

**MINUTES - BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**  
**Fresno Unified School District**  
**April 29, 2009**

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Office of the Board of Education, Fresno Unified School District, Education Center, 2309 Tulare Street, Fresno California 93721.

**Regular Meeting**

At a regular meeting of the Board of Education of Fresno Unified School District, held on April 29, 2009, there were present Members Asadoorian, Johnson, Mills, Moore, Ryan, Vang, and President Davis. Also present was Superintendent Hanson.

President Davis convened the meeting at 3:00 p.m. in the Board Room and immediately adjourned to Closed Session to address items 1 through 8. The Board of Education RECONVENED at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room with Student Members Facciani and Thomas present.

**Staff Present**

CFO Quinto, Associate Superintendents Aguilar, Marinovich, Mecum, Persaud, Tucker, CIO Turnbull, CTO Madden, Assistant Superintendents, Akhavan, Bengel, Coronado, Evans, Franks, Locker, Maldonado, and Smits.

**Reporting Out of Closed Session**

1. By a vote of 7-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session to hire Thomas Ruiz to Financial Analyst II, Fiscal Services.
2. By a vote of 7-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session for a Workers' Comp settlement on Mario Magano, case no. 2004-0175.
3. By a vote of 7-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session for a Workers' Comp settlement on Rosa Nunez, case no's. 203-0577; 203-0304; and 201-0354.
4. By a vote of 7-0-0, the Board took action in Closed Session for a Workers' Comp settlement on Porfirio Hernandez, case no. 202-0577.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mrs. Rosie Oganessian led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Oganessian is a parent and a dedicated volunteer at Cooper Middle School.

**Reports from Student Board Representatives**

Student Board Representative Alissa Williams provided report/comments from Student Advisory Board meeting hosted by Roosevelt High School with Member Moore present. Member Asadoorian was unable to attend SAB meeting due to conflicting schedules. Student Representative Williams introduced the student ambassadors' from Ahwahnee Middle School.

**Minutes**

APPROVED, as recommended, the draft minutes for February 11, 2009, Regular Meeting. Member Johnson moved for approval, seconded by Member Moore, which carried unanimously.

**Resolution Declaring May 6, 2009, as National School Nurse Day**

ADOPTED, as recommended, Resolution declaring May 6, 2009 as National School Nurse Day. School nurses provide for students' immediate health needs, promote healthy lifestyles and teach students how to strengthen their physical and emotional well-being. President Davis moved for adoption, seconded by Member Mills, which carried unanimously on a roll call vote of 9-0-0. Health Director Diane Torna, nurses Jan NewKirk and Joan Wieselquist accepted the resolution on behalf of all their colleagues and thanked the Board for the recognition.

**Report from Superintendent Hanson**

- FUSD working with very closely with Fresno County Public Health Department officials proactively track swine flu.
- Bullard TALENT Concert and Showcase choirs received gold ratings at the prestigious Heritage Festival in Boston.
- Sunnyside High School student Ramneet Manrai was named Outstanding Student Volunteer of the Year at the Hands Across the Valley awards luncheon yesterday. FUSD senior girl athletes honored by Junior League of Fresno held its 28<sup>th</sup> annual Senior Girl Athlete event on April 20.
  - Jessica Williams, Bullard High School
  - Jeanne Horton, Edison High School
  - Carolyn Bentley, Fresno High School
  - Nicole Madrigal, Hoover High School
  - Leticia Marie Martinez, McLane High School
  - Karina Alanis, Roosevelt High School
  - Kelsey Klatt, Sunnyside High School
- Upcoming student events.
  - The Central Valley Construction Awareness Day will be held this Friday at the Fresno Fairgrounds for all interested students. Last year, more than 100 FUSD students attended to learn about careers in the construction industry.
  - Duncan's Health Career students and teachers will participate in the Disaster Drill with the Air National Guard and Red Cross on May 9.

