

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 16, 2010**

Agenda

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of October 2, 2010  
Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 5, 2010  
Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 19, 2010
- IV. Adoption of Agenda
- V. Official Correspondence
- VI. Visitor Presentations
  - A. General Public
  - B. Employee Organizations
- VII. Superintendent's Report
  - A. Recognition of the December 2010 Employees of the Month
  - B. Recognition of SCOE Staff – 2011 TOY
- VIII. New Business
  - A. Adoption of Consent Agenda
    1. Report on Personnel Transactions
    2. Accept Donations to the Special Education Department
    3. Approve Declaration of Surplus Property and Authorization to Dispose of Surplus Property
  - B. Approval of Contracts
  - C. Authorization to Submit Grant Applications/Service Contracts and Accept Funding if Awarded; and Approval of Contracts, Positions, and Other Expenditures Associated with the Grants as Outlined in the Proposed Budgets
    1. \$13,844,552 Sacramento Community Based Coalition (SCBC) Caltrans grant from the State of California, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for the period January 1, 2011 through June 30, 2013
    2. \$26,800 2010-2011 Capital Region Cash for College grant from the California Student Aid Commission for the period October 20, 2010 through August 13, 2011
  - D. Community Input – Provisional Appointment to Fill Trustee Area IV Vacancy
  - E. First Reading and Adoption of Revisions to Board Policy 2400 – Charter School Petitions
  - F. First Reading and Proposed Elimination of Board Policy 2500 – Countywide Charter School Petitions
  - G. Board Report – Williams Update
- IX. Board Reports, Comments, and Ideas
  - A. Board Members
  - B. Board President
  - C. Committees
- X. Items for Distribution
  - A. November/December Events
  - B. November/December Visits

## XI. Adjournment

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I. President Fong called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. in the Board Room of the David P. Meaney Education Center, Sacramento County Office of Education, 10474 Mather Boulevard, Mather, California. Board members present were Greg Geeting, Brian Rivas, Brian Cooley, Harold Fong, John Scribner, and Jackie Levy. Also present were David Gordon, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board; Martin Cavanaugh, Deputy Superintendent; Teresa Stinson, General Counsel; Robin Pierson, Joyce Wright, Tammy Sanchez, Tim Taylor, Sue Stickel, John Fleischman, Assistant Superintendents; Judy Holsinger, SELPA Executive Director; Effie Crush, Chief Administrator-Human Resources; Tim Herrera, Director of Communications; Gary Barker, SCOETA; Ivan Myrick, CSEA; other staff and visitors; and Carla Miller, Recording Secretary.

II. President Fong led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. On a motion by Mr. Cooley and seconded by Ms. Levy the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of October 2, 2010 were approved. Motion carried 5 ayes, 1 abstention (Scribner).

On a motion by Mr. Cooley and seconded by Ms. Levy, the revised minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 5, 2010 were approved. Motion carried 5 ayes, 1 abstention (Scribner).

On a motion by Mr. Geeting and seconded by Mr. Rivas, the revised minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 19, 2010 were approved. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Mr. Cooley moved to adopt the agenda. Mr. Rivas seconded the motion, which carried.

V. A letter from CSBA responding to the Board letter regarding dues and various other concerns was distributed to the Board members.

VI.A. There were no requests for visitor presentations from the general public.

VI.B. There were no requests for presentations from employee organizations.

VII.A. Susan Collins, Outdoor Education Support Specialist, Sly Park, was recognized and honored as the classified employee of the month for December.

Joe Clark, ROP Sound Engineering Teacher, LINKS Academy at Marian Anderson, was recognized and honored as the certificated employee of the month for December.

VII.B. Barbara Modlin was recognized and honored as the 2011 Teacher of the Year.

