



Association of California School Administrators
Region XI

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Region Board Meeting

Breakfast 8:00-8:30 a.m.

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November 12, 2015

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Tom Addington, Mimi Bonds, David Bowling, Valerie Brown, Blanca Cavazos, Ofelia Ceja-Lariviere, Don Clark, David Francis, Robert Groeber, Tim Hire, Courtney Kirchman, Richard Morosa, Darren Parson, Bobby Peters, Shirden Prince, Heather Richter, Terri Rufert, Richard Schlagel, Dr. Guadalupe Solis, David Tonini, Michael Tsuboi, Lucy VanScyoc, Michael Vogenthaler, John Werner, Craig Wheaton, Terry Wolfe

Minutes

- I. Call to Order Valerie Brown
- a. Review/Additions/Deletions and Approval of Agenda
*The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am. Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was by made by **Crai Whaeton** with the addition to the agenda of items for raffle, and was seconded by **Terri Rufert**. The motion was approved unanimously.*
Blanca requested an addition to the agenda to give a short presentation on her visit to Washington DC.
- b. Review/Approval of Minutes from October 1, 2015
*Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes was by made by **Ofelia Ceja-Lariviere** and was seconded by **Blanca Cavazos**. The motion was approved unanimously.*
- II. President's Report Valerie Brown
- a. Networking
The meeting began with a get to know you. Each member introduced themselves and shared one thing that they were grateful for about their district.
- b. Equity Institute/Skype with Lisa Andrew
Lisa Andrew from the Equity Institute presented a Skype presentation on making the Equity Institute effort work in Region XI. The institute will be a project based institute to learn about equitable practices at a school and district, and how to be leaders of this endeavor. Issues will be resolved in collaborative efforts between sites



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and the institute. The first session will begin the first weekend of January (January 7th and 8th), followed by monthly meetings. Scholarships will be available to assist in the cost of attending. Advertisements and fliers are available to assist in advertising this resource and training.

c. Leadership Summit Report

Val shared that the Summit was exceptional, from the key-note speakers to the break out sections. The Region XI reception was attended by over a hundred members state wide in support of Craig Wheaton's candidacy. The awards gala was an exciting event honoring and recognizing Region XI recipients. Don Clark shared that the attorney representing us in the Vergara case was inspiring. Terri Ruffert mentioned that this is available for listening/viewing on the ACSA website, in easy to understand laymen terms. The tone of the conference was student centered and all who shared were overwhelmed by different experiences throughout the Summit. Approximately 60 members from Region XI attended the Summit.

John Werner was introduced as the representative of Adult Education for Region XI.

d. Appointment of John Werner, Adult Education Committee

III. Legislative Action VP Report

Tom Addington

At the last delegate assembly, input is needed at the region level about ACSA representing legislative candidates in local elections. The consensus at the delegate assembly was that ACSAs current practice is not benefiting ACSA with their connection to legislatures. To be more influential, two recommendations came out; reducing from the current 64 endorsements state wide to one per region (19 statewide) thus increasing the monetary contribution available from ACSA for one candidate. The other recommendation was looking at ten endorsements state wide, thereby combining regions where necessary. A group discussion took place weighing



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the pros and cons of maintaining ACSAs current practice versus reducing endorsements to 19 or 10 candidates.

In our discussion it was pointed out that relationships with legislatures could and should go beyond monetary contributions, such as volunteering on their campaigns. Often times sacrificing personal time to a candidacy is as powerful as a monetary contribution.

April 3rd and 4th is Legislative Action Day in Sacramento. Region XI will support two individuals from each charter. Please begin preparing for Legislative Action Day at the Charter level.

