I. Call to Order – 5:30 p.m.
A regular meeting of the Wasco Union Elementary School Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Boardroom by President Jim Forrest.

Board Members Present
Mr. Jim Forrest, President   Mr. Richard Redding
Mr. Marty Jones, Clerk   Mr. Cruz Rodriguez
Mr. Ernie Sanchez

Administrators Present
Mrs. Elizabeth McCray   Mrs. Rafaela Lopez
Mrs. Susan Andreas-Bervel   Mrs. Jennifer Long
Mr. Danny Arellano   Mr. Brad Maberry
Mrs. Debbie Escobar   Mr. Kelly Richers
Mrs. Jan Hummel   Mr. Sam Torres

Classified Management Present
Mrs. Karen Evans   Mr. Rick Sanchez
Mrs. Gale Huffaker   Mr. John Yanez

Secretary Present
Mrs. Gracie Saldaña

Visitors
Mrs. Lori Albrecht, Mr. Ben Juarez, Ms. Flor Luna, Mrs. Brenda Phillips, Mrs. Helen Medrano, Mrs. Esmeralda Quintana, Mrs. Sara Reding, Mrs. Cheryl Stephens

Flag Salute
The flag was saluted.

II. Adopt Agenda
It was moved by Jones and seconded by Sanchez to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

III. Public Comments
No Public Comments

IV. Executive Session
The meeting convened in executive session at 5:32 p.m with Counsel due to possible litigation.
Regular Session
The meeting reconvened in regular session at 6:32 p.m.

Announcement of Executive Session Actions
None

V. Reading and Approval of Minutes
It was moved by Reding and seconded by Sanchez to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 13, 2011. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

VI. Public Comments
Dr. Forrest shared that the time allotted to any individual speaker is three (3) minutes. When numerous individuals wish to address the same issue, time will be limited to ten (10) minutes for the subject area. In case of numerous requests to address the same item, the Board President may select representatives to speak on each side of the item. He also reminded members of the audience to please refrain from making comments or asking questions beyond the public comment opportunity.

No Public Comments

VII. Items From Board Members
Mr. Marty Jones commended the Maintenance, Transportation and Operations Staff for the smooth transition upon the departure of Mr. Bill Ross and arrival of Mr. John Yanez. The move went over very well and he shared that it is greatly appreciated.

Mr. Richard Reding reported that he appreciated the No Parking signs by Teresa Burke and shared that he commended the City, Superintendent and Administration for their efforts.

Dr. Forrest agreed with Mr. Redding and commended the Teresa Burke Staff.

VIII. Reports
1. Mrs. McCray introduced Mrs. Susan Andreas-Bervel who provided an Attendance Presentation. Mrs. Andreas-Bervel reported on the gains and academic progress as a result of improved student attendance.

Dr. Forrest asked Mrs. Andreas-Bervel if there was a strategy for reducing the student suspensions.

Mrs. Andreas-Bervel responded that the referral and suspension lists are reviewed regularly.

Dr. Forrest commended the efforts and the diligence.

Mrs. Andreas-Bervel shared that the message of attendance is being received positively in the community.

Mr. Reding expressed the concern that the Middle School Students and the Elementary Students seem to be similar percentage in absences. He shared that maybe we have some older siblings caring for some younger siblings.

Mrs. McCray shared the importance of talking with and involving parents. This involvement allows parents to be a part of the solution just as the administration
has been doing throughout the District. She then commended the Administrative Team for their support.

Mrs. Andreas-Bervel thanked Superintendent McCray and the Board for their support. She then shared that this is truly a collective efforts from the Board Room to the Classroom.

Mrs. McCray thanked and commended Mrs. Andreas-Bervel for the presentation.

Mrs. McCray introduced Mrs. Karen Evans who reviewed the Fund Balance Report with the Board. Mrs. Evans shared with the Board that it appears that the State Trigger will be pulled this winter. Mrs. McCray commended and thanked Mrs. Evans for her report.

