

MORENO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF FEBRUARY 12, 2002

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 12, 2002, are being submitted to the Board of Education for approval at its Regular Board Meeting of February 26, 2002. The minutes are a complete and factual record of action taken by the Board of Education at its Regular Meeting of February 12, 2002.

**MORENO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
25634 Alessandro Boulevard
Moreno Valley, California**

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CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Education opened the meeting at 5:01 p.m. to convene into School Facilities Corporation.

The Board of Education opened the meeting at 5:04 p.m. to convene into Closed Session to discuss Private School Placements, Hearing Officer Recommendations, Public Employee Appointment, Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release, Conference with CSEA Labor Negotiator, Conference with MVEA Labor Negotiator, Conference with Real Property Negotiator, and Personnel Complaint.

Members Present

Rick Sayre, President
Jacqueline L. Ashe, Vice President
Gary E. Baugh, Clerk
John Bailey, Member
Tracey B. Vackar, Member

Administration

Norman L. Chaffin

The Board of Education reconvened into Regular Session at 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present - Ashe Present - Bailey Present - Baugh Present - Sayre Present - Vackar
Present - Chubbs (Student Rep.)

REPORT OUT
OF CLOSED
SESSION:

The Board of Education heard issues and took recommendations as presented by staff on Private School Placement Cases, Hearing Officer Recommendations, Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release, and Conference with CSEA Labor Negotiator.

The Board of Education will reconvene into Closed Session after the regular Board meeting to discuss remaining Closed Session agenda items.

Administration Present

John Costello, Deputy Superintendent, Schools/Educational Programs
Pat Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction
Cindy Stewart, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Joseph Palomino, Director, Secondary Education
Kathy Nordin, Director, Elementary Education

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Administration Present (Cont.)

Mary Jones, Principal, Vista del Lago

Kim Kruger, Interim Principal, Valley View
Mark Attebery, Principal, Moreno Valley
Pat Kelleher, Principal, Canyon Springs
Dolores Vasquez, Principal, Hidden Springs
Debbie Fay, Principal, Moreno
Bruce Hemlock, Principal, North Ridge
Paula Rynders, Principal, Armada
Sharon Cirigliano, Executive Secretary, Board of Education

Visitors

Janet Hasson	Karen Rumfola	Becky Schriener
Katherine Underwood	Ann Adler	Jesus Holguin
Tanya Sierra	Zenia Lowe	Christine Little
Colleen Kelley	Melvin Wilcutt	Louise Palomarez
Belinda Smith	Anne Prows	Linda Prows
Sue Prows	Arnold Fontaine	Mitch Drummond
McKenna Brewe	Dallin Bergquist	Sharla Bergquist
Diane Tudge	Guillermino Guillen	Robert Gordon
Kathy Schmf	Albert James	

NOTE: ALL BOARD ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO: INFORMATION, DISCUSSION, ACTION

PLEDGE OF

ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Student Board Representative Monique Chubbs.

INVOCATION: The Invocation was given by Board Member Baugh.

DATES OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

February	26, 2002	7 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting	Board Room
March	12, 2002	7 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting	Board Room
March	26, 2002	7 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting	Board Room

RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATIONS/EVENTS

Hidden Springs Elementary School held their Science Fair on February 7. All students in the third, fourth, and fifth grades were required to submit projects. One winner from each of the grade levels gave a brief summary of their project and answered questions.

Arnold Fontaine, teacher at Serrano Elementary School, was recognized for his retirement effective December 22, 2001.

Diane Tudge, elementary music teacher, spoke in support of the Arts Education Month resolution and the educational importance of exposure to the arts for District students.

SCHOOL REPORTS

Student Board Representatives present reported on the following: Monique Chubbs, Valley View, reported that the site is continuing with various African American festivities in observance of Black History Month, the Read-In was a success and she shared positive comments from participants, PEER mediation has been working with students involved with recent fights on campus, and students are gearing up and many are struggling financially to take the AP tests.

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STAFF RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS MADE AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Karen Rumfola, president of the Classified School Employees Association (CSEA), addressed Discussion Item 075 – Two Percent Budget Reserve and shared a concern about the impact of cuts on classified staffing.

Katherine Underwood, president of the Moreno Valley Educators Association (MVEA), spoke about Action Item 426 – Rating In, Professional Working Environment, Class Size, Year-Round Education (YRE), Non-Discrimination, Transfers, and California Peer Assistance, and Review (PAR) Tentative Agreements Between the District and MVEA and urged the Board to ratify this package.

