

**SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
GAYLORD A. NELSON EDUCATION CENTER / BOARD ROOM
2901 ARCH-AIRPORT ROAD / STOCKTON, CA
FEBRUARY 18, 2015 / 12:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Mark Thiel, President; Janet Dyk, Vice-President; Dave Sorgent, Board member; Vernon Gebhardt, Board member; Peter Ottesen, Board member; James Mousalimas, Secretary.

OTHERS PRESENT: Kathy Skeels, Assistant Superintendent; Janine Cuaresma, Assistant Superintendent; Wendy Frink, Kelly Grossman, Brandie Brunni, Kristen Condit, Kelly Fry, SJCOE staff; Nancy Teicheira, Manteca Unified School District Governing Board member; Janai Stanton, Recorder.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

President Thiel called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Board member Gebhardt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: There were no additions to the agenda.

III. COMMENTS:

- Leo Bennett-Cauchon, a Special Education teacher and resident of the Manteca Unified School District, proclaimed he is under administrative leave right now due to allegations of his touching a student. He said that he comes to the County Board because this student was in county programs prior to attending Manteca Unified School District programs and the issues he is wrestling with are a policy he believes the County Board should consider. He stated that he believes his behavior falls within the guidelines of the student's IEP, the wishes of the parents, and the needs of a nonverbal student. Mr. Bennett-Cauchon said he has no criticism of county programs but believes the Management of Assaultive Behavior (MAB) training utilizes 15-year old techniques and could be updated to develop more current and appropriate responses between students and teachers. He also urged the County Board to review access protocol. He noted it is his belief that parents should be allowed to see their students in the classroom for brief periods of time rather than having absolutely no access during the school day. He indicated a review of all these processes together might provide an appropriate balance of physical contact with students that is meant to be caring and supportive.

IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION:

1. Local Control Accountability Plan: Kristen Condit presented information regarding the process of California's Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) in preparation of what would come to the Board later this year for court and community schools, as well as the three charter schools. Ms. Condit reviewed the timelines associated with stakeholder meetings, posting of draft plans, collection of comments, the public hearings, and adoption by the County Board.

Next Ms. Condit described the LCAP support group meetings that occur once a month and bring together school district staff from both the program and business side of the LCAP. She said the information shared at these meetings includes a review of issues coming up through legislation, a review of the best practices suggested by California Department of Education, and sharing of documents to help make all involved more successful in this endeavor.

Ms. Condit reviewed the SJCCE LCAP goals and said they are student related and tied to goals that come as a result of a recent Western Accreditation of Schools and Colleges review. Board members asked questions related to the process for school districts, the level of school district participation in the LCAP support group meetings, whether the districts' plan progress is being tracked, and what level of professional development and training is part of district plans. The Board thanked Ms. Condit and Ms. Steinkamp for their good work.

V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION:

2. Minutes: On a motion from Janet Dyk, second by Dave Sorgent, the Board approved the minutes from the January 21, 2015 meeting as presented.

AYES: Thiel, Dyk, Sorgent, Gebhardt, Ottesen
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

3. Board Member Absence: On a motion from Vern Gebhardt, second by Janet Dyk, the Board deemed the absence of Board member Thiel from the November 19, 2014 regular meeting as acceptable due to a hardship.

AYES: Dyk, Sorgent, Gebhardt, Ottesen
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: Thiel

4. Resolution #14-15-10 – Arts Education Month: On a motion from Pete Ottesen, second by Vern Gebhardt, the Board approved this resolution proclaiming March as Arts Education Month.

AYES: Thiel, Dyk, Sorgent, Gebhardt, Ottesen
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

5. Resolution #14-15-11 – Women's History Month: On a motion from Vern Gebhardt, second by Pete Ottesen, the Board approved this resolution proclaiming March as Women's History Month

AYES: Thiel, Dyk, Sorgent, Gebhardt, Ottesen
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

VI. CLOSING COMMENTS FOR BOARD MEMBERS:

- Board member Dyk said she did not get her Board packet in time and went to the website to print an agenda. She said she found the website to be confusing and asked if it was still under construction. She suggested that a bigger font be used to make it easier to find specific areas. Mr. Mousalimas indicated that a new Public Information Officer would be hired soon and would be able to help in that area.
- The next regular meeting of the San Joaquin County Board of Education will be held March 18, 2015, 12:00 p.m., at 2901 Arch-Airport Road, Stockton.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



James Mousalimas
County Superintendent of Schools