IX. Discussion and Action
1. It was moved by Jones and seconded by Reding to approve the personnel items. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.
   a. Accept Letter of Resignation from Linda Arellano, Classified Employee(s)
   b. Consider Approval of Certificated Employee(s)
      1. Kimberly Garcia, Academic Specialist - 4.75 hours, Thomas Jefferson
      2. Christine Glenn, Academic Specialist - 3.50 hours, John L. Prueitt
      3. Katie Smith, Academic Specialist - 3.50 hours, John L. Prueitt
      4. Jacquelyn Stonecipher, Teacher, Kindergarten, Teresa Burke
      5. Anastasia Vertiz, Teacher, First Grade, Karl F. Clemens
      6. Extended Day Teachers for Palm Avenue due to School Improvement Grant
         a. Rebecca Akins
         b. Miguel Becerra
         c. Melissa Bradex
         d. Melinda Churchwell
         e. Angela Devin
         f. Carolina Espitia
         g. Maribel Esquivel
         h. Melody Gebhardt
         i. Maria Maldonado
         j. Magda Elena Martin
         k. Helen Medrano
         l. Steffanie Pemberton
         m. Hilda Scott
         n. Cheryl Stephens
      7. Athletic Coaches
         a. Carelyn Elfstrom, Girls Soccer, Thomas Jefferson
         b. Hilary Hayes, Boys Soccer, Thomas Jefferson
         c. Jordan Scritchfield, 7th & 8th Grade Girls Basketball
         c. Consider Approval of Classified Employee(s)
            1. Virgina Horton, Technology Intervention Specialist - 3.5 Hours, Teresa Burke
            2. Erica Nunez, Student Monitor, Karl F. Clemens
            3. Mayra Velasquez, After School Activity Leader - 3.75
4. Classified Substitutes
   a. Vanessa Gutierrez, Health Clerk, John L. Prueitt
   b. Margarita Ruiz, Instructional Aide – Physical Education, John L. Prueitt
   c. Cherrie Beach, Health Clerk, Palm Avenue
   d. Andrea Garza, Student Monitor, Palm Avenue
   e. Esmeralda Reyna, Student Monitor, Thomas Jefferson
   f. Justine Groseclose, Activity Director, Palm Avenue
   g. Fabiola Moreno, Student Monitor, Thomas Jefferson
   h. Delilia Fraticelli, Food Service Assistant, Food Services
   i. Gloria Lopez, Food Service Assistant, Food Services
   j. Fabiola Moreno, Instructional Aide - Physical Education, Teresa Burke
   k. Olga Benavides, Student Monitor, Palm Avenue
   l. Justine Groseclos, Instructional Aide - Physical Education, Palm Avenue
   m. Norma Nunez, Health Clerk, Teresa Burke
   n. Delilia Fraticelli, Day Care Aide, Day Care
   o. Gloria Lopez, Day Care Aide, Day Care
   p. Peter Melgoza, Food Service Technician, Food Services

2. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Rodriguez to approve Submission of Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

3. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Jones to Discuss the Report of Kern County Grand Jury and Consideration and Possible Action on a Proposed Response. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

   The Board reviewed and discussed the report and requests that the Superintendent and Board President write a response to the Grand Jury stating that current Board Policy shall remain.

4. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Rodriguez to approve the Specific Waiver Request: to increase Kindergarten classroom average enrollment from 31 students to 33 students. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

5. It was moved by Jones and seconded by Sanchez to approve the Contract from Coast 2 Coast Soccer – Afterschool Education and Safety Program. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

6. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Rodriguez to approve the Facilities Requests from Wasco High School Boys Basketball and Wasco Park & Recreation. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

7. It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Reding to approve the Donations from Wasco Junior Woman’s Club to Teresa Burke School. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0.

X. Discussion and Information
1. Correspondence from Kern County School Board Association regarding Annual School Trustees Fall Dinner Meeting was shared with the Board.
2. Correspondence from Kern County Superintendent of Schools regarding API and AYP Targets was shared with the Board.

3. Correspondence from Westside Family Fellowship regarding School Fees was shared with the Board. Discussion was held and the Board did not choose to waive the developer fees.

4. Suspensions List was provided for the Board.

5. October Menu was provided for the Board.

6. Invitation for Lost Hills Fall Festival was shared with the Board.

XI. **Claims, Transfers and Accounts**

   It was moved by Jones and seconded by Sanchez to approve the claims, transfers and accounts for Batches 11, 12, 13, 14 and Payrolls in the amount $2,068,711.98. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0

XII. **Adjournment**

   It was moved by Sanchez and seconded by Reding to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Motion carried. Ayes: 5; Noes: 0; Absent: 0. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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