

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 16, 2014  
APPROVED MINUTES

1. Opening Business

1.1 Call to Order: President John McPherson called the Regular Meeting of the Monterey County Board of Education to order at 9:02 AM in the Dr. Ray Charlson Board Chambers of the Monterey County Office of Education.

1.2 Roll Call

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

John McPherson, President	Trustee Area #2
Mary Claypool, Vice-President	Trustee Area #6
Harvey Kuffner	Trustee Area #1
Judy Pennycook	Trustee Area #3
Francisco Javier Estrada	Trustee Area #4
Ronald Panziera	Trustee Area #5
Sergio Alejo	Trustee Area #7
Dr. Nancy Kotowski, Secretary to the Board	

**STAFF TO SUPERINTENDENT:**

Michelle Archuleta  
Garry Bousum  
Chris Cambern  
Jessica Herfurth  
Joshua Jorn  
Marci McFadden  
Dr. Deneen Newman  
Dr. Faris Sabbah  
Colleen Stanley  
Dr. Ernesto Vela

**GUESTS:**

Jim Bush  
Greg Ludwa  
Carmen Gonzales  
Xochilth Beatriz Gonzales Carreon  
Javier Alejandro Pinacho Bolaños  
Federico Ramirez Lopez  
Urian David Teran Guzman

1.3 Pledge of Allegiance: Sergio Alejo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.4 Adoption of Agenda

*Changes, additions (based on Board Bylaw 9322 – Provision of Emergency/Urgency), and approval of the Agenda as presented. 2/3 vote required if any item is added to the Agenda.*

1.4.1 Changes to the Agenda: None

1.4.2 Additions to the Agenda: None

1.4.3 Adoption of the Agenda:

MSC 14-15-01 (7-0) Judy Pennycook, Harvey Kuffner

“That the Monterey County Board of Education adopts the agenda as presented.”

The Board moved to Item 2.2.

## 2. Communications

- 2.1 Correspondence: President John McPherson informed the Board about a recent email from the Alisal Union School District regarding the behavior of Francisco Javier Estrada at recent Alisal USD Board of Trustee meetings. President McPherson stated that he addressed the matter with Mr. Estrada as it pertains to the Monterey County Board of Education.

Dr. Nancy Kotowski shared a letter from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson, stating that the Millennium Charter High School has been selected as one of eight arts, media, and entertainment regional demonstration sites. In addition, Millennium Charter High School has received Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) accreditation.

Dr. Kotowski announced that CCBE is accepting officer nominations until July 31<sup>st</sup>.

The Board moved to Item 3.

- 2.2 Oral Comments from the Public *(Comments from the public are limited to items both within the Board's jurisdiction, as well as not on the agenda. The Board may limit public comments to no more than three (3) minutes, at the discretion of the Board President. Public comment will also be allowed on each specific agenda item prior to Board action thereon.)*

Carmen Gonzales, a parent from the King City Union School District, spoke to the Board regarding her concern for a bullying issue in the district. President McPherson recommended that she speak with the King City USD Board of Trustees, as well as the district superintendent.

The Board moved to Item 7.1.

## 3. Consent Agenda

*(Action Items included on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and are acted on by the County Board in one motion. There is not discussion of these items before the Board vote unless a member of the Board, staff, or public requests specific items be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Agenda. It is understood that the Administration recommends approval on all Consent items. Each item on the Consent Agenda approved by the County Board shall be deemed to have been considered in full and adopted as recommended.)*

MSC 14-15-02 (7-0) Harvey Kuffner, Judy Pennycook

"That the Monterey County Board of Education approves the Consent Agenda as presented."

- 3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 25, 2014  
 3.2 Approval of the Teacher Temporary Certificates of July 16, 2014  
 3.3 Adoption of Resolution No. 14-15-02, Board Member Absence – John McPherson  
 3.4 Adoption of Resolution No. 14-15-03, Board Member Absence – Sergio Alejo

The Board moved to Item 7.3.

