrator's (ACSA) Region 3 - 2020 Every Student Succeeding event honoring Cesar Chavez student, Maribel Zarigoza.

b. Superintendent

- *Celebration:*
 - WASC accreditation for Cesar Chavez-- Given another 3 years.*
- *Attended events:*
 - *Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Community event at YCOE on January 22, 2020.*
 - *State of the State event featuring Dr. Patti Herrera, School Services on February 5, 2020.*
 - *Equity Walk with Washington USD.*
- *YCSBA training session next week with focus on the role of policy makers with equity in schools.*
- *Attended labor management event with negotiations team, staff*

- YCOE held a classified visioning event with staff and leadership.
- Appreciates the work that Trustee Yip has done in regards to the Breaking Barriers event in November, which translated to a partnership with Health and Human Services.
 - Currently writing a mental health services grant.
- Attended a community event with Trustee Souza Cole on building a comprehensive plan in response to the recent violence in Woodland.
 - Concilio, Brown Issues, City of Woodland are all partners on this issue.
- Attended Greengate School's Valentine's friendship dance
 - Held in honor of the students who passed away recently.

SAT

Dr.Carolynne Beno, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services presented this item in the Board packet

- Currently applying for three (3) grants:
 - Mental health services
 - First five impact grant
 - Inclusive early education expansion program grant

Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services presented this item in the Board packet

- Enjoyed California labor management team event
- Attended Classified training at YCOE
- Attended Governor's budget workshop
 - New department (early childhood programs)
 - Special education funding
 - Economic forecast discussed
 - Important to remain conservative

c. Committees.

None.

2.2 Associations.

None.

3.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Minutes:
- January 14, 2020 Regular Meeting
 - Temporary County Certificates (January and February 2020)
 - Resolution #19-20/24 Resolution finding that the Trustee's absence from the Board meeting is due to an acceptable hardship and authorizing payment of stipend pursuant to Education Code section 1090(d).

Trustee Moreno requested the minutes be pulled from the Consent agenda. Trustee

Taylor made a motion to approve the consent agenda without the January 14, 2020 Regular meeting minutes.

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

Trustee Moreno made a motion to request a change to the minutes reflected in her comments on the EPIC charter authorization (page 4). Change was e-mailed to Yvette Seibert, Executive Assistant.

Change to reflect:

Trustee Moreno had concerns about the lack of racial ethnic diversity at EPIC and questioned why YCOE intended to help or assist with increasing diverse enrollment at EPIC when in fact YCOE had struggled with enrollment at the Yolo Career Academy. Trustee Moreno also had concerns that EPIC stated that it would diversify by creating bilingual outreach literature, and stated that in her experience diversification had to do more with increasing teacher and educational leadership that was bilingual and not just a bilingual piece of literature.

Superintendent Lewis asked Trustee Moreno to clarify the change in the minutes. He asked if this statement is what was actually said or is this to clarify what was intended. Trustee Moreno stated that it was what she stated but without the context. The revision or change is to clarify her statement.

Superintendent Lewis commented that the Minutes are meant to reflect what was stated as opposed to clarifying what was intended to be stated.

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

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

4.1 RESOLUTION #19-20/25: Arts Education Month – March 2020
The Board took action to approve Resolution #19-20/25: Arts Education Month – March 2020. The resolution was presented to Jenna Harris from Yolo Arts who thanked everyone for the acknowledgement.

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

4.2 RESOLUTION #19-20/26: Cesar Estrada Chavez Day – March 31, 2020
The Board took action to approve Resolution #19-20/26: Cesar Estrada Chavez Day – March 31, 2020. The resolution was presented to Dr. Jesse Ortiz, former Yolo County Superintendent of Schools and Olga Nevarez from the Yolo County Concilio who thanked everyone for the acknowledgement.

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

- 4.3 RESOLUTION #19-20/27: Women’s History Month – March 2020
The Board took action to approve Resolution #19-20/27: Women’s History Month – March 2020. The resolution was presented to Lori Ross, Area Director, Yolo County, United Way Capital Region who thanked everyone for the acknowledgement.

