

**TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES**

The Tulare County Board of Education met on Wednesday, March 14, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. in meeting room Redwood CD at the Jim Vidak Education Center, 6200 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia, California.

- PRESENT**
Board Members
- Judy Coble, President
Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Vice President
Joe Enea
Pat Hillman
Debby Holguin
Tom Link
Chris Reed
Jim Vidak, Ex-Officio Secretary
- PRESENT**
Staff Members
- Donna Glassman-Sommer, Executive Director, NTLD
Anjelica Zermeño, Administrator, La Sierra Military Academy
Dr. Jen Francone, Administrator, ERS
Nicole Rocha, Administrator, Educational Options
Kate Stover, Visual & Performing Arts Staff Dev. & Curriculum Specialist, ERS
Juliana Davidian, Student Event Coordinator, ERS
Dr. Craig Wheaton, Deputy Superintendent, Administrative Services
Dr. Guadalupe Solis, Deputy Superintendent, Instructional Services
Rob Herman, Public Information Officer
Marlene Moreno, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent
Jeff Ramsay, Director, General Services
Julie Berk, Assistant Superintendent, Student Support Services
Wayne Lacy, Director, Information Systems
Cori Bernal, Secretary, General Services
Tammy McKean, Assistant Superintendent, Special Services
Patty Blaswich, Director, Internal Business
Jody Arriaga, Accounts Payable Supervisor, Internal Business
Debra Lockwood, Library Media Supervisor, ERS
John Rodriguez, Director, Human Resources
Eric Thiessen, Principal, University Preparatory High School
- GUESTS**
- Guests as listed in the register including Gabrielle Trapse, Desiree Serrano and Tom Rooney.
- CALL TO ORDER**
Pledge of Allegiance/
Welcome
- Board President Judy Coble welcomed everyone. She then called the meeting to order. President Coble led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Coble asked that the minutes reflect that all board members were present.
- ADA
ACCOMMODATIONS**
- President Coble reported that the ADA accommodations were met.
- PUBLIC COMMENT**
- Members of the public did not address any matters of jurisdiction.

- CONSENT CALENDAR It was moved by Enea, seconded by Link to approve the Consent Calendar, including minutes of the February 14, 2018 Regular Board Meeting, Countywide Registration of Credentials, Temporary County Certificates and Countywide Emergency Permits. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
- POETRY OUT LOUD PRESENTATION Kate Stover introduced 2018 Poetry Out Loud Tulare County winner. The student recited a heart-felt poem.
- DONATION FROM STARR WARSON ATTORNEY AT LAW Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve the \$500 donation from Starr Warson Attorney at Law for Mock Trial. It was moved by Hillman, seconded by Reed to approve the \$500 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
- DONATION FROM RABOBANK Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board the accept and approve the \$500 donation from Rabobank for Math Super Bowl. It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Holguin to approve the \$500 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
- DONATION FROM LOZANO SMITH ATTORNEYS AT LAW Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve the \$1,000 donation from Lozano Smith Attorneys at Law for Mock Trial. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Reed to approve the \$1,000 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
- DONATION FROM LAW OFFICES OF JAMES B PRESTON Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$100 donation from the Law Offices of James B. Preston for Mock Trial. It was moved by Link, seconded by Enea to approve the \$100 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
- DONATION FROM JAMBA JUICE/SWIRL PARTNERS LLC Dr. Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$271.60 donation from Jamba Juice/Swirl Partners LLC for College Night. It was moved by Hillman, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to approve the \$271.60 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
- DONATION FROM HIRE UP STAFFING SERVICES Dr. Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$250 donation from Hire Up Staffing Services for STEM Expo. It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Enea to approve the \$250 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
- DONATION FROM CARSTENS FAMILY/KIMBERLY Dr. Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$100 donation from Carstens Family/Kimberly & Steven Carstens for Mock Trial. It was moved by Reed, seconded by Link to approve the \$100 donation. Motion carried with the

