

## TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

02/14/2024, 3:00 PM – 6200 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia, CA 93277

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### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Joe Enea welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Debby Holguin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 2. Board Members and Staff Present

2.a. Board members present: President Joe Enea, Vice President Debby Holguin, Judy Coble, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez, and Ex-Officio Secretary Tim A. Hire. Staff members present: Nani Dodson, Dr. Fernie Marroquin, Jack Schreuder, Lisa Lemus, Joe Andrade, Dr. Helen Milliorn-Feller, Julie Berk, Kevin Jessee, Sara Hamilton, Tammy Bradford, Marlene Moreno, Rob Herman, John Davis, Jose Bedolla, Anthony Paz, and Chris Meyer.

#### 3. ADA ACCOMMODATION REQUIREMENT

Mr. Enea announced that ADA accommodations had been met.

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public did not address any matter of jurisdiction.

#### 5. ACTION ITEMS

##### 5.a. Routine Matters

##### 5.a.a. Consent Calendar

###### *Vote Results*

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez  
**Nay:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0  
**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Chris Reed    **Second:** Tony Rodriguez

**5.b. New Business**

**5.b.a. Consideration and Approval, Executed Amendment - Department of Health Care Services 21-10068 Amendment #A05 -- Nani Dodson, Encl. No. 6**

Nani Dodson requested approval for the executed amendment for the Department of Health Care Services 21-10068. Superintendent Hire advised the Board that Nani is now the permanent director of CFNLP.

***Vote Results***

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez  
**Nay:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0  
**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Celia Maldonado-Arroyo    **Second:** Tom Link

**5.b.b. Presentation of Differentiated Assistance -- Lisa Lemus, Encl. No. 7**

Lisa Lemus gave a presentation on Differentiated Assistance (DA). There was a study conducted by WestEd which illuminated positive outcomes among Tulare County districts that have received DA support through TCOE. Under California’s accountability system and through the California School Dashboard, some districts are eligible for Differentiated Assistance support through their county office of education. At TCOE, this support is coordinated by the Leadership Support Services Department in partnership with other departments. Lisa outlined some of the services that have resulted in positive outcomes in Tulare County districts.

Joe Enea thanked Lisa for her presentation.

**5.b.c. Presentation of the Williams Valenzuela Uniform Complaint Report , 4th Quarter of 2023 from Tulare County School Districts -- Dedi Somavia, Encl. No. 8**

Dedi Somavia presented the 4th Quarter of the 2023 Williams Valenzuela Uniform Complaint Report through December 31, 2023. There were no complaints received during this period.

**5.b.d. Consideration and Approval, IDEA 611 Local Assistance Entitlements Grant Award 2023-2024 (\$21,104,192) -- Tammy Bradford, Encl. No. 9**

Tammy Bradford asked for approval for the IDEA 611 Local Assistance Entitlement Grant award for the 2023-2024 for \$21,104,192.

**Vote Results**

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez  
**Nay:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0  
**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Debby Holguin    **Second:** Tom Link

**5.b.e. Consideration and Approval, Tulare County Plan for Providing Educational Services to Expelled Youth 2024-2027 -- Joe Andrade, Encl. No. 10**

Joe Andrade asked for approval for the Tulare County Plan for providing education services to expelled youth during 2024-2027.

**Vote Results**

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez  
**Nay:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0  
**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Tony Rodriguez    **Second:** Judy Coble

**5.b.f. Presentation of Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-Year Monitoring Report 2023-2024 for TCOE, Court/Community -- John Davis and Kevin Jessee, Encl. No. 11**

John Davis and Kevin Jessee advised the Board of the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-Year Monitoring for TCOE Court/Community. The mid-year update is a locally developed report that includes all available mid-year outcome data related to metrics identified in the 2023–24 LCAP, and all available mid-year expenditure and implementation data on all actions identified in the 2023–24 LCAP. School districts shall present a report on the annual update to the local control and accountability plan and the local control funding formula budget overview for parents on or before February 28 of each year at a regularly scheduled meeting of the governing board of the school district.

**5.b.g. Presentation of Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-Year Monitoring Report 2023-2024 for La Sierra Military Academy (LSMA) -- Jose Bedolla, Encl. No. 12**

Jose Bedolla presented to the Board the 2024 LCAP Mid-Year Report for La Sierra Military Academy. This updated LCAP (Local Control and Accountability Plan) requirement now mandates Local Educational Agencies to annually provide an LCAP mid-year update presentation to their board, in an effort to ensure that progress towards the goals is continually monitored and evaluated.

**5.b.h. Presentation of Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-Year Monitoring Report 2023-2024 for University Preparatory High School (UPHS) -- Helen Milliorn-Feller, Encl. No. 13**

Dr. Helen Milliorn-Feller presented the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-Year Report 2023-2024 for University Preparatory High School (UPHS). Updated LCAP requirements now mandate Local Educational Agencies

to annually provide an LCAP mid-year update presentation to their board, in an effort to ensure that progress towards the goals is continually monitored and evaluated.

President Enea thanked Helen for her report.

