



## Minutes

Thursday, October 16, 2025

### A. OPENING CEREMONY

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.
2. Flag Salute
3. Roll Call – Establish Quorum  
Board Members Present: President Clyde, Vice President Masumoto, and Member Robles. A quorum was established.  
Member Burton and Member Tapscott-Munson were absent.  
  
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; Jason Parkin, General Counsel; Jenny Brietigam, Communications Strategy & Outreach, and Angela Bowlin, Administrative Assistant to the Board.
4. Inspirational Reading was given by Jenny Brietigam.
5. Career Technical High School Report was given by Teresa Cavazos.

### B. ADOPT AGENDA

1. Adopted Regular Board Agenda of October 16, 2025, Board Meeting.  
The motion to adopt was  
*Moved by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto  
*Seconded by:* Itzi Robles  
**Yes** Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles

**The motion carried. 3-0**

### C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approved Minutes for Regular Board Meeting - September 18, 2025.

The motion to approve was

*Moved by:* Itzi Robles

*Seconded by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto

**Yes**

Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles

**The motion carried. 3-0**

**D. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

1. William Wilkerson, Extended Supports Needs, SDC Teacher, Special Education - Integrated Sites was recognized as the October 2025 Employee of the Month.

**E. RECOGNITION**

1. Julian Espindola, Pacific Union Elementary S.D. was recognized as the Superintendent Superstar - October 2025.
2. Presented Check for the 2025-2026 Annual Board Project to Alondra Martinez Belmontes - Addams Community School Family Wellness & Resource Center.

**F. RECESS**

A recess was called at 2:16 p.m. for reception celebrating the honorees. President Clyde reconvened the meeting at 2:31 p.m.

**G. COMMUNITY INPUT**

There were no comments from the public.

**H. PUBLIC HEARING**

There was no public hearing.

**I. REPORTS/INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**

1. Received the Quarterly Report for the Williams Lawsuit Compliance Settlement Agreement, First Quarter of 2025-2026 School Year (July 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025).
2. Received the First Reading of the New and Amended Superintendent and Board Policies.

**J. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Approved the Big Picture Educational Academy ("BPEA") Material Revision (July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2027).  
The motion to approve was  
*Moved by:* Itzi Robles  
*Seconded by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto  
**Yes** Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles  
**The motion carried. 3-0**
2. Approved Amendment No. 1 to the Memorandum of Understanding with Big Picture Educational Academy.  
The motion to approve was  
*Moved by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto  
*Seconded by:* Itzi Robles

**Yes** Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles

**The motion carried. 3-0**

3. Approved the Apportionment of 2024-2025 Tulare County Forest Reserve.

The motion to approve was

*Moved by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto

*Seconded by:* Itzi Robles

**Yes** Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles

**The motion carried. 3-0**

4. Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2025-38 Regarding Actual Appropriations Limit for 2024-2025 and the Estimated Appropriations Limit for 2025-2026 Fiscal Year.

The motion to adopt was

*Moved by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto

*Seconded by:* Itzi Robles

**Yes** Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles

**The motion carried. 3-0**

5. Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2025-34 Recognizing November 2025 as National Native American Heritage Month.

The motion to adopt was

*Moved by:* Itzi Robles

*Seconded by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto

**Yes** Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles

**The motion carried. 3-0**

6. Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2025-37 Recognizing November 3-7, 2025, as School Psychology Awareness Week.

The motion to adopt was

*Moved by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto

*Seconded by:* Itzi Robles

**Yes** Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles

**The motion carried. 3-0**

7. Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2025-35 Recognizing November 2025 as Sikh American Awareness and Appreciation Month.

The motion to adopt was

*Moved by:* Itzi Robles

*Seconded by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto

**Yes** Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles

**The motion carried. 3-0**

8. Adopted FCBE Resolution No. 2025-36 Recognizing November as Anti-Bullying Toward Sikh Americans Month.

The motion to adopt was

*Moved by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto

*Seconded by:* Itzi Robles

**Yes**

Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles

**The motion carried. 3-0**

**K. CLOSED SESSION**

1. In closed session, the County Board took action to reject the government claim presented by Claimant – Elainalin Butler by the following vote

The motion to reject was

*Moved by:* Itzi Robles

*Seconded by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto

**Yes**

Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles

**The motion carried. 3-0**

**L. DISCUSSION**

1. Board Members discussed Charter Committee participation.

**M. TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES**

1. **Travel Requests** – There were no travel requests.

2. **Travel Expenses and Reimbursements**

Approved the 1st Quarter Mileage Reimbursements (July 1, 2025 - September 30, 2025) as follows:

- President Clyde - \$124.53
- Vice President Masumoto - \$141.89
- Member Burton - \$44.10
- Member Robles - \$0
- Member Tapscott-Munson - \$105.42

The motion to approve was

*Moved by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto

*Seconded by:* Itzi Robles

**Yes**

Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles

**The motion carried. 3-0**

3. **Receipt of Correspondence** – There was no correspondence received.

4. **Comments by Board Members**

Dr. Marcy Masumoto: CSBA - has asked Dr. Marcy Masumoto to serve on the Legislative Action Committee.

**N. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- Marjaree Mason Center's 2025 Top Ten Professional Women Awards - Dr. Diane Lira was an honoree.

- 2025 CSBA Golden Bell Award Winner - FCSS - Early Care and Education - "Count Play Explore"
- Success of our students' academic performance
- Purple for Domestic Violence Awareness Day, 10/16/25
- Student test scores
- CDE highlighted schools in Fresno County, including Fresno Unified, Kerman Unified, Kings Canyon Jt. Unified, and Clovis Unified as recipients of the 2025 California Distinguished Schools
- University High School - highest performing high school - 90% met standards - ELA & 76% met standards - Math.
- Foundation @ FCOE - push to raise \$1 Million
- Kepler Neighborhood School

**O. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no future agenda items.

**P. NEXT MEETING**

The next regular Board meeting will be held on November 20, 2025, 1:30 p.m. at Fresno County Office of Education, 1111 Van Ness Avenue, Fresno, CA 93721.

**Q. ADJOURNMENT**

The motion to adjourn was

*Moved by:* Itzi Robles

*Seconded by:* Dr. Marcy Masumoto

**Yes** Dr. Allen Clyde, Dr. Marcy Masumoto, and Itzi Robles

**The motion carried. 3-0 at 3:40 p.m.**



Superintendent of Schools