

**GLENN COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Wednesday, October 15, 2008  
Glenn County Office of Education,  
311 South Villa Avenue, Willows**

**MINUTES**

The closed session meeting of the Glenn County Board of Education began at **5:15 p.m.** on **Wednesday, October 15, 2008 at 311 South Villa Avenue, Willows;** the regular meeting began immediately after the closed session.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jim Mason, Julia Larson, Linda Miller, Ray Gollnick,  
Catherine Hanes

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Superintendent Barrera, Janna Lambert, staff and community  
members

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER:**

Ray Gollnick called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

**2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Byron Denton led the pledge of allegiance.

**3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Catherine Hanes made a motion to approval 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.

**5.0 CLOSED SESSION:**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:20 p.m. and reconvened at 5:30 p.m. Ray Gollnick announced that the interdistrict appeal had been approved.

**6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Catherine Hanes made a motion to approve the minutes for September 17, 2008. Jim Mason seconded the motion.

Ayes: Hanes, Mason, Gollnick      Nays: Miller, Larson

**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:**

There were no comments from the audience.

**Regular Session was closed at 5:35 and Public Hearing was opened.**

**PUBLIC HEARING – 5:30 P.M.**

Susan Domenighini explained that every classroom has sufficient texts and instructional materials pursuant to Ed Code Section 60119.

Julia Larson made a motion to accept Resolution 2008-3 showing sufficiency of educational materials pursuant to Ed Code 60119. Linda Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Public Hearing was closed at 5:37 p.m. and Regular Session was reopened.**

**9.0 UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Use of Glenn County Office of Education Letterhead – Julia Larson**

Julia Larson reported that she could not find anything in Board policy saying Board members couldn't use the Glenn County Office of Education letterhead. It was decided to add the use of GCOE letterhead to the November agenda.

**10.0 NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Presentation – Superintendent Barrera**

Superintendent Barrera presented Ray Gollnick with a clock plaque and acknowledged his 17 years of service.

**B. Unaudited Actuals – Randy Jones**

Randy Jones distributed graphs as part of his explanation of Unaudited Actuals. Merrilee Johnson explained that all groups had settled for 4.53% for 2007-08. For 2008-09 CTA will get \$1000 on their benefits and CSEA will apply the \$1000 in the form of a COLA that equates to 2.79%. Central Office has not settled for 2008-09. There is a possibility of mid-year cuts. The State COLA for 2008-09 is 5.66% but there is also a deficit of 4.713%. Our indirect cost rate has gone down based on an adjustment four years ago. It is currently 7.7%, down 2.86% from 2007-08. Julia asked for further information on the \$600,000 increase for 5800 object. Randy will run a report for Julia explaining the increase. Linda asked about the long-term building liabilities for Orland Administration building. Randy explained that each department occupying the building shares in the cost. The Board asked for sections to be copied in colored paper.

**C. Gann Limit – Randy Jones**

Randy explained this was part of the unaudited actuals and asked for approval of Resolution No. 2008 - 4 Gann Limit.

Catherine Hanes made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2008-4. Jim Mason seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**D. Williams Uniform Complaints Report- Susan Domenighini and Debbie Blake**

Debbie Blake asked for approval of the October 2008 Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints for Glenn County Office of Education which includes Special Education, Opportunity, Willowglen Court, and Wm. Finch Charter School. No complaints have been received.

Linda Miller made a motion to approve the Williams Uniform Complaints report. Julia Larson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**11.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:**

Superintendent Barrera attended a SELPA meeting this morning. Vicki Shadd added the committee is making a lot of progress on the plan. Superintendent Barrera stated there is a better understanding by the district Superintendents in terms of what the excess cost of special education is. Also, GCOE is not the only provider of services, OUSD is also a provider of services that generates excess cost which is charged back to the districts. Vicki and Arturo are visiting special education classrooms and suggested that board members visit the classrooms. He commended Larry Donnelley for his work.

He judged 4-H window displays. GCOE co-sponsored an Ag expose event with the Farm Bureau at the Fairgrounds.

Tom Kelly asked about GCOE's involvement with Willows Unified School District for financial assistance. Superintendent Barrera explained that under AB 1200 we are obligated to provide fiscal oversight of districts. A fiscal advisor will help them identify areas and come up with a plan to develop a sustainable budget.

Byron Denton commended Sarge Kennedy for all his work.

An Ad Hoc committee will be formed to look at formulas for teachers' salary increases. Any recommendations will need to be approved by bargaining units.

Shirley Diaz and Vicki Shadd have created Professional Learning Communities across the county over this last year for the benefit of our students in the classroom. The goal is to have a PLC in every district.

Tom Kelly commended Superintendent Barrera and the Board for the Bruceville sign and dedication at the Black Butte Property.

Superintendent Barrera announced Shirley Diaz was the new Deputy Superintendent. The survey of district Superintendents he conducted at the beginning of his term revealed that the Educational Services Department needed the most improvement in GCOE. Shirley provides the district with staff development and teacher training.

## **12.0 BOARD MEMBER REPORT:**

Judy Holzapfel attended the dedication at Black Butte property. Mr. & Mrs. Bruce were very surprised at the name of the site. Catherine Hanes also attended and hopes that more schools use the site. Ray Gollnick added this was a good purchase and a wonderful experience for students. GCOE purchased the property from the Federal Government at an abrogated value.

Julia Larson attended the Hamilton City Unification meeting and the Hamilton High and Hamilton Elementary board meetings. The PLC's were praised. She attended the SELPA meeting today.

Linda Miller said she had signed graduation diplomas.

Ray Gollnick attended the SELPA meeting today.

**13.0 COMMUNICATIONS:**

Julia Larson asked Janna Lambert about the Brown Act amendments. Janna responded that School and College Legal will put out a publication on these in the near future.


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

**November 19, 2008                      5:30 p.m.                      Willows Administration**

**15.0 ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

  
Ray Gollnick, Board President

  
Arturo Barrera, Superintendent

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