

# WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

# September 22, 2016

District Office Board Room 435 Sixth Street Woodland, CA 95695

### Attendance Taken at 5:30 PM:

# Present:

Sam Blanco III Morgan Childers Elaine Lytle Michael Pyeatt Cirenio Rodriguez Tania Tafoya Tico Zendejas

# **Updated Attendance:**

Tania Tafoya was updated to absent at: 6:44 PM
Tania Tafoya was updated to present at: 6:47 PM
Cirenio Rodriguez was updated to absent at: 8:05 PM
Cirenio Rodriguez was updated to present at: 8:09 PM
Michael Pyeatt was updated to absent at: 8:30 PM
Michael Pyeatt was updated to present at: 8:33 PM
Morgan Childers was updated to absent at: 8:34 PM
Morgan Childers was updated to present at: 8:39 PM
Cirenio Rodriguez was updated to absent at: 8:48 PM
Cirenio Rodriguez was updated to present at: 8:49 PM

#### A. CALL TO ORDER IN OPEN SESSION - 5:30 P.M.

# Minutes:

President Blanco III called the meeting to order in Open Session at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

# A.1. Pledge of Allegiance

#### Minutes:

The Board Clerk led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### B. APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA - ACTION

**Motion Passed:** Motion was made to approve the agenda. Passed with a motion by Michael Pyeatt and a second by Tania Tafoya.

Yes Sam Blanco III

Yes Morgan Childers

Yes Elaine Lytle

Yes Michael Pyeatt

Yes Cirenio Rodriguez

Yes Tania Tafoya

Yes Tico Zendejas

### C. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# C.1. Class Act Scholar Award & Class Act Staff Award: Beamer Elementary School

#### Minutes:

Beamer Elementary School Principal Georgina Llamas Cruz shared Beamer Elementary School highlights via a picture slideshow. Principal Llamas Cruz will present Class Act Scholar Award to Beamer Elementary School Student Fernanda Robles at the following week's assembly as Ms. Robles could not be present at the meeting. President Blanco III presented the Class Act Staff Award to Beamer Elementary School Office Coordinator Martha Heredia.

### C.2. Approve Resolution 6-17: Anti-Bullying Month - October 2016

**Motion Passed:** Motion was made to approve Resolution 6-17: Anti-Bullying Month - October 2016. Passed with a motion by Tico Zendejas and a second by Elaine Lytle.

Yes Sam Blanco III

Yes Morgan Childers

Yes Elaine Lytle

Yes Michael Pyeatt

Yes Cirenio Rodriguez

Yes Tania Tafoya

Yes Tico Zendejas

# Minutes:

Trustee Zendejas presented Resolution 6-17: Anti-Bullying Month - October 2016, to the City of Woodland Public Library Teen Services Librarian Rhea Fabricante. Ms. Fabricante

thanked Superintendent Armstrong, the Board of Trustees, as well as the Teen Advisory Board. She recognized the Teen Advisory Board for their hard work and introduced camera man Kai Owens who filmed the filmed the anti-bullying awareness video that was possible in partnership with the Woodland Joint Unified School District.

# C.3. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Dr. Maria Armstrong shared information regarding the following items during her report:

- She announced that Cache Creek High School Student Board member Jenifer Orozco
  will be moving to the Bay Area and that day was her last day attending a Board
  meeting. Superintendent Armstrong introduced Cache Creek High School Alternate
  Student Board members Stephanie Loza and Alenna Roberts.
- She thanked the Woodland Chamber of Commerce for inviting her to participate as a judge at the Chili Cook-Off for a second year.

#### D. PUBLIC COMMENT TO THE BOARD

### Minutes:

Community member Tony Hermann shared that was at the Board meeting on behalf of Felix Castillo and his family. He addressed the Board regarding Resolution 9-17: Naming of Junior Varsity Baseball field at Woodland High School. He shared that it would be an honor for the Castillo family if the Board considered engraving an image or a quote to remember Mr. Castillo on the rock located behind the campus dugout. He shared that he knows a local person that could do the work for the district.

