



REPORTER

INTERVIEW WITH DR. BLANCA CAVAZOS



Region XI President

1. *Where are you most comfortable?*

My favorite spot is the couch in my den. It is perfect for catching a quick and restful nap.

5. *What is the most enjoyable part of your position as a district superintendent?*

The most enjoyable aspect of my position is the ability to work with our students, staff, Board members, parents and community members to envision how education can be delivered in our schools. I enjoy challenging them to think about schooling differently and leading them in exploring the practical ways that we can implement their ideas.

2. *What person would you most like to meet? Why?*

I would most like to meet Malala Yousafzai, winner of the Nobel Peace Prize. Her unwavering courage and her thirst for education are inspiring.

6. *What has prepared you for this position?*

I served as an assistant principal (at an adult school and a comprehensive high school) for five years, a high school principal for 13 years and a chief instructional officer at the county office of education for two years. My experiences teaching at the elementary, high school and university levels also helped to prepare me for this leadership role.

3. *What is the best advice you have given to others.*

Most major decisions do not require an immediate response. Someone else's emergency is not necessarily your emergency. Take the time to gather the information you need in order to make the best decision. Sometimes others try to rush you in an effort to have you make a decision without all the facts.

7. *What is your current feeling about Common Core?*

Challenging, rigorous, exciting

4. *What is your most enjoyable free-time activity?*

I enjoy working on home improvement projects, both indoor and outdoor. Not only do I like the ability to be creative, but I enjoy the sense of accomplishment when seeing the finished product.

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Region XI Membership Scoreboard

Charter	Oct. 2013	Oct. 2014	(+/-)
East Kern	59	59	(0)
West Kern	299	321	(+22)
Kings	105	119	(+14)
Tulare	353	439	(+86)
Inyo/Mono	24	24	(0)
CSUB Student	4	3	(-1)
Non-Assigned	6	7	(+1)
TOTALS	850	972	(+122)

CONGRATULATIONS: Region XI has shown a great increase of 122 members. This is an awesome 14% increase. Tulare Charter's increase of 86 members is a "Super" 24% growth. Our Region is shy of just 28 members for a grand total of 1000 members

"WHAT THEY SAID"

"As you go back to your charters, encourage you members to be actively involved."

Dr. Ralph Porras, State ACSA Vice President

Region XI Planning Retreat, June 17, 2014, Marriott Hotel, Bakersfield

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Kings County Annual Fall Conference, September 18, 2014

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Dr. Marc Johnson, Retired Superintendent, Sanger Unified

Kings County Charter Annual Fall Conference, September 18, 2014

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REGION XI ROUNDUP

- **Region XI's membership is starting to soar.** The 2013-2014 school year featured a gain of 100 members. (833 to 933) 12%. The current membership is 972 members. Jeff Vandernoor, Region XI Member Services Representative, plans to have special recognition for our 1,000th member. Let's go for the gold.

- **Terri Rufert**, Past Region XI President (2 terms) and Region XI Vice-President Legislative Action will be seeking the office of State ACSA Vice-President Legislative Action. There are four candidates running for this position. Terri has been very active and effective in a number of local Charter and Region XI office and events. She is currently a member of the State ACSA Board of Directors as member at large. The Region will be conducting an active campaign for her election. Members will be kept informed about the various activities and events of this important campaign. Let's do our part and get Terri elected. She is a first class educator and school administrator and will represent not only Region XI, but the entire State of California with commitment and excellence in this vital office of state ACSA Vice President and Legislative Action.

- **The Region XI Delegate Assembly** held at Hodels, Bakersfield, on October 3, 2014 had a very outstanding attendance of 57 (40 delegates) present. Special commendations to West Kern and Tulare Charter for their 100% of the Delegates attending this

important meeting. Sal Villasenor, State ACSA Legislative Advocate, presented a very informative presentation the ACSA Platform advocacy, how to read a bill, committee hearing, bill analysis, building and maintaining relationships with our State Legislators, ACSA's Action Alerts, and other topics pertaining to the Legislative scene.

