

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

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF JUNE 15, 2010

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 15, 2010, are being submitted to the Board of Education for approval at its Regular Board Meeting of June 29, 2010. The minutes are a complete and factual record of action taken by the Board of Education at its Regular Meeting of June 15, 2010.

CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Education opened the meeting at 3:08 p.m. to discuss Public Employee Employment – Superintendent Search.

Members Present

Jesus M. Holguin, President
Jacqueline L. Ashe, Vice President
Rick Sayre, Clerk
Victoria Baca, Member
Tracey B. Vackar, Member

Administration

Rowena T. Lagrosa
Barbara Davis, Ed.D,
Henry H. Voros
Estuardo Santillan

Visitors

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| Janet MacMillan | Lorri Limoges-Kerns | Ann Adler |
| Librada Murrillo | Bertha Solares | Lori Ortell |

ROLL CALL: Aye – Ashe (late) Aye – Baca Aye - Holguin Aye – Sayre Aye – Vackar

Public Comments on Agenda Item

There were no public comments.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT – SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

The following team from Riverside County Office of Education discussed the Superintendent Search for the Moreno Valley Unified School District:

- Paul Jessup, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Administration and Business Services
- Patrick Kelleher, Executive Director, Division of Personnel Services
- Kevin Rubow, Coordinator, Certificated Personnel Services
- Maribel Escobar, Director, Classified Personnel Services
- Rhonda Jimenez, Personnel Specialist

Mr. Jessup began by stating that the purpose of this meeting is to have a conversation and elicit some information and how that process is conducted and how the County Office will assist the Board with this process. The participation of the community and associations will be warranted. He provided a folder with a sample recruitment plan and announcement to help use as a guide. He then asked what were the thoughts on timeline and what they would like to see happen.

There was extensive board discussion and the consensus was to hold a Town Hall meeting to obtain community input as what the community's expectations and requirements for the new Superintendent; hold an on-line survey (English/Spanish) on our district website and to provide other venues in which community members can have access to a computer (for those that don't have access to a computer at home); send out a parent link and employee link to communicate to the employees and the constitutions that a Town

Hall meeting will be held on specific dates; advertise in the local newspapers; obtain input from all organizations linked with the district (CSEA, MVEA, AMVMP, DELAC, School Site Councils, PTA, Booster Clubs, City Council, Chamber of Commerce, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and Black Chamber of Commerce).

The Board also agreed that a six month (6) timeline would be beneficial to search for the right candidate and extend this timeline if necessary; and that the district contact person would be Mr. Henry Voros, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources, any information needed would be facilitated to RCOE only from Mr. Voros' office.

Mr. Jessup

We will work with Mr. Voros to acquire all contact information and to communicate with these different organizational groups. Once we have this information, we will develop from that some characteristics and criteria and provide this to you – this is what your stakeholders are saying. And you will determine as a board, if his is what we are looking for in our Superintendent. This will form the basis for the brochure, application and how we screen. Here are the people that applied and you can decide which candidates you want to interview. For instance, we have 15 candidates; we do background checks and from that narrow down to 5-6 and then to 2-3 candidates. In addition to the brochure, we will use www.Edjoin.org; Ed Cal and CASBO for advertisements.

Board President Holguin stated that in order to expedite the Superintendent Search, the Board needs to move the regularly scheduled Board meeting of July 20th to **Tuesday, July 13, 2010 at 4:00 P.M.** in order to meet with RCOE.

Board President Holguin asked employee groups and community members present if they had any Public Comments:

Janet MacMillan, MVEA President stated, we are interested in being participants in the process for the Superintendent Search.

Lorri Limoges-Kerns, CSEA President also welcomed the invitation to participate in the process for the Superintendent Search.

Ms. Librado Murrillo, a parent representative also acknowledged her interest in being part of the Superintendent Search.

Ms. Berta Solares, a DELAC representative for Landmark Middle School was very happy to hear that DELAC will be able to provide their input in the criteria and requirements for the new Superintendent. She reminded the Board that the District has a large community of English Learners students and to keep that in mind when selecting the new Superintendent.