& STEVEN CASTENS	following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
DONATION FROM DR. CHARLES BONISKE	Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$200 donation from Dr. Charles Boniske. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Hillman to approve the \$200 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
DONATION FROM ANTONIO A REYES	Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$100 donation from Antonio A. Reyes for Mock Trial. It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Hillman to approve the \$100 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
DONATION FROM AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN	Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$1,200 donation from American Association of University Women for Expanding your Horizons. It was moved by Holguin, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to approve the \$1,200 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
DONATION FROM ALLEN LAW FIRM	Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$2,500 donation from Allen Law Firm for Mock Trial. It was moved by Link, seconded by Reed to approve the \$2,500 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
DONATION FROM OFFICE DEPOT	Dr. Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$250 donation from Office Depot for Expanding Your Horizons. It was moved by Hillman, seconded by Enea to approve the \$250 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
DONATION FROM TULARE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT	Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$2,700 donation from the Tulare County Sheriff's Department for Mock Trial. It was moved by Holguin, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to approve the \$2,700 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
DONATION FROM TULARE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION	Dr. Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$28,000 donation from the Tulare County Bar Association for Mock Trial. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Link to approve the \$28,000 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.
DONATION FROM TROPHY SHOPPE	Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$500 donation from the Trophy Shoppe for STEM Expo. It was moved by Hillman, seconded by

Enea to approve the \$500 donation. Motion carried with the following votes:
Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

DONATION FROM J'S
COMMUNICATION

Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve an \$80 donation from J's Communication for STEM Expo. It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Hillman to approve the \$80 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

DONATION FROM
EDUCATIONAL
EMPLOYEES CREDIT
UNION (EECU)

Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$623 donation from EECU for Expanding Your Horizons and for STEM Expo. It was moved by Hillman, seconded by Enea to approve the \$623 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

DONATION FROM
IDEA PRINTING AND
GRAPHICS

Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$370.84 donation from Idea Printing and Graphics for Expanding Your Horizons. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Holguin to approve the \$370.84 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

DONATION FROM
JOSTENS

Dr. Jen Francone asked the Board to accept and approve a \$3,378.09 donation from Jostens for College Night. It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Link to approve the \$3,378.09 donation. Motion was carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

DONATION FROM
PEPSI BEVERAGES
COMPANY

Dr. Jen Francone asked for the Board's acceptance and approval of a \$300 donation from Pepsi Beverages Company for Expanding Your Horizons. It was moved by Hillman, seconded by Enea to approve the \$300 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

DONATION FROM
DUMONT PRINTING

Dr. Jen Francone asked for the Board's acceptance and approval of a \$700 donation from Dumont Printing for Expanding Your Horizons. It was moved by Link, seconded by Holguin to approve the \$700 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

DONATION FROM
COSTCO WHOLESALE

Dr. Jen Francone asked for the Board's acceptance and approval of a \$25 donation from Costco Wholesale for College Night. It was moved by Hillman, seconded by Link to approve the \$25 donation. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

PRESENTATION OF
LINDSAY UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Judy Coble called on Superintendent Tom Rooney to give a presentation on Lindsay Unified School District. One hundred percent of their students receive free and reduced lunch. Thirteen percent of their students meet the state and

federal definition of homeless. Many years ago, Lindsay had a 73% graduation rate. Mr. Rooney said they are currently designing a Performance Based Learning community driven by a future-focused strategic design. Currently every learner has access to a computer and the Internet at school and at home. LUSD now has a 93% graduation rate. Thirty-seven percent of Lindsay High School graduates attend a 4-year university, which is up from 21 percent.

Lindsay Unified received a \$2.5 million grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to advance the learning of adults in personalized learning. Lindsay also received \$10 million for Race to the Top District Grant (2013) and \$28 million for the Teacher School Leader Incentive grant (2017).

President Coble and Superintendent Vidak thanked Tom Rooney for an excellent presentation on Lindsay Unified School District.

2017-2018 SCHOOL
ACCOUNTABILITY
REPORT CARD FOR
LA SIERRA CHARTER

Nicole Rocha asked for the Board's approval on the 2017-2018 School Accountability Report Card for La Sierra Charter. It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Enea to approve the 2017-2018 School Accountability Report Card for La Sierra Charter. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

UPDATE FOR CALED
FUNDING

Donna Glassman-Sommer gave an updated report on the CalEd Grants. Some applications were funded in their entirety (minus 18% to reflect CalEd funding cut) for the Teacher component, the Administrator component or both. Some applicants were funded for only part of the total funding requested due to the limited state funding available per component. This was an informational agenda item.

