

Central Unified School District
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 24, 2017 - 6:00 PM

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL-EAST CAMPUS
WAYNE "HONDO" HODGE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
3535 NORTH CORNELIA AVENUE, FRESNO, CA 93722
TELECONFERENCE LOCATION: (Cesar Granda)
Hilton Garden Inn Bolingbrook
135 Remington Blvd - Bolingbrook, Ill 60440
6:00 P.M. CLOSED SESSION IN THE BOARD ROOM
7:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION IN THE PAC

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM:

Present:

Mr. Richard Atkins
Mr. Phillip Cervantes
Mr. Ruben Coronado
Mrs. Terry Cox
Mr. Cesar Granda
Mr. Richard Solis
Mr. Mark Sutton

Absent:

Mr. Rama Dawar

Updated Attendance:

Mr. Cesar Granda was updated to absent at: 6:35 PM

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Vice-President Coronado.

B. ATTENDANCE

Minutes:

All members were in attendance except Mr. Dawar. Mr. Granda joined the meeting via Teleconference from Bolingbrook, Illinois.

C. ADOPT AGENDA

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mr. Phillip Cervantes and a second by Mr. Richard Solis.

Yes Mr. Richard Atkins

Yes Mr. Phillip Cervantes

Yes Mr. Ruben Coronado
Yes Mrs. Terry Cox
Absent Mr. Rama Dawar
Yes Mr. Cesar Granda
Yes Mr. Richard Solis

D. CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

Closed Session was called at 6:01 pm.

D.1. STUDENT DISCIPLINE - Education Code Section 48900 et. seq.

D.2. CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL REPORT - Government Code Section 54957

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mr. Phillip Cervantes and a second by Mr. Richard Atkins.

Yes Mr. Richard Atkins
Yes Mr. Phillip Cervantes
Yes Mr. Ruben Coronado
Yes Mrs. Terry Cox
Absent Mr. Rama Dawar
Yes Mr. Cesar Granda
Yes Mr. Richard Solis

D.3. EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE/LITIGATION/COMPLAINTS - Government Code Section 54957

Minutes:

No action.

D.4. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS - Government Code Section 54957.6

Minutes:

No action.

E. 7:00 P.M. - RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND REPORT FINAL ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION, IF ANY

Minutes:

Open Session was reconvened at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Granda left the meeting at 6:35 pm during Closed Session.

Mr. Coronado reported on Actions taken during Closed Session.

F. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Minutes:

Mr. Sutton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

G. NATIONAL ANTHEM

Minutes:

The Liddell/McKinley/Saroyan Choir sang the Star Spangled Banner.

H. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS

H.1. EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION HIGHLIGHTS

H.1.a. CENTRAL UNIFIED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (CUTA)

Minutes:

CUTA has no report at this time.

H.1.b. CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (CSEA)

Minutes:

CSEA has no report at this time.

I. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Minutes:

No comments at this time.

J. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mr. Richard Atkins and a second by Mr. Richard Solis.

Yes Mr. Richard Atkins

Yes Mr. Phillip Cervantes

Yes Mr. Ruben Coronado

Yes Mrs. Terry Cox

Absent Mr. Rama Dawar

Absent Mr. Cesar Granda

Yes Mr. Richard Solis

J.1. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING

J.2. APPROVE OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIPS AND DAY TRIPS OVER 150 MILES (K. Davis)

J.3. APPROVE SECONDARY CURRICULUM ADOPTION FOR ELA/ELD (K. Davis)

J.4. APPROVE ST MATH CONTRACTS (K. Davis)

J.5. APPROVE DANCE PERFORMANCE COURSE FOR CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL (K. Davis)

J.6. APPROVE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BIOLA-PERSHING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXTERIOR PAINT PROJECT #1617-107 (K. Porterfield)

J.7. APPROVE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR HOUGHTON-KEARNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXTERIOR PAINT PROJECT #1617-106 (K. Porterfield)

J.8. APPROVE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR PERSHING CONTINUATION HIGH SCHOOL ASPHALT RECONSTRUCTION (K. Porterfield)

J.9. APPROVE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXTERIOR PAINT PROJECT #1617-105 (K. Porterfield)

K. ACTION ITEMS

K.1. STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASES

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mrs. Terry Cox and a second by Mr. Richard Atkins.