**5.b.i. Consideration and Approval, Court, Community and Special Education Schools  
Comprehensive School Safety Plan 2023-2024 -- John Davis and Sarah Hamilton, Encl. No. 14**

John Davis and Sarah Hamilton presented the Safety Plan for Court/Community and Special Ed School Comprehensive School Safety Plan for the 2023-2024. Their plan includes strategies aimed at the prevention of, and education about, potential incidents involving crime and violence on the school campus and aspects of social, emotional, and physical safety for both youth and adults. They requested approval of this plan.

***Vote Results***

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez  
**Nay:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0  
**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Chris Reed **Second:** Celia Maldonado-Arroyo

**5.b.j. Consideration and Approval, La Sierra Military Academy's Comprehensive School Safety Plan  
2023-2024 -- Jose Bedolla, Encl. No. 15**

Jose Bedolla requested approval for La Sierra Military Academy's School Safety Plan for 2023-2024.

***Vote Results***

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez  
**Nay:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0  
**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Tom Link **Second:** Tony Rodriguez

**5.b.k. Consideration and Approval, University Preparatory High School's Comprehensive School  
Safety Plan 2023-2024 -- Helen Milliorn-Feller, Encl. No. 16**

Dr. Helen Milliorn-Feller, requested approval for University Preparatory High School's (UPHS) School Safety Plan for 2023-2024.

***Vote Results***

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez  
**Nay:** 0  
**Abstain:** 0  
**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Chris Reed **Second:** Celia Maldonado-Arroyo

### **5.b.i. First Reading, Board Bylaw (BB) 9320 - Meetings and Notices -- Tim Hire, Encl. No. 17**

Tim Hire presented the first reading. Changes are mainly to clean up the language for Meetings and Notices BB 9320.

This is a mandated by law being updated and revised according to law. This bylaw is being updated to reflect the procedures for "Teleconferencing During a Personal Emergency" and "Teleconferencing for Just Cause" set forth in AB 361 and AB 557; and the procedure for complying with the Brown Act when distributing materials to the County Board less than 72 hours before a regular meeting and outside of regular business hours, set forth in AB 2647.

### **5.b.m. First Reading, Board Bylaw (BB) 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials (Repeal/rescind BB9323- Construction of Agenda Now in BB 9322) -- Tim Hire, Encl. No. 18**

Tim Hire presented the First Reading of Board Bylaw (BB) 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials. This is a mandated law to be adopted. This bylaw repeals/rescinds and removes BB 9323 - Construction of Agenda which is now contained in BB 9322 and is being updated to reflect current laws and TCOE practices. Education Code 35145.5 mandates that district boards adopt reasonable regulations to ensure that members of the public can place matters directly related to school district business on board meeting agendas. Although 35145.5 does not explicitly discuss county boards, the same requirements likely apply to county boards. This bylaw includes the content of the existing bylaw 9323 and is being revised according to law. The updates reflect the new laws AB 2449 and AB 2647.

### **5.b.n. First Reading, Board Bylaw (BB) 9325 - Meeting Conduct -- Tim Hire, Encl. No. 19**

Superintendent Hire presented the first reading of the board bylaw (BB) 9325 - Meeting Conduct. This is a mandated bylaw being updated and revised according to law. Education Code 35145.5 mandates that district boards adopt reasonable regulations to ensure that members of the public can place matters directly related to school district business on board meeting agendas. Although 35145.5 does not explicitly discuss county boards, the same requirements likely apply to county boards. This bylaw is being updated to reflect the new law SB 1100 which authorizes the Board President to remove an individual for disrupting a Board meeting, establishes a procedure for warning the individual prior to their removal, and defines "disrupting" and "true threat of force."

## **6. INFORMATION (Non-Discussion Items)**

Reports from Superintendent Tim Hire:

Mr. Hire pointed out the 2024 Support Staff Conference flyer, The Brown Act Handbook and the 700 Packet were in the Board folders to review. There were also a few student events that have recently occurred: Academic Decathlon took place on February 3. Harmony Magnet Academy will represent Tulare County in the state competition. Alondra Gutierrez took first place in Poetry Outloud and will represent us in Sacramento. There will be 40 History Day projects that will compete at the state level in March.

The Anti-Tobacco and Marijuana Challenge Bowl will be held at the Galaxy Theatres in Tulare on February 27. March 7 is the Tulare County Spelling Bee Championship. Mock Trial was held last night at Granite Hills Law and Justice Center. UPHS was in the finals.

Mr. Hire reported that our office will be closed next Monday for President's Day.

The World Ad Expo had a record number of exhibitors this year. He hoped the board would get a chance to visit this event and support our local districts with their food booths.

This Friday, on February 16, we will host the Teacher Recruitment Fair with over 300 candidates and over 20 districts participating. Our staff here will be allowed to start their day early, to go home early, to allow parking space for the teacher fair candidates. We have a large number of those candidates who are currently sub teachers who are looking to become a full-time teacher on provisional intern permits. VUSD has offered the golden handshake to over 130 employees. However, there will still be a budget challenge. Mr. Hire said he is proud of Dedi Somavia, Marvin Lopez and their staff for running such a well-attended event.

President Enea said he recently attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the new bus parking shed near Green Acres Middle School.

Mr. Hire announced to the Board that he will have Dr. Marroquin run the March board meeting as he will be out of town presenting for NCERT.

He wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day and hoped they enjoyed the dessert from the Redwood Center Café students.

## **7. NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled on March 13, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. at TCOE, 6200 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:02 p.m.