

**AGENDA  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2009, 4:15 P.M.**

**PLEASE NOTE: PARKING WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF TULARE & N STREETS BEHIND THE FRESNO COUNTY LIBRARY IN LOT-T AFTER 5:00 P.M.** Also, the City of Fresno will not enforce the street meters in this area **after 6:00 p.m.**, Monday through Saturday.

**PLEASE NOTE**

**\*DESIGNATED TIMES FOR CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION ITEMS ARE ESTIMATES**

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**TRANSLATION SERVICES:** Available in Spanish and Hmong in the Board Room upon request.

**\*4:15 P.M., CALL TO ORDER** by the President; **RECESS** to Cabinet Room for Closed Session to discuss the following:

1. Student Expulsions pursuant to Education Code Section 35146
2. Conference with Labor Negotiator - Government Code Section 54957.6; FUSD Negotiator(s): Kim Mecum; Employee Organization(s): FTA, CSEA, Chapter 125, CSEA, Chapter 143, SEIU, Local 521, FASTA/SEIU, Local 521/CTW, CLC, Building & Construction Trades Council of Fresno, Madera, Kings, and Tulare Counties/AFL-CIO; Unrepresented Employees: All Management, Confidential, and Supervisory Employees
3. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassignment/Resignation
4. Public Employment/Appointment: - Government Code Section 54957
  - a. *Financial Analyst*
  - b. *Food Service Operations Manager*
5. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(b).)
  - a. Significant Exposure to Litigation: (1) potential case.

**5:30 P.M., RECONVENE** and report action taken during Closed Session, if any.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Jeff Esraelian will lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. He is a very active parent at Computech Middle School and is currently the PTSO President.

**HEAR Reports from Student Board Representatives**

An opportunity is provided to hear comments/reports from Student Board Representatives from Hoover High School. Contact person: John Marinovich, telephone 457-3935.

**APPROVE Minutes**

Included in the Board binders are the draft minutes for January 28, 2009, Regular Meeting and February 4, 2009, Special Meeting. The Superintendent recommends approval. Contact person: Michael E. Hanson, telephone 457-3882.

**ADOPT Resolution in Recognizing the Month of April 2009 in Remembrance of Victims of Armenian Genocide**

Included in the Board binders is a Resolution recognizing April 2009, as Remembrance of those who were victims of Armenian genocide and urge all people to join in this important recognition. Schools throughout the district are encouraged to commemorate this occasion with instructional activities. The Superintendent recommends adoption. Contact person: Peri Lynn Turnbull, telephone 457-3904.

**ADOPT Resolution Proclaiming Observance of April as School Library Media Month**

Included in the Board binders is a Resolution calling for the observance of April as School Library Media Month in Fresno Unified School District. The theme this year is "*Worlds Connect @ Your Library*". All schools are encouraged to celebrate this time with meaningful student activities. The Superintendent recommends adoption. Contact person: Peri Lynn Turnbull, telephone 457-3904.

**HEAR Report from Superintendent Hanson**

ALL CONSENT AGENDA items are considered to be routine by the Board of Education and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Board member or citizen so requests, in which event, the item(s) will be considered following approval of the Consent Agenda. The Superintendent recommends approval or adoption of the following, with a roll call vote:

A. CONSENT AGENDA

**A-1, APPROVE Personnel List**

Included in the Board binders is the Personnel List, Appendix A, as submitted. The Superintendent recommends approval. Contact person: Kim Mecum, telephone 457-3593.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

- A-2, ADOPT Findings of Fact and Recommendations of District Administrative Board**  
The Board of Education received and considered the Findings of Fact and Recommendations of District Administrative Panels resulting from hearings on expulsion and readmittance cases conducted during the period since the March 25, 2009, Regular Board meeting. The Superintendent recommends adoption. Contact person: Peter Summers, telephone 457-3340.
- A-3, APPROVE Contract with UC Merced, Center for Educational Partnerships to Provide Research Services and Programming Support**  
Included in the Board binders is a Contract with UC Merced, Center for Educational Partnerships to provide data analysis and programming technical assistance and identify and measure the relationship between FUSD practices related to student achievement and the effect on creating equity and access for students. The contact will begin May 1, 2009 and will end June 30, 2009. The Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal Impact: The contract with UC Merced shall not exceed \$31,000. Contact person: Kim Mecum, telephone 457-3593.
- A-4, APPROVE Three-Year Extension of External Auditing Agreement with Perry-Smith, LLP**  
The District's Audit Committee met on March 10, 2009, and unanimously approved a three-year contract extension for Perry-Smith, the District's external auditing firm, for audits for fiscal years 2008/09, 2009/10 and 2010/11. Fees for 2008/09 and 2009/10 will remain at the same rate as 2007/08 of \$125,000. Fees for 2010/11 will increase by five percent (5%) for a contract amount in 2010/11 of \$131,000. The Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal Impact: Funds are budgeted in the Unrestricted General Fund. Contact Person: Ruth F. Quinto, telephone 457-6226.
- A-5, RATIFY Change of Committee Name from Civic Capacity to the Civic Leadership Board Sub-Committee and Change in Composition of the Committee**  
The purpose of this board agenda item is to change the name of the committee from Civic Capacity to Civic Leadership Board Sub-Committee and to change the board members who will service on this sub-committee. Building civic leadership is a major part of the Board's ongoing sustainability work with the Center for the Reform of School Systems. Effective relationships with key community partners will enable the board to efficiently communicate key aspects of the district's prioritized focus areas and solicit input and support as appropriate. The board members nominated for this sub-committee are: Members Asadoorian, Ryan and President Davis. The Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact to the District. Contact person: Vincent Harris, telephone 457-3816.
- A-6, RATIFY Submission of the Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools Grant to the U. S. Department of Education**  
Included in the Board binders is application material for the Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS) grant will enable the District to continue and expand current preparation and training activities to ensure compliance with the National Incident Management System (required under Homeland Security State Plan). It will also fund an improved pandemic response plan, expand first aid and disaster relief training, refined parent notification systems, and evaluation of emergency drills and exercises. The Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal Impact: Districts with more than 75 schools are eligible to apply for up to \$500,000 to be spent over an 18-month period. All program costs will be covered by grant funds. Contact person: Barbara Bengel, telephone 457-3661.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