- IV. State Directors' Report Craig Wheaton/Terri Rufert
There was no meeting therefore no report.
- V. Treasurer's Report Lisa Horne
*The treasures report was passed out and discussed. Total shares is at \$99,247.78 and total drafts at \$11,356.00. A motion to approve the treasures report as presented was made by **Terry** Wolfe and was seconded by **Robert** Groeber. The motion was approved unanimously.*
- VI. ACSA Washington DC Trip Blanca Cavazos
Blanca shared the details of her recent trip to Washington DC. ACSA was well known in the Washington DC circles. There was meetings and preparation for meetings throughout the trip. The ESEA reauthorization was first and foremost on the agenda. ACSA lobbied against a second reauthorization with an accountability piece (like during NCLB) with API and AYP. Data privacy of students was also a talking point. Reauthorization of the Child Nutrition Act. Food redistribution was discussed and the need to meet with CA food service directors and superintendents regarding the policy that CA is currently practicing. Blanca shared her personal moments that she took away from her experience and it was moving.



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Region XI is well revered for their efforts in local, state, and national agendas, and Terri gave special recognition to Blanca Cavazos and Don Clark for the work that they do.

VII. 2015-2016 Budget

Lisa Horne/Dave Tonini

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VIII. Membership Report

Lupe Solis

Lupe was thankful for the opportunity to serve Region XI. Membership is why we exist and to support the mission of ACSA. The membership committee established activities for every month of the year at the charter level. Emails will be sent to Charter Presidents on the activities both within the state and charter. The benefits of ACSA members will also be discussed with charter presidents to share at the charter meetings.

IX. ACSA Ambassador Report

Terry Wolfe

Eighty-eight new members were added to the membership role.

X. Executive Director Report

Dave Tonini

a. ASCD

Dave gave recognition to Mimi for the recognition of Every Student Succeeding presentations of Region XI while in Sacramento. Val was recognized for networking for the Region XI and using the stage at the Summit to network Craig Wheaton as our candidate for VP.

Guest speakers and academies at the charter level could be supported by the Region and discussions should take place at the charter levels.



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Charter presidents should submit the charter representatives to Mike Vogenthaler and Dick Schalgel for Legislative Action Day.

Two networking activities should be planned at the charter level.

Absences by charter board members should have representatives at our region meetings.

Dick is in his final year putting together our Newsletter, and was given recognition for all of his work on the newsletter and handbook. Please begin recruiting for his replacement since Dick is in his last year of being Region XI editor.

XI. Newsletter

Dick Schlagel

Dick presented the updates on the Region XI newsletter. The new ACSA handbook is available on-line at ACSA.org. The newsletter was published on October 15th and emailed to all region members. The next newsletter is targeting completion during the first week of January, and Craig Wheaton will be featured in his run for ACSA State VP. Members are also going to be solicited to have a picture and quote reacting to the Obama administration that calls for a cap on assessments and spending less than 2% of the time taking assessments.

XII. Old Business

a. Mid-State Conference

Donya Wheeler

The four Regions of 9, 10, 11 and 13 on the Mid-State Conference on March 11-13 is in San Luis Obispo, and Michael Fullen is the keynote speaker.

**Call for Presenters*

There is a link <http://goo.gl/forms/Sd9QrlZEWz> to follow if you would like to be a presenter at the Mid-State Conference. Donya is also seeking a point person from Region XI to assist in the Mid-State Conference. David Bowling volunteered, out of guilt :-) Terri announced that eleven facilitators are also needed to assist in the Mid-State conference from Region XI.

b. Administrator of the Year

David Bowling



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At the charter level applications for administrators of the year should be submitted by December 31st. Regional winners will be announced in January.

- c. Every Student Succeeding David Bowling
Applications should be chosen at the charter level and submitted by December 31st to David.
- d. Itzenhauser/Schlagel Retiree Scholarship David Bowling
No report.

- XIII. New Business
 - a. *None*

- XIV. Charter Reports
 - a. East Kern: Lisa Decker
**Miles Henderson-\$500 Scholarship for Principal Academy
Nicole Anderson spoke at the charter meeting during October. A Bunko Social is scheduled for their next meeting.
A motion to approve the \$500 Scholarship for Principal Academy was made by Terri Rufert and was seconded by Terry Wolfe. The motion was approved unanimously.*
 - b. Kings: Bobby Peters (Darren Parsons)
The fall conference was held on October 29th and there was 10 breakout sessions. The event was well attended. Kings has hosted academies and shared how valuable it is to sponsor academies.
 - c. Inyo/Mono: Don Clark
The Charter meeting was held on October 12th in Mammoth. The legislative action representatives were chosen. The next meeting will be held December 5th in Bishop.
 - d. Tulare: Robert Groeber
**Request for \$1000 for Winter Networking and Social*



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The charter meeting was held on October 9th, and the fall social this past week. A retiree breakfast was also hosted this past week. The next meeting is scheduled during November.