On motion by Member Johnson, seconded by Member Vang, the Consent Agenda, was approved on a roll call vote of 9-0-0 as follows: Student Member Facciani, Thomas, Members Asadoorian, Johnson, Mills, Moore, Ryan, Vang, and President Davis.

**A. CONSENT AGENDA****A-1, Personnel List**

APPROVED, as recommended, the Personnel List, Appendix A, as submitted.

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A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

**A-2, Findings of Fact and Recommendations of District Administrative Board**

ADOPTED, as recommended, the Findings of Fact and Recommendations of District Administrative Panels resulting from hearings on expulsion and readmittance cases conducted during the period since the April 15, 2009, Regular Board Meeting.

**A-3, Waiver Requests for a Group of Special Education and 504 Students for the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE)**

APPROVED, as recommended, a group of waiver requests from District administration on the certification for accommodations/modifications for Special Education and 504 students for the California High School Exit Exam as per Board Policy 6162.52. A list of pupils, their identifying number, and supporting evidence is maintained in the Board of Education Office.

**A-4, Request for Out-of-State Travel for Computech Middle School**

APPROVED, as recommended, the request for approval of an out-of-state field trip for five Computech Science Bowl students. For the second consecutive year, after winning the Regional Science Bowl, Computech's team has earned the privilege of representing Fresno Unified School District at the National Science Bowl Competition in Washington D.C., April 30, 2009 through May 4, 2009. There is no cost to the District. The trip is hosted and funded in full by the United States Department of Energy.

**A-5, Independent Contractor Services Agreement with California Teaching Fellows for Yosemite Middle School**

RATIFIED, as recommended, an Independent Contractor Services Agreement for California Teaching Fellows Foundation to provide administration, recruitment, planning, coordination, professional development, field site supervision and general implementation of the Teaching Fellows Project for Yosemite Middle School AVID program. This contract began January 26, 2009 and will end June 12, 2009. Funding will be provided through AVID funds in the amount of \$3,180.00.

**A-6, Independent Contractor Services Agreement with Educational Resource Consultants to Provide External Evaluation Services of the Smaller Learning Communities Grants for Edison and Sunnyside High Schools**

APPROVED, as recommended, an Independent Contractor Services Agreement with Educational Resource Consultants to provide external evaluation services of the Smaller Learning Communities Grants for Edison and Sunnyside High Schools. Formative evaluation processes, facilitated by the external evaluator will be scheduled each quarter. The contract will begin April 30, 2009 and end June 30, 2011. Funding will be provided through the SLC grant funds in the amount of \$10,000 per year, per school for a total of \$60,000.

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A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

**A-7, Contract with Microsoft for the Co-development of a District-wide Student Information System**

APPROVED, as recommended, a Contract with Microsoft Consulting Services and Scope of Work to co-develop a district-wide Student Information System (SIS). Over the past year, we have reviewed the continued challenges we face with three different Student Information Systems (Mainframe, Mac and PC-based Powerschool, and web-based Powerschool), with the mainframe as our system of record. The agreement will commence upon Board approval and continue through September of 2010 unless the project is completed prior to that time. Funding will be provided through existing Microsoft Vouchers that can only be used for technology products and services for a total cost of \$1,399,000.

**A-8, Decrease in Funding Allocation for Fresno Regional Occupational Program (ROP)**

APPROVED, as recommended, the final funding allocation letter for the Fresno Regional Occupational Program (ROP) for the 2008/2009 school year. At the end of February the State of California passed a 17-month budget that included 2008/09 mid-year cut to ROP of 15.38%. ROP mid-year cut of 15.38% results in a loss of \$356,785 from the ROP operational budget. Adequate funds are available in the 2008/09 operational budget to absorb the mid-year cut.

**A-9, Change in Funding Allocation for Carl D. Perkins Career Technical Education Grant for Secondary and Postsecondary (Adult School)**

RATIFIED, as recommended, the final allocation letters for the 2008/2009 grant notification for Carl D. Perkins Career Technical Education funds authorizes federal funding assistance to secondary and postsecondary career technical education programs for July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. Board approved funding levels for the 2008/2009 school year was \$985,453 for secondary and \$457,312 for post-secondary (Adult School). As a result of the new funding allocation letters, funding levels have been changed to \$1,014,945 for secondary and \$464,933 for the Adult School.

