Gilbert Lopez was appointed to a provisional seat on the school board, taking the place of Diane Jensen, who resigned earlier this year. The appointment is until Dec. 2022. The seat is on the ballot in the Nov. 8, 2022 election.

Voter Opinion Poll Approved

Trustees approved a contract with FM3 Research to conduct a voter opinion poll in the community. The District wants to ensure that the learning environment for our students is high quality and supports learning.

The voter opinion poll will provide the community with the opportunity to voice their opinions regarding the:
- Overall performance of district
- Quality of education
- Quality of district facilities
- Perceived need for a bond issue
- Need for the funding of specific projects
- Willingness to support taxes for bond

Once completed, the data will be shared with the Board to guide decision making regarding a multitude of issues including District systems and facilities improvements.
**Construction Projects Moving Forward**

The School Board took action on numerous items relating to construction, refurbishment and enhancement of school and district facilities. These include:

Marko Construction was awarded a bid for:
- Lincoln MS Cafeteria and Gym HVAC Replacement
- Eric White ES Cafeteria HVAC Replacement and Re-Roofing
- Garfield ES Cafeteria HVAC Replacement
- Indianola ES Cafeteria HVAC Replacement
- Jackson ES Cafeteria HVAC Replacement
- Roosevelt ES Cafeteria HVAC Replacement
- Terry ES Cafeteria HVAC Replacement
- Washington ES Cafeteria HVAC Replacement
- Wilson ES Cafeteria HVAC Replacement

Bid awarded to Mark Wilson Construction to build the Career Technical Education Building at Selma High

Terra West Construction was awarded paving projects at Eric White, Roosevelt, and Terry Elementaries

SIM-PBK will provide architectural/engineering services for these projects:
- Roosevelt: Decommission existing Central Plant and install new roof top HVAC units
- Selma High School: Decommission existing Central Plant and install new roof top HVAC units
- Selma HS Gym: Replace existing ventilation system with new HVAC units

The same firm will provide architectural/engineering services for campus-wide projects at Eric White

Blair, Church and Flynn will provide engineering services for the maintenance building being constructed on Valley View Avenue

Teter's contract was amended for modernization projects at elementary schools

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**Donations Accepted**

A number of donations to schools and programs were accepted by the Board. They are:

Andersen Brake and Wheel, $150 for Selma High School Girls Volleyball

Dr. Keith Butterfield, $250 for Selma High School Girls Volleyball

La Estrella Market #3, $200 for Selma High School Girls Volleyball

Dr. Nimfa Nadores, $150 for Selma High School Girls Volleyball

Fresno County Track Committee, Area 1, $1,500 for Selma High School Track and Field team

John Trujillo, Max’s Brunch House Café, $125 for Roosevelt Elementary School
Employee Action

New & Transfer Employees

Program Manager, Wilson: Veronica Serrato
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Ms. Gonzalez has years of substitute teaching experience prior to becoming credentialed and working in a charter school district this past year.

4th Grade Teacher, Terry: Natalie Zuniga
Ms. Zuniga has recently returned to public education after working as a Director of Children’s Ministries for 11 years.

4th Grade Teacher, Garfield: Shelby Schmitt
Ms. Schmitt is relocating from the Stockton area after three years of elementary teaching experience. She also has numerous years of experience as an instructional assistant for a private tutoring company.

5th Grade Teacher, Wilson: Laura Lopez
Ms. Lopez completed the first portion of her internship at a charter school. Prior to that she gained numerous years of classroom experience by working as a classified support staff member in a neighboring district.

6th Grade Teacher, Eric White Katelyn Sorenson
Ms. Sorenson is a Selma alumnus and has been substitute teaching at various grade levels to gain teaching experience.

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Other HR Actions

Classified, certificated, classified confidential, classified management, and certificated management retirees were identified at the Board meeting. Their positions, school sites, and years of service in Selma Unified were publicly noted.

A Public Hearing was held on CSEA’s initial proposal to the District for contract reopeners for 2022. The District and CSEA can now begin the negotiations process.

A job description for a Special Education Paraeducator, Community-Based was created and presented to the Board. This job description better defines the roles of the classified support staff who currently work in the Adult Transition Program, which has been renamed to the Selma Adult Vocational Education (SAVE) Program.

The Board took action to eliminate a management position, Program Manager, SPED/MTSS that was created on March 28, 2022. The Board had originally created two of the aforementioned positions. In lieu of one of the positions, a position of Program Manager, Curriculum and Instruction was created. The creation of the position and the corresponding job description were approved.

Three revised job descriptions were approved by the Board. The current job description for an RSP Teacher was changed to reflect the title of Education Specialist, as well as updating duties and responsibilities. The previous job description for Pupil Services Technician actually described the duties of a Special Education Technician. The job description for an Administrative Assistant, Pupil Services, was changed to reflect the duties of a Pupil Services Technician.

The hours of the Instructional Assistants, Special Circumstance, were increased from 5.75 hours per day to 7.0 hours per day. The increased hours, statutory benefits, and Health/Welfare benefits package for the nine current employees totaled $214,181 and will be paid for by the Special Education American Rescue Local Assistance Plan funds.

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