Woodland High School Teacher Michael Owens shared his concerns with safety at the Woodland High School campus. He also shared his concern with the lack of transportation for Knights Landing students after school. He also suggested that the Cache Creek High School bus drop be moved back to Court Street and Ashley Avenue to prevent Cache Creek High School students from entering the Woodland High School campus. Mr. Owens also shared his opinions about the student suspensions that occurred after the incident at Woodland High School that week.

Pioneer High School Teacher Bobby Rogers thanked Trustees Pyeatt, Blanco III, and Childers for supporting the music program and attending the "Golf Fore Music" event that Sunday. He shared that a San Francisco jazz collective group will be teaching Pioneer High School students more about the jazz music, he extended the invitation to everyone.

Mexican American Concilio President Rick Gonzales Jr. announced the 32nd Annual Concilio Dinner & Scholarship Fundraiser to take place in Davis on October 22. He recognized scholarship award recipients Juan Montoya and Ahtzire Alvarez Reyes from Woodland High School and Arturo Sanchez Jr. and Gabriela Laurel from Pioneer High School. He also recognized Business Award recipient David Contto from Travis Credit Union, Education Award

recipient Vicky Fernandez from Gibson Elementary School, and Community Award recipient Jim Killion from Church on the Rock. He shared they have given away 817 scholarship since the year 2000 and are honored to continue awarding them.

Woodland High School parent Colleen May shared her concerns regarding safety at the Woodland High School campus. She suggested that school administration notify parents immediately when an incident occurs on campus.

Whitehead Elementary School teacher Gretchen Smurr shared her concerns about staff turnover. She also shared her concerns about Professional Development done during instructional days. She shared she would rather participate during Professional Development in the summer so that she can be in the classroom teaching during school session.

### **E. REPORTS**

# E.1. Report from Woodland Education Association (WEA)

### Minutes:

WEA President Bobby Rogers shared that he is in support of naming the Junior Varsity Baseball Field at Woodland High School after Felix Castillo. He thanked Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Tom Pritchard, Director of Operations Danyel Conolley, and Director of Secondary Education Armando Olvera for meeting with him. He shared his support for Proposition 55 and suggested that the Woodland Joint Unified School District support it as well by proposing a resolution. Mr. Rogers expressed his concerns on spending \$18,000 on detection canines, he hopes that the Woodland Police Department can offer these services for free to the district. He shared that he would like to confirm the roles for the Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) specialists and compare to what was approved by the Board in terms of the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP). He expressed his support for the curriculum camp that is provided for teachers and hopes that the program continues. He announced that we in the past the Woodland Education Association used to participate in interview panels for administrators and would like to participate again. He shared that on October 4 the Woodland Education Association will be doing negotiations with the school district and thanked Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Lewis Wiley for providing data to the Woodland Education Association. Mr. Rogers also expressed his concerns with school safety and the student suspension rate and referenced Education Code 48915.

# E.2. Report from California School Employees Association (CSEA)

### Minutes:

CSEA President Wayne Harris was present but had no report.

# **E.3. Report from Student Board Members**

### Minutes:

Cache Creek High School Student Board Member Jenifer Orozco shared that students have been showing interest to Cache Creek High School Principal Will Jarrell about starting a girls' volleyball team and Science Teacher Ms. Roberts is working on this project to make it happen. Ms. Orozco shared that on September 13 it will be picture day at their school. She thanked Superintendent Armstrong for attending their Back to School night on September 14. She shared that many Cache Creek High School students attended the district's College Night on September 15, along with many other students from various schools. On September 21 they had their first quarter Midpoint Credit Check so students know how many credits they have earned and how many they will need before the end of the quarter on October 14. They recently held a School Site Council and English Learner Advisory Committee where students and parents discussed community involvement, Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) scores, and planned on how to improve student achievement. Ms. Orozco shared that their school environment continues to be positive and students feel safe at school. They recently began using Odysseyware, which students describe as a great learning tool in the classroom. Finally, students have completed their first round of Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) testing.