"More and more Legislators are getting to know about ACSA and our involvement and positions we take," Villasenor said in his closing remarks.

Dr. Craig Wheaton, State ACSA Board Director gave a report and commented: "I really believe Terri is the right person for the job, realizing there are other good candidates running for the office of Vice President - Legislative Action."

Dave Tonini, Region XI Executive Director, reported that our Region will be sponsoring a networking social at the Leadership Summit in San Diego on November 5-8, 2014. Our next Region meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2014 at Hodel's, Bakersfield.

Blanca Cavazos, Region XI President commended the good turn out of administrators for our first Delegate Assembly of the Year.

- **Region XI's two publications**, Region XI Handbook and Region XI's Newsletter "Reporter" may be seen on-line at www.acsa.org. The quarterly newsletter is also e-mailed to our 972 members.

COMMENTS FROM YOUR REGION XI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



On October 2 the Region's first Delegate Assembly was held in Bakersfield. Sal Villasenor from ACSA spoke to the forty plus delegates on legislative advocacy; how to influence legislation through the development of relationships with local legislators and responding to Legislative Alerts that are emailed to you from ACSA. Your Association prides itself on being the one voice in California whose primary focus is speaking on behalf of all students in California. Your membership in ACSA

gives you that voice. We are over 16,000 members strong with close to 1,000 members in the Region.

Get personally involved in your association. Volunteer to serve as a Delegate to the Region Delegate Assembly. Attend one of the two social networking activities that each Charter is planning. Visit local legislative offices with representatives from your Charter. Attend Charter meetings. You do not need to be a Board Member or Officer to attend.

Become a member of the ACSA Community online.

Did you know that the month of October is National School Principal's Month? ACSA is recognizing one principal a week in each Region as part of the celebration during the month of October. One ACSA principal is randomly selected each week to receive a pizza of their choice to be delivered to their school. There are two requirements. One is that the principal has a thirty minute duty free lunch and the other is that a "selfie" is sent to ACSA of the principal and whoever is eating the pizza with her/him. I hope you were a lucky recipient of this recognition.

Your Charter is seeking nominations for Administrators of the Year. Nomination forms can be accessed on the ACSA website. The deadline is in December. There are so many administrators in the Region worthy of this recognition. It is worth your time to nominate someone.

It is a pleasure serving you as your Executive Director. Email me, text me, or call me if you want to know how to get more involved in your association or if I can support you in any way.

David Tonini

Executive Director - Region XI

REGION XI'S 2014-2015 LEADERSHIP TEAM



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President



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*Vice President
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David Tonini
Executive Director

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Greg Henry	Kings
Dr. Donya Wheeler	Tulare
Don Clark	Inyo/Mono

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Dr. Craig Wheaton	ACSA Board Director
Terri Rufert	ACSA Board Director at Large
Dr. John Snavelly	ACSA Past State Director
Dr. Sarah Koligian	State Superintendency Council (2017)
Jeff Vandernoer	Membership Services (2016)

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Lora Haston	Tulare (2015)
Dr. Guadalupe Solis	Tulare (2015)
Annie Rinaldi	Inyo/Mono (2015)



REGION XI CONDUCTS ANNUAL PLANNING SESSION IN BAKERSFIELD



Dr. Blanca Cavazos, Region XI President, chaired the 2014 Region XI Annual Planning Retreat held at the Marriott Hotel in Bakersfield in June.

The kick-off activity of the 2014 Annual Planning Session was an Executive Board meeting composed of Region XI Officers. It was held at the conference room of the Kern County Office of Education under the leadership of Dr. Blanca Cavazos, 2014-2015 Region XI President.

