

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 1, 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 9:00 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 (<i>left at 11:58 AM</i>)
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
Kay Atchison
Garry Bousum
Ginny Brown
Leigh Butler
Dr. Rosa Coronado
Karen Hennessy
Marci McFadden
Dr. Deneen Newman
Dr. Faris Sabbah
Colleen Stanley
Carla Stewart
Dr. Mary White

GUESTS:

Dan Burns
Becki Hadley
Devon Lincoln
Claudia Melendez-Salinas
Tim Vanoli
Pegi VanderMeulen

1.3 Pledge of Allegiance: Ronald Panziera led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Harvey Kuffner and Judy Pennycook shared a patriotic exercise.

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 14-15-20 (7-0) Harvey Kuffner, Sergio Alejo

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

2. Communications

2.1 Correspondence: None

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.)*: None

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 14-15-21 (7-0) Judy Pennycook, Mary Claypool

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

3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 17, 2014

3.2 Approval of the Teacher Temporary Certificates of October 1, 2014

3.3 Adoption of Resolution No. 14-15-19, Board Member Absence – Sergio Alejo

3.4 Adoption of Resolution No. 14-15-20, Board Member Absence – Judy Pennycook

3.5 Adoption of Resolution No. 14-15-21, Board Member Absence – Harvey Kuffner

4. Unfinished Business Action Items: None

The Board moved to Item 5.2.

5. New Business Action Items

5.1 Consideration and Action on the Matter of Language Plus Academies, Inc.'s Appeal of the Denial by Salinas Union High School District of its Petition to Establish Salinas Language Academy, a Charter School

Devon Lincoln of Lozano Smith reviewed the Board's authority and staff findings on the matter of Language Plus Academies, Inc.'s appeal of the denial by Salinas Union High School District of its petition to establish a charter school.

Dr. Faris Sabbah provided a presentation on staff findings and recommendation for denial.

The petitioner was not present to comment.

Judy Pennycook asked if there was any recourse to recoup monies spent reviewing a frivolous petition; legal counsel indicated that every petition is provided a thorough review in respect to the law. Harvey Kuffner requested that the California Department of Education be alerted to the volume of costs associated with analysis of charter school petitions.

Dan Burns, Assistant Superintendent of Salinas Union High School District, spoke to the District's review of the petition. He indicated that throughout the review, there was a lack of participation from students, parents, and community members, and the District was in concurrence with MCOE's findings that the petition was insufficient.

There was no public comment.

MSC 14-15-23 (7-0) Judy Pennycook, Harvey Kuffner

"That the Monterey County Board of Education, after due consideration, adopts the Finding of Facts set forth in the staff report, and adopts Resolution No. 14-15-23, **DENYING** the Charter Petition for the Establishment of the Salinas Language Academy."

The Board took a recess at 11:34 AM and reconvened at 11:40 AM.

The Board then moved to item 8.

- 5.2 Approval of Nomination of Rochelle Greenwell to Serve on the Special Education Local Area Plan (SELPA) Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

Kay Atchison presented the item on behalf of Mariphil Romanow-Cole.

MSC 14-15-22 (7-0) Judy Pennycook, Harvey Kuffner

"That the Monterey County Board of Education approves the nomination of Rochelle Greenwell to serve as a Special Education representative on SELPA Community Advisory Committee."

The Board moved to Item 7.1.

- 6. Unfinished Business Non Action Items: None

- 7. New Business Non Action Items

- 7.1 Presentation of California School Bus Safety Awareness Month Resolution

President John McPherson and Dr. Nancy Kotowski presented Resolution 14-15-11, California School Bus Safety Awareness Month, to Eleanor Taylor of the Transportation Department.

- 7.2 First Reading of Proposed Changes to Board Policy 2110, Duties of the County Superintendent of Schools Related to the County Board of Education

Item 7.2 was heard with Item 7.3.

7.3 First Reading of Proposed Changes to Board Policy 2121, Setting the County Superintendent's Salary

John McPherson reviewed the process of the Board Policy Committee to review and update Board Policies 2110 and 2121, which were both outdated.

President McPherson indicated the compensation committee will use the revised policies to make a recommendation to the Board for the County Superintendent's salary schedule upon her new term of office.

7.4 Discussion Regarding the SB 858 Maximum Reserve Requirement

Dr. Kotowski and Garry Bousum spoke regarding the Senate Bill. Garry Bousum distributed a letter signed by many organizations, asking for new legislation to address the reserve requirement. Staff was asked to contact CSBA to determine whether another bill will be written to address the reserve cap. Adoption of a resolution will be agendized for a future meeting if staff deems necessary to support a repeal of the reserve cap.

The Board moved to Item 8.2.1.

8. Reports from Superintendent and/or Staff

8.1 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Kotowski distributed the Board calendar. She also distributed a copy of the press advisory for the press conference taking place on October 2, and shared the exciting news of MCOE receiving many valuable grant awards, totaling \$2.8 million.

8.1.1 Report of MCOE Program Activities

- Grant awards
- Pebble Beach Author's and Ideas Festival
- Back to School Legal Update training
- Emergency response training for school districts

8.1.2 Upcoming Events

- VNA Woman of the Year Luncheon
- Great Shakeout Earthquake Drill
- Flu Shot Clinic
- Farm Day
- December 3 Organizational Meeting

The Board moved to Item 9.

8.2 Staff Reports

- 8.2.1 Human Resources Department: Dr. Rosa Coronado presented a PowerPoint presentation on the services provided by the Human Resources.

The Board took a recess at 10:57 AM and reconvened at 11:04 AM.

The Board moved to Item 5.1.

9. Comments by Members of the Board

Judy Pennycook left at 11:58 AM.

- 9.1 Board Members: John McPherson provided an update on the Sand City RDA Successor Agency. He also spoke regarding the CSBA delegates and the extensive discussion on charter schools.

Harvey Kuffner provided an update on the Monterey and Del Rey Oaks RDA Successor Agencies.

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: Escape/Digital Schools HRA Update, Stanford/MCSIG Update

12.1 Proposed Future Commendatory Resolutions: None

12.2 Proposed Future Agenda Items

- Alternative Education Discipline Report
- Restorative Justice Presentation
- Transportation Fuel Usage and Cost Report
- English Language Arts Curriculum Report

13. Next Meeting Dates:

October 15, 2014 – 9 AM
 November 5, 2014 – 9 AM

Agenda Items due October 3, 2014
 Agenda Items due October 24, 2014

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

Approved: October 15, 2014

John McPherson, President

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