Woodland High School Alternate Student Board Member Tiara Cardenas shared that the district's College Night on September 15 was well attended. On Friday, September 16 the community showed support for the Castillo family at the Clark Field during the Celebration of Life. She shared that staff reacted quickly to maintain school safety on campus after the incident that occurred on Monday of that week. Ms. Cardenas expressed her concern with safety on the school campus. She shared that the school has been preparing for the following school activities: Pink Game, Homecoming, HEROES Awards, and Club Rush Week. Associated Student Body (ASB) members have been preparing to attend the California Association of Directors of Activities (CADA) Middle School and High School Leadership Conference on Tuesday of the following week. She announced that their school's varsity football team have been doing great and will be playing against Yuba City the following day. She shared that Powderpuff sign-ups will begin the following week. Transportation has been provided for school athletes and band students; on behalf of staff and parents, Ms. Cardenas thanked everyone involved for providing this transportation service. The Yolo County Fair showcased many Woodland High School champions. In May, the Future Farmers of America (FFA) FFA Agronomy Team won the California State Championship and on the following month, they will represent and compete in the National FFA Convention and Finals in Louisville, Kentucky. On October 12, FFA will be holding a drive-thru BBQ and everyone is welcomed to attend.

# E.4. Report from Board Members

Minutes:

# Trustee Rodriguez reported that:

- He congratulated Beamer Elementary School staff member Martha Heredia for receiving the Class Act Staff award and for her years of service.
- He expressed his concerns regarding school safety and shared that the district may want to consider hiring more Woodland Police Department officers to be accessible at each of the high schools.
- He shared his concerns for the lack of transportation for Knights Landing students after school. He suggested that the Cache Creek High School bus drop near the Woodland High School campus be revised to prevent further issues between high school students.
- He suggested that Professional Development be provided during the summer or on the weekends so instructional work is not interfered.
- He shared some highlights about the California Latino School Boards Association (CLSBA) Unity Conference in San Diego.
- He hoped that the Woodland Joint Unified School District Mariachi Band Program is implemented soon.
- He stated that El Rancho Unified School District offers Ethnic Studies courses to their students, and shared that they are willing to provide assistance on getting Woodland Joint Unified School District Ethnic Studies courses approved and meet the Common Core standards.

Pioneer High School Alternate Student Board Member Malika Sen shared that everyone on campus has been preparing for homecoming week and have decided to use Katy Perry songs for that week. She announced that Powderpuff will be starting soon and that boys will be coaching the girls and the organizers. She shared that Link Crew and ASB will be facilitating the Day of Understanding the following week. The Day of Understanding allows freshman to talk to a trained professional about any questions or concerns they may have. Ms. Sen also shared that ASB delivered cookies that day to all the freshman that maintained a 4.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) the first three weeks of school. NWEA testing has been taking place on campus, and students in Math and English classes have been utilizing their Chromebooks effectively. She also shared that Cross Country held their first Tri-County Conference (TCC) meeting on the previous day.

# Trustee Pyeatt reported that:

- He thanked everyone who spoke during Public Comment.
- He expressed his support for the engraving of an image or a quote to remember Mr. Castillo on the rock located behind the campus dugout.
- He shared that the safety issue on the various school campus need to be addressed soon.
- He enjoyed playing golf during the "Golf Fore Music" fundraiser event that Sunday.

Trustee Zendejas reported that:

- He expressed his support in addressing the school safety issue.
- He shared that he was able to network with community members during a breakfast event he attended with the Woodland Police Department that morning.

# Trustee Childers reported that:

- He expressed his support for Professional Development implementation during non-instructional days.
- He shared that school safety is of utmost importance for all students and staff, and stated that not only do students need to feel safe, but welcomed.
- He requested more information on the transportation issues and requested suggestions on improvements.

# Trustee Blanco III reported that:

- He shared that there has not been an official report on the incident that
  occurred that Monday. He also expressed his concern with school safety and
  shared that the Woodland community has a boxing program, as well as the
  district's Youth Gang Reduction, Intervention and Prevention Project
  (YGRIP) that is available as options for student involvement.
- He requested a Mariachi Band Program update.

