

YOLO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Special Meeting: June 14, 2022
MINUTES

1.0 OPENING PROCEDURES

1.1 Call to Order and Roll Call. The Yolo County Board of Education met on June 14, 2022 at 3:35 p.m. in person at the Woodland Joint USD and by Zoom. Board Members in attendance: Melissa Moreno, Carol Souza Cole, Shelton Yip and Tico Zendejas. Absent: Elizabeth Esquivel. President Melissa Moreno presided. Superintendent Garth Lewis was present. (Roll Call held).

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance
Pledge of Allegiance conducted.

1.3 Land Acknowledgement Statement
Land Acknowledgement Statement conducted.

1.4 Approval of Agenda.
Motion to approve agenda.

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

1.5 Public Comment.
None.

2.0 A public hearing will be conducted to receive comment from parents, teachers, members of the community, and bargaining unit leaders regarding spending regulations for supplemental and concentration grants; to notify the public of the opportunity to submit written comments regarding the specific actions and expenditures to be included in the Local Control and Accountability Plan.
Trustee Moreno opened the public hearing at 3:37 p.m. and closed it at 3:38 p.m.

Trustee Esquivel arrived at 3:39 PM

3.0 A public hearing will be conducted to receive comment from parents, teachers, members of the community, and bargaining unit leaders regarding the 2022-23 Proposed Yolo County Office of Education's Budget.
Trustee Moreno opened the public hearing at 3:39 p.m. closed at 3:40 p.m.

4.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

4.1 2022 Local Control and Accountability.
Dr. Micah Studer, Assistant Superintendent, Equity and Support Services presented this item in the board packet and responded to questions from the Board.

Items discussed included:

- Dr. Studer congratulated team on work.
- Dr. Studer stated that the executive summary of the plan will be included in the board packet on June 28th.
 - He also discussed the four (4) goals of the document 1 – base services, 2 – support services for students, 3 - county office mandates and 4 – coordination of grant funding.
 - Base services include measurements and serving students.
 - Goals and actions include the graduation rate, career information and COE mandates.

Trustee Souza Cole asked a question about the plan and what does it tell the public about YCOE and Trustee Moreno also asked to clarify statute and goal 1 since they seem broad in which Dr. Studer clarified purpose of the LCAP.

Trustee Esquivel thanked staff for transparency.

- Mission and vision.
 - Staff discussed mission to reengage with students.

Trustee Souza Cole asked to clarify the four (4) goals in document and commented on Page 4 of 87 at bottom which describes the overview of parents in which she would like that to also state activities that benefitted students and whole picture of Cesar Chavez.

- She would also like the educational partners to be listed in the document.

Superintendent Lewis prefers to take time for questions and comments which included page 58 of 87 and 63 of 87

- Expand outdoor learning spaces to help learning loss and capital improvements
 - ECE center.
- Learning loss mitigation
 - Page 57 - funds for pandemic relief should be described.
 - Modifications will be captured in board transmittal.
- Page 40 of 87 describes students' transportation.
 - Is it daily or weekly?
 - Describe a typical week or day in student transportation and with the youth advocate or therapist.
- Trustee Souza Cole requested that the changes be highlighted and include the one-page executive summary.
 - Please have the possible actions be student centered.

The following changes should be made:

- Remove all references to "stakeholder" in the document.
- Revise CSI monitoring section to include CDE as partners in the differentiated assistance process.
- Add drop-out rate detail to Goal 2.

- Revise the Goal Analysis sections of Goals 1, 2, 3, and 4 to include additional detail.
- Revise 4.6 to reflect expended funding.
- Revise 4.7 to reflect the costs associated with the ECE partnership.
- Revise amount in section 4.12 to reflect expended funding.
- Add 4.13 commitment to 1-time funding transparency.

4.2 2022 School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)

Dr. Micah Studer presented item in the board packet and responded to questions from the Board. California Education Code 64001 and the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) require schools that receive federal funds through the Consolidated Application annually to develop a School Plan for Student Achievement. This SPSA satisfies the statutory requirements of Section 1111 of the ESSA.