Superintendent Gordon reported on the following:

- Visited and toured the National Guard facility in San Luis Obispo along with Supervisor Nottoli. We were extremely impressed with their program. Per your direction, we have initiated contact with Supervisors Peters, Serna, McGlashan, and Yee. Supervisor Nottoli has promised to get back to us by next week with an idea of how they will approach the reuse of the Boys Ranch.
- Nearly 70 students from SCOE community school programs participated in the 2010 Community School Career Fair on Thursday, October 28 at Rancho Cordova City Hall. The event offered SCOE students the chance to meet prospective employers and learn about potential job opportunities, filling out resumes, and job-hunting techniques. We want to thank the eight companies that participated: Rancho Cordova Chamber of Commerce, Walmart, Pennysaver, Hyatt Place, Five Star Bank, Office Team Specialized Administrative Staffing, Crossroads Employment Services, and Starbucks. We are planning more employment-focused activities for our students as the year progresses.
- The first LINKS Student Ambassador Leadership meeting, held on Wednesday, October 27 here at the Meaney Center, was a big success. There are 34 Student Ambassadors from SCOE community school program sites. They are training to represent their schools and SCOE programs, both on and off campus. We want to thank Trustee Geeting for taking the time to meet with the students during their workshop.
- Publicly thanked SCOE's Mather Employee Events Team for the successful repeat of the annual "Goblin-Fest" dessert event that was held on Wednesday, October 27. The event raised \$330 for SCOE's Infant Development Program. Our Landscaping students also held a plant sale in the parking lot at the same time and raised more than \$260 for their program. We appreciate Trustee Geeting for joining us for both events.
- Invited everyone to join us on Thursday, December 16 for our annual Winter Warm-Up from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. - when SCOE hosts the annual Winter Warm-Up. It is a seasonal gathering for employees here at the Mather site. Retirees are also invited. In addition, we will be collecting donations of new or gently used business attire for our LINKS Student Leadership Team of Ambassadors who are representing our schools and programs. Our thanks to the SCOE Employee Events Team for helping organize the event.
- Mark your calendars for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Academic Bowl, which will be held on Wednesday, December 15, 2010 from 10:00 a.m. to noon inside the Rosemont High School Theater. The Academic Bowl is a scholastic competition for SCOE court and community school students, but we are

expanding the program this year. This year's theme: Sustainable Development, which is a pattern of resource use designed to meet human needs, both present and future, while preserving the environment. Although more might join, we have three SCOE schools participating: Hickey, Palmiter, and Gerber. Also participating is Daylor High School, an Elk Grove continuation school.

- Reminded everyone that SCOE offices will be closed November 24-26, 2010 for the Thanksgiving holiday. Offices also will be closed from December 24 through December 31, 2010 for the Winter Break and reopening on January 3, 2011.

VIII.A. Mr. Scribner moved to approve items VIII.A.1. and VIII.A.2.; Mr. Geeting seconded the motion. Motion carried unopposed. By such action, the Board:

1. Accepted report on Personnel Transactions
2. Accepted donations to the Special Education Department

Mr. Cooley moved to approve item VIII.A.3.; Mr. Rivas seconded the motion.

3. Approved declaration of surplus property and authorization to dispose of surplus property

Mr. Scribner explained that the reason for the surplus declaration being established both in school districts and local government was because of a history of items with value to districts or local government entities being declared as surplus so that the items could be given away to others who could then take the value from them in a kind of insider trading. He does not suspect that is the case here but he believes it's a practice that we need to respect rather than grant a blanket approval without knowing what we are approving.

Mr. Cooley asked about the opposite of a case by case basis; this would allow for the disposal of the equipment or property by approved discretion of staff. In the past, we have always done this on a case by case basis.

Superintendent Gordon stated that he is not aware that this is a change from past practices. He asked Tammy Sanchez to comment on this. Ms. Sanchez verified that the practice has not changed from past years. We use this to get rid of obsolete broken furniture; we are not using this to get rid of anything with significant value.

Mr. Scribner said he would like to correct Ms. Sanchez. There has been a specific list that this board has approved in prior years because we used to joke about some of the items on the list. Ms. Sanchez responded that she changed the process a few years back.

Mr. Scribner asked if we want to continue delegating outward or at least provide a public vetting of those items, be it on a consent agenda or otherwise. The fact is they come

through so the Board is able to see them as well as the public. It doesn't become simply an item that goes through an administrative process that the public or Board is not a part of. He is not pointing any fingers he just thinks that it's one of those things that represents an erosion of the responsibilities of this Board.

Mr. Cooley asked if that would include real estate or equipment. Ms. Sanchez replied no. The only thing they this item for is broken chairs, desks, etc.

Mr. Geeting stated that this resolution is one that he worried about two years ago when he first saw it. Trustee Scribner is correct. If we were a district board, we could not do this. We could not delegate this way. The fact that we are a county board and not a district board allows us the flexibility to do this. Previously when he questioned the item the appropriate cross references were put into place to allow us that flexibility. He is open to the idea of a list, just like the list we get from personnel.

