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BOARD MINUTES March 13, 2021

Pursuant to a written notice be delivered to each member of the Board of Directors of the California Association for Bilingual Education held a regular Board meeting on Saturday, March 13, 2021, via Zoom.com.

Board Members Present

Olivia Yahya, President; Barbara Flores, President Elect; Elodia Ortega-Lampkin, Vice President; Raul Maldonado, Director of Financial Affairs; Rosa Armstrong, Director of Para-Educator Affairs; Karling Aguilera-Fort, Director of Community Affairs; Cristina Alfaro, Director of IHE Affairs; Marlene Batista, Director of State and Legislative Affairs; Hugo Moreno, Director of Parent Affairs; Annie BichLoan Duong, Region I Representative; Alesha Moreno-Ramirez, Region II Representative; Carolina Serna, Region III Representative; Mary Ybarra, Region IV Representative; and Mary Elena Esquer, Region V Representative.

Staff Members & Consultants

Jan Gustafson-Corea, Chief Executive Officer; Delma Chwilinski, Director of Programs and Events; Maria Villa-Marquez, Director of Parent and Family Engagement; Joshua Jauregui, Administrative Systems Manager; Yvette Chong-Coontz, Accounting and Financial Management Consultant; Laurie Nesrala, Education Consultant and Membership Liaison; Maria Valencia, Parent Special and Interpretation & Translation; and Aida Madison, Executive Assistant.

Legal Counsel Present/Guests

Mary Hernandez, Legal Counsel; Martha Zaragoza-Diaz, Lobbyist; Sharon Merritt, CABTE President and Veronica Miranda-Pinkney, CTA Liaison.

SESSION ONE: Opening

- 1.1 Call to Order – Olivia Yahya
1.2 Roll Call – Aida Madison
1.3 Observer: Carolina Serna Timekeeper: Rosa Armstrong
1.4 Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION #1- TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR DECEMBER 12, 2020
Move: Barbara Flores Second: Carolina Serna Approved: Yes

1.5 Approval of the Minutes
MOTION #2 – TO APPROVE THE BOARD MINUTES FOR THE BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2020
Move: Marlene Batista Second: Elena Esquer Approved: Yes

SESSION TWO: CLOSED SESSION

SESSION THREE: CEO's, Directors', Region Representatives', Affiliates' and Partners' Reports