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

- 4.4 RESOLUTION #19-20/28: In Support of Public Preschool, K-12, and College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2020 Assembly Bill 48 (O’Donnell, Glazer), (Proposition 13)
The Board took action to approve Resolution #19-20/28: In Support of Public Preschool, K-12, and College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2020 Assembly Bill 48 (O’Donnell, Glazer) (Proposition 13). The resolution was presented to Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services at YCOE who thanked everyone for the acknowledgement.

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

- 4.5 Official 2020 Delegate Assembly Ballot to vote for County Delegate Region 6, Trustee Shelton Yip
The Board took action to approve the Official 2020 Delegate Assembly Ballot to vote for County Delegate Region 6, Trustee Shelton Yip

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

- 4.6 Second Reading of Board Policies – 6000 Instruction Series – 3 policies
a. BP/SP 6179 - Supplemental Instruction
b. BP/SP 6173 - Education for Homeless Children
c. BP/SP 6190 - Evaluation of the Instruction Program

Dr.Carolynne Beno, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services presented this item.

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

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

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

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Trustee Yip thanked staff for adding the “people first language” into the policies.

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

- 5.1 YCOE Alternative Education California Dashboard Report
Gayelynn Gerhart, Principal, Alternative Education presented this item in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board.

Items discussed:

- Cell phone use for students
- Trustee Souza Cole commented on the college credit courses.
 - Could possibly add American Sign Language class in future.
- Woodland Community College (barriers or how to remove barriers)
 - College support course tied to high school courses (dual courses) per Trustee Taylor.

- 5.2 Alternative Education Attendance Reports
Gayelynn Gerhart, Principal, Alternative Education presented this item in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board.

Trustee Souza Cole asked why some students do not attend class. Some reasons include:

- Safety
- Child care
- Family barriers

- 5.3 YCOE Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Update, February 2020
Gayelynn Gerhart, Principal, Alternative Education presented this item in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board.

Items discussed:

- Graduation credits
- Data collected for LCAP
- More access to online instruction for students to graduate (Edgenuity). (question per Trustee Moreno)

Mariah Ernst-Collins, Foster and Homeless Youth Services Program Specialist presented on the foster and homeless youth education data. Items discussed include:

- The Health Fair Education Summit's date has been changed to May 28, 2020.
- Discussed new AmeriCorp liaison member, Elizabeth Winder, Her focus will be on direct support to countywide foster youth to teach life skills, college and career readiness, etc.

- *Transportation MOU signed*
- *Hosted youth for college night at Woodland Community College*
- *Education for homeless youth funding*
- *College and industry tours for youth*
- *Trustee Souza Cole had questions on the LCAP summary report goals and actions including:*
 - *How do you measure if YCOE is accomplishing goals*
 - *Is YCOE tracking what percentage graduate*
 - *Tracking High School Attendance rate*
 - *District tracks rates*
 - *YCOE can compile above data for future use per Ms. Ernst-Collins*
- *Other items discussed included what are other options for youth in college.*
 - *What happens after graduation. -How do we track for future use.*
 - *Where are they transitioning*
- *Trustee Moreno mentioned the foster retreat in Applegate this summer that Yolo county kids could attend and Ms. Ernst-Collins will look into.*

- 5.3.1 GPS Social Enterprises Presentation: Transforming Community One Life at a Time
Maggi Schubert, President & CEO, GPS Social Enterprises presented the power point *Transforming Community One Life at a Time (copy can be found on file with the official records of this meeting)*. Items discussed included Mission; What do we do with the youth; What is Power Source; Power Source Topics; It's Outcomes that matter and What the Kids Say.

Trustee Moreno requested the demographics of the staff who work with the students at Cesar Chavez school. Ms. Schubert stated that the demographics of staff include Hispanic, Guatemalan and African American (staff listings can be found on the website www.gps-social-enterprises.com). Also, staff share many struggles that the kids can relate to.

- 5.4 Dan Jacobs School Draft Calendar 2020-2021
Gaylynn Gerhart, Principal, Alternative Education presented this item in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board. This Item will be brought back on the consent agenda at the Regular Board meeting in March.

- 5.5 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 reviewed the program, enrollment update and answered questions from the Board.

