

**MINUTES**

**MENDOTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

May 25, 2016  
Regular Board Meeting at 5:30 P.M.  
Mendota High School Library  
1282 Belmont Avenue, Mendota, CA 93640



**MINUTES**

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER 5:58pm**

**2.0 ROLL CALL**

1. Lupe Flores	Absent	5. Raul S. Varela, <i>President</i>	<i>Present</i>
2. Isabel Maldonado	Present	6. Jesus Zavala, <i>Vice President</i>	<i>Present</i>
3. Araceli Perez	Present	7. Jose Zavala, <i>Clerk</i>	<i>Arrived @ 6:44pm</i>
4. Diana Toscano	Absent	8. Marissa Navarro, <i>Student Board Member</i>	<i>Present</i>

**3.0 CLOSED SESSION 5:59pm**

**3.1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §54957, subdivision (b).

❖ Superintendent

**4.0 RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION 6:14pm**

**5.0 FLAG SALUTE & RECOGNITION:** Mrs. Rebecca Gamez, Principal at Alternative Education, presented her 2016 graduating students who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

❖ Jackie Alvarez  
❖ Estephany Ochoa  
❖ Christian Rosales

**6.0 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR:** May 11, 2016 (Jesus Zavala made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Raul Varela. Roll Call was taken. 3-1 abstained. Mrs. Perez -3 absent. L.Flores, D.Toscano, Jose Zavala.

**7.0 APPROVAL OF OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA FOR:** May 25, 2016 (Araceli Perez made a motion to approve the Agenda with Isabel Maldonado seconding the motion. Roll Call was taken. All approved. 4-0-3 absent.

*(The Board may add an item to the agenda if, upon two-thirds vote, the Board finds that there is a need for immediate action on the matter and the need came to the attention of the District after the posting of this agenda.)*

**8.0 POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

*(Any Trustee who has a potential conflict of interest may now identify the item and recuse himself/herself from discussing and voting on the matter.) [FPPC §87105] NONE*

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**9.0 PUBLIC NOTICE**

**9.1 Second Reading:** Hearing and public comment regarding proposed Mendota Unified School District's Board Policy (BP) Civility and Administrative Regulations (AR).

**9.2 Second Reading:** Hearing and public comment regarding proposed implementation of Assembly Bill 1330 for the 2016/2017 school year.

**10.0 REPORT(S) - INFORMATION ONLY**

- ❖ **Brown Act Workshop** Ms. Lauren Layne, Attorney  
The board was updated on the Brown Act by Ms. Lauren Layne.
- ❖ **Facilities Masterplan/Washington Modernization** Mr. Paul Bunton, BCA Architect  
Mr. Bunton reviewed the Facilities Masterplan and updated the board on the Washington Modernization Project.
- ❖ **Preschool End of Year Report** Mr. Randy Jarrett, Principal  
Mr. Jarrett gave the board a report on the Preschool.
- ❖ **Summer School Programs Update** Mr. Jose M. Ochoa, Director  
Mr. Ochoa gave the board a roster for the Summer School Program.

**11.0 PUBLIC COMMENT**

*(This is an opportunity for the members of the public to address the Board on any matter related to the District. The District Secretary has forms that may be filled out and given back to the District Secretary. In accordance with District Policy, members of the public are asked to keep their comments to four (4) minutes or less.)* Esther, student at MHS talked to the board if they could help out in a situation that she's in. She told the board that she was told she wouldn't be able to participate in the graduation ceremony due to her absences but she could participate in all the Senior Activities leading up to graduation. She told the board she kept up her GPA which is a 3.14. She gave the board the reasons why she was absent from school.

She was directed by Dr. Lopez to talk with Mr. Arredondo in the morning.

**12.0 CONSENT CALENDAR** Araceli Perez made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Jesus Zavala seconded the motion. Roll Call was taken. All approved. 5-0-2 absent. L.Flores and Diana Toscano.