**A-7, RATIFY Change Order #2 to Bid #2820, Modernization of Calwa Elementary School**  
Included in the Board binders is a Change Order and backup information for the following bid:

- Bid #2820, Modernization of Calwa Elementary School.  
Change Order #2: \$57,000.72. The new contract amount: \$2,149,869.14. This change order includes, but may not be limited to, provide a “modesty” panel, a vinyl covered tackboard, additional plaster patching, demolition work to reposition restroom waste lines, additional electrical conduit work on the covered walkway roof, the repair of leaking pipes to drinking fountains, new framing to support existing soffit, replacement of countertop in the teachers’ workroom, additional ceiling tile, additional heat detectors, new vertical blinds, and work to adapt classroom space for “Smart Boards.”

The Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal Impact: Sufficient funds of \$57,000.72 are available in the 2008/09 Measure K budget. The original contract amount was \$2,024,500.00. The new contract amount, including this Change Order, will be \$2,149,869.14. Contact person: Deo Persaud, telephone 457-3134.

**A-8, APPROVE Award of Bid #2923, Phase 2, Modernization of Yosemite Middle School**  
Included in the Board binders is information on Bid #2923 to provide remodeling of six (6) science classrooms, one (1) boys’ restroom, and one (1) girls’ restroom at Yosemite Middle School. The request for bid was lawfully advertised on January 28, 2009, and February 4, 2009. The bids were opened on February 26, 2009. Bid specifications were sent to twenty-nine (29) vendors, and the district received seven (7) responses. The Superintendent recommends award be to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder:

- Lockwood General Engineering Inc., Visalia, California      \$697,525.00

Fiscal Impact: Sufficient funds of \$697,525.00 are available in the 2008/09 Measure K budget. Contact person: Deo Persaud, telephone 457-3134.

**A-9, APPROVE Award of Bid #2924, Ceramic Tile Installation at Chavez Adult School**  
Included in the Board binders is information on Bid #2924 to remove and replace the existing vinyl tile in the first floor hallways with ceramic tile. The request for bid was lawfully advertised on January 27, 2009, and February 3, 2009. The bids were opened on February 19, 2009. Bid specifications were sent to thirteen (13) vendors, and the district received four (4) responses. The Superintendent recommends award be to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder:

- Visalia Ceramic Tile, Inc., Visalia California      \$56,000.00

Fiscal Impact: Sufficient funds of \$56,000.00 are available in the 2008/09 Chavez Adult School Direct Maintenance budget. Contact person: Deo Persaud, telephone 457-3134.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

**A-10, APPROVE Award of Bid #2929, Storm Drainage Improvements at Fresno High School**

Included in the Board binders is information on Bid #2929 to install an underground storm drain at Fresno High School to eliminate flooding that occurs in the area where the new girls' varsity softball field will be developed (east of the boys' baseball field). The request for bid was lawfully advertised on February 23, 2009, and March 2, 2009. The bids were opened on March 26, 2009. Bid specifications were sent to eighteen (18) vendors, and the district received ten (10) responses. The Superintendent recommends award be to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder:

- Witbro Inc. dba Seal Rite Paving & Grading, Clovis CA      \$243,787.00

Fiscal Impact: Sufficient funds of \$243,787.00 are available in the 2008/09 Measure K budget. Contact person: Deo Persaud, telephone 457-3134.