Mr. Scribner said it has also been vehicles, typewriters, other equipment that still worked but declared obsolete or no longer viable. Ms. Sanchez stated that the item says we want to use it for equipment including technology related items and supplies which is determined unnecessary or unsuitable for school use. We are just using it for the smaller equipment and supplies. When we need to dispose of a vehicle or something that large, we bring the item to the Board for approval.

Mr. Cooley said he is comfortable with the language that reads items of value would be brought back to the Board.

Ms. Levy said that the equipment and supplies value equal to under \$5000. Ms. Sanchez clarified that it is under \$500. She is talking about items that are broken; that can't be resold or used in another area. If there is something that has resalable value we would bring that list back to the Board. The process is still to bring anything we sell to the Board.

Mr. Cooley said maybe we could have our policy committee come back with a board policy that relates to surplus property. Ms. Sanchez stated that Education Code requires that we keep a list of all items over \$500. The items we purchase under \$500 are not kept on the equipment list.

She stated that Mr. Scribner is correct in that we previously have brought a list of items for Board approval. We will continue to do so on items over \$500. We haven't brought one in a long time because we are currently working on a contract on how we can dispose of those items through a company on the internet and maybe get more money for them; we are still working out the details.

Mr. Scribner apologized for bringing this issue up now rather than before the meeting. However, it is one of those issues that he believes we should clarify the language. There are past actions by other bodies which appear innocent enough but the fact is when authority is delegated away abuse can occur. There needs to be an accountability process so that there is an individual held responsible for the determination. Ms. Sanchez asked Mr. Scribner for his suggestions.

Mr. Scribner offered that the motion should include the following: establish a threshold for accountability and authorizing staff to dispose of items pursuant to the three Education Codes we reflect in the superintendent's recommendation, or under \$500 at purchase value.

Mr. Cooley and Mr. Rivas agreed to amend their motion to include Mr. Scribner's language. Motion carried unanimously.

VIII.B. Mr. Cooley moved and Ms. Levy seconded approval of the contracts as listed. Motion to approve the contracts carried.

Mr. Scribner asked about the threshold that determines which contracts come before this Board. Ms. Sanchez replied that the general rule is contracts for \$4,000 or more come to the Board for approval. If a contract is less than \$4,000 but it needs to be amended it will go to the Board for approval if the original contract and amended amount exceed \$4,000.

Mr. Scribner asked when a contract comes through the business office for sign off, does a staff member look for the specific Board action to approve that in terms of this section of our agenda. Ms. Sanchez replied yes.

Mr. Scribner asked if it is ever determined that the actions by the Board to approve a funding request also approve the subsequent contract that is brought before this organization as a result of that funding request? Ms. Sanchez responded that if there is a grant proposal and a contract at the same time, it is either put on the contract list or the grant proposal; one or the other.

Mr. Scribner asked whether the grant proposals that this Board receives specifically outline where the contract would be sublet or let out to when the grant request is approved.

Ms. Sanchez replied that if the vendor is identified at the time they are going to let it out the vendor information would be included. If we had go out to bid, we would not know who that is going to be at that time so we would describe what kind of contract we would let out and the dollar amount associated in the budget part.

Mr. Scribner asked whether it would be interpreted to be an approval of a specific contract for some vendor. Ms. Sanchez replied that we would not come back to the Board when we select a vendor. It is considered approved at the time the grant is approved.

Mr. Scribner said when this Board approves a request to move forward with a grant proposal that does not name the vendors that in some cases it is interpreted that we are also approving the contract with any subsequent vendor that is chosen without it coming back to the Board. Ms. Sanchez replied that is correct if it explicit in the proposal.

Mr. Scribner said explicit by the name of the vendor or by the type and nature of the service. Ms. Sanchez replied either.

Mr. Cooley pointed out that other local agencies and school districts have contract amounts higher than \$4,000. SCOE's number is pretty low and he appreciates it being lower. That is a pretty good number for our oversight.

