

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

Meeting of September 21, 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. Matt Hester, Board Member, Holtville Unified School District
Mr. Victor Lopez, Board Member, Imperial Unified 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
Mr. Luis De La Torre, Director of Business & Human Services, Imperial Valley ROP
Ms. Lupe Garcia, Program Assistant, Imperial Valley ROP
Mr. Edwin Obergfell, Superintendent, Imperial Valley ROP
Ms. Maria Pantoja, Project Coordinator, Imperial Valley ROP
Ms. Wendy Ramirez, Office Manager, Imperial Valley ROP
Mr. Luis Torres, Program Manager, Imperial Valley ROP

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mr. Lopez led the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: None.

INTRODUCTIONS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

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

- Minutes of August 17, 2017, Regular Meeting;
- August '17 Warrant Order #'s: 18106551-18106578; 18107176-18107259; 18108042-18108059; 18108693-18108715; 18109838-18109906.

PERSONNEL: ***APPOINTMENT OF PERSONNEL.*** A motion was made by Mr. Lopez and seconded by Mr. Jimenez to approve the appointment of personnel of Ms. Samantha Bernal, Mr. Adrian Ramirez, Mr. Fernando Romero and Ms. Linda Valenzuela. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

RESIGNATION. A motion was made by Mr. Jimenez and seconded by Ms. Pizano to approve the resignation of Ms. Roxanne Vega. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Matt Hester arrived at 6:34 a.m.
ACCEPT FUNDING OF. A motion was made by Mr. Lopez and seconded by Ms. Sassie to accept funding for Job Readiness (\$615,000). ***Motion carried unanimously.***

2016-2017 UNAUDITED ACTUALS WITH 2017-2018 UPDATED FINANCIAL REPORT. Mr. De La Torre announced this was the thirteenth year without findings. Mr. De La Torre informed the board what is impacting the continued deficit spending. The indirect rate was increased to 9.95%. Mr. Obergfell pointed out that IVROP is looking at the cost of doing business. A motion was made by Mr. Jimenez and seconded by Mr. Hester to approve the 2016-2017 Unaudited Actuals with 2017-2018 Updated Financial Report. *Motion carried unanimously.*

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

MONTHLY BUDGET UPDATE. Mr. De La Torre reviewed the monthly budget update.

IVROP COMMUNITY FOUNDATION. Mr. Obergfell announced the income that was generated this year with the annual Dancing with the Stars Gala. He pointed out it was a special year. Fifteen IVROPCF Scholarship awards were awarded in the five categories. The IVROPCF also supported the NCRC Certificates. Five thousand dollars were awarded to ten CTSOs. Five thousand dollars have been allocated for teacher externships. The IVROPCF board is looking into awarding a five thousand dollar scholarship to a IVROPCF scholarship recipient. Different locations are being reviewed for next years Dancing with the Stars. Mr. Hester suggested a vegetable cooler.

CTE/WASC UPDATE. Mr. Campos discussed a series of "Tech Talks" which will feature Dr. Leroy T. Brady from San Diego City College on September 20th and 21st. Dr. Brady will be visiting Calexico, Central, Southwest, and Brawley High Schools. The focus of the talks are on Guided Career Pathways, Information Communication and Technology Pathways, and Robotics. The CTE Incentive Grant Workshop will be held on September 27th at the Eagles from 12:40 pm – 3:30 pm. This event is a repeat of the workshop held during the summer for teachers and administrators that we not able to attend the first event. The workshop is focused on work-based learning, data analysis, and teacher externships.

The board was reminded that the Regional Career Technical Education Advisory Meeting will be held on October 18th at the Eagle's Lodge from 12:30pm-2pm. The meeting is open to all high school career pathways, and industry advisors. Interview Like a Champion will be held on October 18th. This event is a pilot activity that will be held at the Eagle's Lodge from 6pm-7:30pm, and is open to the community, students, and job seekers. School administration throughout the Valley have been invited to the event to see if they would like this activity for their respective school sites.

Mr. Campos provided an update on Brawley High School. The CNA class, PACH and the law enforcement class have been receiving substantial support in terms of credentialing from Luis De La Torre, and classroom assistance from both the Career Specialist and Lupe Garcia. Mrs. Garcia has been providing support with the new CNA teacher recruitment and credentialing in Brawley. Ms. Yessenia Figueroa and Mr. Fernando Calderon have been working with Brawley's Substitute Health/CNA teacher by providing career exploration, soft skill, and professional skill development, along with Developmental Assets related activities.

PRESENTATION:

Mr. Torres presented on the Homeless Task Force. Mr. Torres spoke about awareness of homeless youth. He pointed out the homelessness rate is high. In 2016 Imperial County Social Services reported 340 homeless youth between the ages of 18 and 24. Imperial County 2017 Point-in Time survey counted 91 homeless youth ages 18 to 24. Mr. Torres provided the definition for homeless youth. During the 2015-2016 school year 1,929 homeless youth PreK-12 were served by the LEA's McKinney Vento Subgrant. A recent assembly bill proposed by Mr. Todd Garcia of San Diego aims to tackle growing numbers of homeless youth through a Homeless Youth Advocacy

and Housing Program by funding local initiatives. AB 1406 would provide \$15 million annually to the California Department of Housing and Community Developing. Mr. Torres shared some articles with Project ACE honorees share their personal struggles with Senator Ben Hueso. Mr. Torres is part of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council. Mr. Torres advocates for services with homeless youth. He informed the board of available local resources for homeless youth.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

LEGISLATION: None.

OTHER: *ARTICLES.* Mr. Obergfell made reference to the Imperial Valley Press articles dated August 12, 14, 17, 20, 21, 28, 2017 and September 4, 10, 11, 2017. Imperial Valley Tech Con dated August 11, 2017. Telemundo Imperial Valley dated August 11, 2017.

EVENTS. Mr. Obergfell extended an invitation to the IVROP Employee Breakfast.

**BOARD AND
SUPERINTENDENT
COMMENTS:**

Ms. Armenta wished everyone a good month and week.

Mr. Hester suggested looking into additional revenue.

Mr. Jimenez said his "hat's off to everyone".

Mr. Lopez had no comment.

Ms. Pizano had no comment.

Ms. Sassie thanked Mr. Torres for his presentation.

Mr. Obergfell asked the board for their continued support with the MOAs. Mr. Obergfell mentioned that credit cards will be accepted as payment of live scans and for private pays in training opportunities. Mr. Obergfell recognized the work that Mr. De La Torre and Mr. Adrian Gonzales are doing. The CTE unit is also doing great work.

NEXT MEETING: The next IVROP Board Meeting was scheduled for Thursday, October 19, 2017, at 6:30 a.m., at Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program (IVROP) Main Office.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:51 a.m.