

**GLENN COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Wednesday, March 18, 2009
Glenn County Office of Education,
311 South Villa Avenue, Willows**

MINUTES

The closed session meeting of the Glenn County Board of Education began at **5:00 p.m.** on **Wednesday, March 18, at 311 South Villa Avenue, Willows.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Judy Holzapfel, Gail Zimmerman, Gene Massa, Catherine Hanes and Jim Mason

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Barrera, staff, and community members

1.0 CALL TO ORDER:

Judy Holzapfel called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Wanda Zimmerman led the pledge of allegiance.

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Catherine Hanes made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Jim Mason seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4.0 COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

There were no comments from the audience.

Meeting was adjourned to closed session at 5:02 p.m.

Open session reconvened at 5:30 p.m.

5.0 CLOSED SESSION:

Judy announced all appeals had been granted.

6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Gail Zimmerman made a motion to approve the minutes for February 18, 2009. Gene Massa seconded the motion. Motion carried.

7.0 COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

There were no comments from the audience.

8.0 COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

Carolyn Denton reported the Glenn Adult Quilt Show was good and she appreciated it. Byron Denton went to the SELPA meeting. He congratulated Vicki Shadd on the job she has done.

9.0 UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

A. Update on WUSD budget recovery plan

Superintendent Barrera reported there is nothing new to report on the recovery plan for WUSD. The 2nd Interim has been received but has not yet been reviewed. WUSD self-certified themselves as positive.

B. Wm. Finch Charter School Renewal

Susan Domenighini said there were no real changes on the document. She reviewed recommendations from the board from the previous meeting. She distributed budget sheets to the board. Randy Jones added that he had met with Susan regarding the budget and this estimate is based on current figures. Currently there is a deficit of \$36,000 which could be corrected by staffing ratio changes. The program can operate with up to 25 students per teacher. No decisions have been made regarding these changes. Gene Massa reported his packet did not contain pages 24 or 25, the board concurred their packets did not contain the pages. The question was raised whether the 30-day notice started March 10 or March 18. The next meeting is April 22 which would be more than 30 days.

Judie Noffsinger asked if it could be added to the charter document that the advisory committee be required to have minutes and agendas. Susan said this would be an item for the by-laws.

Gene Massa asked if the changes to be made were material revisions which would require additional information. Susan said the structure of the school hasn't changed. He also raised the question of this being a proper time for a renewal effective to 2009, a retroactive renewal from 2006, or a new petition. Superintendent Barrera suggested Gene and Judy meet with two parents and

teachers to discuss pros and cons of each option. Susan said parents and teachers would like a 5-year renewal from this date. They would also accept a retroactive renewal to 2006. This will be an agenda item in April.

Karl Lewis commented that last month the lawyer was to be contacted and asked what the results were. Superintendent Barrera said that was done but there was no case law or ed code that would support or deny a retroactive renewal. Gene added there is no case law indicating that an expired charter can be renewed. Susan invited Gene to the Wm. Finch staff meeting this Friday at 8:30 in Willows.

C. CCSESA

Randy Jones said CCSESA is waiting to see what action will be taken on CalPERS pensions for retired CCSESA employees.

10.0 NEW BUSINESS:

A. Educator's Hall of Fame

Judy Holzapfel, Vicki Shadd, and Roberta Asbury will meet to develop criteria for Glenn County Educator's Hall of Fame for 2010 year. This will be an agenda item for the April board meeting.

B. Glenn County Office of Education 2007 – 2008

Randy Jones reviewed the audit from 2007-2008 and explained the auditors findings. He distributed the policy reflecting changes in the attendance collection and entering process as per the findings. A line item error was revealed, Randy will ask the auditors to correct it.

C. Resolution #2009-02 for Donald Lee Forester

Superintendent Barrera gave background information on Mr. Forester and read the resolution recognizing Mr. Forester's contributions in Special Education. A plaque will be placed in the Orland Administrative building naming a wing after Mr. Forester. The dedication will be Friday, March 20 at 3:00 p.m. at the Orland Administrative building.

Judy Holzapfel made a motion to approve Resolution # 2009-02 for Donald Lee Forester. Jim Mason seconded the motion. Motion carried.

D. Resolution for New Glenn Adult Program Funds

Randy Jones presented the Resolution # 2009-03 for Student Body Fund for Glenn Adult Program on behalf of Jess Modesto. This resolution would provide opportunities for the GAP students to become familiar with parliamentary procedures by establishing a student body fund with oversight by the business office. The funds would be used for field trips. Superintendent Barrera commented that this shows initiative on the part of the adult students and encouraged the board to sign.

Catherine Hanes made a motion to approve Resolution #2009-03 for Student Body Fund for Glenn Adult Program. Gail Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

E. Letter to Orland Unified School District from Glenn County Board of Education and Superintendent Barrera

Superintendent Barrera explained that Orland Unified School District has approved some interdistrict transfers and denied others. He asked the board for approval for board president Holzapfel to work with him to draft a letter to OUSD addressing No Child Left Behind mandates if it becomes necessary.

Gail Zimmerman made a motion to approve Judy Holzapfel signing a letter along with Superintendent Barrera to OUSD only if absolutely necessary and we continue to have Program Improvement denials and appeals. Catherine Hanes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

11.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

Superintendent Barrera attended the SELPA meeting today, attended an ACSA luncheon for Student of the Year, Staff Development Day with Child and Family Services recognizing employees' efforts with parents and children.

Merrilee Johnson attended the CaFS staff development day. Last week she hand delivered 15 lay off letters to teachers and 1 half time principal (9 for Wm. Finch, 5 from Opportunity, and 1 from Court School). Eleven are requesting hearings. The hearing will be at 1:00 on April 7.

Vicki Shadd announced that today at the SELPA meeting there was a unanimous vote of the superintendents to accept all the elements of the Local Plan permanent section.

Gloria Valente is calling districts to set up board visitations. She will let the board know of the dates.

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12.0 BOARD MEMBER REPORT

Gene Massa reported that four weeks ago WHS hosted the wrestling championships and took All Schools Championship. In basketball they took lead championship. Band Day is at CSU Chico this Friday. WIS and WHS will have bands there. WHS marching band will march at the Sugar Bowl. He also went to Sacramento and learned that legislature may have underestimated the revenue.

Jim Mason reported that Princeton's boys' basketball won Division 6.

Gail Zimmerman attended the ROP meeting on February 18. HUHS is working on a project to close the high school cafeteria and have food brought in from Hamilton Elementary school. The ROP class would operate the program at the high school. He attended the Capay board meeting, HUHS board visitation day, and HUHS board meeting.

Catherine Hanes reported the Elk Creek High School girls' basketball team made it to the playoffs. FFA had a fundraiser making over \$1500. The 10th, 11th, and 12th graders are going to Washington, D.C. next month. She attended the GAP quilt show on Saturday.

Judy Holzapfel attended the Local Plan meeting, the allocation meeting, Lake and Plaza board meetings, and SELPA meeting. They are concerned about the interdistrict denials and computer glitch with the CDE's software. Randy explained what had probably happened with the software.

13.0 COMMUNICATIONS:

Judy asked if there were any nominations for officers for CSBA. There were none. There were no nominations for the Golden Bell awards for CSBA.

14.0 NEXT MEETING: Date/Time/Location

April 22, 2009 5:30 p.m. Willows Administration

15.0 ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.



Judy Holzapfel, Board President



Arturo Barrera, Superintendent