

MINUTES

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

Wednesday, October 12, 2016
Regular Board Meeting at 6:00 P.M.
Mendota High School Library
1282 Belmont Avenue, Mendota, CA 93640



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1.0 CALL TO ORDER

2.0 ROLL CALL

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| 1. Lupe Flores | Absent | 5. Jesus Zavala, Vice President | Present |
| 2. Isabel Maldonado | Present | 6. Jose Zavala, Clerk | Arrived @ 7:20pm |
| 3. Diana Toscano | Present | 7. Vacant | |
| 4. Raul S. Varela, President | Present | 7. Karla Barrera, Student Board Member | Present |

3.0 FLAG SALUTE & RECOGNITION: Richard Carlos, Maintenance, Operations & Transportation Department, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4.0 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR: September 28, 2016 (Jesus Zavala made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Diana Toscano. Roll Call Vote was taken. Motion Passed. 4-0-2 absent.)

5.0 APPROVAL OF OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA FOR: October 12, 2016 (Jesus Zavala made a motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by Isabel Maldonado, Motion Passed 4-0-2absent)
(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] NONE

7.0 REPORT(S) - INFORMATION ONLY

- ❖ **FFA Program & Awards** Travis Kirby, Principal

Mr. Kirby gave an update on what is happening with the FFA program. One of our FFA students made it on the front page of The Fresno Bee. She received a blue ribbon for the Art section of the Fresno Fair. It was for the Chalk Art Painting. They will auction the painting and the proceeds will go to fund the Art Program at MHS. We also had a 1st place painting by Clarissa Plascencia. We placed 2nd for a garden display from Mr. Barcellos class. We also placed 1st for a self-portrait by Francisco Gonzales along with another first place painting of a Sugar Skull by Francisco. Clarissa Plascencia also had a landscape painting that placed 1st. Mr. Kirby said they also had some of our FFA students present their goats and chickens at the fair.

Mr. Kirby shared what he wants for the future of the FFA Program, and it is to have a strong AG Program next year with chickens, goats and swine. He proposed a new area of the high school to place the animals which is a bigger place than they are now.

On another subject Mr. Kirby told the board he would like to have an open campus for lunch for Seniors only. He still needs to nail down the criteria but it will be very strict to make sure they abide by the rules.

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8.0 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.)

Albert Escobedo spoke regarding Prop 51 and 55. He would like to have a walk a thon the day before elections to help pass Props 51-55 by talking to the community to help pass the propositions.

9.0 CONSENT CALENDAR (Diana Toscano made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar with Isabel Maldonado seconding the motion. Roll call was taken. Motion passed 4-0-2absent)

(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.)

9.1 Approved of Warrants:

#511955789-#511955845

#511956584-#511956627

#511958375-#511958377

10.0 ACTION ITEMS (Motion was made to approve Action Items 10.1-10.3 by Jesus Zavala, seconded by Diana Toscano, Roll call was taken. Motion Passed 4-0-2absent.)

10.1 Approved to appoint Richard Carlos as interim Maintenance, Operations and Transportation Coordinator.

10.2 Approved to hire Sergio Mayares as Assistant Chess Coach for the 2016/2017 school year, as recommended by the interview panel.

10.3 Approved of the (RFP) request for Proposal for the Design-Build Lighting and HVAC Replacement at Mendota High, Mendota Junior High, and McCabe Elementary Schools, as part of the MUSD Proposition 39 "Energy Expenditure Plan".

10.4 Resolution #238-1617; Proclaiming Support of California Proposition 51. "KINDERGARTEN THROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITIES BOND ACT OF 2016" ROLL CALL VOTE; Jesus Zavala Y; Jose Zavala ABSENT; D. Toscano YES L. Flores ABSENT; I. Maldonado Y; R. Varela Y.

10.5 Resolution #239-1617; Proclaiming Support of California Proposition 55. "THE CHILDREN'S EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE PROTECTION ACT OF 2016" ROLL CALL VOTE; Jesus Zavala YES; Jose Zavala ABSENT; D. Toscano YES L. Flores ABSENT; I. Maldonado YES; R. Varela YES.

11.0 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.

- ❖ Mr. Jesus Zavala asked if there was an update on Comprehensive Sex Education. Dr. Lopez said they will bring out someone from FCOE to do a presentation. They are working on the curriculum. Mr. Bautista will inform the board what dates the presentations will be scheduled. Mr. Jesus Zavala asked Mr. Kirby what he see's happening regarding the CTE? Mr. Kirby said he and his staff will look for NTSD Automotive Certification courses and more auto mechanics and welding classes.

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- ❖ Diana Toscano shared she worked in an event in Fresno as part of her job and she spoke to Ruben Castillo of FCOE Migrant . She said Mr. Castillo spoke well of Mr. Jose Ochoa and the great job he is doing for the Migrant Program. Mrs. Diana Toscano congratulated him.
- ❖ Isabel Maldonado congratulated Richard Carlos for his appointment as the new MOT Coordinator. She also thanked Mr. Kirby for doing a great job with the FFA Program. She said it was one of her goals as a board member to get a program going. She is very happy with how the district is moving in the right direction.
- ❖ Karla Barrera they will be having a school dance with the theme "The Walking Dead" on October 29th. It will be a fundraiser for Seniors and Juniors.
- ❖ Raul Varela asked Dr. Lopez for an update on the student that was hit by a car. Mr. Jarret said she is doing as well as can be expected. They might be releasing her soon from the hospital. Mr. Jarrett said the student body held a fundraiser for her to help with costs. As for her studies, Mr. Jarrett and Mr. Bautista are working on a strategy for her to catch up on her school work. Mr. Varela asked Mr. Smith what was the processed for getting the counselors and therapists to act fast for them to help some of the students who witnessed the accident. Mr. Smith said it was good communication and we at the district have excellent counselors. Mr. Varela thanked Mr. Robert Gonzales and his staff for being safe and accident free. He said he has not heard of them being involved in accidents.
- ❖ Jose Zavala asked if there was any clown sightings around the schools. Dr. Lopez said we have not had any sightings.

12.0 REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

- Thanked Robert Gonzalez for doing a great job.
- Thanked Mr. Ochoa for setting up workshops with SRO on lock down drills.
- Reminder of joint meeting with the City next Wednesday at 6:00pm at City Hall.
- Reminded the board that the district is on the right track by offering more AP classes and more Pathway classes. There are more options for students. Other districts are noticing that Mendota is on the right track. We have a great team and staff.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION 7:45pm.

13.1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

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

13.2 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT/APPOINTMENT/TRANSFER

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

- ❖ Bus Driver/Gardener

13.3 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE

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

14.0 RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

15.0 ADJOURNMENT


Clerk of the Board

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