*(All Consent Calendar items are considered to be routine action items and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered following approval of the Consent Calendar.)*

- 12.1** Approved of overnight trip for Mendota High students to visit various college campuses as part of the Central Valley Cal-Soap Summer Academic Trip scheduled for Monday, June 20, 2016 thru Thursday, June 23, 2016. This trip is provided free to all participating students.
- 12.2** Approved of overnight trip for Mendota High students to participate in a residential program sponsored by California State University Fresno as part of the Central Valley Cal-Soap Summer SAT/ACT Prep Residential Program from Sunday, June 12, 2016 thru Thursday, June 16, 2016. This trip is provided free to all participating students.
- 12.3** Approved of overnight trip for Mendota High students to participate in the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Fresno State Talent Search - Summer College Tour from Wednesday, June 15, 2016 thru Friday, June 17, 2016. This trip is provided free to all participating students.
- 12.4** Approved of proposed Mendota Unified School District's Board Policy (BP) and Administrative Regulations (AR) on Civility.
- 12.5** Approved of proposed implementation of Assembly Bill 1330 for the 2016/2017 school year.

- 12.6 Approved of psychological and mental health student services agreement with STAR Consulting for the 2016/2017 school year.
- 12.7 Approved of occupational therapy services agreement with Goodfellow Occupational Therapy for the 2016/2017 school year.
- 12.8 Approved of student mental health services agreement with Alliant International University for the 2016/2017 school year.
- 12.9 Approved to authorize and update Ms. Rhyanna Cervantes to sign documents for Washington Elementary ASB account with Westamerica Bank.
- 12.10 Approved of Warrants:  
#511921511 to #51192561  
#511924504 to #511924574
- 13.0 **ACTION ITEMS** (Jesus Zavala made a motion to approve action items with Jose Zavala seconding the motion. Roll was taken. All approved with the exception of items 13.1-13.4 and 13.8. 5-0-2 absent. Flores and D. Toscano.
- 13.1 Approval of Letter of Retirement from David Medina, effective Tuesday, May 31, 2016.  
The board congratulated Mr. Medina for his services. (See Trustees Communications) Jesus Zavala made a motion to approve with Araceli Perez seconding the motion. All approved. 5-0-2 absent.
- 13.2 Approval of Letter of Retirement from Rosie Porras, effective Saturday, June 25, 2016.  
The board congratulated Mr. Medina for his services. (See Trustees Communications) Jesus Zavala made a motion to approve with Araceli Perez seconding the motion. All approved. 5-0-2 absent.
- 13.3 Approval of Letter of Resignation from Grace Reeve, science teacher at Mendota High, effective Saturday, June 4, 2016.  
The board congratulated Mr. Medina for his services. (See Trustees Communications) Jesus Zavala made a motion to approve with Araceli Perez seconding the motion. All approved. 5-0-2 absent.
- 13.4 Approval of Letter of Resignation from Marcela Lopez Brekke, vice principal at Mendota Elementary, effective Thursday, June 30, 2016.  
The board congratulated Mr. Medina for his services. (See Trustees Communications) Jesus Zavala made a motion to approve with Araceli Perez seconding the motion. All approved. 5-0-2 absent.
- 13.5 Approved to hire Juan Guadian as a McCabe Elementary Teacher for the 2016/2017 school year contingent upon receiving a valid and appropriate Internship credential to teach elementary multiple subjects, as recommended by the interview panel.
- 13.6 Approved to hire Maria Clark as a credentialed teacher at McCabe Elementary for the 2016/2017 school year, as recommended by the interview panel.
- 13.7 Approved to hire Loretta Lee as a credentialed teacher at McCabe Elementary for the 2016/2017 school year, as recommended by the interview panel.
- 13.8 Approval to hire Lily Macias as an 8 hour/12 month Attendance/Secretary, as recommended by the interview panel. Taken into Closed Session

- 13.9 Approved to hire Fall Coaches for the 2016/2017 school year, as recommended by the interview panel.
- 13.10 Approved to transfer Erin Compton from Mendota High School English to Mendota Elementary 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher vacancy.
- 13.11 Approved to transfer Carlos Tamayo from McCabe Elementary 5<sup>th</sup> grade to Mendota Junior High School STEM teacher position.
- 13.12 Approved to file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk of Fresno County on the Solar Photovoltaic System for the Mendota Unified School District.
- 13.13 Approved of the Educator Effectiveness Grant Expenditure Plan for the 2016/2017 and 2017/2018 school year.
- 13.14 Approved to purchase two John Deere Gators for the maintenance and grounds departments as per the equipment replacement program at a cost of \$15,270.89.

