

ARMONA UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICE

Minutes of a regular Board Meeting of the Armona Union Elementary School District's Board of Trustees held on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2009, in the District Office Board Room.

Chairman Eric Hodson called the Board meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Trustees, Gus Amos, Glenn Estes, Bob Ford and Ruby Johnson were present.

Also in attendance were Steve Bogan, Charlene Garcia, Andrea Materoh, Principals Lance Clement, Shawn Beck, and Laurie Blue, Assistant Principals Xavier Pina and Misti Jennings, Lori Sifton, Denise Dean, Jackie Lopez, Jim Pardieu and Jeanette Ardans.

I. FLAG SALUTE

Trustee Hodson led the flag salute.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Trustee Hodson opened the floor for public comments.

Denise Dean wanted to thank the staff and students of the Armona Elementary School District for all their hard work they put in last year to improve their test scores.

Lori Sifton invited the Board to participate with her and Marion Luis's classrooms in placing flags on the graves at the Armona Cemetery. It is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, November 10th. The invitation is open to anyone that would like to participate.

III. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Expulsion Decision – Case #01-09/10

A motion was made by Trustee Estes, seconded by Trustee Ford to expel Case # 01-09/10 for the remainder of the 2009/2010 school year (June 3, 2010). The motion was approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

IV. ACTION ITEMS

Agenda Item #1 – Action on Minutes of the October 8, 2009, Regular Board Meeting

Trustee Estes made a motion to approve the Board minutes of the October 8, 2009, Board meeting as mailed. The motion was seconded by Trustee Johnson, and approved by unanimous vote (4-0-1). Trustee Ford did not vote as he was absent from the October 8, 2009 meeting.

Agenda Item #2 – Discussion/Action on Sending Theresa Avilez, Andrew Williams and Beverly Pugh to the CASBO Pupil Attendance Workshop in Clovis in November

Trustee Johnson made a motion to approve sending Mrs. Avilez, Mr. Williams and Mrs. Pugh to the Attendance Workshop in Clovis. The motion was seconded by Trustee Amos, and approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

Agenda Item #3 – Discussion Acton on a Special Education/Psychologist Clerk Job Description and Salary Range

Mr. Bogan asked to address all of the job descriptions and openings at this time. He explained that the District was receiving money under the Medical Billing Program and this money has to be reinvested in the Special Education Program. With the laws and regulations changing on who can administer health services to students the District feels it would be in our best interest to use these funds to hire a clerk, health aides and a LVN to assist our students with special needs. Mr. Bogan suggested a salary range of 14 for the position of Special Education/Psychologist Clerk. The Board feels the primary duties should be assisting the Psychologist as she is currently servicing six schools. Trustee Amos made a motion to approve the Special Education/Psychologist Clerk job description and Salary Grade of 14. The motion was seconded by Trustee Johnson, and approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

Agenda Item #4 – Discussion/Action on Hiring a Special Education/Psychologist Clerk

A motion to approve hiring a Special Education/Psychologist Clerk was made by Trustee Estes, seconded by Trustee Amos and approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

Agenda Item #5 – Discussion/Action on a Special Education/Health Aide Job Description and Salary Range

Mr. Bogan explained the duties of this position to the Board and recommended a salary range of 8. Trustee Johnson made a motion to the Special Education/Health Aide job description and salary range, the motion was seconded by Trustee Estes and approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

Agenda Item #6 – Discussion/Action on Hiring a Special Education/Health Aide at Armona Elementary and Parkview Middle School

Trustee Estes made a motion to approve hiring a Special Education/Health Aide for Armona Elementary and Parkview Middle School at range 8. The motion was seconded by Trustee Johnson, and approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

Agenda Item #7 – Discussion Action on a Job Description and Salary Range for a Licensed Vocational Nurse Position

Mr. Bogan informed the Board that only a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse can give medications to some of our Special Education Students; and our RN is only on the campuses two days per week. We need someone available to handle any emergencies that could arise. Mr. Bogan suggested Salary Range 15 for this position. Trustee Estes made a motion to approve the job description for a Licensed Vocational Nurse for the District at range 15. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ford, and approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

Agenda Item #8 – Discussion/Action on Hiring a Licensed Vocational Nurse for the Armona Elementary School District

Trustee Johnson made a motion to approve hiring a Licensed Vocational Nurse for the District. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ford, and approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

Agenda Item #9 – Discussion/Action on Canceling the Second Board Meeting in November and the Early Release of November Warrants

On a motion by Trustee Amos, seconded by Trustee Estes, the second Board Meeting in November and the early release of November warrants was approved for by unanimous vote (5-0).

Agenda Item #10 – Discussion/Action on the National University Academy Armona Charter School

Mr. Bogan recommended the Board vote on the Charter document as a draft and at the November meeting we would hold a public hearing. At that time if everyone has had their questions answered and the public has no questions we could vote on the National University Academy Armona Charter. On a motion by Trustee Estes, seconded by Trustee Amos, the National University Academy Armona Charter document was approved as a draft by unanimous vote (5-0).

Agenda Item 11 – Discussion/Action on the Warrant List

On a motion by Trustee Estes, seconded by Trustee Amos, warrants in the amount of \$299,459.33, \$45,801.99 and \$30,748.00 were approved for payment by unanimous vote (5-0).

VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Principals' Report

Shawn Beck – Armona Elementary

1. Mr. Beck noted that this week was red ribbon week and the kids have had a great week with crazy hair and crazy dress days along with discussions about being drug free.

Lance Clement – Parkview Middle School

1. Mr. Clement also noted that this week was red ribbon week at Parkview. They too have had several dress up days. Attendance this week has been high.
2. On Tuesday we had our collaborative meeting and looked at a lot of information to help us get ready for our next writing sample date.
3. This week we had the staff at Parkview and Armona Elementary go through first aid training.

Laurie Blue/Misti Jennings – Crossroads Charter Academy

1. Mrs. Jennings stated that sixteen children had attended orientation this week and came back for testing the next day.
2. Crossroads had five students take the PSAT this year.
3. We had three families attend our college workshop.
4. Crossroads is moving its Lemoore site to the Kings County Office of Education's new site in Lemoore.
5. Mrs. Blue gave the Board a report on her visit to a Trade Tech School site in Elk Grove. She stated that it was very impressive.

Xavier Pina – Armona Elementary

1. Mr. Pina reported that he is in the final stages of CELDT testing. The exams will be bundled up and sent off in the next couple of weeks.
2. Last night we had our annual Title I Meeting with parents. There were about 20 parents in attendance. Mr. Pina explained the program to the parents. He felt it was a positive experience.

B. M. O. & T. Supervisor's Report

No Report.

C. Superintendent's Report

1. Mr. Bogan gave a short report on Miss Freitas' car being damaged by a tree limb.
2. Mr. Bogan and Mr. Howard are putting together a new Technology Plan. This will be a three year plan.

D. Williams Quarterly Report

There were no complaints under the Williams Act for the last quarter.

E. Costs for Food Trays for Cafeteria Food Service Program

Andrea Materoh gave a brief report on how much it would cost to return to using the hard trays over the cost of using disposable trays. Replacing the out dated dish washers would contribute to the costs of using the hard trays.

There being no further regular business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Hodson Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Steve Bogan, Secretary to the Board of Trustees