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MENDOTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Wednesday, April 26, 2017
Regular Board Meeting beginning at 6:00 P.M.
Mendota High School Library
1282 Belmont Avenue, Mendota, CA 93640



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1.0 CALL TO ORDER - 6:08pm

2.0 ROLL CALL

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| 1. Karla Barrera, <i>Student Board Member</i> -Absent | 5. Adrian Perez - Present |
| 2. Alma Durazo - Present (6:41pm) | 6. Diana Toscano, <i>President</i> - Present (7:05) |
| 3. Lupe Flores - Present | 7. Raul S. Varela, <i>Clerk</i> - Present |
| 4. Isabel Maldonado - Present (6:19pm) | 8. Jose C. Zavala, <i>Vice President</i> - Present |

3.0 FLAG SALUTE & RECOGNITION: Employees of the Year lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

- ❖ **Employees of the Year**
Gloria Rocha, *Classified*
Michael Guenon, *Certificated*
Lupe Flores, *Administrative*

A 15 minute Reception in recognition of all of our honorees for their great achievements.

4.0 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR: March 8, 2017 (Lupe Flores made a motion to approve the minutes, Adrian Perez seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, motion passed 6-0. Diana Toscano was absent for the roll call.)

5.0 APPROVAL OF OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA FOR: April 26, 2017 (Raul Varela made a motion to approve the minutes with the addition of Item #10.17, Approval for 15 Mendota High School students and staff to participate in an overnight fieldtrip to attend the FFA State Finals at Polytechnic State University San Luis Obispo on May 5th-May 6th, 2017. Adrian Perez seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, motion passed 6-0. Diana Toscano was absent for roll call.)

(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.)

6.0 POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - None

(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]

7.0 REPORT(S) - INFORMATION ONLY

- ❖ **Charter School** **Dr. Johnny Alvarado**
Dr. Alvarado presented a Power Point presentation regarding the various Charter School options and regulations.
- ❖ **Raptor Technologies** **Raptor Representative**
Presentation tabled for next Board Meeting.
- ❖ **Graduation Update** **Mr. Travis Kirby & Mr. Randy Jarrett**

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Mr. Kirby and Mr. Jarrett had a Power Point presentations, as well as handouts informing the Board of the graduation process. Mr. Jarrett explained his staff has been in contact with all parents, informing them of their student's progress. Mr. Kirby expressed the same sentiment.

8.0 PUBLIC NOTICE

- 8.1 Hearing and public comment regarding Mendota Unified School District Sunshine Proposal to MTA (Mendota Teachers Association) 2017/2018.
- 8.2 Hearing and public comment regarding Mendota Teachers Association Sunshine Proposal to Mendota Unified School District 2017/2018.
- 8.3 Hearing and public comment regarding Mendota Unified School District Sunshine Proposal to CSEA (California School Employees Association) 2017/2018.
- 8.4 **First Reading:** Hearing and public comment regarding proposed Mendota Unified School District's Board Policy (BP) Recognition and Awards for Achievement 5126 and Administrative Regulations (AR) 5126.

- 9.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT** – Mr. Sergio Valdez spoke to the Board regarding the Adult Soccer League and how his group takes the responsibility of access to the site very serious. They maintain sites very well, they do a walk though before and after events to ensure everything is in good working condition.
(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.)

10.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

(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.)

- 10.1 Approved California Healthy Youth Act Agreement between Fresno County Office of Education and Mendota Unified School District effective May 1, 2017 through May 26, 2017.
- 10.2 Approved Speech-Language Pathologist Agreement between Fresno County Office of Education and Mendota Unified School District effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.
- 10.3 Approved Time to Teach Agreement between Fresno County Office of Education and Mendota Unified School District effective January 1, 2017 through May 1, 2018.
- 10.4 Approved Memorandum of Understanding between Mendota Unified School District and The California State University, Fresno Office of Undergraduate Student Recruitment.
- 10.5 Approved Cradle to Career Partnership between Fresno County and Mendota Unified School District.
- 10.6 Approved purchase the Raptor Visitor Management Software System for the 2017-2018 School Year at a cost of \$11,141.00 for year one.
- 10.7 Approved Request for Proposals (RFP) for general contractor for design-build lighting retrofit, HVAC and heat pump replacement at Mendota High, Mendota Junior High, and District Office as part of the Proposition 39 funds.