**A-10, Carl D. Perkins Career Technical Education Application for Secondary and Postsecondary (Adult School) Funding**

APPROVED, as recommended, the 2009/2010 Carl D. Perkins Applications for Funding. There are two separate applications, one each for the secondary and postsecondary (Adult School) Career Technical Education (CTE) programs. The Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006, Public Law 109-270 (Perkins IV) authorizes federal funding assistance to secondary and postsecondary career technical education programs for the six years beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2013. Expected funding levels for the 2009/2010 school year have not yet been determined.

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A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

**A-11, Amendment of a Reduction of Hours to the Joint Apprenticeship Training Agreements for the Electrical Industries Training Program and the California Fire Fighters**

APPROVED, as recommended, the amended agreements for allocation of apprenticeship training hours for the Joint Electrical Industries Training Trust which include the Electrical Apprenticeship Training Program; Residential Wireman Training Program; Sound and Communication Joint Apprenticeship Training Program; and the California Firefighter Joint Apprenticeship Committee. The agreement began July 1, 2008 and end June 30, 2009. The amended agreements represent a reduction of state apprenticeship hours from the total allotment hours of 143,725 to 121,519 (a reduction of 15.45% by CDE to Fresno Unified on March 12, 2009) at \$5.06 per hour of training equates to an amended not-to-exceed amount of \$614,886. FUSD acts as the fiscal agent for the apprenticeship programs and receives an administrative fee for being the LEA.

**A-12, Submission of the Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) Grant to the California Department of Education**

RATIFIED, as recommended, the application material for the Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) grant to provide tobacco prevention awareness, intervention and cessation programs to students in grades 6-12. As a result of AB 647, TUPE funding has changed from an annual entitlement to a competitive grant process. All middle and high schools will be included in this application. TUPE curriculum will be implemented in 7<sup>th</sup> grade science classes at middle school and 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade PE classes at high school; student advocates will organize school-wide events in collaboration with the campus culture team; and other target groups will receive services through community agencies. All program costs will be covered by the grant funds for a total grant amount of \$1,294,705.

**A-13, Submission of the Early Mental Health Initiative (EMHI) Grant Application to the California Department of Mental Health**

APPROVED, as recommended, the application material for the Early Mental Health Initiative (EMHI) grant from the California Department of Mental Health designed to provide services to students in grades K-3 who are experiencing mild to moderate school adjustment problems, but do not need counseling or professional mental health services. The District will submit four separate applications as outlined for Balderas, Birney, Jackson, Lowell, Roeding, Sunset, and Vinland. A maximum of \$42,000 per school site is available for each of the three years of the grant period. The program requires a 50% in-kind match from local funds. This is provided through Special Education staff support and Fresno County Mental Health.

A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

**A-14, Submission of the Facilities Renovation and Repair Grant Application to the California Department of Education (CDE)**

APPROVED, as recommended, the application material for the Facilities Renovation and Repair grant for applications to provide financial assistance to maintain existing Early Childhood Education facilities. Applicant agencies must have an executed CDE contract and use this funding to maintain compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and health and safety requirements. The Early Childhood Education (ECE) has identified and prioritized the following sites by need: Ewing, Olmos, Williams, Fremont, Norseman, Aynesworth, Bakman, Ericson, Hidalgo, Leavenworth, Storey, Wishon and Yokomi. All improvements will be covered by grant funds. The Early Childhood Education (ECE) program is requesting \$200,000 to install manufactured shade structures. Grant funds will cover all costs associated with the project, including concrete as needed.

**A-15, Budget Revision No. 5 for Fiscal Year 2008/09**

APPROVED, as recommended, Budget Revision No. 5 for fiscal year 2008/09. Periodic updates to the district's budget are presented to the Board for approval. Budget Revision No. 5 includes adjustments due to the midyear reductions per the State budget.