Dr. Ralph Porras, State ACSA Vice President, met with the eight members of the Executive Board. Business conducted at the meeting included the following:

1. Discussed Executive Board Responsibilities
2. Review of ACSA Strategic Plan
3. Establish Region XI goals for 2014-2015
4. Developed a calendar of Region XI events for 2014-2015
5. Recommended a budget of \$81,664.00 for 2014-2015
6. Heard a status report on Region XI conference by Jana Freeman, Region XI Vice President.

The planning session continued its business on June 17 at the Marriott Hotel in Bakersfield. Porras attended the morning session and commented: "As you go back to your charters, encourage your members to be actively involved."

A review and discussion on various Board Members responsibilities was conducted by Dr. Cavazos, Region XI President and Dr. Christine Frazier, Kern County Superintendent of Schools and former Region XI President and State ACSA Board Member.

Each of the major agenda topics of the previous day's Executive Board Meetings were shared with various recommendations. Other updates were given which included:

- State retirement report by Bill Black
- ACSA's Financial Plan for FY 2014-2015 by Dr. John Snavelly
- Legislative Action by Tom Addington
- Fall Conference by Jana Freeman. There will be no Region XI Conference scheduled for 2014-2015.
- Region and Charter Membership by Dave Tonini and Jeff Vandernoer
- Region Newsletter and Handbook by Dick Schlagel

Dr. Cavazos had members in attendance participating and sharing various topics throughout the planning session. Maintaining ACSA's visibility is a major goal at all levels, local Districts, Charters, Region and State.

Region XI will be seeking ways it can be recognized at the State ACSA level during 2014-2105. EDCAL will be receiving information on transitions, best practices, etc. from the local charters, Region XI and the newsletter editor.

Region XI will continue to focus on membership. Vandernoer, Region XI Membership Services Representative, reported a current membership of 933. The importance of having an outstanding Planning Conference with good attendance was shared by both Tonini and Cavazos. The Region Retreat has been allocated \$10,000, up from this year's \$3,000, for next year's event.

Next year's planning retreat has been scheduled for June 15-16, 2015. The location and specific times are still to be determined.



Dr. Ralph Porras, State ACSA Vice President, addresses the Planning Retreat attendees.

KINGS CHARTER SPONSORS 42nd ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE

Dr. Marc Johnson, retired superintendent, Sanger Unified School District, and currently serving at Fresno State University, was the keynote speaker at Kings Charter 42nd Annual Fall Conference.

Johnson's remarks through his presentation focused on "Everyday Heroes."

"School administrators and teachers need to be effective problem solvers, communicators, and collaborators,"

Johnson said in his opening comments.

He shared a quote credited to Fred Douglas: "It is easier to build a strong child than to repair a broken man."

Johnson asked the administrators, what is your role in winning and how do we define winning?

"Every kid crosses home plate. We are not to leave any kid on first base," Johnson said. "all kids must cross home plate. What does your school, district, teacher guarantee for each child?"

"Clarity precedes competence." Johnson said. "We must have goals and initiatives that focus on (1) raise all student achievement, (2) close the achievement gap between sub groups and (3) ensure a safe school environment."

He emphasized the power of Professional learning communities and that we learn together. We must have a mission, vision, values and goals.

"We must have a good first teaching. That is vital," Johnson said. "Essential standards must be determined and they need to be understood."

Johnson shared three guiding principles:

- **Hope is not a strategy.**
- **Don't blame the kids.**
- **It is about the student learning.**

He reminded attendees that "we are the only hope some kids have."

He closed his presentation with the following remark: *"The first and most important truth about a leader is that you make a difference. Be the light."*

This year's conference featured two breakout sessions, each with nine workshop presentations. Johnson presented back to back workshops on "Elementary Principal Job Alike."

13 Vendors were in attendance sharing information on their various educational products, resources and

programs throughout the conference.