# **F. INFORMATION**

# F.1. Superintendent's Office

# F.1.a. Pioneer High School Friday Night Live Mentoring Program - Be The Change Campaign

#### Minutes:

The item 'Pioneer High School Friday Night Live Mentoring Program - Be The Change Campaign' was presented by Yolo County Friday Night Live (FNL) Outreach Specialist Elena Jaime.

# F.1.b. Review Resolution 9-17: Naming of Junior Varsity Baseball Field at Woodland High School

### Minutes:

The item 'Review Resolution 9-17: Naming of Junior Varsity Baseball Field at Woodland High School' was presented.

### F.2. Business Services

#### F.2.a. Review Potential Purchase Orders 5-17

F.2.a.I. 170666 - Eaton Interpreting Services Inc.

F.2.a.II. 170655 - School Steps Inc.

F.2.a.III. 170693 - The Speech Therapy Garden

F.2.a.IV. 170680 - The Speech Pathology Group

# F.2.a.V. 170083 - Streamline Plumbing

#### Minutes:

The item 'Review Potential Purchase Orders 5-17: F.2.a.I. 170666 - Eaton Interpreting Services Inc., F.2.a.II. 170655 - School Steps Inc., F.2.a.III. 170693 - The Speech Therapy Garden, F.2.a.IV. 170680 - The Speech Pathology Group, and F.2.a.V. 170083 - Streamline Plumbing' was presented.

# F.2.b. Review Facilities Advisory Committee

#### Minutes:

The item 'Review Facilities Advisory Committee' was presented by Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Lewis Wiley in a PowerPoint presentation.

# F.3. Educational Services

# F.3.a. Report on College and Career Readiness in WJUSD

#### Minutes:

The item 'Report on College and Career Readiness in WJUSD' was presented by Director of Special Projects Christina Lambie in a PowerPoint presentation.

# F.3.b. Report on Anti-Bullying

#### Minutes:

The item 'Report on Anti-Bullying' was presented by Executive Director Giovanni Linares in a PowerPoint presentation.

# F.3.c. Review Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School and Agency Service Agreements for Special Education

#### Minutes:

The item 'Review Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School and Agency Service

Agreements for Special Education' was presented.

#### F.4. Human Resources

# F.4.a. Review Use of Detection Canines

#### **Public Comment:**

Community member Karen Bayne addressed the Board regarding her concerns with detection canines. She shared her support for free and low-cost social services for students and families.

#### Minutes:

The item 'Review Use of Detection Canines' was presented by Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Tom Pritchard.

#### F.4.b. Review Recruitment and Retention of Personnel

### Minutes:

The item 'Review Recruitment and Retention of Personnel' was presented by Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Tom Pritchard.

### **G. BOARD ACTION**

# **G.1.** Business Services

# G.1.a. Approve Purchases of Items/Services in Excess of \$15,000: List 4-17

**Motion Passed:** Motion was made to approve Purchases of Items/Services in Excess of \$15,000: List 4-17. Passed with a motion by Morgan Childers and a second by Elaine Lytle.

Yes Sam Blanco III

Yes Morgan Childers

Yes Elaine Lytle

Yes Michael Pyeatt

Abstain Cirenio Rodriguez

Yes Tania Tafoya

Yes Tico Zendejas

# G.1.b. Public Hearing and Approve Resolution 8-17: District GANN Limits for 2015-16 and 2016-17

**Motion Passed:** Motion was made to approve Resolution 8-17: District GANN Limits for 2015-16 and 2016-17. Passed with a motion by Michael Pyeatt and a second by Tania Tafoya.

Yes Sam Blanco III
Yes Morgan Childers
Yes Elaine Lytle
Yes Michael Pyeatt
Abstain Cirenio Rodriguez
Yes Tania Tafoya
Yes Tico Zendejas

### Minutes:

The Board President opened a Public Hearing at 8:26 p.m. for 'Approve Resolution 8-17: District GANN Limits for 2015-16 and 2016-17.' As no one came forward to speak on the subject, the Public Hearing concluded at 8:26 p.m.

# G.1.c. Approve the 2015-16 Unaudited Actuals Financial Statements

**Motion Passed:** Motion was made to approve the 2015-16 Unaudited Actuals Financial Statements. Passed with a motion by Michael Pyeatt and a second by Tania Tafoya.

