

MINUTES

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



Wednesday, September 13, 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 6:07pm

2.0 ROLL CALL

1. Alma Durazo	Present	5. Diana Toscano	Present
2. Lupe Flores	Present	6. Raul S. Varela	Present
3. Isabel Maldonado	Present	7. Jose C. Zavala	Present
4. Adrian Perez	Present		

3.0 FLAG SALUTE & RECOGNITION: Mr. Jesus Zavala, Vice Principal at Mendota Elementary School led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4.0 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR: August 9, 2017 (Motion was made by Lupe Flores to approve the minutes with Isabel Maldonado seconding the motion. Roll Call was taken. Motion Passed. 7-0)

5.0 APPROVAL OF OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA FOR: September 13, 2017 (Motion was made by Isabel Maldonado seconded by Raul Varela, Roll Call was taken. Motion Passed 7-0) With action items added 11.10 Consideration and Approval of Agreement with SIM-PBK Architects for Architectural Services for Mendota Unified School District. Item 14.5 Under Closed Session- Real Estate Property. The I-5 Relocatables.

(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

(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] (Lupe Flores recused herself from voting on Item 14.5 under Closed Session.)

7.0 PUBLIC NOTICE

7.1 First Reading: Hearing and public comment regarding proposed revised Mendota Unified School District's Board Bylaw (BB) 9005 Governance Standards.

7.2 First Reading: Hearing and public comment regarding proposed revised Mendota Unified School District's Board Bylaw (BB) 9323 Meeting Conduct.

8.0 REPORT(S) - INFORMATION ONLY

Mendota Unified Bi-Literacy Plan Overview
for the 2017/2018 School Year

Mr. Manuel Bautista

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Mr. Bautista gave the plan overview for Bi-Literacy Program. The plan is to have a Kindergarten bi-literacy program for next school year. The first informational meeting will be on September 22, 2017 with key stakeholders. On October 20, 2017 will be with the site team at MES with teachers who are willing to participate in the program. January 25, 2018 with a continual planning meeting and also 1st Parent Meeting. Other scheduled meetings will be on March 16, 2018 and June 13, 2018.

9.0 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.)

Luis Gutierrez, Director of Athletics communicate the homecoming activities for MHS and also showed the new Soccer Crest the students voted on.

10.0 CONSENT CALENDAR (A motion was made to approve the Consent Calendar by Raul Varela, seconded by Jose Zavala, Roll Call was taken. Motion Passed 7-0)

(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 of Warrants:

#512040521-#512040540	#512042803-#512042831
#512041364-#512041386	#512044211-#512044235
#512041993-#512042007	#512044941-#512044961

10.2 Approved of the Mendota School District Local Agency Educational Plan. (Annual Revision)

10.3 Approved of Services Agreement between Mendota Unified School District and Fresno County Superintendent of Schools for Digital Portal Services for the 2017/2018 School Year.

10.4 Approved of Services Agreement between Mendota Unified School District and Fresno County Superintendent of Schools for Discovery Education.

11.0 ACTION ITEMS Motion was made to approve Action Items with the exception of items 11.1, 11.6, 11.7, 11.8, and 11.9. by Jose Zavala, seconded by Lupe Flores. Roll Call was taken, Motion Passed 7-0.

11.1 Approval to promote Araceli Topete Lugo from Washington Elementary Clerk to Mendota High School Secretary I, as recommended by the interview panel and school site administrator.
Taken into Closed Session.

11.2 Approved of the updated Fall and Winter Sports Coaches list for Mendota Junior High School.

11.3 Approved of the Mendota High School Coaches Handbook for the 2017-2018 school year.

11.4 Approved of Settlement Agreement with Solar City for liquidated damages payments to Mendota Unified School District, not to exceed \$15,000 for delays caused during the installation of the Photovoltaic (Solar) System.

11.5 Approved of the 2016/2017 Mendota Unified School District Unaudited Actuals.

11.6 RESOLUTION # 256-1718: Authorizing the set-up of a New Building Fund for Bond Proceeds to account separately for the bond issuance and expenditures for facilities.