A delicious buffet dinner preceded Johnson's presentation in the beautiful gym at Pioneer Middle School in Hanford. The FAST Credit Union was a major business sponsor. Jennifer Solis, FAST Marketing Director, chaired the drawing of a vast array of gifts given to conference participants. Administrators were very positive with their remarks pertaining to this year's conference.

"This is an outstanding event with wonderful and informative Break-Out Sessions," Bill Fishbough, Superintendent, Hanford High School District said.

Cheryl Silva, Assistant Superintendent, Hanford High School added: "It was a very organized event. Workshops were both informative and relevant. Good food."

"We had a great event. This year we really focused on serving all of our members." Bobby A. Peters Jr., Conference Chairperson, said. "We offered 10 different sessions that addressed different aspects of education . . . from gender identity to Google Apps."



Jennifer Solis, Vice President, FAST and Bobby Peters, Jr. Charter Conference Chairperson, confer prior to the first workshop session.



Conference participants participate in an airplane fun activity. Jennifer Sousa, Vice-President, FAST conducted the event in the Pioneer Middle School gym at the conclusion of the workshop sessions.



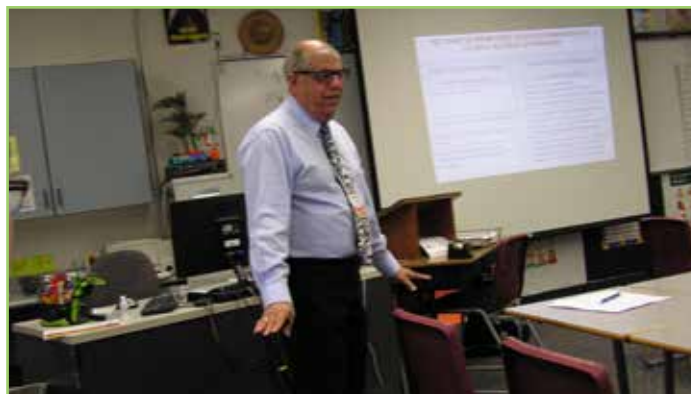
Joe De La Cruz, Southwest School & Office Supply, discusses his various products as part of the conference's vendor faire.



Karl Anderson confers with FAST business sponsor representatives of the conference prior to the workshop presentations. (L to R) Karl Anderson, Jennifer Solis, Ellen Weaver, Paula Lehn



Workshop Session...Administrators attending Marc Johnsons workshop session.



Dr. Guadalupe Solis, Deputy Superintendent, Tulare County Office of Education, conducts his workshop session.



FACES AROUND THE REGION

What are the major challenges your District is facing implementing common core?



"The main issues we face is in the area of technology. There is a severe lack of bandwidth and little support from the state in terms of connectivity at the 100 Mbps, which is the expectation."

Robert Hudson, Superintendent, Alpaugh



"Adopted textbooks are not common core. Teachers are spending valuable time supplementing the curriculum. Professional Development time is being spent writing common core benchmarks. Teachers are finding gaps between grade levels in math."

Kirsti Smith, Principal, Murray Middle School, Sierra Sands Unified School District



"We want to provide our students with curriculum and materials that are closely aligned to the Common Core State Standards. Finding appropriate resources, technology and professional development opportunities to support our teachers are the biggest challenges we face currently."

Kim Carlson, Principal, Fruitvale School District



"The challenges that our district faces is making sure that we have adequate funds to carry out all aspects of standards implementation."

Annie Rinaldi, Principal, Mammoth Middle School



"As a district we are not seeing the transition to CCSS as challenges, but instead as new opportunities to learn and prepare ourselves as educators for the benefit of equipping our students for their future."

