



Approved: 

# Fresno County Board of Education

Trustee Area 1  
Kimberly Tapscott-Munson

Trustee Area 2  
Bryan Burton

Trustee Area 3  
James Martinez

Trustee Area 4  
Dr. Marcy Masumoto

Trustee Area 5  
Dr. Allen Clyde

## MINUTES September 21, 2023

- A. OPENING CEREMONY
1. **Call Meeting to Order.** President Burton called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.
  2. **Flag Salute.** The pledge of allegiance was recited.
  3. **Roll Call – Establish Quorum.** Members present: Bryan Burton, James Martinez, Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Kimberly Tapscott-Munson. A quorum was established. Member Tapscott-Munson departed at 5:03 p.m.
- County Superintendent and Staff Present: Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher, Fresno County Superintendent of Schools, and Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the Board; Kevin Otto, Deputy Superintendent Business Services; Dr. Diane Lira, Deputy Superintendent Instructional Division; Benjamin Rosenbaum, Legal Counsel; Lisa Birrell, Communications & Public Relations Officer; and Angela Bowlin, Administrative Assistant to the Board.
- B. ADOPT AGENDA
- Adopted Agenda of September 21, 2023.** The motion to adopt the agenda for September 21, 2023, was made by Member Masumoto, seconded by Member Clyde; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
- President Burton - Yes
  - Vice President Martinez – Yes
  - Member Clyde – Yes
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson – Yes
- C. APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR AUGUST 17, 2023, BOARD MEETING
- Approved Board Meeting Minutes for August 17, 2023, Board Meeting.** A motion to approve minutes for August 17, 2023, was made by Member Tapscott-Munson, seconded by Member Masumoto; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
- President Burton - Yes
  - Vice President Martinez – Yes
  - Member Clyde – Yes
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson – Yes
- D. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH
- Received Presentation of Employee of the Month for September 2023.** Abby Petropulos was recognized as the September 2023 Employee of the Month.
- E. RECOGNITION
- Received Presentation of Superintendent’s Superstar for September 2023.** Chance Jones, Sanger USD, was recognized as the September 2023 Superintendent’s Superstar.
- F. RECESS
- A recess was called at 5:03 p.m. for the reception. President Burton reconvened the meeting at 5:21 p.m.
- G. COMMUNITY INPUT
- There was no community input.
- H. PUBLIC HEARING
- Held Public Hearing Regarding the Sufficiency or Insufficiency of Instructional Materials of the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools (County Superintendent)/Fresno County Board of Education (County Board) Court and Community Schools and County Superintendent Special Education Programs. The public hearing was called to order at 5:21 p.m. There were no comments from the public. The public hearing was closed at 5:22 p.m.
- I. REPORTS
- There were no reports.

J. ACTION ITEMS

1. **Adopted Resolution No. 2023-37 Regarding the Sufficiency or Insufficiency of Instructional Materials of the County Superintendent/County Board Court and Community Schools and County Superintendent Special Education Programs.** A motion to adopt was made by Member Masumoto, seconded by Member Clyde; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
  - President Burton - Yes
  - Vice President Martinez – Yes
  - Member Clyde – Yes
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson - Absent
2. **Approved the Apportionment of Forest Reserve Receipts for the 2022-2023 (Tulare County).** A motion to approve was made by Member Masumoto, seconded by Member Clyde; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
  - President Burton - Yes
  - Vice President Martinez – Yes
  - Member Clyde – Yes
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson - Absent
3. **Approved the 2023-2024 FCSS Consolidated Application for funding.** A motion to approve was made by Member Masumoto, seconded by Member Clyde; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
  - President Burton - Yes
  - Vice President Martinez – Yes
  - Member Clyde – Yes
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson - Absent
4. **Adopted the Amended Board Bylaws: Classification – Board Bylaws, 9000s.** A motion to adopt was made by President Burton, seconded by Member Clyde; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
  - President Burton - Yes
  - Vice President Martinez – Yes
  - Member Clyde – Yes
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson - Absent
5. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2023-31 Regarding Fresno County Board of Education Member Compensation for Missed Meeting: Board Member Dr. Allen Clyde – Absence from July 20, 2023, Meeting.** A motion to adopt was made by Member Masumoto, seconded by Vice President Martinez; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
  - President Burton - Yes
  - Vice President Martinez – Yes
  - Member Clyde – Abstain
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson - Absent

6. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2023-32 Regarding Fresno County Board of Education Member Compensation for Missed Meeting: Board Member James Martinez – Absence from August 17, 2023, Meeting.** A motion to adopt was made by Member Clyde, seconded by President Burton; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
  - President Burton - Yes
  - Vice President Martinez – Abstain
  - Member Clyde – Yes
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson - Absent
  
7. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2023-33 Regarding Fresno County Board of Education Member Compensation for Missed Meeting: Board Member Bryan Burton – Absence from July 20, 2023, Meeting.** A motion to adopt was made by Member Clyde, seconded by Member Masumoto; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
  - President Burton - Abstain
  - Vice President Martinez – Yes
  - Member Clyde – Yes
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson - Absent
  
8. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2023-34 Recognizing October 9, 2023, as Indigenous Peoples’ Day.** A motion to adopt was made by Member Masumoto, seconded by Member Clyde; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
  - President Burton - Yes
  - Vice President Martinez – Yes
  - Member Clyde –Yes
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson - Absent
  
9. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2023-35 Recognizing October 16-20, 2023, as Character Counts Week.** A motion to adopt was made by Member Clyde, seconded by President Burton; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
  - President Burton - Yes
  - Vice President Martinez – Yes
  - Member Clyde –Yes
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson - Absent
  
10. **Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2023-36 Recognizing October 16-20, 2023, as National School Bus Safety Week.** A motion to adopt was made by Member Clyde, seconded by Member Masumoto; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:
  - President Burton - Yes
  - Vice President Martinez – Yes
  - Member Clyde –Yes
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson - Absent

K. CLOSED SESSION

There were no closed session items.

L. TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES

1. **Approved Meetings to Attend.** There were no travel requests submitted.
2. **Approved Travel Expenses & Reimbursements.** A motion to approve the total reimbursement amount of \$1038.87 consisting of \$246.54 for President Burton, \$249.16 for Vice President Martinez, \$288.77 for Member Masumoto, and \$254.40 for Member Tapscott-Munson was made by Member Masumoto; seconded by Vice President Martinez; the motion carried by the following roll call vote:
  - President Burton - Yes
  - Vice President Martinez – Yes
  - Member Clyde – Yes
  - Member Masumoto – Yes
  - Member Tapscott-Munson - Absent
3. **Receipt of Correspondence.** There was no receipt of correspondence.
4. **Comments by Board Members:**
  - Member Clyde:**
    - 2023 FCOE Honors Gala update, 9/16/23
  - Member Masumoto:**
    - FCSTA General Dinner Meeting – CSBA Roadshow, 10/17/23
    - CSBA Golden Bell Validation – Selma, CA
    - CCBE Annual Conference update, 9/8/23 – 9/10/23, Monterey, CA
    - CTE/ROP Fall Conference update - 50-Year Anniversary, Fresno Chaffee Zoo, 9/13/23
    - Civic Education Center
  - President Burton:**
    - CCBE Annual Conference update, 9/8/23 – 9/10/23, Monterey, CA
    - Violet Heintz Open House update, 9/19/23
  - Vice President Martinez:**
    - Violet Heintz Open House update, 9/19/23
    - CCBE Annual Conference update, 9/8/23 – 9/10/23, Monterey, CA

M. SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT

- Superintendent Copher reported on the following:
- 10 New Superintendents – Fresno County
  - Strategic Plan – crosswalk of commonalities with community schools and Higher Education
  - FCSTA General Dinner Meeting – 10/17/23
  - Once Voice – The Spirit of 9/12 Event, 9/12/23
  - College Night, 9/13/23
  - All Staff Day, 8/25/23
  - CSBA Golden Bell Validation – FCSS
  - Mendota – 4 National Award App
  - Top 30 Student for Science Awards
  - Bulldog Bound
  - Educator of the Year
  - Board Policies

N. FUTURE AGENDA  
ITEMS

O. NEXT MEETING

The next regular Board meeting will be held on October 19, 2023, at 1:30 p.m., in conference room 301, Fresno County Office of Education.

P. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Member Clyde; seconded by Member Masumoto; the motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

President Burton - Yes  
Vice President Martinez – Yes  
Member Clyde – Yes  
Member Masumoto – Yes  
Member Tapscott-Munson – Absent

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The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.