**A-16, Authorization to Pay Jacobs Engineering Group for Services Rendered**

APPROVED, as recommended, the authorization to pay Jacobs Engineering Group for services rendered in association with, but outside of and in addition to, the scope of the original agreement. Sufficient funds of \$49,680 are available in the 2008/09 Unrestricted General Fund Budget. The overall cost of the Facilities Master Plan is being allocated between the Unrestricted General Fund and Developer Fee budgets based upon identification of specific growth related recommendations that make the work eligible for Developer Fee funding.

**A-17, Request to Add Firm to List of Qualified Vendors for RFQ #2919, Professional Environmental Site Assessment and/or Geotechnical Services**

APPROVED, as recommended, an additional firm to provide Professional Environmental Site Assessment and/or Geotechnical Services to the district. Salem Engineering Group, Fresno, CA, was selected due to its local expertise as demonstrated in the proposal. The funding source will be determined by project.

**A-18, Bid #2926, Copy Paper**

AWARDED, as recommended, Bid #2926 for the purchase of copy paper for the Warehouse. Stock will be replenished on an as-needed basis to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder.

- Xpedx, Fresno California                      \$2.462 per ream

Sufficient funds have been budgeted and are available in the 2008/09 Warehouse Stores account. The estimated cost for nine (9) months is \$669,902.

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A. CONSENT AGENDA – continued

**A-19, Bid # 2936, Softball Field and Bleacher Improvements at Fresno High School**

AWARDED, as recommended, Bid #2936 to provide a new softball field, backstop, dugouts, bleachers, fences, and irrigation system at Fresno High School to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder:

- Mass X Inc., Fresno California \$598,000.00

Sufficient funds of \$598,000 are available in the 2008/09 Measure K budget.

**A-20, Claim #08-1114-0374 for Minor**

DENIED, as recommended the Claim for Damages for Minor, #08-1114-0374. The matter has been referred to the District's Director of Benefits and Risk Management for further handling.

**A-21, Purchase Orders from February 10, 2009, through March 13, 2009**

RATIFIED, as recommended, a list of Purchase Orders in excess of \$10,000 submitted for ratification by the Board. Purchase Orders/contracts that are required by law to be competitively bid will be submitted as separate agenda items. Beginning on the bottom of page four (4) is a list of Purchase Orders issued from February 10, 2009, through March 13, 2009. These Purchase Orders have been previously authorized and awarded by the Board of Education. The Purchase Orders are submitted for information only and are not included for ratification. Funding is noted on the attached pages.

President Davis stated The Brown Act requires the public be given an opportunity to speak on matters relating to the school district's business during Board meetings and this Board welcomes public comment as designated on the agenda. Matters presented during Public Comment will be referred to the Superintendent for appropriate follow up. The Board recognizes that Public comment speakers often have very strong feelings regarding school district issues, which may involve individual school district employees or other persons. However, the Board expects all speakers to appreciate the rights of others by conducting themselves in a civil and respectful manner at all times. As Board President, I cannot permit any speaker to discuss confidential information regarding a particular student or employee and must ensure that speakers abide by their obligation to respect the rights of others. The board appreciates your observance of these principles of civility, respect and order, which will best ensure that the right of public comment is safeguarded without compromising the efficient and effective conduct of Board meetings.

**UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS****Ida Garcia**

Expressed concerns with services for special education needs child. She questioned Superintendent Hanson what would he do if he had a child with special needs and the services were not offered. She informed the Board of a complaint by an RSP teacher at Starr with the union representatives because there are too many children in her classroom and questioned why the process takes so long to request an IEP meeting.

**Jeanne Davison**

Expressed concerns with the vocabulary used in the fourth grade Writing Sample prompt and proceeded to read the prompt. She requested the District look into the Writing Sample prompt and was not a good sample.

**Ali Ruggles**

Requested clarification on the instructions for taking the CST test and requested an opportunity for her students to retest.