Yes Mr. Richard Atkins

Yes Mr. Phillip Cervantes

Yes Mr. Ruben Coronado

Yes Mrs. Terry Cox

Absent Mr. Rama Dawar

Absent Mr. Cesar Granda

Yes Mr. Richard Solis

K.2. HOLD PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE OCTOBER'S QUARTERLY WILLIAMS' UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURE (K. Davis)

Motion Passed: Administration is recommending the board hold a public hearing and approve October's Quarterly Williams' Complaint Procedure. Motion to open a Public Hearing Passed with a motion by Mr. Richard Atkins and a second by Mr. Phillip Cervantes.

Yes Mr. Richard Atkins

Yes Mr. Phillip Cervantes

Yes Mr. Ruben Coronado

Yes Mrs. Terry Cox

Absent Mr. Rama Dawar

Absent Mr. Cesar Granda

Yes Mr. Richard Solis

Motion Passed: Motion to close the Public Hearing Passed with a motion by Mr. Richard Atkins and a second by Mr. Phillip Cervantes.

Yes Mr. Richard Atkins

Yes Mr. Phillip Cervantes

Yes Mr. Ruben Coronado

Yes Mrs. Terry Cox

Absent Mr. Rama Dawar

Absent Mr. Cesar Granda

Yes Mr. Richard Solis

Motion Passed: Motion to approve October's Quarterly Williams' Complaint Procedure. Passed with a motion by Mr. Richard Atkins and a second by Mr. Richard Solis.

Yes Mr. Richard Atkins

Yes Mr. Phillip Cervantes

Yes Mr. Ruben Coronado

Yes Mrs. Terry Cox

Absent Mr. Rama Dawar

Absent Mr. Cesar Granda

Yes Mr. Richard Solis

Minutes:

A Public Hearing was held. There were no comments.

K.3. APPROVE GIFTS TO DISTRICT (K. Porterfield)

Motion Passed: Administration is recommending the Board approve Gifts to the District. Passed with a motion by Mr. Richard Solis and a second by Mr. Richard Atkins.

Yes Mr. Richard Atkins

Yes Mr. Phillip Cervantes

Yes Mr. Ruben Coronado

Yes Mrs. Terry Cox

Absent Mr. Rama Dawar

Absent Mr. Cesar Granda

Yes Mr. Richard Solis

K.4. RATIFY FUND TRANSFERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2017 (K. Porterfield)

Motion Passed: Administration is recommending the Board Ratify Fund Transfers for September 2017. Passed with a motion by Mr. Richard Solis and a second by Mr. Phillip Cervantes.

Yes Mr. Richard Atkins

Yes Mr. Phillip Cervantes

Yes Mr. Ruben Coronado

Yes Mrs. Terry Cox

Absent Mr. Rama Dawar

Absent Mr. Cesar Granda

Yes Mr. Richard Solis

K.5. REVIEW/RATIFY CONTRACTS (K. Porterfield)

Motion Passed: Administration is requesting the Board ratify contracts for the school year. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Terry Cox and a second by Mr. Richard Atkins.

Yes Mr. Richard Atkins

Yes Mr. Phillip Cervantes

Yes Mr. Ruben Coronado

Yes Mrs. Terry Cox
Absent Mr. Rama Dawar
Absent Mr. Cesar Granda
Yes Mr. Richard Solis

Minutes:

Mrs. Cox asked about Derrel's Mini-storage. Is this something we have year-round? Mr. Porterfield said that we have to put some items in a climatized environment during some seasons. This is a temporary situation.

K.6. APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR GRANT WRITING SERVICES (K. Porterfield)

Motion Passed: Administration is recommending the Board Approve Request for Proposal #1718-7500-01 Grant Writing Services. Passed with a motion by Mr. Phillip Cervantes and a second by Mrs. Terry Cox.

Yes Mr. Richard Atkins
Yes Mr. Phillip Cervantes
Yes Mr. Ruben Coronado
Yes Mrs. Terry Cox
Absent Mr. Rama Dawar
Absent Mr. Cesar Granda
Yes Mr. Richard Solis

K.7. TERMINATE/RENEW/REVISE LOZANO SMITH LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

Minutes:

Mr. Coronado requested this item be tabled for the next meeting when more board members are present.

