

MORENO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF JANUARY 29, 2002**

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 29, 2002, are being submitted to the Board of Education for approval at its Regular Board Meeting of February 12, 2002. The minutes are a complete and factual record of action taken by the Board of Education at its Regular Meeting of January 29, 2002.

**MORENO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
25634 Alessandro Boulevard  
Moreno Valley, California**

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CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Education opened the meeting at 5:01 p.m. to convene into Closed Session to discuss Private School Placements, Hearing Officer Recommendations, Conference with CSEA Labor Negotiator, Conference with MVEA Labor Negotiator, and Conference with Real Property Negotiator.

Members Present

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

Administration

John Costello

The Board of Education reconvened into Regular Session at 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present - Ashe Present - Bailey Present - Baugh Present - Sayre Present - Vackar  
Present - Contreras (Student Rep.)

REPORT OUT  
OF CLOSED  
SESSION:

The Board of Education concurred with staff recommendations on Private School Placement Cases and Hearing Officer Recommendations. The Board of Education heard an update on Conference with CSEA Labor Negotiator, Conference with MVEA Labor Negotiator, and on Conference with Real Property Negotiator with no reportable action.

Administration Present

John Costello, Deputy Superintendent, Schools/Educational Programs  
Pat Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction  
Louise Bigbie, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services  
Cindy Stewart, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
Joseph Palomino, Director, Secondary Education  
Kathy Nordin, Director, Elementary Education  
Dan Reed, Director, Information Literacy  
Willie Williams, Director, Facilities  
Dave Swift, Director, Maintenance and Operations  
Rick Lewis, Director, Transportation

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Administration Present (Cont.)

Mary Jones, Principal, Vista del Lago

Kim Kruger, Interim Principal, Valley View  
 Mark Attebery, Principal, Moreno Valley  
 Gayle Rellstab, Principal, March Mountain  
 Sharon Cirigliano, Executive Secretary, Board of Education

Visitors

Larin Lucero	Wendy Ramos	Linda Adam
Monique Chubbs	Jennifer Rivas	John Atkinson
Bertha Thigpen	Wendy Ashley	Sharron Marrujo
Katherine Underwood	Ann Adler	Marcia Hallstrom
Vanessa Gomez	Patty Rucker	Lori Holland
Karen Rumfola	Becky Schreiner	Rachel Torres
Sabrina Barreras	Eric Rosman	Kay Palush
Bob Lepore	Janet MacMillan	Carmen Wadley
Trish Hatch	Mary Perea	Lynn Vogel
Jesus Holguin	Gordon Parker	Lequice Juckes
Tanya Sierra	R. W. Smith	Bernadette Burks
Barry Huggins	Bill Deegan	LaSaunda West
Clarice Flower	Patricia Wohanka	Susan Marshall
Shannon Brennan	Carol Cyr	Nancy Nottingham
Maureen King	Shaun Wallace	Linda Williams
Mike Baiza Gonzalez	Grethen Udow	Bill Martin
Deb Montano	David Williams	Becky Tucker
Melissa Siegel	Debra Denison	A.A. Lopez
Leanne Kruk	Mary Stafford	Marian Wade
Sandy Blackstone	Sue Hathcock	Natalie Koeslag
H.L. Griffin	Doug Richardson	Alfred Crawford
John Orr	Linda Grafstrom	Carmen Wadley
Sandy Wible	Zenia Lowe	Peggy Murphy
Gale Taylor	Kelly Estes	Susan Cook
David Estes	Lorri Limoges-Kerns	Ethel Cieluch
Cristan Greaves	Michelle Smith	Liz Romero
Patty Rucker	Faye Arco	Rich Brisle
Rob Harvey	Mike Manderbaum	Matt Brooks
Guillermina Guillen		

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

PLEDGE OF

ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Student Board Representative Contreras.

INVOCATION: The Invocation was given by Board Member Baugh.

DATES OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

February	12, 2002	7 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting	Board Room
February	26, 2002	7 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting	Board Room
March	12, 2002	7 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting	Board Room

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RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATIONS/EVENTS

Valley View High School football players and coaches were recognized as finalists in the California Interscholastic Federation Division 5 football championship game.

District nurses and health clerk technicians were recognized for their contributions to the well being of District students and employees.

The Student Assistant Program and K-12 school counselors presented results obtained from the prevention and intervention programs provided during the 2000-01 school year.

### SCHOOL REPORTS

Student Board Representatives present reported on the following: Chris Contreras, Moreno Valley, reported that finals were completed last week, seniors are eager to complete their courses, a celebrity basketball game is scheduled with the Hollywood Knights versus Moreno Valley staff for February 2 at 7:30 p.m., Interact club members had lunch with the Noon Rotary at P.H. Woods, and the television production class has implemented televised morning announcements.

Monique Chubbs, Valley View, reported that the mid-winter formal dance at Edward's Mansion last Friday was a success, Black History Read-In is scheduled for February 7 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m., the Black Student Union has scheduled an assembly on February 22 for Black History Month with a professional dance group performing, and shared that students would participate in activities for Yellow Ribbon Week.

Jennifer Rivas, Bayside, reported that on January 22 Bayside students took part in the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery in partnership with AmeriCorp Vista, spoke about the new Youth Opportunity Center available to assist students (ages 14-21) in their education and college or employment preparation, activities planned for Yellow Ribbon Week, on January 30 at 10 a.m. guest speakers will present career opportunities in law enforcement, Back-to-School is scheduled for January 31 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., and the first career day is planned for April 4.