**Sandra Idull**

Expressed concerns with the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade GLAS test and with the results not being provided until students reach the fifth grade. She questioned the cost to administer the GLAS 3 test and feels it is unnecessary and a waste of funds.

The following individuals addressed the Board with concerns of losing the Home School Liaison at Carver School and requested support in retaining the Home School Liaison.

- Petrona Perez
- Estrella Hernandez
- Carmen Pascual
- Josefina Lopez

**Olga Valle**

Expressed concerns with several issues. She attended a meeting with a friend at Starr Elementary to try to resolve some long standing special education issues with the principal and to this date, nothing was accomplished. Also parents at this site are not being informed of the CAC meetings that are taking place in the District. She has requested numbers times for the District to announce the CAC meetings via Teleparent.

**Greg Gadams**

Thanked Superintendent Hanson for the invitation to take part on the Bus tour last Friday. He appreciates the superintendent not sugar coating the issues of the District to the community members who took part in this Bus tour. Part of this tour was at Sunnyside and Yokomi schools where there is a great model for leadership. The communication on best practices needs to trickle down to the classroom teachers so they are aware of the good things that are happening at the sites. He concluded by stating that the classrooms are in need of funds to purchase printing supplies in order to print from computers. He was informed by CTO Madden that they are looking at refillable cartridge for the classrooms.

**Jake Turner**

Requested assistance from the District to restrain FTA President Gadams in having access to school sites to distribute election and other materials to teachers. He expressed concerns with the FTA president's actions toward him and others. He stated there have been numerous letters of complaints against the FTA president not addressing issues by teachers or attending board meetings, which is part of his duties.

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

### **B-22, Update on the Upcoming College Board District Pilot**

PRESENTED by Executive Director Harris a brief update to the Board on the upcoming College Board district pilot. As communicated previously, The College Board performed a district diagnostic of Fresno Unified February 10-12. This involved a combination of central office and site visits. The College Board returned on March 17<sup>th</sup> to Fresno Unified to share their findings with the senior leaders. Their findings identified several opportunities for them to accelerate the work on behalf of students.

As background, the College Board's District Reform Initiative is an effort to leverage, scale and customize College Board's college readiness expertise and resources into selective "high touch partnerships" with school districts. The goal is to significantly improve college readiness rates among all students in grades 6-12. The partnership model employs an ongoing improvement approach and is focused on six core areas:

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| 1. Coherent Curriculum in Core Subjects | 4. Student Academic Support  |
| 2. Assessments that Inform              | 5. Student Family Support    |
| 3. Staff Professional Development       | 6. Ongoing Improvement Cycle |

Long Beach will also be participating in this pilot. This collaboration with The College Board will directly link to the Equity and Access work that Associate Superintendent Jorge Aguilar will be leading on behalf of our students.

Executive Director Harris concluded by stating the next steps:

- Integrate with English Learner Taskforce and Workforce Readiness/CTE recommendations
- Identify highest leverage activities in the short-term and long-term
- Determine appropriate level of resource allocation and funding
- Set milestones and targets
- Create meaningful and sustainable pilots

An opportunity was provided to hear questions/concerns from Board members and staff was available to respond.

Comments/questions were made by Members Mills, Moore, Asadoorian, Ryan, Johnson, President Davis, and Superintendent Hanson.

The following individual addressed the Board with his thoughts regarding this item:

- Greg Gadams urged the Board to keep AP as much as possible at Fresno High. The IB program is not for every student.

*A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is available in the Board Office upon request.*

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**B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued**

Student Member Facciani departed the Board meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Student Member Thomas departed the Board meeting at 6:50 p.m.

**B-23, Facilities Master Plan Final Report and Recommendations**

APPROVED, as recommended, the *Facilities Master Plan - Final Report*. CFO Quinto and staff presented the Board the *Final Report* and summarized the work performed by staff, consultants, and the Facility Ad hoc Advisory Committee (FAAC) over the last 20 months to develop district-wide and high school area facility recommendations.

Superintendent Hanson recognized the Facility Ad hoc Advisory Committee and introduced Co-chair Dan Fitzpatrick.