At 4:15 p.m. Board President Holguin called a recess until 5:00 p.m.

The Board of Education reconvened at 5:00 p.m. to convene into Closed Session to discuss matters of Public Employee Employment; Student Discipline; Conference with Real Property Negotiator; Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/ Release/Non-Reelects/Reassignments; Conference with Labor Negotiator, Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing and Pending Litigation; and Personnel Complaints.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

A parent spoke on the selection of the new Superintendent. She stressed that as a parent her rights have been violated many times. Some have been minimal, and others have been heightened since they were directed to her daughter by some of the district employees. She stated that Superintendent Lagrosa has done her job with equality. She has the power to stop her employees from treating her like this, but she hasn't. Our right of freedom of speech cannot be questioned when we are asking for participation and involvement in our children's education. Superintendent Lagrosa's work has not gone forward, because up to now she has a case on her desk that she has allowed to bring forward because she doesn't want to do her job; but you are my board members, I have voted for you especially for you Mr. Holguin and Mrs. Baca why, because I identify with Latinos and because you understand our needs. Ms. Jackie Ashe, Mr. Rick Sayre and Tracey Vackar, it's difficult for me to understand when they speak and they have been present when we are being insulted as parents. I don't know if you as Board Members are interested in how the district employees are treating district parents. I don't know if the Unions have supported you during your campaign but it was the parents that voted for you and paid for your campaign; we as parents believe that the decision to bring a new Superintendent does not need to be minimized, our district has been in Program Improvement for the last 7 years. Our children have been affected, and I hope that our new Superintendent has an answer to fix this.

The Board of Education convened into Closed Session at 5:07 p.m.

The Board of Education reconvened into Open Session at 7:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Aye – Ashe Aye – Baca Aye - Holguin Aye – Sayre Aye – Vackar

REPORT OUT
OF CLOSED
SESSION:

On a vote of 5 – 0 the Board of Education approved the dismissal of Public Employee No. 191005. There were no other reportable actions taken by the Board of Education during Closed Session.

Administration Present

Rowena T. Lagrosa, Superintendent of Schools
Barbara Davis, Ed.D, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Henry H. Voros, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Estuardo Santillan, Business Manager, Business Services
Kathy Nordin, Director Elementary Education
Daniel Reed, Director, Accountability and Assessment
Josie Ripoly, Director, Purchasing
Kim Kruger, Director, Secondary Education
Aaron Barnett, Director, Information Systems
Francine Story, Director, Finance
Ken Schmidt, Director Student Services
Stan Brown, Director, Maintenance & Operation
Sergio San Martin, Director, Facilities
Peggy Reed, Director, SELPA
Betsy Sample, Director, English Language Learner's Program
Patricia Diener, Executive Secretary, Board of Education

Visitors

Janet MacMillan
Librada Murrillo
Bertha Solares
Fredy Norton
Marian Gulnerud

Lorri Limoges-Kerns
Beverly Scott
Sebastiana de la Cruz
Alicia Espinoza
Edna Payne

Ann Adler
Debra Craig
Carmen Quesada
Gisela Gracian-Olmos
Omar Tinoco

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

PLEDGE OF

ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led Rick Sayre, Board Clerk.

INSPIRATION: The Inspiration was given by Rick Sayre, Board Clerk.

DATES OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

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| June 22, 2010 | Study Session | 5:30 p.m. | Board Room (cancelled) |
| June 29, 2010 | Regular Board Meeting | 7:00 p.m. | Board Room |
| July 13, 2010 | Regular Board Meeting | 4:00 p.m. | Board Room |
| July 27, 2010 | Study Session | 5:30 p.m. | Board Room |

RECOGNITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS/EVENTS:

Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Mr. Kevin Moncrief, Regional Director for the Moreno Valley area Soka Gakkai International.

On behalf of the Board of Education of Moreno Valley Unified School District, we want to thank Soka Gakkai International for their generous gift of flowering Cherry Trees donated to Canyon Springs High School and Valley View High School. A Peace Garden has been planted at each school to fulfill the goal of advancing peace, culture and education in our schools and improving the lives of our students.