Frank Silveira, Director of ELD/Special Projects, Exeter Unified School District

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CHARTER CHAT



We had our Kings ACSA Fall Conference and it was well attended Promotions, transitions, retirements: Steve Bogan, Superintendent Armona Elementary School District--Retired Xavier Pina, new Superintendent Armona Elementary School District Ernie Flores, new Principal at Armona Parkview Jessica

Pena, new Asst Principal Armonea Elementary School District Lisa Horne, Principal Pioneer Elementary moved to be Program Director of Shelly Baird Mike DeRosa, Asst. Principal Pioneer Elementary moved out of the area Sharon Cronk, Learning Director HESD, moved to be Principal at Pioneer Elementary Paul De La Torre, new Assistant Principal at Pioneer Elementary Stephanie Eggert, new Assistant Principal at Frontier Elementary Greg Henry, moved from Principal Pioneer Middle School, to be Asst. Principal at Sierra Pacific High School Robin Martella-Jones, new Asst Principal at Kit Carson School Mickey Yocum, new Principal at Kettleman City Elementary Freddie Guerrero, new Principal at Reef-Sunset Middle School

Charter Goals:

Strategy IV:

We will build and maintain vibrant, purposeful networks of educational communities.

- a. Information will be provided to ACSA members
- b. All new educational leaders and aspiring
- c. Members virtually connect with other members based on self-identified areas of interest (e.g., topic, specific job category) educational leaders are aware of the services ASCA and benefits of membership. as well as a larger community of educational leaders on any topic at anytime.

Strategy IX:

We will dedicate our budget, resources, and assets to the accomplishment of our mission and objectives.

- a. Through active collaboration and engagement
- b. Transparent, user-friendly budget process and of a broad representation of the membership, a budget advisory process will identify, promote and drive the organization with the most effective utilization of resources to meet our top goals and objectives. Materials keep members informed of budget and achievement of goals and objectives.

Greg Henry, Kings County President



1. Charter Goals:
We will be authoritative advocates for all matters pertaining to education and its leaders.

- Delegate assembly representatives/committee

- Increase connection with local legislative representatives
- We will be the premier provider of an array of compelling learning experiences dedicated to developing the capacity of all education leaders.
- Annual charter conference
- Spotlight on local districts (monthly presentation)
- Partnership with Tulare County Office of Education
- We will build and maintain vibrant, purposeful networks of educational communities.
- Networking socials (fall and spring)
- Partnership with Tulare County Hispanic Leadership Network

2. Membership has increased to 423 members over the past year which is a growth of 70 additional members. The challenge for our charter will be to develop activities that encourage membership participation throughout the county beyond our charter board members.

3. We will be featuring a district spotlight at each of our monthly 2014-2015 charter meetings. Charter board members or designees will be presenting an initiative or strategic action unique to their district that has improved instructional practices, school culture, and/or student learning. District spotlight may include common core implementation, professional development, linked learning/pathways instructional rounds, etc.

Donya Wheeler, Tulare County President

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TULARE COUNTY'S ANNUAL SUMMER INSTITUTE FEATURES JIM NABER

"Leading Your Team to Victory" was the theme of the 2014 Summer Institute sponsored by the Tulare County Office of Education, Jim Vidak, Superintendent, and Tulare County Charter ACSA, Lora Haston, President.

Approximately 230 school administrators in Tulare County were in attendance to hear the keynote address delivered by Jim Naber, Olympic Champion Swimmer, Network television and radio sports broadcaster, author and corporate speaker.

"Olympic champions are ordinary individuals who accomplished and get extraordinary results," Jim Naber said in his opening remarks. "They are ordinary people who have found extraordinary ways to be winners."

"There is no limit to what you can achieve," Naber said. *"If you feed your desire, eventually your desire will feed you."* Naber shared comments about a variety of Olympic champions who are winners. He encouraged administrators to create leaders on their teams. He outlined eight key factors for a successful leadership team. They include:

- Desire . . . "have a dream"
- Faith . . . ability to believe in yourself, believe it is possible. Power, passion, desire - is it possible?
- Goal . . . Set goals, seek results that are workable.
- Have and create a plan/strategy for reaching your goals and results.
- Know how to get where you want to go. Slice it up in very small sections. Establish "stepping stones."
- Hard work . . . The will to prepare to win is critical. "No deposit, no return."
- Will Power . . . What happens to you when things go bad? How do you react to adversity? What plans do you have to handle it?
- Performance under pressure . . . Encourage and display courage, have that ability to be our best when it really matters.