Wendy Ramos, March Valley, reported that the Universal Studios award field trip for March Valley and March Mountain students was a success, January 28 began second semester, and students are preparing to meet their goals.

Larin Lucero, March Mountain, reported that the Universal Studios award field trip for March Mountain and March Valley was a success, shared various activities being planned in honor Martin Luther King and Yellow Ribbon Week, and shared a concern about the proposed cuts in staffing at March Mountain.

### STAFF RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS MADE AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS

None

### PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Rachel Torres, Sabrina Barreras, and Eric Rosman, March Mountain students, Bob Lepore, March Mountain classified staff member, Kay Palush, Linda Grafstrom, Carmen Wadley, March Mountain teachers, and Karen Rumfola, president of the Classified School Employees Association (CSEA), shared concerns on the proposed classified staffing cuts for March Mountain High School effective March 1, 2002.

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### PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

LaShaunda West, Canyon Springs parent, Ralph Smith, community member, and Bernadette Burks, community member, spoke about a concern with the unprofessional behavior of a Canyon Springs teacher.

Marsha Hallstrom, Vista Heights parent, stated that she was never notified about the implementation of year-round education for Vista Heights.

John Atkinson, Bertha Thigpen, Sharron Marrujo, members of Moreno Valley Educators Association (MVEA), Wendy Ashley, president of Moreno PTA, and Katherine Underwood, president of MVEA, asked the Board to remain committed to the students and direct staff to allocate a raise for certificated staff.

Guillermina Guillen, Canyon Springs parent, shared a concern with the Canyon Springs student handbook, the grading procedures, and notification to parents of students at risk of failing.

The Board of Education recessed at 8:50 p.m. for a short break. The Board of Education reconvened at 8:56 p.m.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved by Gary E. Baugh and seconded by Tracey B. Vackar that Consent Agenda Items 001 through 002 under Superintendent, Item 101 under Deputy Superintendent, Items 201 through 214 under Curriculum and Instruction, Items 301 through 309 under Fiscal Services, and Items 401 through 414 under Human Resources be approved as presented.

VOTE: AYE – 5

NAY- 0

ABSTAIN - 0

**ACTION AGENDA**

It was moved by Rick Sayre and seconded by Jacqueline L. Ashe that Action Agenda Item 027 under Superintendent, Items 225 through 229 under Curriculum and Instruction, Items 325 through 327 under Fiscal Services, Item 425 under Human Resources, and Items 525 through 562 under Student Services be approved as presented.

VOTE: - AYE – 5

NAY - 0

ABSTAIN – 0

The following Action Items were pulled for a separate vote:

It was moved by Gary E. Baugh and seconded by Rick Sayre that Action Item – 025 – Resolution No. 2001-02-044 – Mid-Year Budget Reductions and Needed Action by the Governor and Legislature be approved as presented.

VOTE: - AYE – 5

NAY - 0

ABSTAIN – 0

It was moved by Rick Sayre and seconded by Gary E. Baugh that Action Item – 026 – Resolution No. 2001-02-35 – African American History Month – February 2002 be approved as presented.

VOTE: - AYE – 5

NAY - 0

ABSTAIN – 0

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It was moved by John Bailey and seconded by Rick Sayre that Action Item – 125 – Energy Education, Incorporated be approved as presented.

VOTE: - AYE – 3

NAY – 2 (Ashe, Baugh)

ABSTAIN – 0

It was moved by John Bailey and seconded by Gary E. Baugh that Action Item – 426 – Resolution No. 2001-02-47 – Reduction and/or Elimination of Certain Classified Bargaining Unit Positions Effective March 1, 2002, be approved as presented.

VOTE: - AYE – 4

NAY – 1 (Ashe)

ABSTAIN – 0

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT

175 2002-03 Budget Development

Dr. Costello reviewed the proposed 2002-03 budget development process. There was Board discussion and clarification of questions and concerns.

It was moved by Tracey B. Vackar and seconded by Gary E. Baugh that the 2002-03 Budget Development process be approved as presented.

VOTE: - AYE – 5

NAY - 0

ABSTAIN - 0

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

275 2001 Base Academic Performance Index (API)

Dr. Dan Reed, Director, Accountability and Assessment, presented information on the District's 2001 Base Academic Performance Index (API) scores, which shows that 62 percent of District school sites have increased test scores.

It was motioned by John Bailey and seconded by Gary E. Baugh that the 2001 Base Academic performance Index (API) be approved as presented.

VOTE: - AYE – 5

NAY - 0

ABSTAIN - 0

STUDENT SERVICES

575 First Reading – Board Policy 5145.11 – Questioning and Apprehension

Staff was directed to bring back Board Policy 5145.11 – Questioning and Apprehension for second reading.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT ITEM

V-A Review of 2001-02 Financial Statements

V-B 2002-2003 District Budget Preparation Calendar

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Tracey Vackar had no comments.

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John Bailey had no comments.

Gary Baugh brought forward the following items:

- The District needs to improve communications with the community to share the progress and improvement of the schools.
- He asked about the status of notifying parents regarding the change in attendance boundaries and addition of year-round education sites.

Jackie Ashe had no comments.

Rick Sayre brought forward the following items:

- The District is in the process of reviewing the concerns brought forward by the Moreno Valley Aquatics group. Information will be presented to the Board in the future. This is not a forgotten issue.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by John Bailey and seconded by Tracey B. Vackar that, there being no further items to come before the Board of Education, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

VOTE:                    AYE – 5    NAY - 0    ABSTAIN - 0

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