



CENTER FOR ADVANCED RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Center for Advanced Research and Technology (CART) was held on Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Cook called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Attendance table with columns for months (August to June) and rows for Board members (Cook, Konczal, Mesfin, Awtrey, Wittrup, Nelson, Folmer), Administrators, and Staff (Watson, Bynum, Parker).

Jeremy Ward, FUSD Assistant Superintendent, College and Career Readiness, was in proxy for Dr. Nelson until his arrival at 4:18 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

MCU [Awtrey/Konczal] to approve the Agenda for December 12, 2023.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MCU [Awtrey/Wittrup] to approve the Minutes for November 14, 2023.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

- 1. N/A

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MCU [Konczal/Awtrey] to approve the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of Purchase Orders & Check Register
Approve purchase orders from November 1, 2023, through November 30, 2023, warrants numbered: 110223WB; 110923WB; 11162023; 112723WB; 113023DC.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS AND CHECK REGISTER

- 1. Approval of Conference Requests
N/A

APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE REQUESTS

- 2. Approval of Student Field Trips
N/A

APPROVAL OF STUDENT FIELD TRIPS

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ACTION

1. Approve CART 1st Interim Budget Report
Larry Corum, CUSD Financial Analyst III, reviewed the CART 1st Interim Budget Report.

MCU [Awtrey/Wittrup] to approve CART 1st Interim Budget Report.

ACTION

INFORMATION
N/A

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STAFF REPORTS

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1. Dr. Watson, CEO, wished the CART Board a very Happy Holiday and shared information about previous and upcoming CART events.
 - a. The Forensics Lab had their Crime Scene Trial today. The trial was the culmination of evidence that was collected and processed by the students. This was the crime scene which you toured during our November Board Meeting. They had a great turn out of parents and families to watch the trial.
 - b. The CART eSports Team won the FUSD eSports Tournament, this past weekend at Sunnyside High School. We are very proud of our team and Coach Rylie Hilscher.
 - c. Dr. Watson and Staci Bynum hosted a visit from Jordan Wilson who is a graduate student in the Stanford School of Public Policy at Duke University. He is currently completing research project analyzing effective CTE programs across the United States.
 - d. Graphic Arts teacher, Aaron Love, coordinated several outreach activities this month for CART. CART Movie Night, Thursday, November 16th. We had 110 CART students and 8 CART Staff who attended. 2023 Christmas Parades for both Clovis and Fresno on Saturday, December 2nd. 27 CART students participated in the Fresno Parade and 49 CART students participated in the Clovis Parade.
 - e. Tomorrow, December 13th, Multimedia Lab, will be holding their mock interviews. Many community members and lab mentors will be interviewing the students.
 - f. Thursday, December 14th, the Law Lab Advocacy Groups will be presenting their final projects to a panel of judges made up of community members. OutFront Media will review their billboard project and one will be chosen to be posted on one of their billboards around town.
 - g. The CART Business Lab took their field trip to the Jelly Belly Factory, last Friday. We have belly flops for you all, at a later date.
2. Dr. Watson also extended gratitude to the CART Board for their support and congratulated the CART Board Members, Todd Cook and Blake Konczal for being assigned to another term on the CART Board by their respective District Boards.
3. CART Board President, Todd Cook, thanked the Board as well for their service and support. He shared a story about a CART student at Clovis East High School, very enthusiastically, selling the CART program to him, as a parent. The student did not know that he was talking with the CART Board President, he was selling CART to him as a parent.

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PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – Members of the public will have an opportunity to address the Board. Presentations will be limited to three (3) minutes.

**PUBLIC
PRESENTATIONS**

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.
Respectfully submitted, Chairperson Todd Cook.
CART 12.12.23 TC/kp
MSCU=Motion (*Board Member making the motion listed*), Second (*Board Member making the second listed*), Carried Unanimously
MSC=Motion, Second, Carried (*Board members voting NO listed.*)
MSF=Motion, Second, Failed (*Board members voting NO listed.*)

ADJOURNMENT