TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

02/14/2024,3:00 PM–6200 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia, CA 93277

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER

Joe Enea welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Debby Holguin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Board Members and Staff Present

2.a. Board members present: President Joe Enea, Vice President Debby Holguin, Judy Coble, Tom Link, Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, Chris Reed, Tony Rodriguez, and Ex-Officio Secretary Tim A. Hire. Staff members present: Nani Dodson, Dr. Fernie Marroquin, Jack Schreuder, Lisa Lemus, Joe Andrade, Dr. Helen Milliorn-Feller, Julie Berk, Kevin Jessee, Sara Hamilton, Tammy Bradford, Marlene Moreno, Rob Herman, John Davis, Jose Bedolla, Anthony Paz, and Chris Meyer.

3. ADA ACCOMMODATION REQUIREMENT

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The Anti-Tobacco and Marijuana Challenge Bowl will be held at the Galaxy Theatres in Tulare on February 27. March 7 is the Tulare County Spelling Bee Championship. Mock Trial was held last night at Granite Hills Law and Justice Center. UPHS was in the finals.

Mr. Hire reported that our office will be closed next Monday for President's Day.

The World Ad Expo had a record number of exhibitors this year. He hoped the board would get a chance to visit this event and support our local districts with their food booths.

This Friday, on February 16, we will host the Teacher Recruitment Fair with over 300 candidates and over districts participating. Our staff here will be allowed to start their day early, to go home early, to allow parking space for the teacher fair candidates. We have a large number of those candidates who are currently teachers who are looking to become a full-time teacher on provisional intern permits. VUSD has offered the golden handshake to over 130 employees. However, there will still be a budget challenge. Mr. Hire said he is proud of Dedi Somavia, Marvin Lopez and their staff for running such a well-attended event.

President Enea said he recently attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the new bus parking shed near Green Acres Middle School.

Mr. Hire announced to the Board that he will have Dr. Marroquin run the March board meeting as he will be in town presenting for NCERT.

He wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day and hoped they enjoyed the dessert from the Redwood Center Café students.

7. NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled on March 13, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. at TCOE, 6200 S. Mooney Blvd., Visalia.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:02 p.m.