L. INFORMATION ITEMS

L.1. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIPS AND DAY TRIPS OVER 150 MILES (K. Davis)

Minutes:

Moved to consent.

L.2. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING APPROVAL OF 2017-2018 SINGLE PLANS FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT (SPSA) (K. Davis)

Minutes:

Mr. Coronado commented that the people involved with this information deserve a gold star as there's much to digest. He wanted to focus on academic achievement and the budget. He feels the budget and student achievement plan do not correlate to the expectations of site council that approves the plans. For example, he went back to the ones in 2013. For example, Steinbeck said by June 2014, 85% of students will be proficient or advanced in the state or local assessments. Right now, we're at 33% for ELA and 27% for math. The same year, Teague's plan said by June 2014, 75% of the students

will be proficient or advanced in district math benchmarks, but we're actually at 21% for ELA and 16% for math. If we look at Roosevelt's plan for 2017-18, the plan called for 80% of the students meeting or exceeding standards in ELA, up from 24%. Right now we're at 21% in math. He'd like to be optimistic about the staff, but this Board needs to look at the budget and the expectations we have from staff and see what resources staff has in order to accomplish a big task. He believes school sites aren't getting enough resources such as money, staff and material and thinks this Board should take a serious look. Four years back, the staff was optimistic, but if they don't get the resources, they'll fall short of their goals. This Board should consider looking at the budgets and be realistic of the expectations of staff. It's a big job to jump from where we're at to where we want to be. This is for the record. Mr. Cervantes agreed and said perhaps the Board should have a special meeting to discuss this exclusively. Mr. Coronado said there could be discussion during Board communications on possible dates. He believes resources and money are missing and a meeting would be getting on the right track. Moved to action.

L.3. RECEIVE INFORMATION ON VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS COURSES (K. Davis)

Minutes:

Moved to action.

L.4. RECEIVE INFORMATION ON THE CTE INCENTIVE GRANT CAPITAL OUTLAY (K. Davis)

Minutes:

Moved to consent.

L.5. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF NINE REPLACEMENT SCHOOL BUSES (K. Porterfield)

Minutes:

Mr. Atkins asked if the replacement credit was from the EPA or San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District? Mr. Porterfield said it was from the EPA through a settlement. Mr. Atkins asked if there's any way to get extra from San Joaquin Valley Air District in terms of grants or rebates? Mr. Porterfield said there's no additional money allocated to the Air District. Our grant writers will help look for additional grants for us. We were faced with a choice to lease the new buses to meet EPA requirements at an expensive cost or purchase by any means possible. We felt it was better to purchase as you don't get your value with leases. Mr. Coronado asked if these buses are natural gas? Mr. Porterfield said they are diesel, but with higher efficiency engines that don't have the high particulate matter compared the old diesel engines. The CNG engines are typically higher cost and you need more charging stations. Moved to consent.

L.6. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING RESOLUTION 17/18-18 REGARDING DEDICATION OF EASEMENT TO CITY OF FRESNO FOR DEVELOPMENT OF GETTYSBURG AVENUE APN 512-070-57ST (K. Porterfield)

Minutes:

Moved to the December 12, 2017 meeting for a Public Hearing and action.

L.7. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING CHANGE ORDER FOR BID #1617-117 CENTRAL WEST HIGH STUDENT PARKING LOT RECONSTRUCTION (K. Porterfield)

Minutes:

Moved to consent.

L.8. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR CENTRAL WEST HIGH STUDENT PARKING LOT RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT #1617-117 (K. Porterfield)

Minutes:

Moved to consent.

L.9. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING CHANGE ORDER FOR BID #1617-112 BIOLA-PERSHING PLAYCOURT RECONSTRUCTION (K. Porterfield)

Minutes:

Moved to consent.

L.10. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BIOLA-PERSHING ELEMENTARY PLAYCOURT RECONSTRUCTION #1617-112 (K. Porterfield)

Minutes:

Moved to consent.