- 3.1 President's Report-** Olivia Yahya participated in interview panel for translators and interpreters. Olivia Yahya said she joined in the pre-recording of the student essay writing winners via Zoom.
- 3.2 CEO Report –** Jan Gustafson-Corea stated that the focus has been on CABA 2021, and her goals areas are highlighted in her report. Jan Gustafson-Corea stated that the Translation Services will be ready to launch after the conference. The Translation and Interpretation program will be interviewing candidates, working on website and promotion.
- 3.3 Vice President and Region Representative Reports (Region 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5) -** Elodia Ortega-Lampkin stated that the second JDA will be May 7, 2021. Region 1- Annie Duong stated the five chapters have been active. Region 2- Alesha Moreno-Ramirez stated it has been challenging to connect with the chapters by emails. Region 3- Carolina Serna stated that three chapters are very active. The Whittier chapter is continuing with their radio podcast. The Pepperdine chapter is welcoming back Reyna Garcia Ramos from sabbatical. Region 4- Mary Helen Ybarra stated that the Riverside chapter is preparing for the BEST awards. Region 5- Elena Esquer stated that Chapter 48-Ventura is planning their yearly conference in October. The Chapter 58-Antelope Valley is very busy and are promoting membership.
- 3.4 Directors' Report-**Cristina Alfaro stated she is representing CABA at collation for Teacher Quality to prepare a paper on teacher preparation.
- 3.5 CABTE Report-** Sharon Merritt, CABTE President, stated they continue to focus on four areas of: Advocacy, Strategy, Scholarship and Organization. Sharon Merritt stated they continue to work with the Bilingual Authorization Standards revision working group. The challenge has been in clinical practice through field work. Sharon Merritt stated they are working closing on new legislation regarding replacing RICA with an authentic assessment to be developed by the CTC.
- 3.6 CTA Report-** Veronica Miranda-Pinkney reminded educators about the Dolores Huerta Day on April 10th and encourage all members to conduct exercise remaindering the life of Dolores Huerta. Veronica Miranda-Pinkney stated the Ethnic Minority Early Identification and Development Program that identifies CTA members of color who are interested in expanded their roles in CTA. The deadline for applications is accepted through April 9, 2021.
- 3.7 Legislative Updates-** Martha Zaragoza-Diaz stated that CABA is co-sponsored AB 1363 (Rivas, L) Childcare: dual language learners. Martha Zaragoza-Diaz stated that AB486 (Assembly Education Committee) Elementary and secondary education.: omnibus bill. Status: Assembly Education Committee; Summary: T An "education omnibus" bill generally contains education provisions that are obsolete, and which have no "opposition" to their inclusion. The state Board of Education held a meeting on February 24, 2021, on federal waivers. SBE voted on several motions specific to seeking waivers of the federal accountability and reporting requirement consistent with the guide from the US Department of Education of February 22, 2021. SBE directed CDE staff to pursue the following:
 - Prepare a waiver, consistent with the federal template, regarding the flexibilities offered by ED for accountability and school identification, which includes decoupling accountability from this year's assessments and waiving the requirement that the Academic Achievement indicator be adjusted to account for a participation rate below 95 percent as applicable.
 - Extend the 2020-21 test administration window for both the CAASPP and ELPAC to July 30, 2021, as applicable.
 - Prepare a general waiver of the California science tests for the 2020-21 school year.
 - Create a policy means to provide assessment information this school year to parents, educators and the public.
 - Delegate authority to the State Board of Education Executive Director, in collaboration with CDE staff, to develop a waiver proposal to bring back to the Board that focuses on a plan for assessments that provide data to parents, educators, and the public which monitors the progress of students in

ELA/math and that will propose a means for uniform reporting of that data in both aggregated and disaggregated forms

SESSION FOUR: Action Items

4.1 Financial Package and Budget Variance Report for the period ending January 31, 2021.

MOTION #3 –TO APPROVE THE BUDGET VARIANCE REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2020 AS PRESENTED.

Yvette Chong-Coontz stated that total current assets increased \$1,358,521 from January 2020; \$2,069,858 to \$3,428,379. Property and equipment total assets is \$7,041,070. The total liabilities is \$5,281,408. Yvette Chong-Coontz stated we received PPPL (SBA loan) of \$457,000 that was forgiven. The total net assets is \$1,759,662. The total revenue is \$2,484,389.

Move: Elena Esquer

Second: Raul Maldonado

Approved: Yes

SESSION FIVE: Informational Items

5.1 CABE 2021 Overview and Portal

Jan Gustafson-Corea, Delma Chwilinski and Norma Rocha provided an overview of the CABE 2021 Virtual conference portal.

5.2 CABE Board Assignments

Jan Gustafson-Corea and Laurie Nesrala-Miles guided the board members on how to navigate through Google docs to find their folders for their conference assignments, contact information and portal links.

5.3 CABE Updates (Grants, offerings, Board elections)

Jan Gustafson-Corea stated one of CABE sponsors, Corwin, will sponsor a Virtual Training Series – Spring/Fall 2021 with Ivannia Soto, Ph.D. beginning in May 2021. Jan Gustafson-Corea stated the CABE Executive Board elections will be May 17-June 4, 2021. Positions that are open: Director of Financial Affairs, Director of Community Affairs, Director of Secondary and IHE, Region 1, 3 & 5. The Spring Parent/Para-Educator conference is on May 12, 2021. Cristina Alfaro, Ph.D will be the keynote. Jan Gustafson-Corea stated that the Membership Drive will kick off in March and April 2021. There will be a webinar with Malena Diez Peterson, Stanley and Yolanda Lucero and Annie BichLoan Duong.

5.4 Observer

Carolina Serna stated the meeting was very efficient. Carolina Serna stated that the environment was warm even though we were virtual. Carolina thanked everyone for their hard work.

5.5 Closing/Ultima Palabra

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned. Next regular meeting will be on Saturday, June 19, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m.