STAFF RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS MADE AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The following is the response to the Public Comment on an Agenda Item at the May 25th Board Meeting:

A community member asked that the School Improvement Grant being submitted by March Mountain High School be scrutinized before the Board granted approval. Prior to the May 25th Board Meeting, a Study Session was held in which components of the grant were discussed with the Board. The Board also received a copy of the grant on the Friday prior to the May 25th Board Meeting and the principal was also present at the meeting in order to address questions. The grant was approved at the May 25th meeting.

The following are responses to the Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items at the May 25th Board Meeting:

A representative for a parent at Serrano Elementary commented that the administration at Serrano Elementary had not addressed the concerns brought forth by a parent regarding their students who was scheduled to be retained. As a follow up, a Student Study Team meeting was held in which the issues concerning the student's progress and next steps to address their academic progress were discussed.

A parent from North Ridge Elementary school spoke against two English Language Learner Department employees. I have completed my response to a complaint regarding the procedures which were followed at the May 21st ELAC Meeting at North Ridge Elementary and my response is currently being translated with the expectation that it will be forwarded to the complainant on Wednesday, June 16th.

A Moreno Valley Elementary teacher provided the District with ideas on how to address the budget crisis. The established stakeholder committees continue to address the budget crisis and its' impact on the 2010/2011 school year.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

A community member spoke about the two sites that were being considered for construction for High School 5 and asked the Board to consider the site that's on Mason and Ironwood or the most appropriate location that's best for our students.

Four Edgemont Elementary School teachers spoke about class size reduction.

Six DELAC representatives/parents spoke about the incidents surrounding the last DELAC meeting held on June 9, 2010.

MVEA President urged the Board of Education to make negotiations a priority.

PUBLIC HEARING – SCHOOL FACILITIES NEEDS ANALYSIS

It was moved by Jacqueline L. Ashe and seconded by Rick Sayre to Approve Resolution No. 2009-10-68, as presented.

Board President realized that he had not closed the Public Hearing, therefore he asked for a motion to rescind the previous motion.

It was moved by Jacqueline L. Ashe and seconded by Rick Sayre to rescind the approval of Resolution No. 2009-10-68

VOTE: AYES - 5 NAYS - 0 ABSTAIN:

It was moved by Rick Sayre and seconded by Victoria Baca to close the Public Hearing on the School Facilities Needs Analysis.

VOTE: AYES - 5 NAYS - 0 ABSTAIN:

Resolution No. 2009-10-68 of the Board of Education of the Moreno Valley Unified School District approving a School Facilities Needs Analysis, adopting alternative school facility fees in compliance with government code sections 65995.5, 65995.6 and 65995.7, adopting responses to public comments received and making related findings and determinations.

It was moved by Jacqueline L. Ashe and seconded by Rick Sayre to approve Resolution No. 2009-10-68, as presented.

VOTE: AYES - 4 NAYS - 1 ABSTAIN:

CONSENT ITEMS

It was moved by Rick Sayre and seconded by Victoria Baca approve the Superintendent Consent Items G-1 through G-5; Educational Services Consent Items H-2 through H-4; Business Services Consent Items I-1, I-2, I-3, I-5 through I-14; and Human Resources Consent Items J-1, J-4 through J-19, **Human Resources Consent Item J-3 was pulled for a future meeting; and the following items were voted separately, Educational Services Consent Item H – 1 and Business Services Consent Item I – 4.**

VOTE: AYES - 5 NAYS - 0 ABSTAIN:

Items voted separately:

CONSENT ITEM H-1a

Approve Conference Attendance for Mountain View Middle School was approved by Tracey B. Vackar and seconded by Jacqueline L. Ashe, as presented.

VOTE: AYES – 3 (Ashe/Holguin/Vackar) NAYS - 2 (Baca/Sayre) ABSTAIN: 0

CONSENT ITEM H-1b

Approve Conference Attendance for Vista Heights Middle School was approved by Rick Sayre and seconded by Tracey B. Vackar, as presented.

