

TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES

The Tulare County Board of Education met on Wednesday, September 14, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. for a regular board meeting in the Redwood CDEF meeting room at the Jim Vidak Education Center, 6200 S. Mooney Boulevard, Visalia, California.

PRESENT Board Members	Tom Link, President Joe Enea, Vice President Pat Hillman Debby Holguin Celia Maldonado-Arroyo Chris Reed Tim A. Hire, Ex-Officio Secretary
ABSENT Board Member	Judy Coble
PRESENT Staff Members	Julie Berk, Assistant Superintendent, Student Support Services Dr. Fernie Marroquin, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services Andrea Perez, Assistant Superintendent, District Support Services Dedi Somavia, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Rob Herman, Communications Director Lynne Goodwin, Administrator, CFNLP John Davis, Administrator, Leadership Support Services Jody Arriaga, Director, Internal Business Services Yasmeen Contreras, Helpdesk Support Specialist, Information Systems Jeff Ramsay, Director, General Services Marlene Moreno, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
GUESTS	Guests as listed in the register including Dr. Donya Ball, Harold Rollin and Eleanor Welke.
CALL TO ORDER Pledge of Allegiance/ Welcome	Board President Tom Link welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. Joe Enea led the Pledge of Allegiance.
ADA ACCOMMODATIONS	Mr. Link announced that ADA accommodations had been met.
PUBLIC COMMENT	Members of the public did not address any matter of jurisdiction.
CONSENT CALENDAR	It was moved by Enea, seconded by Holguin to approve the consent calendar which includes minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of August 10, 2022, Countywide Registration of Credentials, Temporary County Certificates, and

Emergency Permits. Motion unanimously carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board Member Coble was absent.

PRESENTATION OF
THE ACADEMIES
CHARTER
MANAGEMENT
ORGANIZATION

Tom called on Dr. Donya Ball to give a presentation of The Academies Charter Management Organization. Their charter provides a learning experience through differentiation, Project Based Learning, gifted education for all, scholarly habits of the mind, enriched curriculum, social/emotional learning and authentic assessment collaboration.

The Academies Charter Management Organization don't adopt textbooks. They use real world applicable learning. Everything is Project-Based Learning. They give their students a lot of freedom in choice. All students have an equitable learning experience.

Their enriched curriculum includes Spanish language, music, art and TED talks. The students have a very supportive PTO. Regarding social and emotional learning, we give the students the tools to understand why they are feeling the way they feel. They have not had a problem with declining enrollment. They also do not offer independent study at these charter schools.

Donya introduced her Board chair, Harold Rollin.

Tom Link and the board thanked Dr. Ball for her presentation.

FY22/23 CTFGP
EDUCATION, RADD
GRANT

Lynne Goodwin asked for the Board's approval on the FY22/23 CTFGP Education, RADD (Recording Artists Against Drunk Driving) Grant for \$111,162.71. It was moved by Reed, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to approve the RADD grant. Motion unanimously carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board Member Coble was absent.

PIGGYBACK
LINDSAY UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT
CONTRACT TO
PURCHASE LTE
NETWORK
EQUIPMENT

Jeff Ramsay asked the Board for approval on a Piggyback to Lindsay Unified School District's contract to purchase LTE Network Equipment. Mr. Ramsay said the vendor's pricing was very competitive. Dr. Marroquin is going to each district to assess each district's needs. It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Hillman to approve the Piggyback to Lindsay's contract. Motion unanimously carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board Member Coble was absent.

BUDGET REVISIONS
THROUGH JUNE 30,
2022

Jody Arriaga reviewed the Final Budget Revisions as of June 30, 2022. Jody went over the following: The County School Service Fund, LCFF, Charter School Fund for La Sierra and University Prep High School, Special Education

Pass-Through, Child Development Fund, Cafeteria Fund for SCICON, Cafeteria Fund for La Sierra, Forest Reserve Fund and Foundation Trust Fund.

It was moved by Holguin, seconded by Hillman to accept the Budget Revisions through June 30, 2022. Motion unanimously carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board Member Coble was absent.

2021-2022
UNAUDITED
ACTUALS FINANCIAL
REPORT

Jody Arriaga explained that she typically doesn't go over this report because it is an information item. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to approve the 2021-2022 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report. However, this was an information item only.

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

Tim Hire announced to the Board that there were 150 students at the Mooney Office at the High School Athletic Huddle Conference. College Night occurred on September 13 at the Visalia Convention Center with more than 2,000 students attending the event.

CVNIC (Central Valley Network Improvement Communities) was implemented from the Bill and Melinda Gates grant received many years ago. This helped with recently kicking off the College Readiness grant. This grant will help increase the number of social-economic students being accepted and attending 4-year colleges or universities. Readership Grant also began working to help with early literacy for students in grades 6-12.

Near the mural in the lobby, we will have the opening of the Redwood Center Café. With the help and enthusiasm of Tammy Bradford, Sarah Hamilton and their staff, CBI students, ages 18-22, will sell coffee, small snacks/pastries two days a week. For Doe Avenue, an espresso machine was purchased for mid-county students to work as baristas. They will take and deliver orders to employees at Doe Avenue.

Last week, Mr. Hire traveled with Rob Herman, Frank Silveira and Danny Cordeniz to Sacramento to make a presentation on ActVnet. Superintendent Hire said some school district staff in our county still need to be trained on how to operate this program. Jake Wolf, CDE, Staff Services Manager under their Emergency Team, wants the ActVnet team to be presenters at a safe schools conference in Orange County in July 2023.

Tulare County Fair opens today. SCICON hosted a Search and Rescue Training last week. There were over 4,700 CC! award nominations submitted this year with a record number of 154 schools who participated.

Mr. Hire reminded the Board to RSVP for the Excellence in Education breakfast if they want to attend the event on November 2 at the Visalia Convention Center.

Tom Link visited the Dream Center and received a tour of the department. He said that he was sad to hear Beth Wilshire was retiring.

Mr. Enea and Mrs. Maldonado-Arroyo attended the CCBE Conference in Monterey. Joe reported to the Board that Orange County and CSBA have opted to cancel their membership, CSBA. Celia said she heard Matt Navo present, "Getting It Together While We All Get Together."

Tim also advised that Tom Rooney said Lindsay Unified received over \$750k to provide food for their community.

This county makes a priority for the kids. We really want to take care of them. Celia said San Diego is really getting into community schooling. She learned about "Student Choice and Voice".

BOARD MEETING
RECESS

Tom Link called a recess for the Board meeting at 3:58 p.m.

RECONVENE AFTER
BOARD MEETING
RECESS

Board President Link reconvened the meeting back from the recess at 4:30 p.m.

OPEN PUBLIC
HEARING FOR
DETERMINATION OF
SUFFICIENT
INSTRUCTIONAL
MATERIALS/
TEXTBOOKS FOR
2022-2023

Tom opened a public hearing at 4:30 p.m. for any public comment regarding the Determination of Sufficient Instructional Materials/Textbooks for 2022-2023. There were no public comments received. The public hearing was closed at 4:32 p.m.

RESOLUTION 22/23-04
DETERMINATION OF
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Julie Berk asked the Board to adopt Resolution 22/23-04 for the Determination of Sufficient Instructional Materials/Textbooks for 2022-2023. It was moved by Reed, seconded by Hillman to approve Resolution 22/23-04 in the Matter of Determining that Pupils Have Sufficient Textbooks or Instructional Materials for the 2022-2023 School Year. Motion unanimously carried with the following votes: Ayes: Reed, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board Member Coble was absent.

NEXT SCHEDULED
MEETING

October 12, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.