

**GLENN COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Wednesday, September 16, 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. at 311 South Villa Avenue, Willows. The regular session began immediately following the closed session.

**PRESENT:** Judy Holzapfel, Catherine Hanes, Gail Zimmerman, Gene Massa, Kathy Perez

**ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS:** Superintendent Barrera, staff, and community members

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER:**

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

**2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Holly McLaughlin, Principal of Stony Creek Joint Unified School District, led the pledge of allegiance.

**3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Catherine Hanes made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Gene Massa seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**4.0 COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:**

There were no comments from the audience. The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 5:05 p.m. Open session reconvened at 5:35 p.m.

**5.0 CLOSED SESSION:**

Judy Holzapfel announced the appeal had been granted.

**6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Catherine Hanes made a motion to approve the minutes for July 10, 2009. Gene Massa seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Gail Zimmerman made a motion to approve the minutes for August 19, 2009 with corrections. Kathy Perez 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:**

Byron Denton attended the SELPA meeting this morning. The meetings are much better now than they were in the past. He complimented Vicki Shadd on the job she was doing.

**9.0 NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Glenn County Plan for Expelled Students**

Debbie Blake asked for approval of the Glenn County Plan for Expelled Students. An ad hoc committee has been formed to be sure all students' needs are being met. All districts have signed the plan.

Judy Holzapfel made a motion to approve the Glenn County Plan for Expelled Students as corrected. Catherine Hanes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**B. LEA Plan**

Debbie Blake gave an update on the current LEA Plan. A team has been meeting to review the plan to see how students can be better served. The goal is to come up with a plan for English Language Learners.

**C. Shared School Site Council**

Debbie Blake asked for approval to send a letter to CDE requesting combining several small School Site Councils.

Judy Holzapfel made a motion to approve the letter. Gene Massa seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**D. Board Policies**

Judy Holzapfel asked to table any action on the review of Glenn County Board Policies until next month. Gloria Valente distributed the old and revised policies to the board. A work group consisting of Gene Massa and Kathy Perez will meet with Gloria Valente to review the policies. Superintendent Barrera asked that corrections be noted on the revised policies.

**E. William Finch**

Susan Domenighini gave a PowerPoint presentation on William Finch Charter School API scores. They have improved by 35 points.

**F. PUBLIC HEARING – 6:30 P.M.**

Pursuant to Ed Code Section 60119 it was determined 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.

Gene Massa made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Judy Holzapfel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Gene Massa made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2010-01 for 2009-2010 for Special Education, Court, Opportunity School, and William Finch Charter School. Kathy Perez seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:**

Merrilee Johnson reported that insurance and contracts are done. Jess Modesto had a mild heart attack and bypass surgery. He will be out twelve weeks. Rotating administrative assistance will be set up at Learning Center South. A Foster Youth position will be advertised. A receptionist at Learning Center North has been hired.

Shirley Diaz distributed and reviewed information showing which schools are in Program Improvement and Glenn County's standing in Region II. Orland and Willows have just gone into PI status. Superintendent Barrera said Shirley Diaz and Debbie Blake play a big part in assisting the schools in Program Improvement. We will know Friday if we are getting funds to help these schools. Shirley said this year the Spelling Bee will have an oral portion.

Randy Jones is working with the districts to get the books closed for 2008-2009. Next month the unaudited actuals will be on the agenda.

Vicki Shadd reported that all district boards and Glenn County Board of Education have approved the Local Plan so it can now go to the state level. Part two of administrative training was completed today. This will be done annually. The Community Resource Fair is on October 3 at the Orland Fairgrounds.

Superintendent Barrera commended Wm. Finch Charter School for their improved test scores. The teachers are working very hard and embracing the new direction we are going. Distance Learning is now a big piece of Wm. Finch. The Superintendent met with Linda Ram, CICC Coordinator, who also attended today's Superintendent's meeting asking for their participation. Mr. Barrera attended the breakfast for Elk Creek and Princeton's distance learning students here at GCOE. The Superintendent attended and spoke at the Orland's Centennial on Friday. Arturo and Chris Stifter had the Bookmobile

in the parade on Saturday. Last Friday he went to Quincy for the Region II Superintendent's meeting. Saturday is the Senior Nutrition spaghetti feed and the Pasta Fest at Lake, HUHS Friends of Athletes is September 26, and Farm Bureau Day is September 23.

#### **11.0 BOARD MEMBER REPORT**

Kathy Perez said Princeton's sixth grade class won the Lottery and will attend King Tut's Exhibit in San Francisco free of charge.

Gene Massa said the Willows/Orland football game is in Orland on Friday.

Gail Zimmerman attended the Capay Elementary board meeting. The school is full and they will be getting two portables. He also attended the Hamilton Unified board meeting.

Catherine Hanes said that Elk Creek's enrollment is 108. They are excited about the distance learning Spanish class. They have added a guitar class.

Judy Holzapfel attended the Orland District board meeting and they approved the SELPA plan. She also attended the SELPA meeting this morning.

#### **12.0 COMMUNICATIONS:**

Superintendent Barrera shared a letter from CDE stating that the 2009-2010 budget was approved. He got an e-mail from Gene Massa regarding AB 1234 training. Scott Schmike from Golden State Risk Management will research to see if the GCBE needs this training on ethical principles and laws.

Judy Holzapfel asked if there were any nominations for the California County Board. She would like for the board to take a tour of Willows schools.

Byron Denton said at the Glenn County Fair board meeting last night it was announced that the Glenn County Fair has been rated at the top of the county fairs in California.

#### **13.0 NEXT MEETING:                      Date/Time/Location**

**October 21, 2009                      5:30 p.m.                      Willows Administration**

#### **14.0 ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

  
Judy Holzappel, Board President

  
Arturo Barrera, Superintendent

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