

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

Meeting of April 14, 2022  
Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program Main Office

**CALL TO ORDER:** Ms. Armenta called the virtual meeting to order at 6:35 a.m. The following persons were present:

**Ms. Alicia Armenta**, Board President, Imperial County Office of Education  
**Mr. Lorenzo Calderon, Jr.**, Board Member, Calexico Unified School District  
**Mr. Carlos Hernandez**, Board Member, Central Union High School District  
**Mr. Matt Hester**, Board Member, Holtville Unified School District  
**Mr. Raul Navarro**, Board Member, Calipatria Unified School District  
**Ms. Gloria Santillan**, Board Member, Brawley Union High School District  
Mr. Gabriel Aguirre, Project Coordinator, Imperial Valley ROP  
Mr. Luis De La Torre, Director of Business & Human Services, Imperial Valley ROP  
Ms. Adriana Hernandez, Program Manager, Imperial Valley ROP  
Mr. Edwin P. Obergfell, Superintendent, Imperial Valley ROP  
Ms. Maria Pantoja, Project Coordinator, Imperial Valley ROP  
Ms. Wendy Ramirez, Office Manager, Imperial Valley ROP  
Ms. Stephanie Sandoval, Data Manager, Imperial Valley ROP

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

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING CLOSED SESSION:** None.

**CLOSED SESSION:** A motion was made by Mr. Calderon and seconded by Mr. Hester to adjourn into Closed Session at 6:40 a.m. Motion passed with the following roll call vote: AYES: President Armenta, Trustee Calderon, Trustee Hernandez, Trustee Hester, Trustee Navarro, and Trustee Santillan. NAYES: None. Absent: Clerk of the Board Lopez. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:** A motion was made by Mr. Hester and seconded by Mr. Calderon to return to Open Session at 7:01 a.m. Motion passed with the following roll call vote: AYES: President Armenta, Trustee Calderon, Trustee Hernandez, Trustee Hester, Trustee Navarro, and Trustee Santillan. NAYES: None. Absent: Clerk of the Board Lopez. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

Ms. Armenta reported there was no action taken during closed session.

## **PUBLIC**

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None.

## **INTRODUCTIONS/**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** A motion was made by Ms. Santillan and seconded by Mr. Hester to approve the items on Consent Agenda as presented. The consent agenda was approved with the following roll call vote: AYES: President Armenta, Trustee Calderon, Trustee Hernandez, Trustee Hester, Trustee Navarro, and Trustee Santillan. NAYES: None. Absent: Clerk of the Board Lopez. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

- Minutes of March 17, 2022, Regular Meeting;
- March '22 Warrant Order #'s: 2267891, 22168522-22168561; 22169321-22169380; 22170140-22170197; 22170203, 22170882-22170942; 22172132-2217193.

## **PERSONNEL:**

***APPOINTMENT OF PERSONNEL.*** A motion was made by Mr. Calderon and seconded by Mr. Hernandez to approve the appointment of Ms. Salma Sanchez and Ms. Danne Diaz. The appointment of personnel was approved with the following roll call vote: AYES: President Armenta, Trustee Calderon, Trustee Hernandez, Trustee Hester, Trustee Navarro, and Trustee Santillan. NAYES: None. Absent: Clerk of the Board Lopez. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

***RESIGNATION.*** A motion was made by Mr. Hester and seconded by Mr. Calderon to approve the resignation of Mr. Erick Mungarro. The resignation was approved with the following roll call vote: AYES: President Armenta, Trustee Calderon, Trustee Hernandez, Trustee Hester, Trustee Navarro, and Trustee Santillan. NAYES: None. Absent: Clerk of the Board Lopez. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

***VARIABLE TERM WAIVER.*** A motion was made by Mr. Navarro and seconded by Mr. Calderon to approve to employ Mr. Fernando Lynn and Mr. Pompeyo Tabarez, CTE instructors on the basis of a Variable Term Waiver (English Learner) for the 2022-2023 school year as part of the IVROP CTE MOA Addendums for supplemental services. The Variable Term Waiver was approved with the following roll call vote: AYES: President Armenta, Trustee Calderon, Trustee Hernandez, Trustee Hester, Trustee Navarro, and Trustee Santillan. NAYES: None. Absent: Clerk of the Board Lopez. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

***DECLARATION OF OBSOLETE VEHICLES.*** A motion was made by Mr. Hester and seconded by Ms. Santillan to approve the request to declare the vehicle obsolete and surplus. The declaration of obsolete vehicles was approved with the following roll call vote: AYES: President Armenta, Trustee Calderon, Trustee Hernandez, Trustee Hester, Trustee Navarro, and Trustee Santillan. NAYES: None. Absent: Clerk of the Board Lopez. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

***MONTHLY BUDGET UPDATE.*** Mr. De La Torre reviewed the Monthly Budget Update. He revised the budget for RN XI, LVN, and Strive. The revisions resulted in net revenue increase of \$45,431. The deficit spending continues to improve.

