

**TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES**

The Tulare County Board of Education met on Wednesday, December 12, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. for a regular board meeting in the Redwood CDEF meeting room at the Jim Vidak Education Center, 6200 S. Mooney Boulevard, Visalia, California.

PRESENT Board Members	Tom Link, President Joe Enea, Vice President Judy Coble Debby Holguin Celia Maldonado-Arroyo Chris Reed Tim A. Hire, Ex-Officio Secretary
ABSENT Board Member	Tony Rodriguez
PRESENT Staff Members	Rob Herman, Communications Director Marlene Moreno, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent Julie Berk, Assistant Superintendent, Student Support Services Jeff Ramsay, Director, General Services John Davis, Administrator, LSS Andrea Perez, Assistant Superintendent, District Support Services Jody Arriaga, Director, Internal Business Services Sarah Smigiera, Director, External Business Services Tammy Bradford, Assistant Superintendent, Special Services Sarah Hamilton, Administrator II, Special Services Lynne Goodwin, Administrator, CFNLP Courtney Venegas, Foster Youth Services Coordinator, Special Services Fernie Marroquin, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
GUESTS	Guests listed in the register including Dr. Anthony Martin, David Lemke, and Desiree Serrano were present.
CALL TO ORDER Pledge of Allegiance/ Welcome	Tom Link welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. Mr. Enea led the Pledge of Allegiance.
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING	As part of the Organizational Meeting, Superintendent Tim Hire opened the floor for nomination for Board President. Reed made the motion, seconded by Coble to nominate Tom Link as President of the Board. No other nominations were received for Board President. Motion was unanimously carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Coble, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

President Link opened up the floor for Board Vice President nominations. It was moved by Coble, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to nominate Joe Enea as Vice President. No other nominations were received. Nominations were closed. Motion was unanimously carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Coble, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

It was moved by Enea, seconded by Coble to adopt the 2023 Calendar of Board Meeting Dates. Motion was unanimously carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Coble, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

ADA
ACCOMMODATIONS

Tom Link reported that ADA accommodations had been met.

PUBLIC COMMENT

David Lemke is the guardian to his special needs grandson. Mr. Lemke expressed several concerns with the alternative program that his grandson is enrolled in.

Mr. Lemke requested to be put on next month's agenda to say more. He went on to say that he came by six weeks ago to make a records request. He said that Tammy Bradford refused to provide him with the information he had requested. Dedi Somavia, from HR, completed and sent him the records he had requested.

He would love to meet with someone with authority to deal with this properly. This is the tip of the iceberg on what he has to report. Mr. Lemke said that he understands more now. President Link advised Mr. Lemke that he had one more minute to speak at 3:11 p.m. Mr. Lemke then stopped speaking and sat down.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Enea, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to approve the consent calendar to include: minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of November 9, 2022, Countywide Registration of Credentials, Temporary County Certificates, Emergency Permits and listed donations. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Coble, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

SECOND READING,
BOARD POLICY 6173 -
EDUCATION FOR
HOMELESS
CHILDREN

Courtney Venegas asked the Board to consider and adopt the Board Policy 6173 – Education for Homeless Children. It was moved by Reed, seconded by Enea to adopt/approve Board Policy 6173. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Coble, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

SECOND READING,
ADMINISTRATIVE
REGULATION 6173 –
EDUCATION FOR
HOMELESS
CHILDREN

Courtney Venegas requested the Board to approve the Administrative Regulation 6173 – Education for Homeless Children. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Coble, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

RESOLUTION NO.
22/23-09 EXCEPTION
TO THE 180-DAY
WAITING PERIOD
FOR RETIREES
(VUSD-Delgado)

Sarah Smigiera requested the Board’s approval on the Exception to the 180-Day Waiting Period for Retirees (Resolution number 22/23-09) for an employee who will retire from Visalia Unified School District (VUSD) on December 30, 2022. It was moved by Holguin, seconded by Coble to approve Resolution Number 22/23-09 for VUSD. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Holguin, Coble, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

PRESENTATION OF
THE 2023
COMMUNITY
ADVISORY
CALENDAR (CAC)

Dr. Anthony Martin presented “The 2023 Meeting Challenges-The Power of Supportive Siblings” calendar from the Community Advisory Committee to the Board. This calendar highlights the priceless support provided by siblings.

The Board and Mr. Hire thanked Dr. Martin and staff for putting this beautiful calendar together for all to enjoy.