Naber concluded his keynote address by stating: *"If you want to lead your team to victory, you must display and apply courage."*

Conference attendees had opportunities to choose two-one hour breakout sessions.

Morning workshops available included:

Responding to disruptions of instructional and school activities, providing a safe school supportive environment, Cal STRS Basics, a lens for understanding classroom instruction and assessment and linked learning.

There were four afternoon sessions which included two not scheduled in the morning. Employee discipline: Administrator and supervisor responsibility and a suicide safer community.

Following a delicious buffet lunch and entertainment by the TCOE theatre company, Brian Roberts, Director and students, Kaley McConnaghey and Laurean Adaska. Tulare County Charter ACSA honored and recognized 18 outstanding administrators of the year. Ten High School Seniors were also the recipients of scholarships awarded by ACSA. 16 vendors provided a vast array of door prizes which were presented at the conclusion of the institute.



Dr. Sarah Koligian, Superintendent, Tulare Union High School District, was in attendance to hear Jim Naber's Key Address.



Robert Groeber, Tulare County Charter, President Elect, confers with a colleague at the Summer Institute.

REGION XI COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES 2014-1015



Adult Education 2017
Terri Nuckols Ed. D.



Business Services 2015
Robert Groeber



Career Technical 2017
Dr. John Snavely



**Classified Educational
Leaders 2017**
Jeanette McDonald



**Curriculum, Instruction
& Accountability 2017**
Dr. Jeremy Powell



**Educational Options
2016**
Dr. Dean McGee



**Elementary Education
2017**
Dr. Julie Boesch



Human Resources 2015
John Rodriguez



**Middle Grades Education
2017**
Mike Tsuboi



**Secondary Education
2017**
Dr. Fernie Marroquin



**Student Services and
Special Education 2016**
Scott Chennault



**Superintendency Council
2017**
Dr. Sarah Koligian



Tech Alliance-State Appointed 2017
Dr. Kevin Silberberg



Committee Representatives for Region XI 2014 - 2015



**Co-Administration 2016
Courtney Kirchman**



**Equity Achievement &
Diversity 2016
Frank Silveira**



**Legislative Policy 2016
Jose Morales**



**Member Services 2016
Jeffrey Vandernoer**



**Retirement 2016
Bill Black**



**Small School District
2016
Don Clark**



**Urban Education 2017
Diane Cox**



**SAPEA 2017
Philomena Hall**

STATE COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPS RESPONSIBILTIES

1. Attend all state committee meetings or, if a conflict occurs, see that arrangements are made for an alternate to represent the Region.
2. Maintain communication with Region President in determining when to prepare a written/oral report for the Region Board/Region Delegate Assemblies.
3. Submit significant committee/council actions to the Region Newsletter Editor.
4. Hold region committee/council meetings (if appropriate).
5. Maintain regular communication/networking - email, fax, letter, phone, website with your job alike colleagues regarding activities of your State meetings.
6. Attend Region Planning Retreat and/or orientation workshop.

CHARTER CHAT



- Have set seven goals for 2014-2015
 - Increase membership by 5% (6 members)
 - Explore Job-A-Likes within our charter.
 - Find sponsors for charter meetings
 - Continue to maintain our Facebook account and encourage charter members to join.

- Encourage and provide a scholarship for ACSA Academies
- Attend Legislative Action Day in Sacramento (2 members)
- Visit our State Legislative Reps in Bakersfield two times this year.

