

MORENO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2002

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 10, 2002, are being submitted to the Board of Education for approval at its Regular Board Meeting of September 24 2002. The minutes are a complete and factual record of action taken by the Board of Education at its Regular Meeting of September 10, 2002.

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25634 Alessandro Boulevard
Moreno Valley, California**

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CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Education opened the meeting at 5:05 p.m. to convene into Closed Session to discuss Hearing Officer Recommendations; Conference with CSEA, MVEA, and AMVMP Labor Negotiator; and Personnel Complaint.

Members Present

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

Administration

Nick Ferguson

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

ROLL CALL: Present - Ashe Present - Bailey Present - Sayre Present - Vackar

REPORT OUT
OF CLOSED
SESSION:

The Board of Education heard staff recommendations on Hearing Officer Recommendations. The Board of Education was briefed on issues involving CSEA, MVEA, and AMVMP, and heard issues under Personnel Complaint.

Administration Present

Pat Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction
Cindy Stewart, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Joseph Palomino, Director, Secondary Education
Kathy Nordin, Director, Elementary Education
Andrea Aragon, Coordinator, Multilingual Programs
Ken Schmidt, Coordinator, Child Welfare and Attendance
Trish Hatch, Coordinator, Student Services
Kim Kruger, Principal, Valley View
Mary Jones, Principal, Vista del Lago
Paul Rodriguez, Principal, Moreno Valley
Tammy Guzzetta, Principal, Canyon Springs
Willie Williams, Principal, Badger Springs
Jim Dutton, Principal, Landmark

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Administration Present (Cont.)

Mary Bruce, Principal, Mountain View
Debbie Fay, Principal, Moreno

Georgia Hampton, Principal, Midland
Sharon Cirigliano, Executive Secretary, Board of Education

Visitors

Gordon Parker	Jesus Holguin	Karen Rumfola
Katherine Underwood	Ariel Blanco	Miguel Cortez
Ardlan Azad	Sherri Riegel	Suzy Anderson
Carol Lee	James Byun	Mike Sorter
Andrea Stump	Louise Palomarez	Aneesa Umrani
Heidi Krueger	Debbi Abry	Christine Hughes
Agnes Gaertner	Cathy McGill	Ann Adler

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

PLEDGE OF

ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board Member Vackar.

INVOCATION: The Invocation was given by Board President Sayre.

DATES OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

September	24, 2002	7 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting	Board Room
October	8, 2002	7 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting	Board Room
October	15, 2002	5 p.m.	Special Board Meeting with RCC	Moreno Valley RCC Campus
October	22, 2002	7 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting	Board Room

RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATIONS/EVENTS

North Ridge Elementary students read essays on "What a Hero Means to Me" in observance on the tragic events of September 11, 2001.

Paul Brittain, Badger Springs Assistant Principal; Cathy McGill, Landmark teacher; Fonda Hooper and Patricia Stocking, Mountain View teachers; John Calavan, Sugar Hill teacher; and Joseph Fisher, Agnes Gaertner, Valley View teachers, were recognized for their retirement.

Retirees not in attendance included: Sherri Dixon, instructional assistant and Sheila Kirkland, teacher at Bear Valley; Nancy Newman and Bernice Hall, Cloverdale teachers; G. Phillip LeGault, Honey Hollow teacher; John Stouffer, Landmark teacher; Sharon Hoffman Midland teacher; Alicia Demers, special education instructional assistant and June Ramsey, clerk at Moreno Valley; and Marcelini Nistler, Mountain View teacher.

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SCHOOL REPORTS

The following student Board representatives gave their school reports: James Byun, Canyon Springs, reported that Camp Cougar was provided in August for incoming freshmen students; registration went smoothly; staff was provided a catered welcome back breakfast by the Renaissance Program; safety

has been increased on campus with staff being more visible; and the boys' and girls' water polo teams and the golf teams are doing well.

