

# **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, SEPTEMBER 24, 2009, in the District Office Board Room.

Chairman Eric Hodson called the Board meeting to order at 7:00 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, Victor and Lisa Chavarin, Bernie Hanlon and Jeanette Ardans.

## **I. FLAG SALUTE**

Trustee Hodson led the flag salute.

## **II. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Trustee Hodson opened the floor for public comments. There were no public comments.

## **III. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

Mr. Bogan reported that on a motion by Trustee Ford, seconded by Trustee Amos it was approved by unanimous vote (5-0) to hire Carol Smith as the Work Experience Coordinator for the Crossroads Charter Academy. Mr. Bogan advised the Board that this employee had been properly screened and had met all the qualifications for the position.

## **IV. PRESENTATION – NATIONAL UNIVERSITY ACADEMY**

Mr. Bernie Hanlon with National University did a presentation on a new charter school. This school would work with students between 16 and 25 currently enrolled with the California Conversation Corps, Workforce Investment Act (WIA) and Youth Build. These are students that are attending a traditional school and have enrolled in one of these alternative schools. These programs teach the students life skills and National proposes to take over the education portion of the program. Mr. Hanlon feels Armona has a proven record handling new charter schools and would like to see AUESD authorize National University Academy, Armona. This authorization would also benefit the Armona School District with National providing a Curriculum Director for the District. The school is scheduled to open in the fall of 2010.

## **V. ACTION ITEMS**

### Agenda Item #1 – Action on Minutes of the September 10, 2009, Regular Board Meeting

Trustee Johnson made a motion to approve the Board minutes of the September 10, 2009, Board meeting as mailed. The motion was seconded by Trustee Estes, and approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

### Agenda Item #2 – Discussion/Action on the Approval of the 2008/2009 Unaudited Actual Financial Report

Andrea Materoh reviewed the Unaudited Actual for 2008/2009 and the 2009/2010 Budget. During the 2008-09 year, AUJESD spent 66.63% of the budget on classroom compensation. Schools are required to expend 60% or more of the budget on classroom compensation so we have met this requirement. Our indirect cost rate will be 4.59% in 2010/2011. This is the rate charged to programs for administrative activities for the general operation of the school. For the past three years these rates have varied from 5.11% to 6.51%. The CDE has determined that indirect rates should be under the 8% range. The ADA for 2008/09 P-II was 934.13. We used a slightly lower figure for the 2009/10 of 932.51. Crossroads Charter Academy was budgeted at 190.00 ADA and Crossroads Trade Tech was budgeted at 60.00 ADA. Both of these figures will be adjusted at P-I. The Interfund Activities for all funds lists the transfers in and out of the General Fund. It reflects indirect cost in from all other funds and transfers out represent transferring \$9,534.35 to Crossroads Charter for their Special Education expenditures from Special Education funding earned by their ADA.

The cost per mile to operate our Transportation Department has decreased by \$0.585 cents per mile to \$3.377. The cost of transportation per student decreased by \$161.76 to \$487.46 per student as a result of no After School Program transportation and no large repair costs in the previous year. Trustee Amos made a motion to approve the 2008/2009 Unaudited Actual Financial Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Estes, and approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

### Agenda Item #3 – PUBLIC HEARING – SUFFICIENCY OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

Trustee Hodson opened the Public Hearing for any comments at 7:42 p.m. on the sufficiency of instructional materials at Armona Elementary and Parkview Middle School. There were no comments. Trustee Hodson closed the Public Hearing at 7:44 p.m.

Agenda Item #4 – Discussion/Action on Resolution #092409 – A – Resolution Regarding Sufficiency of Instruction Materials

Mr. Bogan stated the with the approval of this Resolution the Board was attesting to the fact that for the 2009/2010 school year the Armona Union Elementary School District has provided each student with sufficient textbooks and instructional materials aligned to the academic content standards and consistent with the cycles and content of the curriculum frameworks. A motion to approve Resolution #092409 – A – Resolution Regarding Sufficiency or Insufficiency of Instructional Materials was made by Trustee Estes, seconded by Trustee Ford and approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

Agenda Item #5 – Discussion/Action on Resolution #092409- B – Adopting the GANN Limit

Mr. Bogan stated that this annual Resolution resolved that this Board does hereby declare that the appropriations in the Budget for the 2009-2009 and 2009-2010 fiscal years do not exceed the limitations imposed by Proposition 4. Trustee Amos made a motion to approve Resolution #092409- B – Adopting the GANN Limit, the motion was seconded by Trustee Estes and approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

Agenda Item #6 – Discussion/Action on BP/AR/E

Superintendent Bogan recommended accepting all of the following Board Policies, Administrative Regulations and Exhibits with the exclusion of BP3510 – Green School Operations.