BECHTEL GRANT

Donna Glassman-Sommer requested approval from the Board on the Bechtel Grant for \$249,100. These funds are to support the development of statewide alliance of stakeholders advising on promising practices for teacher recruitment and the technical assistance plans for local education agencies receiving state funds for teacher recruitment and retention. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to approve the Bechtel Grant. Motion was carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

BUDGET REVISIONS
THROUGH
JANUARY 31, 2018

Jody Arriaga presented to the Board the actual expenditures for budget revisions through January 31, 2018. The County School Service Fund showed an increase of \$1.3 million in the LCFF/Revenue Limit. There was a combined increase in the Federal Revenue for Foster Youth Title IV \$239,095; CFNLP \$133,486; SEE \$197,466; Office of Traffic Safety \$194,336; REED UC Davis \$120,000 and Title III \$235,382. State revenues reported a decrease in LCAP Review Assistance (\$803,971); Special Ed (\$552,844) and Foster Youth (\$36,578). There were also increases in Local Revenue in the following programs: Gates Foundation \$296,234 and CA Commission on Teacher Credentialing \$249,100. This showed an estimated ending fund balance of \$66,411,010.

The Board and Superintendent Vidak thanked Jody for the detailed report she presented. It was moved by Link, seconded by Enea to approve the Budget Revisions Report through January 31, 2018. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

SECOND INTERIM
REPORT AS OF
JANUARY 31, 2018

Jody Arriaga explained to the Board that county superintendents are required to certify twice a year regarding their ability to meet their financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year and for the subsequent two fiscal years with adequate reserves. She went on to discuss the Criteria and Standards Review Summary providing an explanation on areas that did not meet the criteria and standards. It was moved by Holguin, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to approve the Second Interim Report as of January 31, 2018. Motion was carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

ACCEPTANCE OF
LOW BID FOR E-RATE
RFP 18.05 COURT AND
COMMUNITY
SCHOOLS

Jeff Ramsay asked that the Board accept and approve the lowest bid of \$8,761.40 from AMS.NET for wireless access points for Court and Community Schools. It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Link to approve the bid from AMS.NET. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

ACCEPTANCE OF
LOW BID FOR E-RATE
RFP 18.06 COURT AND
COMMUNITY
SCHOOLS

Jeff Ramsay asked that the Board to accept and approve the lowest bid of \$4,726.26 from AMS.NET for routers for Court and Community Schools. It was moved by Reed, seconded by Enea to approve the bid from AMS.NET. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

ACCEPTANCE OF
LOW BID FOR E-RATE
RFP 18.07 COURT AND
COMMUNITY
SCHOOLS

Jeff Ramsay asked for the Board's approval on the lowest bid of \$26,744.25 from AAA Network Solutions for a network switch for Court and Community Schools. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Link to approve the bid from AAA Network Solutions. Motion was carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

ACCEPTANCE OF
LOW BID FOR E-RATE
RFP 18.08 LA SIERRA
MILITARY ACADEMY

Jeff Ramsay asked for the Board's approval on the lowest bid of \$49,784.69 from AMS.NET for a router at La Sierra Military Academy. It was moved by Hillman, seconded by Reed to approve the bid from AMS.NET. Motion was carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

ACCEPTANCE OF
LOW BIDS FOR E-
RATE RFP 18.09 TCOE

Jeff Ramsay asked for the Board's approval on the low bids (varies by site) at various sites by AT&T for telecommunication and Internet services at TCOE. It was moved by Holguin, seconded by Enea to approve the low bids from AT&T. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Link, Hillman, Holguin, Maldonado-Arroyo and Reed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

Mr. Vidak called on Anjelica Zermeño. Ms. Zermeño advised that three of La Sierra Military High School students have been accepted into Fresno State. They will be first generation graduates. The WASC Accreditation was completed and they had a positive report about La Sierra.

Mr. Vidak mentioned the Tulare County Spelling Bee took place February 21st. There were 117 schools that participated and 225 spellers. The new champion for 2018 was Jaskarn Singh from Alpine Vista School in Tulare. Poetry and Prose event will be celebrating its 34th year. This event will have over 1,300 students from 100 schools with a total of 581 performances. Our office is featuring the Best of Show student art which is displayed in the lobby.

The Ag Calendars award recognition will be on March 20 at a Board of Supervisors meeting. Mr. Vidak also mentioned Bye Bye Birdie, the next Theatre Company production. This month's issue of the News Gallery was completed by Rob Herman and featured Poetry Out Loud.

Mr. Vidak reminded the Board that the April 11 board meeting will take place at SCICON at 10:00 a.m. After lunch, a Board Retreat meeting is scheduled. Mr. Vidak also shared photos of snow at SCICON. Mr. Vidak asked the board to give agenda items for the board retreat to President Coble.

NEXT SCHEDULED
MEETING

April 11, 2018 – **SCICON – 10:00 a.m.**

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:42 p.m.