

**TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES**

The Tulare County Board of Education met on Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the Special Education Classroom at Eagle Point Village at SCICON, 41569 Bear Creek Road, Springville, California.

**PRESENT**  
Board Members                   Celia Maldonado-Arroyo, President  
  Joe Enea, Vice-President  
  Judy Coble  
  Debby Holguin  
  Edward Peterson, D.D.S.  
  Chris Reed  
  Jim Vidak, Ex-Officio Secretary

**ABSENT**  
Board Member                   Pat Hillman

**PRESENT**  
Staff Members                   Robert Herman, Public Information Officer  
  John Caudle, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services  
  Kelley Petty, Character Counts! Coordinator  
  Jennifer Fisher, Administrative Secretary  
  Rick Mitchell, Administrator, SCICON  
  Bea Humann, Food Services Manager, SCICON  
  Dr. Pansy Ceballos, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services  
  Jeanne Nava, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
  Diane Pallanes, Lead Teacher, SCICON  
  Nancy Bruce, Circle J-Norris Ranch Lead Teacher, SCICON  
  Randy Mitchell, RN, School Nurse, SCICON  
  Mitchell Wykoff, SCICON Intern  
  Tammy Bradford, Program Manager  
  Marlene Moreno, Administrative Assistant  
  Diane Shew, Forestry Specialist SCICON  
  Kevin Humann, Maintenance Supervisor

**GUESTS**                               Guests as listed in the register, including Roy Woods, Monson-Sultana Superintendent; and Harold Wood, County Counsel.

**CALL TO ORDER**                   Board President Maldonado-Arroyo called the meeting to order and welcomed  
Pledge of Allegiance/           everyone to SCICON. Chris Reed led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Welcome

**ADA**                                   Celia Maldonado-Arroyo announced that ADA accommodations had been met.  
**ACCOMMODATIONS**

PUBLIC COMMENTS	Members of the public did not address any matter of jurisdiction.
CONSENT CALENDAR	It was moved by Enea, seconded by Peterson to approve the Consent Calendar, including minutes of the March 14, 2012 Regular Board Meeting, the March 21, 2012 Special Board Meeting , Countywide Registration of Credentials, Temporary County Certificates, and Countywide Emergency Permit Applications. Motion was unanimously carried.
SECOND READING – NEW PROGRAM POLICIES	Chris Reed asked the Board’s approval for new program policies for Child Care: Immunization Policy, Animals in the Classroom, Late Pick-up Policy, Food Allergy Policy, Eligibility and/or Need Policy. It was moved by Dr. Peterson, seconded by Enea to approve the five new Child Care Program Policies. Motion unanimously carried.
INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE APPEAL 12/13-01 Cutler-Orosi to Monson- Sultana	John Caudle introduced Mrs. Gayton to the Board. She would be presenting her case with an Spanish interpreter. Mrs. Gayton asked the Board’s approval for her appeal for her two children to attend Monson-Sultana instead of Cutler-Orosi schools due to child care issues. Superintendent Woods advised that her son had a great attendance record. Melisa Calvero from Cutler-Orosi also advised the Board that Mrs. Gayton had advised Cutler-Orosi district that Palm school would be acceptable if the Board of Education Board upheld the interdistrict denial. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Coble to approve Cutler-Orosi’s denial on student 12/13-01. There were six Ayes and no Noes. Motion unanimously carried.
INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE APPEAL 12/13-02 Cutler-Orosi to Monson- Sultana	It was moved by Enea, seconded by Coble to approve Cutler-Orosi’s denial for student 12/13-02 to attend Monson-Sultana. There were six Ayes and no Noes. Motion unanimously carried.
2011-2012 FEDERAL PRESCHOOL GRANT	Tammy Bradford requested the Board’s approval for the 2011-2012 Federal Preschool Grant for \$1,200,674. It was moved by Reed, seconded by Holguin to approve the 2011-2012 Federal Preschool Grant. Motion unanimously carried.
PERS GOLDEN HANDSHAKE	Jeanne Nava asked for approval for the PERS Golden Handshake window of April 12, 2012 to July 10, 2012. Districts showing interest were Cutler-Orosi Unified; Strathmore Union Elementary; Sundale Union Elementary and Terra Bella Elementary School Districts. It was moved by Coble to approve the PERS Golden Handshake window of 4/12/12 to 7/10/12. Enea seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC HEARING  
DATE FOR TIER III  
CATEGORICAL  
FLEXIBILITY

John Caudle asked the Board to approve May 9, 2012, 3:00 p.m. at Tulare County Office of Education for a public hearing for the Tier III Categorical Flexibility. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Dr. Peterson to approve May 9, 2012, and 3:00 p.m. as the Tier III Categorical Flexibility public hearing. Motion unanimously carried.

2012-2013 CSSF  
BUDGET HEARING  
DATE SET

John Caudle recommended the date of June 13, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. for the public hearing to allow for public input on the CSSF budget, prior to the adoption. It was moved by Reed, seconded by Coble, to set the June 13, 2012 as the date of the public hearing. Motion unanimously carried.

ADOPTION OF THE  
MULTI-HAZARD  
MITIGATION PLAN

Mr. Caudle asked the board to adopt the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. He explained under the Disaster Mitigation Act, states and local governments must have an approved, adopted hazard mitigation plan in place to be eligible for disaster assistance. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Dr. Peterson to approve and adopt the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion unanimously carried.

SCICON REPORT

Rick Mitchell reported on the 2010/2011 school year at SCICON. There were over 19,000 students who visited the campus last year consisting of sixth graders, high school counselors, fifth graders' day trip and Circle J-Norris field trips. Mr. Mitchell commended Kevin Humann and his staff for doing a tremendous job in clearing the fallen trees due to a snow storm. Mr. Mitchell announced that flyers were sent out and posted for the SCICON Summer Academy with two being offered in June. Nancy Bruce informed the Board that there is now a new planetarium available for students. Ms. Bruce also said she would like to offer the Circle J Ranch pond as a competition for STEM. Diane Shew presented a new brochure promoting SCICON as a location for conferences/weddings. Rick complimented all his staff for operating another successful year. Rick reminded the board, staff, and visitors of the annual SCICON Barbeque on Sunday, April 14. The Board thanked Rick and his staff for a great report.

NEXT SCHEDULED  
REGULAR MEETING

May 9, 2012, 3:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.