VIII.C. On a motion by Mr. Rivas, seconded by Mr. Cooley and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes and 1 No (Scribner), the Board authorized staff to submit grant applications/service contracts and accept funding if awarded; and approved contracts, positions, and other expenditures associated with the grants as outlined in the proposed budgets as follows:

1. \$13,844,552 Sacramento Community Based Coalition (SCBC) Caltrans grant from the State of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for the period January 1, 2011 through June 30, 2013
2. \$26,800 2010-2011 Capital Region Cash for College grant from the California Student Aid Commission for the period October 20, 2010 through August 13, 2011

VIII.D. President Fong announced that the purpose of this item is to hear from the Trustee Area IV community on what characteristics they would like to see in a member that we may appoint. We will be receiving applications until Tuesday, November 23, 2010 and will be interviewing candidates on Tuesday, December 7, 2010. He asked if we had any speakers at this particular time. There were no speakers.

Ms. Levy asked the superintendent to tell them what he has been doing to let people know about this vacancy. Superintendent Gordon introduced Tim Herrera to respond. Mr. Herrera said upon direction from President Fong at the previous meeting, we placed a public notice in the Sacramento Bee, El España, and The Sacramento Observer. In addition to that, we sent out a press release to all the various media contacts (radio, television, and newspaper) that we have. We also went to the smaller publications like the Natomas Buzz, Citrus Heights Herald and online publications. We sent all the information to the various chambers of commerce within the Sacramento region. We also sent information to the school districts that are impacted, as well as to the superintendents asking them to circulate the information within their communities.

Mr. Geeting asked Mr. Herrera to remind us what a complete application consists of. Superintendent Gordon replied that the complete application would be a letter of application, resume, and up to three letters of recommendation, which are not required but may be submitted if the candidate wishes.

Mr. Herrera added that we are accepting applications until November 23 until 4:00 p.m.

President Fong asked Teresa Stinson, General Counsel, if we can give a general overview of the process without violating the item on the agenda. Ms. Stinson replied that based on the agenda item we could certainly outline the process.

Superintendent Gordon said we would use the same process that was used when we made the last appointment when Ms. Echandía was appointed. Once we receive all the applications, we will conduct interviews at the December 7, 2010 Board meeting. The

interviews will be 15 minutes each, including a two minute opening statement and a one minute closing statement. Board members will ask the same three questions to each applicant. The applicants will have the questions in advance by letter. The Board members will have a rating sheet in which you rate each applicant. We also ask the remaining applicants to stay in a separate room so that only the applicant being interviewed is in the main room. We cannot enforce this practice because it's an open meeting but last time, the applicants all agreed to that. After all the applicants have been interviewed, Effie Crush will compile all of the ratings and create a ranking, which you will have in front of you. Last time, with eight applicants, the Board dismissed all but three of the highest scoring applicants and used the three as a basis for discussion. Then one was eliminated and finally whittled down to the final choice. You will get all the information along with copies of the resumes during the week of November 29. Your December 7 Board agenda will be distributed on November 23 but it will take us until the following week to finalize the documents for the interviews. You will have about a week to review them before the interviews.

Mr. Cooley asked what happens if there are no applicants. Superintendent Gordon stated that we have already received one application, and several other folks have expressed interest.

Mr. Cooley asked why is the deadline time at 4:00 p.m. and not 5:00 p.m. Ms. Levy said she wanted to respond to that having been on the other side. You want a deadline that gives you a little bit of the time during the work day to process it and sort through the paperwork to ensure that all applicants meet the paper screening requirements. If the staff work day ends at 5:00 p.m. and the applications are due at 5:00 p.m., it doesn't give staff any processing time. This is the day before Thanksgiving break. This has been publicized for over a month and she doesn't feel that one hour will make that much of a difference.

Mr. Geeting asked if we were to have an extraordinary volume of applicants, can we adjust the interview time of 15 minutes to something smaller. Superintendent Gordon said that the Board has the option to paper screen the applications and are not obligated to interview everyone.

Mr. Geeting said that implies we have another session to do that kind of screening. Mr. Scribner said that the paper screen still has to occur within the public purview.

Mr. Cooley recommended there be no paper screen.

Superintendent Gordon said the law requires that all proceedings be conducted in public including the paper screening process.

VIII.E. President Fong announced that this was the first reading of revisions to Board Policy 2400 – Charter School Petitions.

Chair Geeting of the Policy Committee recommended that in the absence of objection or public comment we move the matter forward to Second Reading at the December 7, 2010 Board Meeting. There was no objection or public comment.

VIII.F. President Fong announced that this was the first reading of the proposed elimination of Board Policy 2500 – Countywide Charter School Petitions.

