

**IMPERIAL VALLEY REGIONAL OCCUPATIONAL PROGRAM  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Adopted Minutes**

Meeting of April 13, 2017  
Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program Main Office

**CALL TO ORDER:** Ms. Armenta called the meeting to order at 6:30 a.m. The following persons were present:

**Ms. Alicia Armenta**, Board President, Imperial County Office of Education  
**Mr. Enrique Alvarado**, Board Member, Calexico Unified School District  
**Mr. Matt Hester**, Board Member, Holtville Unified School District  
**Ms. Jacinto "Jay" Jimenez**, Board Member, Central Union High School District  
**Ms. Margie Pizano**, Board Member, Calipatria Unified School District  
**Ms. Carol Sassie**, Board Member, Brawley Union High School District  
Mr. Gabriel Aguirre, Project Coordinator, Imperial Valley ROP  
Mr. Juan Campos, Project Coordinator, Imperial Valley ROP  
Ms. Cecilia Duron, Director of Business & Human Services, Imperial Valley ROP  
Ms. Lupe Garcia, Program Assistant, Imperial Valley ROP  
Mr. Edwin Obergfell, Superintendent, Imperial Valley ROP  
Ms. Wendy Prewett, Project Coordinator, Imperial Valley ROP  
Ms. Wendy Ramirez, Office Manager, Imperial Valley ROP

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mr. Hester led the pledge of allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

**CLOSED SESSION:** A motion was made by Ms. Sassie and seconded by Mr. Hester to move into Close Session. ***Motion carried unanimously.*** The Board moved into Closed Session at 6:31 a.m. to discuss the following:

Conference with Legal Counsel pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d), paragraph (1) to discuss pending litigation: Marin v. Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program, El Centro superior court case number Ecu09646.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:** A motion was made by Mr. Jimenez and seconded by Ms. Pizano to return to open session. ***Motion carried unanimously.*** The Board reconvened at 7:00 a.m. The Board accepted the application to present the claim late. The Board denied the actual claim against the Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program as to all matters alleged to have occurred.

**INTRODUCTIONS/  
ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** A motion was made by Mr. Jimenez and seconded by Mr. Hester to approve the items on Consent Agenda as presented. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

- Minutes of March 16, 2017, Regular Meeting;
- March '17 Warrant Order Numbers: 17085229-17085287; 17086105-17086174; 17087256-17087298; 17088252-17088297; 17089636-17089668.

**PERSONNEL:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**BOARD POLICY UPDATE.** The board thanked Ms. Duron for working on the Board Policy Updates. A motion was made by Mr. Alvarado and seconded by Mr. Jimenez to approve the second reading and final Board Policy Updates BP 0410 Nondiscrimination in IVROP Programs and Activities, BP 1312 Complaints Concerns the School, BP/AR 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures, Series 4000 – Personnel (all) and BP/AR 5145-7 Sexual Harassment (Students/Participants). *Motion carried unanimously.*

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

**MONTHLY BUDGET UPDATE.** Mr. Duron said there weren't any changes from last months report. She still projects deficit spending.

**IVROP COMMUNITY FOUNDATION.** Mr. Obergfell reported IVROPCF Scholarships were received for the five scholarship categories: Scholastic Achievement, Exemplary Community Involvement, IVROP/CTE, General and Foster Youth. Mr. Obergfell announced the Dancing with the Stars Gala is sold out.

**CTE/WASC UPDATE.** Mr. Campos provided the board with a CTE/WASC update. The Welding Skills Competition was held on March 17<sup>th</sup>. The Agriculture Skills Competition was held on March 31<sup>st</sup>. Both competitions were held at Imperial Valley College (IVC). The judges were from the industry and IVC faculty. All the schools participated in the Welding Competition. The IVC staff and students were very welcoming and gave a brief introduction about the pathways available at IVC. The IVROP Showcase was held on March 28<sup>th</sup> at the Casa de Mañana. Mr. Campos said staff is always looking for ways to improve. The layout was improved this year. The food classes were all able to work well together. Ms. Sassie commented she really enjoyed the food demonstration and noticed how proud the students were to present their food samples. Mr. Obergfell shared he heard great comments. Mr. Campos thanked Ms. Daniela Rodriguez for coordinating the Showcase. The Law Skills Competition was held on April 6<sup>th</sup> at Brawley Warren Field/Lion's Center. Mr. Campos shared the teachers were happy with the event. Calipatria cadet color guard attended and presented the colors. Ms. Garcia acknowledged the Guidance Technicians for coordinating the competitions and including the teachers input. Ms. Armenta requested for the Guidance Technicians to be recognized with a certificate for their hardwork. The Guidance Technicians will be attending the May Board Meeting.

Ms. Garcia was a WASC Visiting Team Member for San Bernardino ROP. Ms Garcia mentioned it was a team of five members. Ms. Garcia said she learned a lot from the other team members. Ms. Garcia shared this was her fifth visit. She was able to see the different things San Bernardino ROP is doing compared to IVROP. San Bernardino ROP had requested a two year extension. Ms. Sassie shared that board members can also become WASC visiting team members.

Mr. Campos provided the Calexico update. Mr. Camarillo's class created the perpetual trophy for the Welding Competition. Mr. Roman participated in the Agriculture Competition. The guidance technicians prepped Mr. Camarillo's and Mr. Jaime's outstanding students. Twenty-five students received Key Train/NCRC support. Mr. Campos reported thirteen Calexico students received the

NCRC. Mr. Obergfell provided the board with an update regarding the MOA presentation at Calexico. Mr Alvarado shared he was an ROP student.

**PRESENTATION:** None.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Mr. Obergfell reminded the board that if private electronic devices are used to receive or send emails or text messages. That device may be subject to California Public Records Act

**LEGISLATION:** None.

**OTHER:** *ARTICLES.* Mr. Obergfell made reference to the Imperial Valley Press articles dated March 9, 11, 13, 17, 18, 20, 25, 28, 30, 2017 and April 1, 2, 3, 6, 2017. The Calexico Chronicle Imperial Valley Weekly article dated March 9, 2017.

*EVENTS.* Mr. Obergfell reminded the board of the special board meeting scheduled for April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 am.

**BOARD AND  
SUPERINTENDENT  
COMMENTS:**

Mr. Alvarado had no comment.

Ms. Armenta wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Mr. Hester wished everyone a safe and Happy Easter break.

Mr. Jimenez wished everyone a safe and Happy Easter break.

Ms. Pizano attended the Welding Competition and the Calipatria Welding Teacher. She said she enjoyed the Showcase and wished everyone a great Easter break.

Ms. Sassie shared she attended the Welding Competition and the Law Skills Competition. She said the competitions were a lot of fun and she appreciates the work that goes into putting these competitions together. Have a Happy Easter.

Mr. Obergfell shared staff is working on a couple of grants. The Mission Minded training was well attended. Mr. Joe Apodaca, Imperial High School District; Ms. Kelia Rodriguez, Alternative Education; Ms. Jackie Valadez, Southwest High School and Ms. Carol Sassie, Brawley Union High School District attended the Mission Minded training. Mr. Obergfell informed the board he will be out of the office beginning April 17<sup>th</sup> through April 24<sup>th</sup>. He will be attending the California Workforce Association May 9-12, 2017. He reminded the board of the IVROP Special Meeting scheduled on April 26, 2017 to approve erate.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next IVROP Special Board Meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, April 26, 2017, at 6:30 a.m., at Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program (IVROP) Main Office.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 7:49 a.m.