



AMENDMENT

October 3, 2008

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BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

2309 TULARE STREET
BOARD ROOM, SECOND FLOOR
FRESNO, CA 93721-2287

<http://www.fresnounified.org/board>

AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2008, 2:00 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.

***2:00 P.M., CALL TO ORDER** by the President

2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

PRESENT and DISCUSS the Board Workshop on English Learners Management Oversight

This workshop will include a presentation by staff on English Learners' academic performance, challenges, as well as current and future initiatives pertaining to services for English Learners with a focus on improving the quality of instruction. The topics covered during the presentation portion of the agenda are:

1. Brief history of English Learners in FUSD
2. Overview of existing services
3. Overview of "next steps" in improvement efforts

Contact person: Maria Maldonado, telephone 457-3648.

**All times are approximate and subject to change*

***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. *Coordinators*
 - b. *Counselors*
 - c. *Executive Assistant to the Superintendent*
 - d. *Principal IV*
 - e. *School Psychologists*

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Webster Elementary School parent, Martina Rosas will lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Rosas is an active parent volunteer and has helped to organize many fundraisers with the Parent Booster Club. She participates in CBET classes to learn English to support her children.

HEAR Reports from Student Board Representatives

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

ADOPT Resolution Recognizing October as Disability Awareness Month

Included in the Board binders is a Proclamation recognizing October as Disability Awareness Month. Fresno Unified School District serves 8,000 students with disabilities and is dedicated to providing services to these students and their families, as well as raising awareness of the unique needs of these students and their contributions to our District and to the community. The Superintendent recommends adoption. Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact to the District. Contact person: Doug Jones, telephone 457-3326.

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 September 24, 2008, Regular Board Meeting. The Superintendent recommends adoption. Contact person: Peter Summers, telephone 457-3340.

~~**A-3, ADOPT Resolution 2008-23, Support of a California Single Payer Health Care Plan**~~

~~Included in the in the Board binders is Resolution 2008-23, Support of a California Single Payer Health Care Plan. Single payer is a term used to describe a type of financing system. It refers to one entity acting as administrator, or “payer.” In the case of health care, a single payer system would be set up such that one entity—a government-run organization—would collect all health care fees, and pay out all health care costs. The Superintendent recommends adoption. Fiscal Impact: No fiscal impact known at this time, although potential exists for significant savings to District’s Health Fund. Contact person: Ruth Quinto, telephone 457-6226.~~

A-4, APPROVE Three Independent Contractor Services Agreements Outlined on the Matrix for Roosevelt, Cambridge, and Fresno Adult Schools

Included in the Board binders is a matrix outlining the services of the three Independent Contractor Services Agreements for the following school sites:

- Roosevelt High School: California Teaching Fellows coordination of individual and small group tutoring services in CAHSEE math and English, and AVID classrooms for \$79,500.00, effective upon Board approval until June 30, 2009. Administrative fee based on ten tutors at \$175 per month for nine months (\$15,750.00), and Teaching Fellow scholarships for volunteer tutoring and professional development not to exceed 66 hours per month (\$63,750.00).
- Cambridge High School: Action Learning Systems for professional learning, and content area and academic coaching during prep periods and after schools hours for Cambridge teachers for \$14,000.00, effective upon Board approval until June 12, 2009. Fee based on 14 days at eight hours per day.
- Fresno Adult School: Federico Colleges, Inc., to provide classes in Spanish to Fresno Adult School students for a not to exceed amount of \$75,000.00 (\$3.50 per student attendance hour), effective upon Board approval until June 30, 2009.

The Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal Impact: Total cost of the contract: Roosevelt, \$79,500, and Cambridge, \$14,000.00 will be paid from each school’s site Title I funding; Adult school contract will be paid out of apportionment funds. Contact person: John Marinovich, telephone 457-3887.

A-5, APPROVE 2007/08 Year-End Closing Budget Revision

Included in the Board binders is the 2007/08 Year-end Closing Budget Revision. Education Code section 42601 and Fresno Unified Board Policy 3110 allow the Superintendent and/or designee to make any necessary budget revisions at year-end to permit payment of obligations. All expenditures were supported by available District funds. The Superintendent recommends approval. Fiscal Impact: Per Education Code 42601 and Board Policy 3110, the following funds recognize additional revenue and expense for 2007/08: Adult Education Fund, Liability Fund, Cafeteria Fund, and Tax Override and COP Debt Service fund. Contact person: Ruth Quinto, telephone 457-6226.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

A-6, RATIFY the Filing of the Notices of Completion for Projects Listed Below

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

1. Bid #2735, Installation of Bleachers at Bullard High School
2. Bid #2823 C, Structural, Asphalt Rehabilitation at Gibson Elementary School
3. Bid #2826, Concrete Replacement at Computech Middle School
4. Bid # 2831 D, Asphalt Rehabilitation at Forkner Elementary School
5. Bid #2837 B, Exterior Painting at Ahwahnee Middle School

The Superintendent recommends ratification. Fiscal Impact: The 10% retention will be released after ratification of the Notices of Completion. Sufficient funds are available in the 2008/09 Deferred Maintenance Funds. Contact person: Deo Persaud, telephone 457-3134.

A-7, DENY Claim #08-0904-0270 for Norma Alderson

Included in the Board binders is a Claim for Damages for Norma Alderson, #08-0904-0270. The Superintendent recommends that the Claim be denied and the matter referred to the District's Director of Benefits and Risk Management for further handling. Contact person: Ruth Quinto, telephone 457-6226.

**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

6:15 P.M.

B-8. AWARD Request for Proposal (RFP) #2832, Comprehensive Anti-Bullying/ Molestation Program

RFP #2832 was issued to provide services designed to reduce the incidence of bullying and molestation throughout the school district while concomitantly creating an atmosphere that fosters a safe and accepting environment for all students, including students with disabilities. This will be accomplished through a unified strategic plan including staff training and program implementation and policy change that addresses each school's School Improvement Plan. As such, school personnel, as well as students and their families, will be empowered to recognize, report, and respond effectively to incidences of bullying and molestation. Four (4) firms were sent invitations to respond, two (2) submitted proposals. Proposals were evaluated on each vendor's ability to meet or exceed the requirements set forth in the RFP. Based on an extensive review, the Superintendent recommends approval of the firm indicated below to provide Comprehensive Anti-Bullying/Molestation services for a five (5) year period.

- Modell Consulting Group

Fiscal Impact: Funds are included in the Title II budget. Phase One and Two (Data Collection/ Curriculum Development) cost for each phase is \$335,000; Phase Three, Four, and Five (Program Implementation of Cohorts 1, 2, and 3) cost for each phase is \$215,000. Total five year cost is \$1,315,000.00. Contact person: Doug Jones, telephone 457-3226.

6:45 P.M.

B-9, PRESENT an Update on How FUSD is Providing the Arts, Activities and Athletics in Support of Developing Career Ready Graduates

Staff will provide an update on how the district is actively providing programs and services to support students in achieving Goal 2. Specifically, information will be shared on how the visual and performing arts, activities as well as elementary, middle and high school athletics are supporting the development of career ready graduates. Contact person: Cindy Tucker, telephone 457-3874 or John Marinovich, telephone 457-3887.

C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS

There are no items for receive.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS

D. ADJOURNMENT

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2008 - OPEN SESSION AT 5:30 P.M.**