RESOLUTION NO.
22/23-10 AUTHORIZE
APPLICATION FOR
ALTERNATIVE FUEL
VEHICLES

Jeff Ramsay asked for the Board’s approval on Resolution No. 22/23-10, authorizing TCOE to submit an application for two alternative fuel vehicles (enclosed golf carts) for SCICON. These two vehicles would be additional vehicles not replacing any. Each vehicle is approximately \$24,000. This grant allows up to \$20,000 per vehicle. Mr. Hire reported to the Board that the Friends of SCICON Foundation will pick up the cost difference. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Reed to approve Resolution No. 22/23-10. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Holguin, Coble, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

RESOLUTION NO.
22/23-11 AUTHORIZE
DIANNE SHEW AS
ADMINISTRATOR TO
ALTERNATIVE FUEL
VEHICLES

Jeff Ramsay sought the Board’s approval on Resolution No. 22/23-11, which would authorize Dianne Shew to be the Administrator for the alternative fuel vehicles. It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Holguin to approve Resolution No. 22/23-11. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Holguin, Coble, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

MOU – SACRAMENTO
COE AND
TCOE/CFNLP

Lynne Goodwin requested the Board’s approval on an MOU with Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) and TCOE/CFNLP which details the roles of SCOE and TCOE/CFNLP in the implementation of the CalHOPE Student Support Project. This grant is for \$12 million. It was moved by Reed, seconded by Coble to approve the MOU with Sacramento COE and TCOE/CFNLP. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Holguin, Coble, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

BUDGET REVISIONS
THROUGH 10/31/2022

Jody Arriaga presented to the Board the Budget Revisions through October 31, 2022. The County School Service Fund has an estimated revised fund balance of \$69,082,722. It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Enea to approve the Budget Revisions through October 31, 2022. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Holguin, Coble, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

FIRST INTERIM
REPORT AS OF
10/31/2022

Jody Arriaga asked the Board for approval to accept the First Interim Report. The report reflected a positive certification. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to approve the First Interim Report as of 10/31/2022. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Holguin, Coble, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

REVIEW OF THE 2023-
2024 PROPOSED
BUDGET CALENDAR

Jody Arriaga presented the Review of the 2023-2024 Proposed Budget Calendar. This was an informational item only.

TCOE SPECIAL
EDUCATION
SCHOOLS PLAN FOR
STUDENT
ACHIEVEMENT FOR
2022-2023

Tammy Bradford asked for the Board to approve the TCOE Special Education Schools Plan for Student Achievement for 2022-2023. It was moved by Reed, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to approve the TCOE Special Education Schools Plan for Student Achievement for 2022-2023. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Holguin, Coble, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

TCOE COURT
SCHOOLS PLAN FOR
STUDENT
ACHIEVEMENT FOR
2022-2023

Sarah Hamilton requested the Board to approve the 2022-2023 TCOE Court Schools Plan for Student Achievement. Sarah said they are now having to serve students until age 25 if they don't have their diplomas. It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Enea to approve the TCOE Court Schools Plan for Student Achievement for 2022-2023. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Holguin, Coble, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

TCOE COMMUNITY
SCHOOLS PLAN FOR
STUDENT
ACHIEVEMENT FOR
2022-2023

Ms. Sarah Hamilton asked for the Board's approval on the 2022-2023 TCOE Community Schools Plan for Student Achievement. It was moved by Reed, seconded by Coble to approve the 2022-2023 TCOE Community Schools Plan for Student Achievement. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Holguin, Coble, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Rodriguez was absent.

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

Superintendent Hire congratulated Mr. Link and Mr. Enea on their vote to continue their leadership roles on our Board. Mr. Hire mentioned that Mr. Tony Rodriguez was not able to attend the board meeting today.

Mr. Hire complimented the production of *Disney's Moana Jr.* He was very proud of the huge cast of students and their performance at the Mooney conference center for the first time.

Tim talked about School Safety and all the programs/trainings being offered through them such as Run, Hide, Fight; Say Something; Sandy Hook Promise and ActVnet. More schools in our county are coming on board with ActVnet. TCOE has even been invited to present at a conference in Kansas.

The Redwood Center Café has been doing great with sales. They even completed an order for 200 cookies for one of TCOE's programs. The students are enjoying themselves and are learning life skills to take with them.

The Farm Bureau gave \$2,500 to schools who have a garden or are starting a garden on their campus.

Mr. Hire wanted the Board to keep January 19 (District Leadership Institute) and April 26 (2023 Support Staff Conference) on their calendars. He also wished the Board a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Celia reported that she, Judy and Joe attended the CSBA Conference last week. She attended an artificial intelligence breakout session that was concerning for her. Judy and Joe attended a lot of the same breakout sessions. Joe expressed that TCOE should present a session on ActVnet at next year's CSBA conference.

NEXT SCHEDULED
MEETING

January 10, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.