BP/AR 0420.5	School-Based Decision Making (Delete)
AR 3110	Transfer of Funds (Delete)
BP 3110	Transfer of Funds
AR 3400	Inventories
BP/AR 3515.4	Recovery for Property Loss or Damage
BP 4119.21	Professional Standards
4219.21	
4319.21	
BP/AR 4154	Health and Welfare Benefits
4254	
4354	
BP 5021	Noncustodial Parents
BP/AR 5121	Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement
BP 5131.5	Vandalism and Graffiti
BP/AR 5131.62	Tobacco
BP/AR 5141.52	Suicide Prevention

BP/AR 5142.2	Safe Routes to School Program
BP 5145.9	Hate-Motivated Behavior
BP 6011	Academic Standards
AR 6116	Classroom Interruptions
BP 6120	Response to Instruction and Intervention
BP 6141.6	Multicultural Education (Delete)
BP 6142.94	History-Social Science Instruction
BP/AR 6175	Migrant Education Program
BP/AR 6181	Alternative School/Programs of Choice

Trustee Estes made a motion to approve the BP/AR/E presented with the exclusion of BP 3510. The motion was seconded by Trustee Amos, and approved by unanimous vote (5-0).

Agenda Item #7 – Discussion/Action on the Warrant List

On a motion by Trustee Ford, seconded by Trustee Johnson, warrants in the amount of \$190,371.40 and \$50,013.05 were approved for payment by unanimous vote (5-0).

**VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Principals' Report**

**Shawn Beck – Armona Elementary**

1. Mr. Beck reviewed Armona Elementary's STAR scores. He reported that AE had gained 42 points and our API is 750. Armona Elementary students met 19 out of 19 indicators and therefore we are not program improvement for another year. We did not meet our AYP in all areas, but we did raise enough kids up to be in a "safe harbor".
2. We called upon the California Highway Patrol to help us with our after school traffic situation. With their help the traffic and safety issues have greatly improved around Armona Elementary.

**Lance Clement – Parkview Middle School**

1. Mr. Clement also reported on Parkview's STAR scores. Parkview gained 30 points in its API and went from 663 to 693 as you can see by the numbers we are not there yet, but we are closing the achievement gap. Under our AYP the students met 17 out of 21 indicators. We did not meet our AYP in English Language Arts, but we did meet it in Math. We have seen a lot of growth in 2008/09. Over the past two years Parkview has gained 64 points.

**Laurie Blue/Misti Jennings – Crossroads Charter Academy**

1. Mrs. Blue reported her STAR information to the Board. Crossroads has struggled the two previous years and even though we did not meet our API we showed a growth of 136 points. We also met 10 out of the 12 indicators. We did not meet our AYP in math and our graduation rate.

**Xavier Pina – Armona Elementary**

1. Mr. Pina reported that both Armona Elementary and Parkview Middle School have met all three of their AMAO's. To be able to meet their AMAO their test scores have to move up one level. We have met our marks.

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

No Report.

**C. Superintendent's Report**

1. Mr. Bogan reviewed the 49 point API growth and reminded the board that a few years ago the numbers look very different. If we do as well next year and again meet 21 out of 21 indicators the district could be out of program improvement status.
2. KCSBA is holding an open house at the new Kings County Office of Education Office in Lemoore. It is scheduled for October 5<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m.

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Trustee Estes and the Board wanted the Principals to go back and thank all of the staff for their hard work instructing our children and raising our STAR scores. Great Job!

There being no further regular business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Eric Hodson Chairman of the Board of Trustees

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Steve Bogan, Secretary to the Board of Trustees