Co-chair Fitzpatrick provided the Board with a summary of the outcomes of the staff, consultants, committee and community recommendations and implementations for the Facilities Master Plan – Final Report.

Executive Director LeBlanc provided an overview process of the outcomes over the last two-years and the comments and issues from all the Board workshops and community meetings and the plans recommendations and the implementation of the Facilities Master Plan and the next steps.

The first step was to identify a consultant team to assist in developing the Plan; the Board approved an agreement with Carter Burgess Inc. (now Jacobs Engineering Group) in October 2007 to work with the FAAC and staff to complete the following areas of work:

1. Educational Program Vision
2. Standards Development
3. Demographic Analysis and Trends
4. Building and Site Condition, Suitability, Technology Readiness Assessments
5. Community Input Opportunities
6. Alternative Solutions and Recommendations
7. Prioritization, Implementation and Evaluation

The *Final Report* and the associated appendices and individual high school reports outlined the work performed to identify the challenges facing the district related to facilities, details of the assessments performed for each school site, and the resulting recommendations.

President Davis RECESSED for a BREAK at 7:56 p.m. and RECONVENED at 8:00 p.m.

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**B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued****B-23, Facilities Master Plan Final Report and Recommendations – continued**

The following individuals addressed the Board with their thoughts and concerns regarding this item:

- Tony Pings addressed the Board on behalf of the Fig Garden Homeowners Association. He stated it's critical that Fig Garden area return to the Bullard High area. The Fig Garden Homeowners Association Board voted unanimously to support the plan as presented tonight with special focus on the return of Wawona and special focus on returning Fig Garden area to the Bullard community area.
- George Finley addressed the Board on behalf of the Fresno Unlimited Alliance Club. He stated the need for a west Fresno Middle School and encourages the Boards support for a new middle school in west Fresno. He expressed concerns with the need for an AC system at the one Gym at Edison and noted that other high schools have two gyms.
- Cynthia Sterling addressed the Board on behalf of the Edison Pyramid – District 3. She stated the need for a west Fresno Middle School. The City has plans for new shopping center, athletic facilities, and other amenities for west Fresno. There are more than 103 ethnic groups in District 3. She encourages the Boards support for a new middle school in west Fresno.

Member Mills stated that a member of the Heaton community was present to address the Board on this topic, but had to leave. She presented Member Mills with a petition that has been signed by 100 Heaton parents requesting the district not close Heaton School and for the document to be included in the record of the minutes. She also stated that there are two major Fresno High functions occurring tonight with most of the Fresno high community not able to attend. The Board received an email from two members of the Fresno high community expressing concerns with the Master Plan and have requested their email and attachment be included as part of the record of this meeting.

Member Mills stated she would not support moving Wawona as the middle school IB feeder away from the Fresno High. She feels that Fresno High is the only academic program that is adversely impacted and does not feel a Master Plan can be drafted and put together without considering the academic program. She suggested an alternative for Wawona, but it was rejected by staff and committee and she feels that the Fresno High area parent's concerns have been ignored since last November.

She stated that attached to an email was a copy of the Voluntary Desegregation Plan. She questioned if the district has received a legal written opinion that this Master Plan is in compliance with the voluntary desegregation plan.

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**B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued****B-23, Facilities Master Plan Final Report and Recommendations – continued**

CFO Quinto stated that in the briefing with Member Mills and President Davis, they do not have an opinion from legal counsel in written, but however; they have been in constant communication with legal counsel regarding Member Mills' concerns and with other variety of considerations that were necessary for the district to undertake and address in order to make sure they put forth a plan that was in fact legal and supported the voluntary desegregation plan that was originally adopted by the Board in 1977 and has been modified several times, via the magnet applications that the Board has proposed to the federal government and she feels that they have addressed all the major concerns.

Member Mills wants to make certain that the district is not unraveling the voluntarily desegregation plan and they have legal counsel opinion verifying that. If not, the district will be at-risk financially and otherwise.

