

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 5, 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 3:00 PM in Conference Rooms A/B 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  
Deb Brau  
Ginny Brown  
Leigh Butler  
Dr. Rosa Coronado  
Chris Devers  
Dr. Deneen Newman  
Faris Sabbah  
Colleen Stanley  
Carla Stewart

**GUESTS:**

Janet Barnes  
Melanie Crall  
Roberto Garcia  
Becki Hadley  
Gerry Straton  
Susan Villa  
Navigator Charter School supporters  
Navigator Charter School opponents

1.3 Pledge of Allegiance: Dr. Nancy Kotowski led the Pledge of Allegiance. Harvey Kuffner 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: Dr. Kotowski requested to adjourn the meeting in memory of Ruben Perez III, Robert Howe Walthour III "Coach", and Marv Beguhl.

1.4.3 Adoption of the Agenda:

MSC 14-15-31 (7-0) Judy Pennycook, Harvey Kuffner

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

2. Communications

- 2.1 Correspondence: Dr. Kotowski shared a letter sent by Finance and Business Services to Razzolink regarding unpaid subscriber fees and insufficient supporting documentation.
- 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.)*; Becki Hadley requested the opportunity for public comment prior to the Board's scheduled visitations to school sites at future Board meetings.

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 14-15-32 (7-0) Mary Claypool, Harvey Kuffner

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

- 3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 15, 2014
- 3.2 Approval of the Teacher Temporary Certificates of November 5, 2014
- 3.3 Adoption of Resolution No. 14-15-26, Recognizing and Honoring Richard Gray, Monterey County Probation Department Youth Center Division Director, on the Occasion of His Retirement

4. Unfinished Business Action Items: None

5. New Business Action Items

- 5.1 Changing the Time of the Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting of December 3, 2014 from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

Dr. Kotowski requested to change the start time of the December 3, 2014, regular meeting to the afternoon in order to accommodate the 5:00 PM rendering of the decision for the Navigator Charter School appeal petition. The Board agreed to change the start time from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

MSC 14-15-33 (7-0) Harvey Kuffner, Ronald Panziera

"That the Monterey County Board of Education change the time of the Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting of December 3, 2014, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM."

6. Unfinished Business Non Action Items: None

7. New Business Non Action Items

7.1 Public Disclosure of the Negotiated Agreement with California School Employees Association, Chapter 35 – Head Start

Garry Bousum presented the item.

7.2 Public Disclosure of the Negotiated Agreement with Monterey County Office of Education Teachers Association – Head Start

Garry Bousum presented the item.

The Board moved to Item 8.

7.3 Overview of the Process and the Board’s Role in a Charter School Appeal

Dr. Faris Sabbah introduced Chad Graff of Fagen, Friedman and Fulfroost, LLP, legal counsel representing the Monterey County Board of Education.

Mr. Graff provided an overview of the process for review of a Charter School Petition. He detailed the sections of the Education Code and Code of Regulations that pertain to the review of a petition to establish a charter school and the Board’s role.

The Board took a recess at 4:53 PM and reconvened at 5:05 PM.

7.4 Public Hearing in Accordance with Education Code 47605(b) and Board Policy 0420.4 on the Matter of Navigator Charter’s Appeal of a Previously Denied Petition by the Salinas City Elementary School District

7.1.1 Open Public Hearing: President McPherson opened the hearing to the public at 5:10 PM. Each individual wishing to speak was given two minutes, with the exception of the designated representative from Navigator Charter School (James Dent) and the designated representative from the Salinas City Elementary School District (Manuel Martinez, Counsel), who were each given five minutes for opening remarks.

7.1.2 Receive Public Input and Comment (42 individuals made public comment):

The following individuals from Salinas spoke in favor of the establishment of the Navigator Charter School: BJ Scheid, Sonya Woolsey, Crystal Toriumi, Heather Parsons, Esmeralda Jimenez, Guadalupe Castillo, Araceli Lopez, Noemi Evangelista, Paul Nadeau, Ari Maharaj, Milixa Moreno, Darlene Aviles, Janie Luchs.