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- 10.8 Approved the authorized signature permit and mailing permit for the Fresno County Office of Education for the 2016-2017 and the 2017-2018 school year.
- 10.9 Approved purchase Scan Student Identification Card Authorization (SSICA) Program for Mendota High School for the 2017-2018 school year at a cost of \$5,696.33.
- 10.10 Approved the 2017/2018 Mendota Unified School District Calendar.
- 10.11 Approved Facility Use Permit for Mendota Youth Recreation to use the Junior High soccer field and gymnasium and McCabe Elementary soccer field and gymnasium for Adult Soccer League and Adult Basketball.
- 10.12 Approved Facility Use Permit for Westside Youth to use the High School football stadium on April 29th and May 6th for Youth Camp and Special Needs Youth Camp as discussed at a previous board meeting.
- 10.13 Approved adoption of English Language Arts Curriculum as recommended by the Curriculum Advisory Council and site Principals.
*** Reading Wonders. McGraw Hill Education. Grades K-5 English Language Arts Curriculum at a cost of \$392,024.38**
- 10.14 Approved adoption of English Language Arts Curriculum as recommended by the Curriculum Advisory Council and site Principals.
*** Study Sync. McGraw Hill Education. Grades 6-8 English Language Arts Curriculum at a cost of \$176,759.81**
- 10.15 Approved payment to Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo, Attorneys at Law for services rendered not to exceed \$1278.38.
- 10.16 **Approved Warrants:**
#511998315-#511998371
#511999173-#511999187
#512000176-#512000251
#512002150-#512002219
#512005401-#512005423
#512006529-#512006589
#512007949-#512008008
- 10.17 Approval for 15 Mendota High School students and staff to participate in an overnight fieldtrip to attend the FFA State Finals at Polytechnic State University San Luis Obispo on May 5th-May 6th, 2017.
- 11.0 **ACTION ITEMS**
- 11.1 Approved hire of Marisela Reeve as Mendota Unified School District Registered Nurse for the 20017-2018 school year contingent upon her obtaining a Preliminary School Nurse Credential as recommended by the Director of special Education and the interview panel.
- 11.2 Approved hire of Oscar Casarreal as the Pool Manager for Mendota Unified School District as recommended by the interview panel.

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- 11.3 Approved hire of Jessica Arias as Guidance and Instruction Specialist (G.I.S.) for Mendota High School beginning the 2017/2018 school year, as recommended by the Principal and the interview panel.
- 11.4 Approved hire of Melissa Boyles as an Elementary Teacher at Mendota Elementary School beginning the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon enrollment in a University Internship Program, as recommended by the site Principal.
- 11.5 Approved hire of Jenri Gonzalez as an Elementary Teacher at McCabe Elementary School beginning the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon the acquisition of a valid and appropriate Provisional Internship Permit (PIP) to teach Tk-6 grade multiple subjects, as recommended by the site Principal.
- 11.6 Approved hire of Jose Moreno as an Elementary Teacher at McCabe Elementary School beginning the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon the acquisition of a valid and appropriate credential permit to teach Tk-6 grade multiple subjects, as recommended by the site Principal.
- 11.7 Approved hire of Jesus Gonzalez as a fully credentialed Elementary Teacher at Mendota Elementary School beginning the 2017/2018 school year, as recommended by the Principal and the interview panel.
- 11.8 Approved hire of Maria Duran as a fully credentialed Elementary Teacher at McCabe Elementary School beginning the 2017/2018 school year, as recommended by the Principal and the interview panel.
- 11.9 Approved hire of Regina Rodriguez as a Mild/Moderate Special Education Teacher at Mendota Elementary School beginning the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon the acquisition of a valid and appropriate Provisional Internship Permit (PIP) to teach Special Education as recommended by the site Principal.
- 11.10 Approved hire of Carlos Arceo as a fully credentialed Elementary Teacher for McCabe Elementary School for the 2017/2018 school year.
- 11.11 Approved hire of Daniel Robles as an Elementary Teacher for McCabe Elementary School for the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon the acquisition of a valid and appropriate Provisional Internship Permit (PIP) to teach Tk-6 grade multiple subjects, as recommended by the site principal.
- 11.12 Approved hire of Erica Alvarez as an Elementary Teacher for McCabe Elementary School for the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon acquisition of a valid and appropriate credential to teach a Tk-6 multiple subject classroom assignment.
- 11.13 Approved hire of Christina Cervantes as an Elementary Teacher for McCabe Elementary School for the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon acquisition of a valid and appropriate credential to teach a Tk-6 multiple subject classroom assignment.
- 11.14 Approved hire of Ramandeep Grewal as an Elementary Teacher for McCabe Elementary School for the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon acquisition of a valid and appropriate credential to teach a Tk-6 multiple subject classroom assignment.
- 11.15 Approved hire of Leticia Rivera as an Elementary Teacher for McCabe Elementary School for the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon acquisition of a valid and appropriate credential to teach a Tk-6 multiple subject classroom assignment.