Items Discussed included:

- LCAP and SPSA technical role.

Trustee Esquivel appreciated the visuals and stated that it was well done. Dr. Studer thanked Sonia Pizano, Program Data Analyst for all of the SPSA data collection. She also puts together the monthly attendance reports and does a wonderful job.

Trustee Moreno asked a question on page 109 regarding the resource inequities identified and wanted a sense of how many youth and families this affected. Dr. Studer commented on her question.

4.3 Curriculum Adoption 2022

Deb Bruns, Director, Teaching and Learning presented PowerPoint “Alternative Education Instructional Materials Adoption Update & Recommendation” in the board packet and responded to questions from the Board.

Items Discussed included:

- Material adoption and timeline.
- Proposed adoption process, math adoption process and reflections from UCD Math Project Director, Denise Brown on math curriculum adoption and Reflections from Bruce Lewis, Chavez math teacher were also used when picking math curriculum and ethnic studies.

Trustee Esquivel left meeting at 4:30 and back at 4:35

- Trustee Souza Cole asked about the curriculum Agile Minds Mathematics and its approval at the end of June. She would like to see the curriculum before approval. Staff will make it available to the Board for review.
- President Moreno thanked staff for presenting. At this time she needs more time to review before approving math curriculum.

- Deb Bruns, Director, Teaching and Learning stated that math is the only subject going through adoption process right now.
- Edgenuity is currently being used for independent study and core courses. Currently in need to be in compliance for all subjects.
- Trustee Souza Cole asked about history/social science adoption and if it will be done by this time next year. Ms. Bruns stated that it is being piloted in fall and that it may be ready. She is hoping for a recommendation in December. All other materials curriculum adoption for ELA and ELD will be spring of 2023. Trustee Moreno asked about clarifying the curriculum adoption process. Staff commented on the cycles that will be used for five (5) separate adoptions in the upcoming years.
 - Superintendent Lewis stated that there are typically teams of teachers and staff to report lists of curriculum but that we are on track to adopt all curriculum in future. YCOE's intent is to catch up and we will be passing a resolution on the sufficiency of textbooks soon and know that we are in arrears in terms of curriculum. We will be requesting approval from Board on June 28th on Edgenuity and the math curriculum.

- 4.4 Proposed 2022-2023 Budget for the Yolo County Office of Education
Debra Hinely, Director, Internal Fiscal Services and Crissy Huey, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services presented item in the board packet and responded to questions from the Board.

Items discussed included:

- Budget Development Assumptions
- YCOE ADA history 2008/09 thru 2022/23
- Restricted/Unrestricted
- Total Revenue
- Expenditures
- Overview of 2022-23 Proposed Budget
- 2022-23 Components of Ending Fund Balance
- Estimated Actuals & Proposed Budget Variance
- COVID-19 funding
- Multi-year Projections
- CalSTRS and CalPERS future rate implications
- 2022-23 Annual Budget & MYP
- Summary of all funds – Revenue/Expenditures Net Change

Trustee Esquivel asked questions regarding the self- insurance fund and dental and vision.

- Staff commented on all one-time funds on fiscal stability and COVID relief funds, planned expenditures, COEs and districts' ADA.

Trustee Yip asked if we were held harmless this year. Ms. Huey stated we are still fighting for that. There are some changes with county office funding but no relief in ADA resolutions to set aside dollars.

Trustee Souza Cole commented on budget assumptions with the county operations grant (page 163) and asked how much we get paid per student ADA. Last year's budget assumptions had a county operations grant. This year is based on 1,000 fewer students. She also commented on the Innovation grants and didn't know who had won this year. Staff will send this year's list of winners to Board.

Other Items discussed included:

- Budget differential increasing certificated salaries.
- Positions and increases in salaries and benefits.
- Advocating for ADA relief.
 - COE has been taxed with quite a bit of responsibility from state per Superintendent Lewis and there is funding for supporting those efforts.
- Trustee Souza Cole would like a report on what positions we are no longer funding and what the new management positions are. She stated that there seems to be a lot of management from a school district perspective. Superintendent Lewis stated that we are an administrative office serving districts directly.