Yes Sam Blanco III
Yes Morgan Childers
Yes Elaine Lytle
Yes Michael Pyeatt
Yes Cirenio Rodriguez
Yes Tania Tafoya
Yes Tico Zendejas

**Motion Passed:** Motion was made to extend the meeting to 9:00 p.m. Passed with a motion by Tico Zendejas and a second by Cirenio Rodriguez.

Yes Sam Blanco III
Yes Morgan Childers
Yes Elaine Lytle
Yes Michael Pyeatt
Yes Cirenio Rodriguez
Yes Tania Tafoya
Yes Tico Zendejas

#### G.2. Educational Services

# **G.2.a.** Public Hearing and Approve Resolution 7-17: Resolution of Sufficiency of Approved Instructional Materials

**Motion Passed:** Motion was made to approve Resolution 7-17: Resolution of Sufficiency of Approved Instructional Materials. Passed with a motion by Michael Pyeatt and a second by Tania Tafoya.

Yes Sam Blanco III
Yes Morgan Childers
Yes Elaine Lytle
Yes Michael Pyeatt
Abstain Cirenio Rodriguez
Yes Tania Tafoya
Yes Tico Zendejas

### Minutes:

The Board President opened a Public Hearing at 8:47 p.m. for 'Approve Resolution 7-17: Resolution of Sufficiency of Approved Instructional Materials.' As no one came forward to speak on the subject, the Public Hearing concluded at 8:47 p.m.

# **G.3. Human Resources**

# G.3.a. Approve Provisional Intern Permit: Special Education Credential

**Motion Passed:** Motion was made to approve Provisional Intern Permit: Special Education Credential. Passed with a motion by Elaine Lytle and a second by Tania Tafoya.

Yes Sam Blanco III
Yes Morgan Childers
Yes Elaine Lytle
Yes Michael Pyeatt
Absent Cirenio Rodriguez
Yes Tania Tafoya
Yes Tico Zendejas

### G.4. Superintendent's Office

# G.4.a. Approve Resolution 5-17: Voluntary Participation in a Pilot Program Administered by The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence

**Motion Passed:** Motion was made to approve Resolution 5-17: Voluntary Participation in a Pilot Program Administered by The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence. Passed with a motion by Tico Zendejas and a second by Tania Tafoya.

Yes Sam Blanco III
Yes Morgan Childers
Yes Elaine Lytle
Yes Michael Pyeatt
Absent Cirenio Rodriguez
Yes Tania Tafoya

# Yes Tico Zendejas

#### H. CONSENT AGENDA

**Motion Passed:** Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda. Passed with a motion by Tania Tafoya and a second by Elaine Lytle.

Yes Sam Blanco III Yes Morgan Childers Yes Elaine Lytle

Yes Michael Pyeatt Yes Cirenio Rodriguez

Yes Tania Tafoya Yes Tico Zendejas

# H.1. Educational Services

# H.1.a. Approve Overnight Field Trips as Follows:

H.1.a.I. Pioneer High School Future Farmers of America to Attend the 2016 National Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana, October 18-22, 2016

H.1.a.II. Woodland High School Future Farmers of America to Attend the 2016 National Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana, October 16-23, 2016

#### H.2. Human Resources

- H.2.a. Approve Certificated Personnel Report, 17-05
- H.2.b. Approve Classified Personnel Report, 17-05

# H.3. Superintendent's Office

# H.3.a. Approve Board Meeting Minutes:

H.3.a.I. September 8, 2016 - Regular Board Meeting

H.3.b. Approve Resolution 10-17: Resolution to Excuse Board Member(s) Attendance at Meetings of the Board of Trustees

# I. TRUSTEE COMMENTS/REQUESTS FOR FUTURE BOARD ITEMS

# Minutes:

There were no requests for future Board meeting items.

J. DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF NEXT SCHEDULED REGULAR BOARD MEETING:	
Minutes: October 13, 2016 - Closed Session at 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p	o.m. for Open Session.
K. ADJOURNMENT	
Minutes: The Board President adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m.	
BOARD CLERK	BOARD PRESIDENT