Ardelan Azad, Valley View, reported that registration for over 2,800 students was successful; tomorrow at 6 p.m. Valley View will host a 9/11 commemoration event; games at lunch and pep rallies are being planned to boost school spirit; and the tentative date for the midwinter dance is January 24 at Edward's Mansion.

Miguel Cortez, March Mountain, reported that there are two sessions this semester – morning and afternoon. He shared a concern about students having less class periods in the afternoon session. There are fewer teachers. A tree will be planted in memory of 9/11 tomorrow followed by a moment of silence.

Andrea Stump, Moreno Valley, reported that the Renaissance Program sponsored a welcome lunch for the new principal, Mr. Paul Rodriguez on September 3; registration went smoothly; August 19 and August 20 the first Viking Camp was held for incoming freshmen to visit classrooms and learn about expectations and life as a high school student; homecoming is being planned for October 4; on November 6 at 7:30 p.m. there will be a candlelight vigil and two magnolia trees planted in memory of two Moreno Valley teachers who have passed away; and on September 25, Moreno Valley will be hosting the District's first college faire from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

STAFF RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS MADE AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS

A Palm parent expressed concerns about attendance boundaries and the desire to have his student attend Vista Heights. The parent was contacted regarding the procedures. A transfer request has been processed, and his student is on a waiting list to attend Vista Heights.

There was a question regarding the financial figures in the Unaudited Actuals report presented to the Board for approval in June. They did not seem to match those presented August 20. The figures have been verified and are correct. Several figures were inadvertently placed in inappropriate categories when the budget was submitted to the County in June. A corrected 2002-03 budget report has been submitted. It does not result in any changes to the ending balances.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Karen Rumfola, CSEA President, addressed Resolution 2002-093-12 – Reduction and/or Elimination of Certain Classified Management Positions and Classified Bargaining Unit Positions. She shared a concern about the loss to the middle and high schools with the elimination of the ASB clerk positions. She feels the proposed business office reorganization should be negotiated regarding classified positions.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Jesus Holguin, District English Learner Advisory Committee President, introduced the new officers for this year. He feels they will inject new energy into the committee, which will provide new ideas to improve the students' education. He felt fortunate to have the opportunity to participate on this committee. He commended District staff for their assistance and guidance. Mr. Holguin distributed a schedule of meetings and invited Board members to attend.

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Louise Palomarez, community member, shared her concerns about the loss of classified staff and how it impacts the schools. She feels the District has mismanaged its money causing the need for the \$18 million budget cuts.

Ariel Blanco, District parent, shared his concern about enrolling his student into school. He was concerned about how he was handled by the registration center. He is frustrated that his child is still not in school. The Superintendent was directed to follow-up on this issue.

BUSINESS SERVICES

375 Board Policy 3140 – Transfer of Funds Between Categories

Dr. Ferguson indicated that this policy is being revised to reflect that the District’s reserve will be at least 2 percent. Any transfers from the reserve will be made only by a majority vote of the Board. The action will include the reason for the transfer and the plan for replenishing the reserve.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT ITEMS

V-A Administrative Regulation 3320 – Purchasing of Supplies

The following items were brought forward:

Tracey Vackar

- She is interested in having a study session/discussion on having community services as part of the high school graduation requirement.

Jackie Ashe

- She congratulated Bear Valley for instituting the International Baccalaureate Program.
- She thanked everyone for their prayers and condolences in the loss of her father.

Rick Sayre

- He had an opportunity to speak to District kindergarten teachers who now has 31 students in their classroom. The teachers expressed appreciation and respect to the Board for the difficult decisions made regarding budget cuts. Mr. Sayre stated that one teacher was an example of the professional, dedicated staff the District employs.

Nick Ferguson

- The District had a good opening of traditional school. There were some problems with tranciency at the high schools. Adjustments have had to be made.
- He expressed his appreciation to the teachers and support staff for being “real troopers” and working through the budget cuts.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by John Bailey and seconded by Rick Sayre that, there being no further items to come before the Board of Education, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

VOTE: AYE – 4

NAY- 0

ABSTAIN – 0

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