***IVROP COMMUNITY FOUNDATION.*** Mr. Obergfell informed the board that the IVROPCF Board met on April 12<sup>th</sup>. The IVROPCF Board heard an update on Project Ready for Life. The enrollment activity increased for Project Ready for Life. Project AB 1111 ended on March 31, 2022. He

announced the DWTS tickets are sold out. Energy Source, All Valley Urgent Care, and El Centro Motors are new sponsors. Vesper donated \$10,000 for scholarships. The IVROPCF Scholarships are currently being reviewed. One-hundred twenty-eight applications have been submitted. These are the most applications the foundation has received. The scholarship winners will be announced on May 13<sup>th</sup>. We currently have a waiting list for DWTS tickets. The foundation will be having a drawing for two Louis Vuitton lady handbags.

Let the record reflect that Mr. Hernandez departed the meeting at 7:30 a.m.

**CTE UPDATE.** Ms. Hernandez provided a CTE update. She shared Central Union High School District (CUHSD) signed the first Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with a District Services Agreement (DSA) for Desert Oasis. Brawley Union High School District (BUHSD) placed the MOA on their board agenda. The MOA has been sent to Calexico Unified School District (CUSD). Imperial County Office of Education (ICOE) senior director reviewed and okayed their MOU Addendum for us to hire their CTE instructors, but it is pending review from ICOE Deputy Superintendent and Superintendent. Ms. Hernandez shared that over 500 people attended the IVROP 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Recognition Ceremony. The Calipatria Color Guard showcased their skills by leading the presentation of colors and Danica Huerta, Southwest High School SAVAPA Student, sang the National Anthem. The CTE Outstanding Students were all provided with a goodie bag after they received their plaque. The goodie bag included desserts done by culinary students from Brawley Union, Calipatria, and Southwest High Schools. Ms. Hernandez shared a trailer on the Strong Workforce Program AG Summit. The Mobile Career Exploration Lab has been showcased at different schools throughout the Valley. We have many more visits scheduled. Information was shared regarding the upcoming activities/events. The Perkins Application was awarded for a total of \$900,620. IVROP is the LEA. The application is due on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Hernandez provided an update on Calipatria Unified School District.

**WASC UPDATE.** Mr. Aguirre provided a WASC update. The Chair and Co-chair submitted the finalized report to WASC and the visiting committee. The Superintendent, Chair, and Co-chair met with the visiting committee to discuss the overview of the visit. The team will be visiting with Mr. Joseph Williams this morning. The visiting team consists of Mr. Joseph Williams of CDCR, Ms. Cheryl Livsey of CDCR, and Ms. Margaret Posner of San Diego City College District. SLO's posters will be redistributed to reflect proper updates. The Chair and Co-chair will be working with the Criterion groups and leadership team to prepare the four groups for the visiting team to meet with. We are planning on holding meetings with each of the groups to review the self-study and walk through the visiting teams anticipated questions. The virtual visit is scheduled for May 2<sup>nd</sup> through May 4<sup>th</sup>. Staff, teachers, and the leadership team will be participating in the visit.

**PRESENTATION:** None.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**LEGISLATION:** None.

**OTHER:** **ARTICLES.** Mr. Obergfell made reference to the articles in the Imperial Valley Press.

**EVENTS.** The Dancing with the Stars Gala is scheduled for May 13<sup>th</sup> at the Quechan.

**BOARD AND  
SUPERINTENDENT**

**COMMENTS:**

Ms. Armenta thanked staff for their work.

Mr. Calderon thanked staff for their reports.

Mr. Hester had no comment.

Mr. Navarro thanked ICOE, IVROP, and Mr. Obergfell for supporting us through a tragic incident.

Ms. Santillan thanked staff for the services they provide and for the reports.

Mr. Obergfell thanked Dr. Andrus and the CUSHD team for approving the MOA. He also thanked the Calipatria Color Guard, Ms. Danica Huerta for singing the National Anthem and IVROP Staff for their work. Project ESP-eranza was a collaborative effort. Mr. Miguel Gutierrez is the Program Manager for Project ESP-eranza and Mr. Aguirre is the Coordinator overseeing Mr. Miguel Gutierrez. We will be showcasing the Mobile Career Lab at the May IVROP Board Meeting at the Ready4Life Center. He wished everyone a Happy Easter.

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next IVROP Board Meeting was scheduled for Thursday, May 19, 2022, at 6:30 a.m., at Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program (IVROP) Main Office.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 a.m.