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- 11.16** Approved hire of Brittany Schoengarth as an Elementary Teacher for McCabe Elementary School for the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon acquisition of a valid and appropriate credential to teach a Tk-6 multiple subject classroom assignment.
- 11.17** Approved hire of Jasmine Verdialez as a District Elementary Music Teacher for the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon enrollment in an University Internship Program, as recommended by the McCabe Elementary and Mendota Elementary site Principals.
- 11.18** Approved hire of Maria Fraga as a Math teacher for Mendota High School for the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon acquisition of a valid and appropriate credential to teach Mathematics, as recommended by the site Principal and the interview panel.
- 11.19** Approved hire of Jazmine Jackson as a High School Agriculture teacher for the 2017/2018 school year, contingent upon the acquisition of a valid and appropriate Provisional Internship Permit (PIP) to teach High School Agriculture, as recommended by the site principal.
- 11.20** Approved request for extended unpaid leave of absence for Vanessa Gonzales for the remainder of the 2016/17 school year.

12.0 TRUSTEE RECOGNITION AND COMMUNICATIONS

Board Presentation and Recognition is for the purpose of recognizing district staff, 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.

- ❖ Adrian Perez reported the trip to the State Capitol was a success. He actually got to be on the House Floor. The kids really were impressed with it all. He thanked Mr. Kirby and Dr. Lopez for making it happen. Mr. Perez also thanked Washington & Mendota Elementary schools for successful carnivals. He was part of the Senior Interview Panel and he was impressed with the process. He also announced that Danny Trejo was named Fresno Bee's "Player of the Year". Mr. Perez requested a moment of silence for Mrs. Alfing, a former longtime teacher of Mendota Unified. He also informed on the MESA club, they took 1st place at MESA Regional UC Santa Cruz. They could possibly make it all the way to Philadelphia if they win at UC Irvine.
- ❖ Alma Durazo stated that she too was part of the Senior Interviews and they were "Awesome". She noted how well the students were dressed, how well prepared their portfolios were, hopefully they can use them for real job interviews.
- ❖ Diana Toscano commented that she approved of the Senior Interviews and that the interviews actually helped her daughter prepare herself. She acknowledged Mr. Ochoa and how successful the Migrant Mini Conference was, noting that parents looked happy.
- ❖ Raul Varela commended Robert Gonzales and his crew for their work. He also questioned Robert Gonzales regarding an accident with one of the busses and a visitor's vehicle. Robert explained that the visitor clipped the bus while making a U-turn. Raul suggested making/marking an area to keep visitor and bus parking separate to avoid future incidents. Robert said he would look in to it and report back to the board.
- ❖ Lupe Flores informed those in attendance she enjoyed the carnival at Mendota Elementary. She is volunteering next year. Face painting was very popular. Lupe enjoyed the open space Mendota Elem had to offer as well as the outdoor stage. She is also looking forward to the Cinco de Mayo activities at McCabe/Washington next week. Lupe also thanked Sergio Valdez and his wife for taking care of our facilities by not letting anyone use the keys except themselves or designated personnel. Dr. Lopez mentioned that they were looking into electronic keys for some of the buildings, not all, as it would be costly.

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- ❖ Isabel Maldonado questioned Dr. Lopez as to why we weren't having our security staff letting people in, (doing a walk through) and locking up (doing a second walk through) when event finished, as was done in the past. Robert Gonzales said that could happen as soon as the following week. Jose Zavala is still interested in electronic keys.
- ❖ Raul Varela questioned if coaches return keys at the end of their season? Dr. Lopes explained that "Yes" they do so, confirming with Mr. Kirby & Mr. Jarrett. Mr. Kirby explained that he was aware there were issues with unauthorized use of the weight room and gym but he has addressed the issues and its better now. Dr. Lopez also explained that District staff will be able to use the weight room but must sign a release form.

13.0 REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Lopez gave an update on the progress on Washington Elementary; there is an expected delay on the outdoor canopy to September (8-10) but that the rest of the site would be open to staff starting in July (8-10). He also thanked Mr. Bautista and Ren Watkins for ensuring that the testing (SBAC) has been going smoothly. Dr. Lopez also informed the Board that Mr. Ochoa is having a "Seamless Summer Meal Program for our students with Michael Porras. This will start serving breakfast & lunch July 1st. Mr. Alcaide explained that the District will be reimbursed for the cost. He also informed that the Spring Academy was a success, thanked McCabe for their efforts. In closing, Dr. Lopez stated that his team takes all challenges in stride and works hard to make our district successful.

14.0 CLOSED SESSION

14.1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

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

14.2 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT/APPOINTMENT/TRANSFER

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

14.3 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE

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

14.4 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR(S)

- ❖ CSEA Negotiations
- ❖ MTA Negotiations

14.5 The Board will consider the following expulsion cases:

Case #0317-11893 (Jose Zavala made a motion to approve, seconded by Alma Durazo. Roll Call was taken. Motion passed 5 - 2 with Adrian Perez and Raul Varela voting "No.")

15.0 RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

16.0 ADJOURNMENT - 11:15 p.m.(Lupe Flores/ Adrian Perez, 7-0)

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.