CFO Quinto indicated that they have been in constant communication with legal counsel, but do not have anything in written and they are confident that they are compliant with the law.

Member Mills questioned if the district is requesting a written statement from Hogan & Hartson to that affect?

CFO Quinto stated they will request a written statement from legal counsel and per legal counsel, she suggested the district wait until they are into Phase II and have more detailed information about the specificities where boundary changes will take place as well as the site plan for the southwest middle school and the district has more concrete plans as they move forward.

Member Mills questioned if legal counsel was comfortable in voting on a plan that has not been fully approved as being in compliance?

CFO Quinto stated that was correct.

Member Mills questioned if the district has requested in writing from the International Baccalaureate program on the ramifications of moving the middle school away from the IB high school?

CFO Quinto stated there has been no request in writing. The application and certification for Wawona as an IB program is completely independent and exclusive of any particular feeder issues and they did confirm at that time that there were certainly not predicated or contingent upon a direct feeder in Fresno high.

Member Mills questioned if the district clarified with the International Baccalaureate organization? She questioned back in November if they had contact the IB organization before coming up with the draft plan and at that time, they had not been contacted.

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**B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued****B-23, Facilities Master Plan Final Report and Recommendations – continued**

CFO Quinto stated that she was not aware since then if they have contacted the IB organization.

Member Vang moved for approval of the Facilities Master Plan as submitted, seconded by Member Moore.

CFO Quinto reiterated on the presentation by the Executive Director LeBlanc and for the record as Member Mills raised the issue earlier. One of the overwriting considerations regarding conformists legally with Title VI, that the district will not significantly change opportunities for transfers in other parts of the district. The estimated optimal school sizes and given the estimated new boundary areas as reflected in the maps do provide for very similar opportunities for transfers. The district would be in trouble if they were eliminating or reducing those significantly and that was an issue and has been addressed. Those opportunities will continue to be available as well the transportation that currently exists and is available for No Child Left Behind transfers as well as the magnet transfers. The open enrollment transfers the district does not provide transportation or planning on doing so in the near future, but that is something the district can explore at a future time.

Member Mills stated that without some modifications to this plan, she cannot support this plan; despite that it has a lot of benefits for southwest Fresno and other areas. She cannot support a plan that will adversely promote one area at the expense of others, particularly when it's the academic program.

Member Asadoorian requested the Board receive updates as the FAAC proceed and move forward.

An opportunity was provided to hear questions/concerns from Board members and staff was available to respond.

Comments/questions were made by Members Moore, Mills, Vang, Johnson, Asadoorian, Ryan, President Davis, and Superintendent Hanson.

President Davis stated a motion and a second has been made and called for all those in favor, which carried a 6-1-2 vote with *Member Mills dissenting and Student Board Members Facciani and Thomas absent.*

*The Final Report is available in the Board Office upon request.*

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA – continued

**B-24, Budget Update for 2008/09 and 2009/10**

PRESENTED by CFO Quinto a budget update to the Board on the most recent available information on:

- Federal Stimulus Update
- Flexibility Provisions in State Budget
- Special Election
- State Revenue Outlook and Fiscal Impact
- Strategic Budget Development
- Upcoming Budget Discussion
  - May 13, 2009 – Board Budget Workshop
  - June 3, 2009 – Public Hearing on 2009/10 Budget
  - June 17, 2009 – Board Adoption of 2009/10 Budget

An opportunity was provided to hear questions/concerns from Board members and staff was available to respond.

Comments/questions were made by Members Ryan, Mills, Vang, Asadoorian, Moore, and President Davis, and Superintendent Hanson.

*A copy of the PowerPoint presentation is available in the Board Office upon request.*

**C. RECEIVE INFORMATION & REPORTS**

There are no items for Receive.

**BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no Board/Superintendent communications.

**D. ADJOURNMENT**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.**

With no further business to come before the Board of Education at this time, President Davis declared the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.



MICHAEL E. HANSON, Secretary to the Board of Education

Board Approved: August 12, 2009