Debbie Fay, president of the Association of Moreno Valley Management Personnel, spoke in support of Action Item 025 – Resolution No. 2001-02-49 – Week of the School Administrator and asked the Board to adopt this resolution.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Albert James, Midland parent, asked about the status of his concern about students carrying weapons on campus, the District's zero tolerance policy, and student safety on the campuses.

Colleen Kelley, Canyon Springs parent, spoke in support of special education teacher, Ms. Trimble.

Christine Little, president of the Community Advisory Committee, gave an update on the various activities being planned and stated that the committee has provided the Board with a letter of support for a special education teacher.

Mitchell Drummond, campus supervisor at Sunnymead Middle, shared concerns about unsubstantiated accusations by a parents that questions his character and honor.

Louise Palomarez, vice president of the Mexican Political Association, spoke against implementing proactive discipline at a school site and shared a concern about the staffing cuts made at March Mountain.

Karen Rumfola, CSEA president, commended the District's crisis team for their assistance to staff in dealing with a death of a fellow employee. She presented the proposed collective bargaining **agreement proposal** beginning July 1, 2002, through June 30, 2005. The Board of Education acknowledged receipt of the proposal and directed staff to bring it forward for public hearing and approval at the February 26 meeting.

Melvin Wilcutt, Sunnymead Middle parent, spoke about his concern with dress of employees and students, safety of the students on campus, and his harassment by certain employees.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Jacqueline L. Ashe and seconded by Tracey B. Vackar that Consent Agenda Items 001 through 003 under Superintendent, Items 101 through 102 under Deputy Superintendent, Items 201 through 208 under Curriculum and Instruction, Items 301 through 306 under Fiscal Services, Items 401 through 412 under Human Resources, and Item 501 under Student Services be approved as presented.

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VOTE: AYE – 5

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NAY- 0

ABSTAIN - 0

ACTION AGENDA

It was moved by Tracey B. Vackar and seconded by John Bailey that Action Agenda Items 025 through 030 under Superintendent, Item 125 as amended under Deputy Superintendent, Items 425 through 426

under Human Resources, and Items 525 through 535 and Item 536 as amended under Student Services be approved as presented.

VOTE: - AYE – 5

NAY - 0

ABSTAIN – 0

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

SUPERINTENDENT

075 Two Percent Budget Reserve

Mr. Chaffin reviewed the proposed savings needed for the District to meet the required two percent reserve for the remainder of this school year. The approval of this proposal is necessary in order to submit the P-2 report to the county office and be in compliance with the reserve requirement. Staff was directed to provide the Board with more details and bring back the item for action at the February 26 meeting.

DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT

175 Budget Assumptions

Dr. Costello presented the proposed 2002-03 budget guidelines. There was discussion and clarification of questions. Dr. Costello stated that this item would be tabled until after the Budget Advisory Committee has had an opportunity to review the proposal. It would be brought back to the Board in March.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT ITEM

V-A Special Education Update

BOARD DISCUSSION

Tracey Vackar brought forward the following item:

- She appreciates the process that the Board is using to select a qualified candidate for superintendent. The Board is working very hard to accomplish this.

John Bailey had no comments.

Gary Baugh brought forward the following items:

- He shared a copy of a publication addressing community service with the superintendent. He asked about receiving information from other school districts that require community service as a graduation requirement.
- He shared a concern about the District spending funds on the Japanese Exchange Program.

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- He received correspondence from a parent and asked staff to follow-up on the issues.
- He enjoyed participating in the Black History Parade on Saturday.
- He and Mr. Sayre attended the PTA awards ceremony several weeks ago. He appreciates staff bringing student recognitions before the Board and the progress staff has made.

Jackie Ashe brought forward the following item:

- She enjoyed participating in the parade. She attended the festivities. She thanked the District for allowing the Board the use of a District vehicle.

Rick Sayre brought forward the following items:

- He had a good time participating in the parade.
- In regards to the Moreno Valley Aquatic organization repaying their debts, he asked about the possibility of the organization working on projects such as painting at a school site to repay this debt.

Norman Chaffin brought forward the following item:

- He has been meeting with representatives from the sister city program. This group is looking to see if they can assist the District with the costs of the Mexican Student Exchange Program. The relationship has been cooperative.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Rick Sayre and seconded by Jacqueline L. Ashe that, there being no further items to come before the Board of Education, the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. The Board of Education convened into Closed Session at 8:35 p.m.

VOTE: AYE – 5 NAY - 0 ABSTAIN – 0

The Board of Education convened into Closed Session at 8:35 p.m. to discuss remaining Closed Session items.

REPORT OUT OF

CLOSED SESSION: There was no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Gary E. Baugh and seconded by Tracey B. Vackar that Closed Session be adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

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