*A motion to approve \$1000 for Winter Networking and Social was made by Tom Addington and was seconded by **Blanca Cavazos**. The motion was approved unanimously.*

- e. West Kern: Richard Morosa

The October meeting was well attended. The next meeting is scheduled for December 3rd. Two doctoral candidates will be presenting their research information with their members during the December 3rd meeting. On February 18th, a social will take place at Rueben's Restaurant in Bakersfield at 4:00 pm. Panama Buena Vista school district will be giving a presentation on their use of technology throughout their school district.

XV. State Council & Committee Reports

- a. Co-Administration-Courtney Kirchman

Professional Development in February and March will be available. Information will be forwarded.

- b. Equity-Frank Silveira

None

- c. Retirement-David Francis

A 10.25% employee contribution and 12.85% district contribution will fully fund pensions through 2046. During 2016, the Government Pension Act will be on the state ballot capping district costs at 11%. Employees and members will be required to make up the difference affecting retirement benefits. In addition, the Voting Employment Empowerment Act will also be on the ballot. Defined benefit packages known today will end in its current state with a passage of this bill. Discussions about capping pensions at a fixed dollar amount are also gathering popularity but no bill has been proposed thus far. Speculation is that a ballot measure will likely be voted on in 2016 or 2018.

- d. Urban Education-Diane Cox



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Goals of College and Career Readiness and teacher recruitment and retention is on the forefront.

e. Adult Education –John Werner

Funding for adult education was reduced over the past few years. Legislation was pushed through with the Adult Education Block grant providing sustainable funding and partnering with Community College districts forming a consortium to support Adult Education. Budgets will roll out on December 10th. Funding for adult education is now supported through CA education code.

f. Business Services-Robert Groeber

The business meeting was held on October 22nd. This should be a positive year of funding, with 1-2 billion one-time monies available. Look for leaner years to follow. The state facilities bond will be on the November 16th ballot. Minutes will be posted in drop box.

g. Career Technical Education-John Snaveley

No report.

h. Classified Educational Leaders-Jeannette McDonald

No report. Notes available in drop box.

i. Curriculum, Instruction and Accountability-Jeremy Powell

No report. Notes available in drop box.

j. Educational Options-Dean McGee

No report

k. Elementary Education-Julie Boesch

No report

l. Human Resources-Tim Hire

Tim attended a recent HR conference and shared the resources and people available during the conference. One obvious outcome of the meeting is that there is clearly a divide between the CCTC and school administrators. Upcoming bills to be aware of include AB141 which prohibits from charging fees for induction. AB215 limits buyouts to Superintendents to 12 months. AB304 is clean up language for AB522 regarding sick days. AB375 which allows an additional six



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weeks of differential pay for maternity leave in addition to the current six weeks already allowed. January 19th is the next scheduled meeting.

m. Middle Grade-Mike Tsuboi

Middle grades met the week before the Summit, and networking and smarter balanced interim assessments was highlighted. January 21st is the next scheduled meeting.

n. Secondary Education-Lucy Van Scyoc

Notes and presentations are available in the drop box, especially concerning harassment on social media sites. There are also updates on curriculum available.

o. Superintendentcy-Sarah Koligian

No report.

XVI. Upcoming Events

- a. February 4, 2016, Region Delegate Assembly
- b. February 18-19, 2016, State Delegate Assembly
- c. March 11-13, 2016, Mid-State Conference

XVII. Next Region Meeting-December 3, 2015, Hodel's Restuarant

XVIII. Other Announcements

None

XIX. Drawing

A drawing of prizes took place for those in attendance.

XX. Adjournment

XXI. *A motion to adjourn at 11:40 am was by made by Don Clark and was seconded by Mike Vogenthaler. The motion was approved unanimously.*