Items discussed included:

- *Region 9 Executive Director retired after 25 years in December.*
- *Federal review*

- 5.6 19-20 YCOE Williams Second Quarter UCP report
Dr.Carolynne Beno, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services presented the information in the Board packet.
- 5.7 Williams Quarterly Report on Yolo County Schools in Decile 1-3 2nd Quarter
Dr. Carolynne Beno, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services presented the information in the Board packet.
- 5.8 P-1 Attendance
Debra Hinely, Director, Internal Business Services, presented this item in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board.
- 5.9 Annual Review of Yolo County Investment Policy
Debra Hinely, Director, Internal Business Services, presented this item in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board.
- 5.10 Quarterly Report of Investments for Period Ending December 31, 2019
Debra Hinely, Director, Internal Business Services, presented this item in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board.
- 5.11 First Reading of Board Policies – 6000 (Instruction) Series – 1 policy
a. BP 6173.1 Education for Youth in Foster Care
b. AR 6173.1 Education for Youth in Foster Care
- Dr. Carolynne Beno, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services, reviewed this item in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board. She stated that policy has been updated to “People first language.”
- Trustee Souza Cole requested that on Page 1 of the policy in the second paragraph - second sentence that it refer to the *County Office of Education* as the designee and not the *district* as the representative.
- Trustee Taylor requested that on page 2 towards the bottom of the policy there is a statement that annually there should be a report presented to the Board on Education for Youth in Foster Care. Dr. Beno will discuss with staff when the best time is to present this item (possibly August once a year) and confirm the best time so that this gets on the monthly calendar items.
- Policy (a) will be brought back to Board for action at the March Regular Meeting.

5.12 Information on Closure of YCCA

Dr.Carolynne Beno, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services, reviewed this item in the Board packet and responded to questions from the Board.

Items discussed included:

- California Human Development (CHD) Group renting Suite 190 space (provides services for employment skills training for adults in Yolo County)
- Trustee Zendejas commented on meeting with Elaine Lytle, Health and Human Services is interested in renting space to provide services to adults in Yolo County
 - No competition with school districts. They are certified and offer services that include truck driving, welding and other options for residents.
- Superintendent Lewis commented on Dr. Pimentel, Woodland Community College and his team who are also interested in a partnership offering services to supplement adult education in Woodland.
 - Tour of Corazon center upcoming
- Another idea for the space is working with districts to help supplement programs
- Trustee Moreno asked a question about the need for supporting youth programs and the need for leadership, employment and development framework and what is YCOE investing in youth development with the Suite 190 facility.
 - Superintendent Lewis recognizes that we are exploring YCOE's role as a tenant, which could include adult education but also is researching what access students would have with any partnership/ rental agreement with Suite 190.
- Currently working with Harbor Freight Fellows Initiative/United Way/ALMS – All Leaders must serve /Big Picture Learning to expand in the trades, transfer same model to technology and healthcare and to meet with potential sponsors to focus on the youth and engage in job training, leadership, real world skills.

Correspondence from the California Department of Education on Instructional minutes (YCCA) in regards to audit finding

Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services updated the Board on the Instructional minutes (YCCA) in regards to the audit finding and how YCOE will be responding. Ms. Huey also responded to questions from the Board. Ms. Huey stated that this is a unique situation and not a common finding. Staff will be reviewing and discussing issue with legal counsel. We will be appealing the process with a summary review to the Education Audit Appeals Panel (EAAP).

Trustee Yip left at 5:46 and returned at 5:47 p.m.

5.13 Review Board Retreat Draft Agenda

- Trustee Taylor recommended that YCOE join the Small School District Association (SSDA)
- The Board Retreat Agenda was reviewed.
- Yvette Seibert, Executive Assistant will confirm new date for retreat
- Add update to agenda on Suite 190 if needed per Trustee Taylor.

5.14 Suggested Future Agenda Items

None

Recess: 6:05 p.m.

6.0 **CLOSED SESSION AGENDA – 6:09 P.M.**

Approve closed session agenda

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

6.1 Anticipated litigation: Significant exposure to litigation [Govt. Code 54956.9(d)(2)]One Case.

7.0 **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION – 7:06 P.M.**

7.1 Announcement of any action taken in Closed Session
None

8.0 **ADJOURNMENT.** The meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

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



Garth Lewis, Superintendent

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