Chair Geeting of the Policy Committee recommended that in the absence of objection or public comment we move the matter forward to Second Reading at the December 7, 2010 Board Meeting. There was no objection or public comment.

VIII.G. Sue Stickel, Assistant Superintendent, presented the 2010-2011 Annual Report of Sacramento County Williams Reviews.

Mr. Rivas thanked Sue for her presentation. He said he would like to meet with the superintendent about some trends Mr. Rivas has seen with teacher, misassignments, and vacancies at Grant.

Mr. Geeting asked in jest how Sue managed to conduct a training session on July 7 when he knows she was at the Academic Contents Standards meeting. Ms. Stickel said she didn't actually say that she conducted the training. We have talented staff; Sherry Arnold did a wonderful job and Wendy Harris was there to back her up. Ms. Stickel thought it went more smoothly than when she is there.

Superintendent Gordon wanted to give Sue and the team a lot of credit. These are people who are drawn from virtually every office in SCOE. This is not their job and they are happy to pull together and do it because it's important and it needs to be done. You should feel very proud of your staff and the leadership because it's a big logistical undertaking.

Ms. Stickel said she was dubious of Williams at first, but the idea that you can walk in these schools and know that these students have textbooks, which is a most important piece of their learning, is wonderful. She is a big supporter and believer.

President Fong asked if the Williams inspections include the charters. Ms. Stickel replied that charters have the opportunity to opt in to the Williams process; to date none of the charters in Sacramento County have opted in.

President Fong said it's voluntary on their part regardless of their test scores and other things. Ms. Stickel replied yes.

Mr. Geeting asked if that was true statewide. Ms. Stickel replied yes.

Mr. Geeting added that there's a good reason for that and that is there's no obligation to go to a charter school; that is why the Williams' plaintiffs agreed to exempt charter schools from mandatory participation in this process.

Superintendent Gordon said there was one other piece of correspondence. He reminded the Board that they nominated Senator Steinberg for the CSBA Legislator of the Year award, unfortunately, he was not chosen. Superintendent Gordon distributed the letter from CSBA that explains who was chosen. CSBA chose two: Assemblymember Julia Brownley and Senator Joe Simitian.

IX.A. Ms. Levy reported she attended Back to School Night at Marian Anderson. She met the Teacher of the Month nominee there. It's very exciting to see a new program get started from scratch. The parents and students that she spoke with were very happy to be there. She is excited about being a mentor and started with a student at Elinor Lincoln Hickey. It is a group mentoring situation with approximately 15 mentors and 15 students and we do group activities and some partner activities. Lindsay Cathcart Pennetta is doing a marvelous job. She wrote a letter to Supervisor Susan Peters from her trustee area encouraging Supervisor Peters to support the National Guard program at the Boys Ranch. She and Tim Taylor will be meeting with Supervisor Peters on December 6, 2010 to try to enlist her support. It sounds like Supervisor Don Nottoli is in favor. She mentioned that Trustee Geeting wrote a letter to Supervisor Jimmie Yee. We only need three out of five. Tim Taylor will be joining her. She thanked Tim and Mike Borgaard for an interesting visit to the El Centro facility. She has a much better sense of what the education program there is like. The facility is nicer than she thought because of the recent modernization that was done; she was impressed with what she saw. Her heart goes out to the students in that school. Some of them have been through a lot. She thanked Tammy for the Budget Committee meeting yesterday and stated she will be reporting on it at the next meeting. The news could be worse and it could also be better. Today was a fun day for her; she toured PS7, which is the Elementary Charter School from the St. Hope program. Margaret Fortune was there and showed her around. She was very impressed with what she saw. The school has a laser-like focus on what they want those kids to accomplish and where they want them to be fifteen and twenty years from now. It was a very well-run school. She attended the cornerstone celebration for the new district office in the Folsom Cordova Unified School District, her former employer. This was an official mason ceremony. She has never been to one in her life and it was very interesting. The building should be completed in December 2011.

Mr. Scribner reported that as a result of the Bell scandal, there has been a series of legislative proposals relative to disclosing one's package of benefits and salaries. One of those bills was signed. The FPCC (Fair Political Practices Commission) is in the process of new forms and disclosures along with Form 700. That could be in place for the new April filing. It can be a fairly exhaustive list of everything you derive from your employment or being seated on a board.