- First Charter dinner meeting on October 6 in Tehachapi featured Dr. Randy Schultz, Associate Professor of Education, CSUB. His presentation focused on "Technology" and the generations.
- Next Charter meeting is scheduled for December 8, 2014 at 5:30 pm (Grape Leaf Restaurant, Ridgecrest)

Melisa Christman, East Kern President



- A professional development activity focusing on technology was presented by Mary Jane Taylor, grade 6 teacher, Endeavour Elementary School, Fruitvale School District at the Charters first meeting held at Hodels, Bakersfield on October 2nd.
- Richard Morosa, Charter Vice President and Program

Chairperson, reported that the Annual Secretary's Day Luncheon is scheduled for April 22, 2015 and that the West Kern Annual Award Dinner will be held on June 14, 2015

- Terry Wolfe will once again chair the Annual Golf Tournament. Last year this event brought in \$6,500 to be used for student scholarships.

Matt Diggle, West Kern President



- Held a very successful Charter meeting in September at Bishop.
- Don has traveled to our Region XI September and October meeting. This trip is a 6 hour each way. This is quite a commitment.
- Annie Rinaldi, Principal, Mammoth Middle School is the new Director on the Region XI Board.

- Next Charter meeting is to be held at Mammoth on December 10, 2014

Don Clark, Inyo/Mono Counties President

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KYLE STUTSMAN EXETER HIGH SCHOOL TRIBUTE

Ladies and Gentlemen, may I please have your attention. Our Mission Oak football team has been wearing pink tape on their wrists tonight to honor the life of Exeter High School student KYLE STUTSMAN.

In January of 2012 Kyle Stutsman was diagnosed with bone cancer. While continuing his studies on campus and from home, Kyle was able to maintain a 4.0 GPA. He was able to start his junior year in August on campus, but unfortunately his medical situation required the use of a new chemotherapy and he returned to treatment. This time, as he began losing his hair again, Kyle decided he would lose it on his terms. So he shaved a Mohawk and died it pink, the most recognized color for cancer awareness and issued this challenge to his peers. Kyle lost his battle with cancer Wednesday morning.

We would like to ask you to observe a moment of silence in his honor.

Exeter High School is on a mission to raise \$10,000 for the Exeter Relay for Life as part of Kyle's Legacy. If you are interested in contributing, please contact Exeter High School. Thank you.

Note: Your editor received this email from Tim Hire, Superintendent, Exeter Unified School District, on September 26, 2014

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

NOVEMBER 5 -8, 2014
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Plan to attend Region XI's
Networking Social
Location & Time TBD



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REGION XI CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 2014

2	West Kern Charter Board Meeting, Hodels, Bakersfield	7:00 am
2	Region XI Board/Delegate Assembly	8:30 am
3	Kings County Charter Board	7:00 am
6	East Kern Charter Board, 58 Diner, Tehachapi	5:30 am
10	Tulare County Charter Board, Apple Annies, Tulare	7:00 am
16-17	State Delegate Assembly, Los Angeles	TBD
21	Tulare County Charter Retirees Fall Breakfast, Apple Annies, Tulare	8:30 am
28	Kings County Charter Retirees Fall Breakfast, Vinyland, Lemoore	TBD

November 2014

5-8	State ACSA Leadership Summit, Hilton Bay Front, San Diego	TBD
7	Kings County Charter Board, Brandman University, Hanford	7:00 am
13	Region XI Board, Hodels, Bakersfield	8:30 am
14	Tulare County Charter, Apple Annies, Tulare	7:00 am

December 2014

4	West Kern Charter Board, Kern County Superintendent of Schools Office, Bakersfield	7:30 am
4	Region XI Board, Video Conference at Charter Sites, TBD	8:00 am
5	Kings County Charter Board, Brandman University, Hanford	7:00 am

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8	West Kern Charter Board, Hodels, Bakersfield	7:00 am
8	Region XI Board/Delegate Assembly, Hodels, Bakersfield	8:30 am
8	Administrators of the Year Selection Committee	11:00 am
9	Tulare Charter, Apple Annies, Tulare	7:00 am



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