L.11. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING LIDDELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXTERIOR PAINTING BID #1617-123 (K. Porterfield)

Minutes:

Moved to action.

L.12. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING SAROYAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXTERIOR PAINTING BID #1718-101 (K. Porterfield)

Minutes:

Moved to action.

L.13. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING STEINBECK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXTERIOR PAINTING BID 1617-124 (K. Porterfield)

Minutes:

Moved to action.

L.14. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING PROPOSED COMMITTEE AND SURVEY FOR FUTURE HIGH SCHOOL BOUNDARIES (K. Porterfield)

Minutes:

Mr. Solis asked how the survey will be circulated. Mr. Porterfield said you can do mailers, which are cost prohibitive. Another option is to do a Google Docs Survey or Survey Monkey to households, tabulated, and getting the results to the Board. Mr. Porterfield said his department would work with Ed Services on a survey and how to distribute it. Mr. Atkins asked if we're looking at per student household or residential household? Mr. Porterfield said that can be decided at the discretion of the board, but

the entire community is a different subset vs. those who are attending our schools. Mr. Atkins said every taxpayer in our district should have some say in this. There are property owners who may not have kids in the district but will have kids or grandkids entering the district, and there's also older folks who like to have a say about the surrounding community. This district is a representation of who we are as a community. We're Central. Some comments may not merit or amount to anything in the final say, but most people, if allowed to express opinions, will feel better about being part of the process. We would be identifying all households in the district. Mrs. Cox said she's nervous about a survey on Google Docs, because it's hard to make sure all have access to it, and you have to make sure each household has one vote, not the ability to vote several times. We need to have representation of the builders on the committee since we have more construction and development going on. The committee should have at least a home developer. Can we do the question regarding concerns as a ranking like a 1-10 order? Mr. Coronado said we have 16,000 students out there with family members who should have a say. Everyone should have a say, but we need to service the needs of the students. Mr. Porterfield said the survey is just the first step to share with the community. Mr. Coronado asked, what's the projection of when the survey will go out? Mr. Porterfield said the demographer will develop something based on assumptions such as 2 vs. 3 high schools. To project the attendance is challenging for CTE schools like a CART. It's a very different environment because not all students identify with that educational track. The community outreach will provide a refinement process. Mrs. Cox said we have to be conscious of the current boundary maps and the demographer should look at not breaking up a neighborhood. Mr. Coronado asked if the survey goes home with the students, but Mr. Porterfield said that wouldn't give us the ability to send it to all households. Mrs. Davis said the survey would be translated into English, Spanish, Hmong, and Punjabi. Public comment: Jesse Farias said everyone in the community does need to be surveyed. The survey is the most critical part as every voice matters. Everyone should have a voice in the future of the high school. This will affect the community 10 and 20 years from now. His child is in Liddell and he looked at the map and it didn't make any sense at all to him as a parent. What does a comprehensive school look like? Parents don't know what CART is. The language needs to be brought to the level of the parents. How will students in North Fresno get to a high school on this side of town with the high speed rail coming in? There's a concern about transportation. Mrs. Cox said perhaps we should involve our city planners as there's a lot of growth projected in the area.

L.15. RECEIVE INFORMATION REGARDING CURRENT YEAR SITE ALLOCATION AND 5-YEAR HISTORY (K. Porterfield)

Minutes:

This item was provided as Information only.

M. ADVANCE PLANNING

Minutes:

No changes.

N. SUPERINTENDENT/BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Minutes:

Mr. Sutton shared this week is parent-teacher conferences so we have minimum days. CHS is hosting Tournament of Bands this Saturday with the jazz competition here at the PAC, a parade along Dakota at CHS-East and the field competition is at 5:30pm at Koligian Stadium. The JV/Varsity games against Clovis West are at Lamonica Stadium on Thursday. He also reminded everyone that State of the District is at 5:30 pm at Holland Park West next Wednesday and it's a full dinner.

Mr. Cervantes wants to request the Board have a special meeting for the SPSA reports. There will be discussion about planning a meeting date in the future.

O. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND CLOSING COMMENTS

P. NEXT MEETING

Q. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.

R. MISCELLANEOUS

R.1. THANK YOU LETTERS

President, Board of Trustees

Clerk, Board of Trustees