**A-11, APPROVE Award of Bid #2932, Relocatable Building Site Improvements at Southeast Elementary School**

Included in the Board binders is information on Bid #2932 to provide site improvements and utility connections for portable classrooms at the Southeast Elementary School. The district will lease 21 new classroom portables and purchase two restroom portables for the site. The request for bid was lawfully advertised on March 3, 2009, and March 10, 2009. The bids were opened on March 25, 2009. Bid specifications were sent to seventeen (17) vendors, and the district received seven (7) responses. The Superintendent recommends award be to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder:

- Hobbs Construction, Fresno California      \$539,400.00

Fiscal Impact: Sufficient funds of \$539,400.00 are available in the 2008/09 Developer Fees budget. Contact person: Deo Persaud, telephone 457-3134.

**A-12, APPROVE Award of Bid #2935 Phase E, Modernization of Bullard High School**

Included in the Board binders is information on Bid #2935 to modernize an additional 22 classrooms at Bullard and convert shop rooms to accommodate a courtroom with forensic lab space for the Law and Social Justice magnet program. The request for bid was lawfully advertised on March 9, 2009, and March 16, 2009. The bids will be opened on April 9, 2009, after the April 15, 2009 agenda is finalized. An updated report with the recommendation as to bid award will be provided to the Board in advance of the April 15<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. As of April 1<sup>st</sup>, 23 vendors have picked up bid packages from Purchasing. The Superintendent recommends award be to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. Fiscal Impact: Funding will be recommended from the 2008/09 Measure K budget. Contact person: Deo Persaud, telephone 457-3134.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

**A-13, APPROVE Award of Bid #2939, Bleacher Improvements at Edison High School**

Included in the Board binders is information on Bid #2939 to provide bleacher improvements at the Edison track, one of the district's high priority athletic facility projects. The existing portable bleachers are being replaced with metal bleachers on concrete risers to accommodate 500 spectators. The bleachers will have a wheelchair seating area and be 30 inches above the field to provide better visibility than the existing field-level bleachers. The request for bid was lawfully advertised on March 19, 2009, and March 26, 2009. The bids will be opened on April 7, 2009, after the April 15, 2009 agenda is finalized. An updated report with the recommendation as to bid award will be provided to the Board in advance of the April 15<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. As of April 1<sup>st</sup>, nine (9) vendors have picked up bid packages from Purchasing. The Superintendent recommends award be to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. Fiscal Impact: Funding will be recommended from the 2008/09 Unrestricted General Fund budget. Contact person: Deo Persaud, telephone 457-3134.

**A-14, RATIFY the Filing of the Notices of Completion for the Projects Listed Below**

Included in the Board binders are Notices of Completion for the following projects, which have been completed according to plans and specifications:

1. Bid #2828, Construction of New Library/Media Center at Ericson Elementary School - BMY Construction Group, Inc.  
Fiscal Impact: 2008/09 Measure K Funds.
2. Bid #2834, Provide and Install Casework at Bullard High School - Emerzian Woodworking, Inc.  
Fiscal Impact: 2008/09 Measure K Funds and State Modernization Funds.

The 10% retention will be released after ratification of the Notices of Completion. The Superintendent recommends ratification. Contact person: Deo Persaud, telephone 457-3134.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA  
(Roll Call Vote)**

**UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

At this time, an opportunity is provided for individuals to address the Board on topics within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board **not** listed on this agenda. If you wish to address the Board on an agenda item, please do so when that item is called. Presentations will be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes, with a total of thirty (30) minutes designated for this portion of the agenda. Time limitations are at the discretion of the President of the Board. Individuals with questions on school district issues may submit them in writing. The Board will automatically refer to the Superintendent any formal requests that are brought before them at this time. The appropriate staff member will furnish answers to questions.

## **B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA**

### **6:30 P.M.**

#### **B-15, PRESENT Technology Update**

The Technology Update presentation will briefly cover several of the major technology initiatives that are currently underway in the district. This includes the Digital Portfolio and Classroom Laptop project which has deployed over 5,000 laptops into classrooms at 57 schools across the district, Student MySites, a quick update on the Lawson HR/Benefits/Payroll conversion, the Microsoft District License renewal, the E-Rate Wireless Access Deployment, the PerformancePoint Dashboard project, the Powerschool Upgrade this summer, our new Telepresence conferencing system, and a preview of the Student Information System being developed with Microsoft. Contact person: Kurt Madden, telephone 457-6228.

### **6:50 P.M.**

#### **B-16, PRESENT an Update on the Board Policy 5030, Student Wellness**

Presentation by staff to provide the Board with an update on Board Policy 5030 which recognizes the link between student health and learning, and desires to provide a comprehensive program promoting healthy eating and physical activity for district students. Every two years an update is required on the implementation of the policy and any other Board policies related to nutrition and physical education. Fiscal Impact: There is no financial impact. Contact Person: Cindy Tucker, 457-3874.

## **C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS**

There are no items for receive.

## **BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS**

## **D. ADJOURNMENT**

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2009 - OPEN SESSION AT 5:30 P.M.**