Mr. Cooley reported he attended the Budget Committee meeting; it was a good discussion of our budget situation. He had an opportunity to attend the Marian Anderson Back to School Night. The campus was a lot nicer than he anticipated. He looks forward to seeing some of the Board members at CSBA next month. He just got news that SCOE will be a recipient of a Golden Bell Award for the LINKS Program. The award is a direct reflection of the work of teachers and staff.

Mr. Rivas reported he was thrilled about the Golden Bell Award for LINKS. He has never attended the award ceremony. He has heard that it is like the Academy Awards for education. Congratulations to you all. He was excited about the announcement that two of our county teachers of the year have been selected as California Teachers of the Year. That is a pretty good record for us. He thanked Executive Director Judy Holsinger for the SELPA briefing.

Mr. Geeting stated that Brian Rivas touched on our two county Teachers of the Year being selected as State Teachers of the Year. Shannan Brown and Dr. Kadhir Rajagopal are excellent representatives for the state. While he attended the Gob'lin Fest, he joined Dave Gordon briefly for his speech to the students at the LINKS Youth Leadership Ambassadors' meeting. He has participated in a couple of sessions on Academic Content Standards including one to the ACSA Region III meeting on October 21 and the other – with Sue Stickel – to a rare joint meeting with the State Board of Education and the CTC (Commission on Teacher Credentialing) on November 8. He will be moderating a panel at the CSBA Conference on the Academic Content Standards. He attended two more of the Fortune School of Education-sponsored community meetings regarding their countywide benefit charter proposal. One was at the Sam Pannell Community Center in South Sacramento and the other at St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church in Oak Park. He wanted to attend several of the community meetings to get a flavor for what the public was saying about the proposal. At each of the meetings, the public comments went different ways. On November 6, he attended the CSBA Region 6 meeting at SCOE. There was an extensive discussion with Priscilla Cox (Region 6 Representative) about CSBA's Executive Director situation. Ms. Cox promised to relay the many concerns expressed at the November 13 meeting of the CSBA Board of Directors. He is waiting for the outcome of that meeting. There were two special presentations, one by Holly Jacobsen on the Gloria Romero Open Enrollment Act and the other was on the Academic Content Standards. Last Thursday, it was a great pleasure celebrating Vicky Deane's many years of service. She is a terrific individual and was a great contributor to this Board. We all wish her very well in her new setting in Placer County. He congratulated the one returning and two new Board members whose areas are co-terminus with his trustee area, but who are board members for the Sacramento City Unified School District: Ellyne Bell, Trustee Area I, was reelected where Mr. Geeting personally resides. Ms. Bell is the Executive Director of the WIND Youth Center. Jeff Cuneo, Trustee Area II, is a public defender of youth and defends our clients at El Centro. Darrel Woo, Trustee Area VI, is a long time state employee at the Department of Insurance. He has taught a number of years at Lincoln Law School and was recruited for the Lincoln faculty by Mr. Geeting's next door neighbor. He spoke of his experience with trick-or-treaters on Halloween night.

IX.B. President Fong thanked and wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving. This has been a really difficult year for a lot of people due to the depression or recession; the economy has probably touched all of us. He is thankful that he has a job to provide for his family. He encouraged everyone to give to others while they can during this holiday season. The faces of people in need have changed. The middle class has really been touched by the recession. He reminded Board members about topics for the Board Study Sessions because he has received only one reply. The first study session will be on January 11, 2011 on charter schools. He attended Back to School Night at Marian Anderson. The sound engineering room can produce any sound of any instrument or voice. He thought it was so fascinating. He mentioned Vicky Deane moving to Granite Bay. It's a loss for us. She was here for many of the big things that we did here at SCOE; appointment of a new superintendent, positive changes of our curriculum, merger of Twin Rivers Unified School District; this building was done during her tenure and was built with no new taxes to our constituents or bonds. Brian Cooley and he are now the longest serving members behind John Scribner. It's been four years and a lot

of things have changed on this Board. In the last two years, three new Board members have come and there will be one more soon.

IX.C. There were no committee reports.

X.A. There was no distribution of the November/December Events item.

X.B. There was no distribution of the November/December Site Visits item.

XI. Mr. Geeting moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Rivas seconded the motion, which carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David W. Gordon  
Secretary to the Board

Date approved: December 7, 2010