VOTE: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0 ABSTAIN: 0

CONSENT ITEM I – 4a

Contractual Agreements 2009-2010 voted separately:

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| No. A-09/10-1117 | LDP, Inc. d.b.a. | \$75,000.00 |
| No. A-08/09-912 | Vandermost Consulting Services, Inc. | \$34,234.75 |
| No. A-09/10-1002 | Hill Rehabilitation Services, LLC | \$454,480.00 |
| No. A-09/10-1124 | DW Educational Research, Inc. | \$34,580.00 |
| No. A-09/10-1125 | Clover Enterprises, Inc. | \$78,000.00 |
| No. A-09-10-1126 | Dr. Gerald L. Saks | \$2,500.00 |
| No. A-09/10-1127 | The Flippen Group | \$24,800.00 |
| No. A-09/10-1128 | David Israel | \$24,583.00 |
| No. A-09/10-1129 | A-Z Bus Sales, Inc. | \$13,050.00 |
| No. A-09/10-1130 | Riverside County Sheriff's Department | \$973,000.00 |

It was moved by Tracey B. Vackar and seconded by Victoria Baca to approve the above mentioned contractual agreements, as presented.

VOTE: AYES – 5 NAYS – 0 ABSTAIN: 0

CONSENT ITEM I – 4b

Contractual Agreements 2009-2010 voted separately:

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| No. A-09/10-1118 | Riverside County Superintendent of Schools | \$30,000.00 |
| No. A-09/10-1119 | Riverside County Superintendent of Schools | \$22,662.75 |
| No. A-09/10-1120 | Riverside County Superintendent of Schools | \$14,633.26 |
| No. A-09/10-1121 | Riverside County Superintendent of Schools | \$15,589.00 |

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| No. A-09/10-1122 | Riverside County Superintendent of Schools | \$29,788.77 |
| No. A-09/10-1123 | Riverside County Superintendent of Schools | \$21,058.95 |
| No. A-09/10-1131 | Riverside County Superintendent of Schools | \$15,000.00 |

It was moved by Rick Sayre and seconded by Jacqueline L. Ashe to approve the above mentioned contractual agreements, as presented.

VOTE: AYES – 4 NAYS – 0 ABSTAIN – 1 (Vackar)

ACTIONS ITEMS

It was moved by Jacqueline L. Ashe and seconded by Tracey B. Vackar to approve the Superintendent Action Item K-1; Educational Services Action Item L-1; Business Services Action Item M-1; Human Resources Action Item N-1; and Student Services Action Item O-1, as presented.

VOTE: AYES - 5 NAYS - 0 ABSTAIN:

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS – SUPERINTENDENT

Resolution No. 2009-10-69 in support of Robles-Wong v. California, Litigation Challenging the State’s School Finance System.

It was moved by Jacqueline L. Ashe and seconded by Victoria Baca to approve Resolution No. 2009-10-69, as presented.

VOTE: AYES - 5 NAYS - 0 ABSTAIN:

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS – EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Approve 2010-11 Restructuring Plans

There was extensive board discussion and clarification.

Ms. Baca requested information on READ 180 and how many kids are entering high school (9th grade) that are at risk category and have gone through our school system.

Ms. Vackar requested to look at our BP 6141.7 Instruction and review it. She also requested to review board policy and Administrative Regulation on Flex days and the accountability issues that go with it, within the restructuring plans; and if we don’t have a policy in place than we should implement one. It would be good to look to see if 6th grade belongs back in elementary school.

It was moved by Jacqueline Ashe and seconded by Rick Sayre to approve the restructuring plans for the 2010-2011 school year.

VOTE: AYES - 5 NAYS - ABSTAIN –

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board comments were suspended due to Board reconvening in to Closed Session.

The Board of Education reconvened into Closed Session at 9:01 p.m.

The Board of Education reconvened into Open Session at 9:40 p.m.

REPORT OUT OF

CLOSED SESSION: There was no reportable action taken during Closed Session by the Board of Education.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further items to come before the Board of Education, the meeting was adjourned at 9:41 p.m.