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ROLL CALL VOTE: A. Durazo Y L. Flores Y ; I Maldonado Y ;
A. Perez Y ; D. Toscano Y ; R. Varela Y ; J. Zavala Y

- 11.7 **RESOLUTION # 257-1718:** Authorized by Education Code 15125-15262 to establish a Bond Interest and Redemption Fund and such a fund is authorized to account separately for any premiums or accrued interest received from sale of bonds and to record debt payments.

ROLL CALL VOTE: A. Durazo Y L. Flores Y ; I Maldonado Y ;
A. Perez Y ; D. Toscano Y ; R. Varela Y ; J. Zavala Y

- 11.8 **RESOLUTION # 258-1718:** Authorizing Adoption of Gann Amendment for the 2017/2018 School Year.

ROLL CALL VOTE: A. Durazo Y L. Flores Y ; I Maldonado Y ;
A. Perez Y ; D. Toscano Y ; R. Varela Y ; J. Zavala Y

- 11.9 **RESOLUTION/PROCLAMATION # 259-1718:** Recognizing September 10-16, 2017 as "Suicide Prevention Week"

ROLL CALL VOTE: A. Durazo Y L. Flores Y ; I Maldonado Y ;
A. Perez Y ; D. Toscano Y ; R. Varela Y ; J. Zavala Y

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.

- ❖ Lupe Flores mentioned she attended the Mendota City Council Meeting. They were going to consider voting on approving permission to let a business in of Cultivating Marijuana. They think it would bring in revenues for the City. Mrs. Flores said she can't get the concept of having this kind of business in the city. She said this was just her opinion and not of the board.
- ❖ Adrian Perez communicated that he thought the City of Mendota and School Board were going to have quarterly meetings. He said the last meeting was in January of 2017. He said if we would have met before the City of Mendota would have considered this topic, they would have known how the School District felt about it and maybe would have taken into consideration how they voted on this type of business. Dr. Lopez replied that he remembers talking about meeting quarterly but it was never formalized. He did receive an email recently that the City would like to schedule a meeting.
- ❖ Raul Varela said he was concern for our students smoking Marijuana. He said the situation is there and not going anywhere. He said we just need to take care of our students. He is sad the City is agreeing to the Cultivation Business, he said perhaps they didn't do enough research and should have reached out to the community on this.
- ❖ Diana Toscano apologized for not attending back to school events. She had a death in the family. She wanted to thank McCabe School for their support in this because the student affected is a student there. She also communicated that it was brought up to her by a parent if MES had a Cinco de Mayo event, since Washington has one. Dr. Lopez said no but they will reach out to the Principal on it and see if an event could be planned.
- ❖ Isabel Maldonado said she was under the impression that all Kindergarten was going to be placed at Washington School. Dr. Lopez said no that it was Pre-school. This was agreed upon when Washington Modernization was completed.

13.0 REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

- Yesterday at MES a student was approached by a man in vehicle and asked if she wanted a ride home. The student ran and reported to her parents. The school site sent notification to parents on the matter.

- Lockdown drills are to start up again. Mr. Jose Ochoa is in charge of this.
- Has visited school sites more often now that some district projects have been completed. He is seeing a lot of good things happening at the sites. He commended Mr. Garcia for doing a great job plus all his Management Team.
- Board Goals are happening. GATE Class got established. Bully Prevention Activities are scheduled. The Google Certified Instructors process is happening.
- September 27, 2017 a new staff and retirement dinner is planned for 5:00pm. The regular scheduled board meeting will follow at 6:30pm.

14.0 CLOSED SESSION 7:22pm

14.1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

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

14.2 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT/APPOINTMENT/TRANSFER/REASSIGNMENT

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

Approval to promote Araceli Topete Lugo from Washington Elementary Clerk to Mendota High School Secretary I, as recommended by the interview panel and school site administrator

14.3 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE

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

14.4 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR(S)

- ❖ California School Employees Association (CSEA)
- ❖ Unrepresented Employees: Administration/Management/Confidential Classified

15.0 RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

16.0 ADJOURNMENT

Clerk of the Board

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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