**14.0 TRUSTEE RECOGNITION AND COMMUNICATIONS**

*Board Presentation and Recognition is for the purpose of recognizing district staff, students, parents and community organizations for exemplary services on behalf of our students while sharing school-related activities, school visitations, conference attended, or meetings scheduled. The items discussed will not result in any Board action.*

- *Araceli Perez thanked wanted to thank all the individuals named in items 13.1-13.4 for all their services and wished the retirees a great retirement. She also thanked all the administrators for all their hard work and thanked Dr. Lopez for providing all the information they request from time to time. She thanked Marissa, student board member for participating in the board meetings and hoped it was a great experience for her.*
- *Jose Zavala thanked student board member for her participation as well.*
- *Jesus Zavala thanked retirees for their loyalty and special thanks to Grace Reeve for her services at the high school. He thanked the student board member for her participation and mentioned he had always wanted a student perspective.*
- *Isabel Maldonado congratulated and wished Mr. Medina and Miss Porras a great retirement. She also thanked the administrators and staff for a wonderful year. She shared that she got to attend all the music concerts and they were great.*
- *Raul Varela thanked Mr. Medina for his services and for being a great custodian. He thanked Miss Porras for being an Instructional Aide and for her years of service and dedication. He thanked Mrs. Brekke for her time in the district and wished her the best of luck in her plans. He thanked Marissa for her being the student board member and was a pleasure having her there. He thanked staff for all their excellent jobs. Thanked Dr. Lopez for providing everything he requests. He thanked Mr. Alcaide and Mr. Wall for all their work.*
- *Marissa Navarro wanted to tell the board she was grateful for the opportunity in serving as a student board member. It has taught her responsibility and knowledge.*

**15.0 REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

- ↓ **Thanked the board for their support. The district has accomplished many things in a short period of time.**
- ↓ **The new 81 passenger bus has arrived.**
- ↓ **The district will be receiving a new special needs bus soon.**
- ↓ **CSBA conference December 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>. Lu Ruiz will be contacting the board.**

**16.0 CLOSED SESSION 8:38pm**

**16.1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §54957, subdivision (b).

**16.2 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT/APPOINTMENT/TRANSFER**

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §54957, subdivision (b).

- ❖ District Office Attendance /Secretary
- ❖ Administration
- ❖ Fall Coaches

**16.3 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE**

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §54957, subdivision (b).

**16.4 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR(S)**

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code 54957.6

Negotiator: MUSD Negotiating Team

Employee Agency: (MTA) Mendota Teachers Association

Employee Agency: (CSEA) California School Employee Association

**16.5 The Board will consider the following expulsion cases:**

Case #0416-130477 (Motion made by Jose Zavala, seconded by Jesus Zavala, roll call was taken. All Approved. 5-0-2 absent.)

Case #0516-11193 (Motion made by Raul Varela, seconded by Jesus Zavala, roll call was taken. All Approved. 5-0-2 absent.)

**13.8 Approved to hire Lily Macias as an 8 hour/12 month Attendance/Secretary, as recommended by the interview panel. (Motion was made by Jesus Zavala to approve, seconded by Isabel Maldonado. Roll Call was taken. All approved. 5-0-2 absent.)**

**17.0 RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION**

**18.0 ADJOURNMENT 10:42pm (MSC; A.Perez/I. Maldonado. 5-0-2absent.)**

  
Clerk of the Board

**ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

*In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those requiring special assistance to access the Board meeting room, to access written documents being discussed at the Board meeting, or to otherwise participate at Board meetings, please contact any Board member at (559) 655-4942. Notification at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting will enable the Board to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to the Board meeting and to provide any required accommodations, auxiliary aids, or services.*