

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

Meeting of May 19, 2016  
Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program Main Office

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

**Mr. Lorenzo Calderon**, Board Member, Calexico Unified School District  
**Ms. Patty Dockstader**, Board Member, Calipatria Unified School District  
**Ms. Jacinto "Jay" Jimenez**, Board Member, Central Union High 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  
Mr. Edwin Oberfell, Superintendent, Imperial Valley ROP  
Ms. Wendy Prewett, Project Coordinator, Imperial Valley ROP  
Ms. Wendy Ramirez, Office Manager, Imperial Valley ROP

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Mr. Aguirre reminded the board of the Employer Appreciation Luncheon scheduled for Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at Joy Sea Food Grill in Heber from 11:00 am-1:00 pm.

**INTRODUCTIONS/  
ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None.

**CLOSED SESSION:** A motion was made by Mr. Calderon and seconded by Ms. Dockstader at 6:33 a.m. to move into closed session. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:**  
A motion was made by Mr. Calderon and seconded by Ms. Dockstader at 7:22 a.m. to return to open session. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

Mr. Jimenez announced that the evaluation had been postponed for the June 16<sup>th</sup> IVROP Board Meeting to have input from the full IVROP Board. Mr. Jimenez went on to clarify that postponing the evaluation had nothing to do with Mr. Oberfell's leadership or performance.

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

- Minutes of April '16, Regular Meeting;
- April '16 Warrant Order Numbers: 16038378-16038440; 16039393-16039474; 16040537-16040578; 16041914-16041967.
- Quarterly Investment Report – ending March 31, 2016.

**PERSONNEL:** *APPOINTMENT OF PERSONNEL.* A motion was made by Ms. Sassie and seconded by Mr. Calderon to approve the appointment of Ms. Ana Esquivel. *Motion carried unanimously.*

*RESIGNATION.* A motion was made by Mr. Calderon and seconded by Ms. Dockstader to approve the resignation of Mr. Genaro Ayala, Ms. Lillian Olvera and Mr. Rogelio Vaca.

**NEW BUSINESS:** *None.*

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

*MONTHLY BUDGET UPDATE.* Ms. Duron reported there weren't any changes to the monthly budget update. She projects deficit spending will decrease.

*IVROP COMMUNITY FOUNDATION.* Mr. Obergfell announced that the 2016 DWTS Gala was another huge success. He recognized that the Gala would not be successful without the dedicated and arduous work from volunteer Wendy Ramirez (IVROP) and from the event coordinator, Ms. Marcela Miranda-Silva (IVROPCF). He also shared that the 2016 Gala was sold-out earlier and had more sponsors than prior IVROPCF Gala events. He also recognized the 2016 Stars and Instructor for making this an exciting and fun event. Ms. Dalia Rodriguez-McAuliffe (former teacher and current owner of Fitness Oasis) won Judge's Choice and Mr. Felipe Irigoyen (Business Owner-Operator Ametza Farms) won People's Choice. The early Gala results also show that it will generate over \$22,000 in net revenue for this great "fun" raising event. The net revenue will be disbursed to students via scholarships and CTE/ROP student organizations. He also announced that the IVROPCF received 59 scholarship applications this year and that 16 scholarship will be issued to students from throughout the Imperial County in the next few days. He mentioned that the IVROP Guidance Techs did a great job in announcing the application information and by offering assistance to interested students in the process. Ms. Sassie suggested that IVROP consider offering scholarship application assistance to all high school students as an additional service to schools.

*CTE/WASC UPDATE.* Mr. Campos informed the board of procedures and activities. He said the guidance technicians have been busy with the skills competitions, IVROP Showcase, common assessments and oral presentations. Mr. Campos informed the board about National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC). Mr. Obergfell mentioned the One-Stop is also supporting the NCRC. Mr. Luis De La Torre is speaking to the Imperial Valley Mall Hiring Committee about NCRC.

**PRESENTATION:** *None.*

**CORRESPONDENCE:** *E-MAIL FROM.* Mr. Obergfell made reference to an letters/e-mail received from Ms. Norma Fajardo, ICOE Senior Director, External Business; Ms. Martha Urrutia, Golden 1 Credit Union Member Service Rep Lead; Mr. Rich and Ms. Estela Ryan, and Vince Zazueta, Sixth Street Community Garden.

**LEGISLATION:** *None.*

**OTHER:** *ARTICLES.* Mr. Obergfell made reference to the Imperial Valley Press articles dated April 17, 18, 19, 20, 24, 26, 27, 29, 2016 and May 1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 2016. The Desert Review articles dated April 25, 27, 2016.

*EVENTS.* Mr. Obergfell extended an invitation to the board to the ceremonies.

**BOARD AND  
SUPERINTENDENT  
COMMENTS:**

Mr. Calderon thanked staff for their hard work and dedication.

Mr. Jimenez acknowledged the Dancing with the Stars volunteers.

Ms. Sassie thanked the Dancing with the Stars volunteers. She suggested having a luncheon for the Dancing with the Stars volunteers.

Mr. Obergfell commented about a lesson learned from the Program Return On Investment (PROI) workshop from last year. The lesson learned was that it was important for leaders, organizational staff and community to have "skin in the game" in the figurative sense. He thanked the IVROP volunteers and the IVROP Board for showing their support and their "skin in the game." He also recognized the 2016 Stars for their "skin in the game" and for the numerous positive statements that the Stars made about IVROP and IVROPCF. He also stated that IVROP leadership was meeting with Social Services to finalize the service contracts for 2016-17. He also stated that the local Workforce Development Office recently approved the contract extension of the IVROP Youth program (Project TOY) for period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The extended contract will be for over \$615,000 and it will allow an additional 200 participants to be served. He also mentioned that IVROP will enter into the summer 9/80 flex hour schedule effective June 20 through August 12, 2016. The IVROP office hours will remain the same (8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday – Friday) and participating staff will report to work accordingly. He thanked the Board for the evaluation process and he looked forward to concluding the process at the June 2016 IVROP Board Meeting.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, June 16, 2016, at 6:30 a.m., at Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program (IVROP) Main Office.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 8:15 a.m.