

## **TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

04/10/2024 [10:00 AM] – 41569 Bear Creek Road, Springville, CA, 93265 at the Blue Oak Classroom

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### **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

- a. Pledge of Allegiance
- b. Welcome

Joe Enea welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Celia Maldonado-Arroyo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **2. Board Members and Staff Present**

Board members present: President Joe Enea, Vice President Debby Holguin, Judy Coble, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez, and Ex-Officio Secretary Tim A. Hire. Staff members present: Julie Berk, Tammy Bradford, Angela Gomez, Dr. Fernie Marroquin, Rebecca Nace, Gabriela Porter, Dianne Shew, and John Vining. Guest present: Desiree Serrano.

#### **3. ADA ACCOMMODATION REQUIREMENT**

Persons who are in need of a disability-related modification or accommodation in order to participate in the board meeting must make a request in writing to the Office of the County Superintendent of Schools, 6200 South Mooney Boulevard, Visalia, California, P.O. Box 5091, 559/733-6301. A request for accommodation should specify the nature of the modification or accommodation requested, including any necessary auxiliary aids or services required and the name and telephone number of the person making the request. The written request should be made as soon as possible and no later than 2 days before the meeting. The agenda, agenda packet and any written documents distributed to the board during a public meeting will be made available in appropriate alternative formats upon request by a person with a disability as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Written documents concerning agenda items are available for public inspection during normal business hours within 72 hours of a regular board meeting at the Tulare County Office of Education, 6200 South Mooney Boulevard, Visalia, California.

Mr. Enea announced that ADA accommodations had been met.

## 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address the board on any agenda item, or other item of interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the board during the public comment period. Agenda items may also be addressed by the public at the time they are taken up by the board. The board is not able to discuss or take action on any item not appearing on the agenda. A five-minute time limit can be imposed on public input for individuals/issues as deemed necessary.

Members of the public did not address any matter of jurisdiction.

## 5. ACTION ITEMS

### 5.a. Routine Matters

#### 5.a.a. Consent Calendar

- a. Approval of Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of March 13, 2024, Encl. No. 1
- b. Authorization of Countywide Registration of Credentials, Encl. No. 2
- c. Authorization of Temporary County Certificates, Encl. No. 3
- d. Authorization of Countywide Emergency Permit Applications, Encl. No. 4

#### ***Vote Results***

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez

**Nay:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Tom Link    **Second:** Tony Rodriguez

### 5.b. Old Business

#### **5.b.a. Consideration and Approval, Second Reading, Board/Superintendent Policy (BP/SP) 5141.52 and Administrative Regulation (AP) 5141.52 - Suicide Prevention -- John Vining, Encl. No. 5**

John Vining asked the Board for approval of the Suicide Prevention Board/Superintendent Policy 5141.52 and Administrative Regulation 5141.52.

#### ***Vote Results***

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez

**Nay:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Celia Maldonado-Arroyo    **Second:** Tony Rodriguez

**5.c. New Business**

**5.c.a. Consideration and Approval, Preschool Staff Development Grant Award 2023-2024 (\$4,194)  
-- Joe Martinez, Encl. No. 6**

Tammy Bradford introduced Becky Nace and Angela Gomez to the Board. Ms. Bradford asked for approval on the Preschool Staff Development grant award for 2023-2024 for \$4,194.

***Vote Results***

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez

**Nay:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Tony Rodriguez **Second:** Judy Coble

**5.c.b. Consideration and Approval, SELPA Policy #2520 - Special Education Litigation and Due Process Hearing Costs -- Tammy Bradford, Encl. No. 7**

Tammy asked for approval from the Board on the Selpa Policy #2520 - Special Education Litigation and Due Process hearing costs.

***Vote Results***

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez

**Nay:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Debby Holguin **Second:** Tom Link

**5.c.c. Consideration and Approval, SELPA Policy #8040 - Independent Educational Evaluations (IEE)  
-- Tammy Bradford, Encl. No. 8**

Tammy Bradford asked for approval on SELPA, policy #8040 - Independent Education Evaluations (IEE).

***Vote Results***

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez

**Nay:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Chris Reed **Second:** Celia Maldonado-Arroyo

**5.c.d. Consideration and Approval, Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) - Set Public Hearing Date, Time and Location -- Dr. Fernie Marroquin, Encl. No. 9**

Dr. Fernie Marroquin requested the Board's approval of a public hearing date, time and location. Date to be set for May 8, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. at the May board meeting at 6200 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia.

***Vote Results***

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez

**Nay:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Tony Rodriguez **Second:** Judy Coble

**5.c.e. Consideration and Approval, 2024-2025 Tulare County Office of Education Budget Hearing - Set Public Hearing Date, Time and Location -- Dr. Fernie Marroquin, Encl. No. 10**

Dr. Fernie Marroquin asked for the Board's approval on setting a public hearing date, time, and location for the 2024-2025 TCOE Budget. Date to be set for May 8, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. at the May board meeting, 6200 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia.

***Vote Results***

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez

**Nay:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Celia Maldonado-Arroyo **Second:** Tony Rodriguez

**5.c.f. Consideration and Approval, CSBA Delegate Assembly Run-off Ballot for Region 12 County -- Tim A. Hire, Encl. No. 11**

Superintendent Hire asked the Board to do a run-off vote in selecting the CSBA Delegate Assembly for Region 12 (Tulare and Kern Counties). Joe Enea was selected.

***Vote Results***

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**Yea:** 7 Judy Coble, Joe Enea, Debby Holguin, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez

**Nay:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**Not Cast:** 0

**Motion:** Tony Rodriguez **Second:** Celia Maldonado-Arroyo

**6. Information (Non-Discussion Items)**

- a. Letters and Communication/Correspondence
- b. Reports from Superintendent and Staff
- c. Reports from Board, Information and Questions

Mr. Hire called on Dianne Shew to give a report on SCICON. Dianne thanked the Board for attending today's meeting. Dianne then asked Gabbi Porter to show a video that showed students experiencing SCICON.

Dianne thanked Mr. Hire, Gabbi Porter, and Julie Berk. Mrs. Shew also mentioned that the condo that Donna Hardy gifted to SCICON was sold for \$462,000. This money will be used for huge improvements needed at SCICON. SCICON also recently received a \$24,000 grant from Disney. The Board was reminded of the SCICON Barbecue scheduled on April 21.

Tim thanked all the SCICON staff for all that they do. He also thanked Dr. Marroquin, for stepping in, and thanked the Board for letting him miss the last board meeting for his NCERT conference. Mr. Hire presented to over 85 other superintendents throughout the US.

Mr. Hire reported that they will be updating some restrooms and adding more restrooms at SCICON. The changes will be creating more changing space, adding showers and urinals.

We had a successful Equity conference. He thanked the board members who were able to attend. Poetry & Prose starts today with a record number of student and school participants.

Mr. Hire said Woodlake USD should have announced, last night, who the new superintendent will be. His name is TJ Ryan. The district also asked Mr. Hire to stay on and mentor him. Tim said he will meet with their board and advise them what their expectations should be. Woodville also asked Mr. Hire to conduct a training for their superintendent and board.

The neighbor, east of the recently purchased property east of the Mooney site, asked if TCOE would consider buying 15 of his acres. He said he would support us in developing the front half of his property into a gated community. Mr. Hire feels he will be passing on the offer. He feels we have enough property right now to accommodate our needs.

## **7. Next Scheduled Board Meeting**

May 8, 2024 -- 3:00 p.m., Redwood Conference Center, 6200 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia.

## **8. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:09 a.m.