The following individuals from Salinas spoke in opposition to the establishment of the Navigator Charter School: George Lopez, Gabriella Perez, Roberto Garcia, Carol Rodrigues, Diane Cunanan, Norma Camacho, Oscar Ramos, Gloria

Santiago, Sally Eldredge, GERALYN Budenholzer, Susan Midori Jones, Loraine De La Torre, Norma Lara, Elva Arellano, Eric Joaquin.

The following individuals from the Gilroy/Hollister area spoke in favor of the establishment of the Navigator Charter: Miriam Martinez, Donna Bakich, Phillip Harr, Shawna Freitas, Cristi Clark, Ysabelle Perez, Amy Browne, Bri Gottlieb, Orlando Orozco, Lucy Scheid, Nicholas Bakich, Khadija Hussendar, Hillary Harmssen, Susan Villa.

Designated representatives from Salinas City Elementary School District (Manuel Martinez, Counsel) and Navigator Charter School (James Dent) were given five minutes each for closing statements.

- 7.1.3 Close Public Hearing: President McPherson closed the hearing to the public at 6:50 PM. He indicated that a decision will be rendered by the Board on December 3, 2014, at 5 PM.

The Board moved to Item 14.

## 8. Reports from Superintendent and/or Staff

### 8.1 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Kotowski congratulated MCOETA President Melanie Crall and MCOETA Vice President Greg Ludwa on their selection as members of the Instructional Leadership Corps (ILC). Ms. Crall spoke regarding the collaborative partnership among CTA, Stanford's Center for Opportunity Policy in Education, and the National Board Resource Center at Stanford, to provide professional development support for the implementation of CCSS (Common Core). There were over 550 applications, of which only 160 applicants were selected. Ms. Crall also shared that she was one of 12 teachers selected to be Common Core advocates, participating in a training by the developers of the Common Core State Standards, and serving as a resource to the region.

#### 8.1.1 Report of MCOE Program Activities

Dr. Kotowski distributed and discussed the Board calendar, the 2014-15 Monterey County Education Report to the Community, and media articles regarding the report.

#### 8.1.2 Upcoming Events

- Richard Tuttle's Celebration of Life
- Upcoming holidays

The Board moved to Item 9.

### 8.2 Staff Reports

8.2.1 Alternative Education Department & Discipline Report: Dr. Faris Sabbah presented a PowerPoint update on the Alternative Education Department.

The Board moved to Item 10.3.

9. Comments by Members of the Board

9.1 Board Members: Harvey Kuffner spoke regarding Proposition 2. After extensive discussion, the Board requested the preparation of a resolution and letter to legislators using CSBA language regarding the two conflicting concepts in Proposition 2.

10. Reports from Board Members

10.1 Legislation: Harvey Kuffner

10.2 Community Human Services: Harvey Kuffner

The Board moved to Item 8.2.

10.3 Sunrise House: Ronald Panziera

10.4 Child Abuse Prevention Council: Judy Pennycook

10.5 Monterey County Schools Insurance Group: John McPherson

10.6 CLSBA Conference Report: Francisco Javier Estrada

11. Staff Recognition: None

12. Consideration of Items for Future Meetings

12.1 Proposed Future Commendatory Resolutions:

12.2 Proposed Future Agenda Items

- Restorative Justice Presentation
- Transportation Fuel Usage and Cost Report
- Escape Human Resources Authorization Update
- Stanford/MCSIG Update
- Update on Providers of Additional Adult Support for Students in Special Education

13. Next Meeting Dates:

November 19, 2014 – 9 AM

December 3, 2014 – 9 AM

Agenda Items due November 7, 2014

Agenda Items due November 21, 2014

14. The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 PM in memory of Ruben Perez III, Robert Howe Walthour III "Coach", and Marv Beguhl.

Approved: November 19, 2014

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John McPherson, President

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