

GLENN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Wednesday, November 16, 2011

Glenn County Office of Education,
311 South Villa Avenue, Willows

Minutes

PRESENT: President Judy Holzapfel, Eugene Massa, Gail Zimmerman, and Janice Cannon

ABSENT: Kathy Perez

OTHERS: Superintendent Quarne, staff and community members.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER:

President Holzapfel called the meeting to order at 5:35 P.M.

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge was led by Gene Massa.

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Action Item

Gene Massa moved to approve the agenda with the deletion of item #4 as there was no closed session. Janice Cannon seconded. **The agenda was approved unanimously.**

The Board took a short recess to accommodate Walden Academy students before their presentation.

5.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES: - Action Item

Gene Massa moved to approve the minutes with the following correction:
Item 7.0 A - Redistricting - replace the word "start" for the word "research".
Gail Zimmerman seconded. **The minutes were approved unanimously.**

6.0 COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

There were no comments from the audience.

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

There were no comments from the audience.

8.0 NEW BUSINESS:

A. STUDENT PRESENTATIONS - David Rose - Information Only

5th and 6th grade students from Walden Academy read reports for the Board on Natural Resources from their visit to the Fish Hatchery and the Diversion Dam.

B. WILLIAMS SETTLEMENT - Shirley Diaz - Information Only

Shirley Diaz presented to the Board her report on the two schools that are deciles 1-3, Hamilton Elementary and CK Price. She explained why they are deciles 1-3 and her process. She checks

textbooks, materials, and the buildings and grounds.

C. PUBLIC HEARING - Shirley Diaz - Action Item

The regular meeting was adjourned for a **Public Hearing 5:50 P.M.** for the sufficiency of textbooks and materials for the students of the Glenn County Office of Education.

There being no comments from the audience, the regular meeting re-convened at **5:51 P.M.**

Resolution on Sufficiency of Instructional Materials

Following the Board reconvening, Shirley Diaz, Deputy Superintendent, requested the Board approve Resolution 2011-07 for Special Education, Court, Opportunity School, and William Finch Charter School, pursuant to Ed Code Section 60119. This action determines whether each pupil in the school has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, in each subject that is consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework and standards adopted by the state board.

Janice Cannon moved to approve the resolution on sufficiency of instructional materials #2011-07, published time for the Public Hearing changed to 5:45 P.M. Gene Massa seconded. **Resolution carried unanimously.**

D. UNAUDITED ACTUALS 2010-2011 - Randy Jones -Information

Randy Jones, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, presented the unaudited actuals for 2010-2011.

E. GANN LIMIT RESOLUTION 2011-02 - Randy Jones - Action Item.

Approval of Resolution No. 2011-08 Gann Limit.

Randy Jones, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, explained to the Board that as the Glenn County Office of Education is under the Gann limit, resolution number 2011-08 could be approved.

Gene Massa moved to adopt resolution number 2011-08, Gann Limit. Gail Zimmerman seconded.

President Holzapfel called for a roll call vote. The roll call was as follows:

Gene Massa:	Aye
Judy Holzapfel	Aye
Gail Zimmerman	Aye
Janice Cannon	Aye
Kathy Perez	Absent

Resolution 2011-08 was adopted.

F. REDISTRICTING - Judy Holzapfel - Information/ Action

President Holzapfel adjourned the meeting to a Public Hearing at 6:26 P.M.

Mr. Charles Tracy, Superintendent Hamilton Unified School District, distributed a paper developed by Attorneys Griffin and Smith available through CSBA. Mr. Tracy then spoke raising the following points:

- 1) In developing trustee areas, consideration must be given to 1) variance of population, 2) topography, 3) geography, 4) cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity, and compactness of territory, and 4) community of interests of the trustee area;

- 2) Must consider needs of constituency;
- 3) Minority votes;
- 4) Per Ed Code 1002, all aforementioned elements must be considered, population, etc.; and,
- 5) To achieve equity of representation of smaller districts, as re-districting is not based solely on population, it may be necessary to move to a seven member County Board of Education.

Mr. Jim Scribner, Superintendent/Principal of Capay Joint Union School District, raised concerns regarding Tehama County residents who are included in a Glenn County School District. President Holzapfel expressed concern regarding the cost of conducting an election and ongoing costs of maintaining a seven member board. Mrs. Holzapfel further stated members of a County Board of Education do not represent individual school districts, and that she had spoke with Vestra, a Redding area company who offers re-districting services. Superintendent Quarne shared it is his understanding, based on information from School and College Legal Services and the Glenn County Elections Office that the upper limit of population variance cannot exceed 10%, and that the additional four elements previously mentioned may be used in defining trustee areas based on equal population. Superintendent Tracy responded that the Griffin/Smith paper indicates an allowable variance of up to 15%.