Trustees requested a more detailed summary of positions and new responsibilities. There is concern over decrease in student enrollment in YCOE and serving less students and hiring more administration. Superintendent Lewis clarified that YCOE provides robust services to school districts. Trustees asked if they could have or maybe staff could list on website what the responsibilities are of COEs. Superintendent Lewis stated that we can provide that information which lists the key role and responsibilities of county offices of education which continues to grow with AB 1200 oversight and LCFF. There are also responsibilities outside of traditional role of educational facility with partnerships with county board of supervisors. Maria Arvizu-Espinoza, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services stated that COE's support mental health and TK expansion. There has been more put on county offices and we never say no to districts.

Trustee Moreno commented on page 196 and the child development fund. The 21-22 & 22-23 amounts aren't really different with the expansion of TK and child development fund. Staff stated that the expansion of funds goes more to the districts than COEs. Superintendent Lewis stated that we did receive a portion for technical assistance and it is specific to our own programs.

Trustee Esquivel had a question on assumptions. Ms. Huey stated it will be on the 45-day revise in August as a revise.

Trustee Esquivel left at 5:53 pm

Trustee Souza Cole asked about sending funds to districts then having them be accounted for? Ms. Hinely stated that it is in Indirect funds and costs. Trustee Yip stated that it is easier to track through 58 COEs than the thousands of districts. She would like to schedule a time to meet with budget committee and get on books

ahead of time in future.

4.5 Yolo County Superintendents of Schools' Compensation

President Moreno presented this item. She and Trustee Zendejas met and were able to discuss some of the information shared in packet which included the comparison to counties and compensation increase for teachers and staff at YCOE. We can share with board via email the committee increase for teachers this week. There will be a meeting on Tuesday of next week, June 21. The committee hopes to include a write up in the next board packet. Trustee Souza Cole hopes the committee will meet again and formulate a recommendation to Board and seek feedback before the board meeting. Superintendent Lewis stated that it must come forward to board as information item and then action.

4.6 Resolution #21-22/ In Support of School Safety: Protecting Children and Staff (Safety First)

President Moreno presented this item. Superintendent Lewis gave an overview on resolution. There has been an uptick in gun violence in schools and boards are considering supporting own schools and buildings with increased collaboration and communication.

Items to change in resolution:

Superintendent Lewis – in terms of language in 4th sentence. 10 people killed edited should state ten (10) African-Americans to focus on hate crime. It is important to call out anti-black nature of this act. Trustee Souza Cole is in support of school safety and using another title for resolution. Should focus on anti-violence.

Page 2 last WHEREAS – YCOE strives to provide safe havens for students. Strive to is committed to providing and protecting children and staff.

Next page 3 WHEREAS - YCOE is taking necessary steps to increase those steps.... recommend moving to suggest action for board and superintendent for discussion.

BE IT RESOLVED second from bottom -YCOE will consider staff and student ...consider saying embrace or facilitate rather than consider.

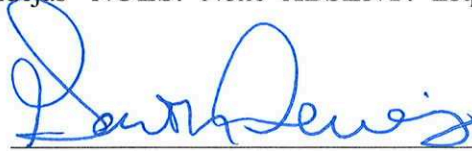
Last page BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED - Increase funding suggesting fully fund gun violence research.

Trustees commented that these are necessary steps and actions and we should work with UC Davis on violence prevention. They have a funded epidemiologist who studies this subject and has great data. Trustees stated that there is also value in working with YCSBA and superintendents on providing education on this issue. YCOE could consider an event or meeting of awareness for addressing today's realities. Superintendent Lewis stated that we will provide a more comprehensive update in future and we are working on a revision and update of EOP as well as

site visits and site assessments on this issue. Staff has also discussed a summit on this issue with an educational component that YCSBA could help with and have input on this work. Title should include ...in support of protecting children and staff from firearm violence.

ADJOURNMENT. The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

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



Garth Lewis, Superintendent