4. Unfinished Business Action Items
5. New Business Action Items

- 5.1 Public Hearing on California Environmental Quality Act Mitigated Negative Declaration (CEQA) for Proposed Salinas Community School at 615 Leslie Drive Salinas, CA, and Adoption of Corresponding Resolution No. 14-15-01

Joshua Jorn, Director II of General Services, presented the item. He introduced Jim Bush of School Site Solutions, who described the meaning and purpose of a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND). He explained that all state-funded building projects must undergo an initial environmental review of several inspection categories, including transportation/traffic, geology and soils, and air quality. If the proposed project is found to have a potentially significant impact in any of the inspection categories, mitigation measures must be outlined. If each of the potentially significant environmental impacts can be reduced to less than significant due to mitigation, a MND is filed. If the potentially significant impacts cannot be reduced to less than significant, a full Environmental Impact Report would have to be completed.

Mr. Bush reported an MND has been filed because every potentially significant environmental impact of the proposed Salinas Community School project can be reduced to be less than significant with the implementation of mitigation measures.

- 5.1.1 Open Public Hearing: President McPherson opened the hearing to the public at 11:17 AM
- 5.1.2 Receive Public Comment: None
- 5.1.3 Close Public Hearing: President McPherson closed the hearing at 11:17 AM.

MSC 14-15-03 (7-0) Harvey Kuffner, Sergio Alejo

"That the Monterey County Board of Education adopts Resolution No. 14-15-01 adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Leslie Drive Community School."

The Board moved to Item 8.2.1.

6. Unfinished Business Non Action Items
7. New Business Non Action Items
  - 7.1 Board Site Visitations

The Board recessed at 9:10 AM to visit the following program(s):

- CSUMB Junior Otters / MESA – Migrant Education  
*100 Campus Center, Seaside, CA*

The Board reconvened at 10:53 AM and moved to Item 2.1.

## 7.2 Migrant Education Binational Project – Visiting Educators

Dr. Ernesto Vela provided a brief description of the Binational Teachers Program. He then introduced three of the 21 teachers from the Mexican states of Oaxaca and Michoacán currently participating in the program.

The Board moved to Item 8.1.

## 7.3 Payment of Claims for June 2014

Garry Bousum presented the item.

## 7.4 Surplus Property

Garry Bousum presented the item. He stated that the chairs being surplus were previously housed in meeting rooms A and B.

The Board moved to Item 5.1.

## 8. Reports from Superintendent and/or Staff

### 8.1 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Kotowski distributed the Board calendar for July and August. She addressed the current pace of MCOE program site visitations. The Board members agreed to defer to staff to schedule site visitations on a meeting-by-meeting basis.

Dr. Kotowski also shared that MCOE staff is working diligently to help the San Ardo Union School District address their facility problems.

#### 8.1.1 Report of MCOE Program Activities

- Stuff the Bus Kick Off
- Tri-County Teacher Recruitment Fair

#### 8.1.2 Upcoming Events

- Stuff the Bus – Stuffing Event
- AmeriCorps End-of-Service Recognition
- Welcome to 2014-15 AmeriCorps Members
- Community Human Services Annual Luncheon

The Board moved to Item 9.

## 8.2 Staff Reports

### 8.2.1 Migrant Education Annual Update

Dr. Ernesto Vela gave a brief presentation on the Migrant Education department. He provided an overview of the program, and shared recent statistics related to English language arts and math performance, as well as graduation rates.

The Board moved to Item 7.2.

9. Comments by Members of the Board

9.1 Board Members

Harvey Kuffner pointed out that the two Board member absence resolutions are unclear. Corrected versions of the resolutions will be brought forward at the August 6 Board meeting.

Vice President Mary Claypool stated that she is glad to have Dr. PK Diffenbaugh on board as the new superintendent of Monterey Peninsula Unified School District, and mentioned the upcoming welcome event for him in Seaside.

10. Reports from Board Members

- 10.1 Legislation: Harvey Kuffner
- 10.2 Community Human Services: Harvey Kuffner
- 10.3 Sunrise House: Ronald Panziera
- 10.4 Child Abuse Prevention Council: Judy Pennycook
- 10.5 Monterey County Schools Insurance Group: John McPherson

11. Staff Recognition: None

12. Consideration of Items for Future Meetings

12.1 Proposed Future Commendatory Resolutions

12.2 Proposed Future Agenda Items

- English Language Arts Curriculum Report
- Board Self-Assessment Instrument Review

13. Next Meeting Dates:

August 6, 2014 – 9 AM  
August 20, 2014 – 9 AM

Agenda Items Due July 25, 2014  
Agenda Items Due August 8, 2014

14. The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 PM.

Approved: August 6, 2014

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John McPherson, President

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Nancy Kotowski, Ph. D.,  
Secretary to the Board