The Public Hearing concluded at 6:55 P.M., President Holzapfel re-convened the regular meeting.

Board Member Massa added that his experience in dealing with numerical extrapolations of the constitution is the numbers are rarely hard and fast. Mr. Massa also expressed concerns regarding equitable representation of ethnic groups, particularly from Princeton and Elk Creek. Mr. Massa further cautioned that simply following the re-districted supervisorial districts may result in a legal action.

Board Member Zimmerman stated he believes members of a County Board of Education represent the kids of their districts leading to a discussion of this topic by members Zimmerman, Holzapfel and Massa.

Superintendent Quarne reminded the Board of their March 1 deadline to complete the task of re-districting. Board Member Massa replied that he does not think it would be enforced if the Board was progressing on the issue. Superintendent Tracy indicated that the Board, as the County Committee of School District Re-organizing, would then have a deadline of April 30 to complete their task.

The matter concluded by a consensus of the Board to have Superintendent Quarne draw experts and or firms forward for the Board's consideration in the December meeting.

G. WALDEN BOARD APPOINTEE - Judy Holzapfel - Action Item

There were no applicants to interview. Gene Massa moved to decline seating a position for the Walden Academy Board of Directors. Janice Cannon seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

H. EARLY RELEASE PRISONOR EDUCATION - Tracey Quarne - Discussion Item

A new Charter is being considered to educate non-violent, non-sexual prisoners being released per AB109. More information will be given in future meetings.

I. CONFLICT OF INTEREST - Tracey Quarne - Discussion/Possible Action

Superintendent Quarne presented the letter he sent to Attorney General Kamela D. Harris asking for an opinion on his non-compensated leave-of-absence. The response from Ms. Harris was that Superintendent Quarne nor does the Board have the authority to request this question of the Attorney

General, it has to come from the County Board of Supervisors and County Counsel. Mr. Carlyle would like the County Board of Education to ratify the asking of the question if they wish to do so, then to the County Board of Supervisors, who would have to say yes. Then the question would be asked of the Attorney General. The question was also posted to the LAO (Legislative Analyst Office), Superintendent Quarne has not heard from them. After some discussion on the matter, Gene Massa moved to concur to formalize our request to County Counsel Huston Carlyle to pursue the County Counsel and Board of Supervisors to request the Attorney General's review as prepared by the Superintendent in his previous letter. Gail Zimmerman seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

9.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: The Superintendent will report on his activities.

- ? Planning Department - Mr. John Linhart has agreed to complete all the paperwork for GCBE to include Colusa County and Tehama County into the new redistricted County Board of Education Trustee areas.
- ? The state has a 3.7 billion shortfall causing a \$200.00 cut per ADA and ½ of transportation cuts.
- ? MAA tracking sheets are on the GCOE website.
- ? County Superintendents are working to have AB-109 taken away from COE'S.
- ? Information for the towers was submitted to CDE and the California Office School Instruction. We won't have to go through the State Allocation Board.
- ? At the Superintendents meeting today, the software conversation was engaged. We are looking at Bi-tech or Escape.

10.0 BOARD MEMBER REPORT: Report on any County Office of Education related activities by Board Members.

Janice Cannon: No report

Kathy Perez: Absent

Gail Zimmerman: Attended the Hamilton and Capay Board meeting

Judy Holzapfel: Attended Orland Board meeting and SELPA meeting

Gene Massa: Gene announced Glenn County football teams in playoffs as well as the Willows High Volley Ball team, attended the FFA and Willows Boosters.

11.0 COMMUNICATIONS: - Information

No further communication.

12.0 NEXT MEETING: **Date/Time/Location**

December 14, 2011 - Willows Administration Office at 5:30 P.M.

Gene Massa moved to move the December meeting to December 14 at 5:30 P.M. at the Willows Administration Office. Judy Holzapfel seconded.

Roll call was taken as follows:

Gene Massa: Aye

Judy Holzapfel: Aye

Gail Zimmerman: **Aye**
Janice Cannon: **Aye**
Kathy Perez **Absent**

Motion Carries unanimously.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT:

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Judy Holzapfel, Board President

Tracey Quarne, Superintendent

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