

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 5, 2015
APPROVED MINUTES

1. Opening Business

1.1 Call to Order: President Mary Claypool called the regular meeting of the Monterey County Board of Education to order at 9:01 AM in the Dr. Ray Charlson Board Chambers of the Monterey County Office of Education.

1.2 Roll Call

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mary Claypool, President
Ronald Panziera, Vice-President
John McPherson
Harvey Kuffner
Judy Pennycook
Francisco Javier Estrada
Sergio Alejo

Trustee Area #6
Trustee Area #5
Trustee Area #2 (*arrived at 9:20 AM*)
Trustee Area #1
Trustee Area #3
Trustee Area #4
Trustee Area #7 (*via conference call from 305 Elwood Street, Salinas*)

Dr. Nancy Kotowski, Secretary to the Board

STAFF TO SUPERINTENDENT:

Michelle Archuleta
Barry Brown
Ginny Brown
Garry P. Bousum
Suzette Burns
Laura Cortez
Phil Davis
Karen Deller
Dr. Deneen Guss
Denise Lang
Dr. Jamie Valenzuela-Mumau
Esther Rubio
Dr. Faris Sabbah
Colleen Stanley
Carla Stewart
Dawn Tovey

GUESTS:

Becki Hadley

1.3 Pledge of Allegiance: Ron Panziera 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

1.4.2 Additions to the Agenda: Dr. Kotowski requested to adjourn the meeting in memory of Cherry Denise Griffith, MCOE Instructional Paraprofessional for 11 years.

1.4.3 Adoption of the Agenda

MSC 15-16-04 (6-0) Judy Pennycook, Ron Panziera

AYES: Sergio Alejo (via conference call), Mary Claypool, Francisco Javier Estrada, Harvey Kuffner, Ron Panziera, Judy Pennycook

NOES: None

ABSENT: John McPherson

ABSTENTIONS: None

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

2. Communications

- 2.1 Correspondence: Dr. Kotowski distributed a letter from the Monterey County Treasurer Tax Collector regarding the recovery of funds for the investment pool related to Lehman Brothers. Garry Bousum provided additional information under Item 8.2.2.

Dr. Kotowski introduced Dr. Jamie Valenzuela-Mumau, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services. Dr. Mumau spoke regarding his educational and professional background.

Dr. Kotowski introduced Laura Cortez, English Language Development Coordinator. Ms. Cortez spoke regarding her educational and professional background, as well as her personal experience as an English Learner.

The Board moved to Item 5.2.

- 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 15-16-05 (6-0) Harvey Kuffner, Judy Pennycook

AYES: Sergio Alejo (via conference call), Mary Claypool, Francisco Javier Estrada, Harvey Kuffner, Ron Panziera, Judy Pennycook

NOES: None

ABSENT: John McPherson

ABSTENTIONS: None

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

- 3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 15, 2015
3.2 Approval of the Teacher Temporary Certificates of August 5, 2015
3.3 Adoption of Resolution No. 15-16-01, Board Member Absence – Sergio Alejo
3.4 Adoption of Resolution No. 15-16-02, Board Member Absence – Sergio Alejo

- 3.5 Adoption of Resolution No. 15-16-03, Board Member Absence – Sergio Alejo
- 3.6 Adoption of Resolution No. 15-16-04, Board Member Absence – Harvey Kuffner
- 3.7 Adoption of Resolution No. 15-16-05, Board Member Absence – Ron Panziera

4. Unfinished Business Action Items: None

5. New Business Action Items

- 5.1 Approval of Response to the 2014-2015 Monterey County Civil Grand Jury Final Report No. 5 – “Education, A ‘No Excuses’ Approach to English Language Learning in Monterey County”

John McPherson arrived at 9:20 AM.

Dr. Kotowski distributed a revised version of the draft response to the Monterey County Civil Grand Jury Report, which included suggested edits from Board Member Harvey Kuffner. Dr. Kotowski concurred with the recommended language changes.

President Claypool took the Board page by page through the revised document. The Board made minor changes to the suggested edits in order to provide clear and concise answers. The Board thanked the committee and staff for their hard work in preparing the initial draft response to the Monterey County Civil Grand Jury report.

MSC 15-16-06 (7-0) John McPherson, Harvey Kuffner

AYES: Sergio Alejo (via conference call), Mary Claypool, Francisco Javier Estrada, Harvey Kuffner, John McPherson, Ron Panziera, Judy Pennycook

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

“That the Monterey County Board of Education approves the Response to the 2014-2015 Monterey County Civil Grand Jury’s Final Report as amended.”

The Board returned to Item 2.1.

- 5.2 Consideration of Board Resolution No. 15-16-06 Regarding Proposed Material Revisions to Bay View Academy Charter School Petition

Dr. Faris Sabbah presented the item. The proposed material revisions to the Bay View Academy Charter School Petition included proposed changes to instructional minutes on the school calendar and proposed revisions to the minimum qualifications for “specialty teachers”. A public hearing on the item was conducted on July 15, 2015.

MSC 15-16-07 (7-0) Harvey Kuffner, John McPherson

AYES: Sergio Alejo (via conference call), Mary Claypool, Francisco Javier Estrada, Harvey Kuffner, John McPherson, Ron Panziera, Judy Pennycook

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

"That the Monterey County Board of Education adopts Resolution No. 15-16-06 to approve material revisions to the Bay View Academy Charter School Petition."

The Board took a recess at 10:17 AM and reconvened at 10:32 AM.

The Board moved to Item 8.2.1.

6. Unfinished Business Non Action Items

7. New Business Non Action Items

7.1 Quarterly Summary Report for Uniform Complaints for April 1 – June 30, 2015: Instructional Materials Deficiencies, Emergency or Urgent Facilities Conditions, and Teacher Vacancies or Misassignments

Dr. Deneen Guss presented the item.

8. Reports from Superintendent and/or Staff

8.1 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Kotowski discussed the work taking place on the strategic plan for the new era in education. She also shared the updated Mission, Vision and Core Values.

8.1.1 Report of MCOE Program Activities

- Special Buckaroos
- Migrant Education Junior Otters
- New District Superintendents in County (Carmel, Salinas City, San Antonio, Washington Union)
- Department staff orientations

8.1.2 Upcoming Events: Dr. Kotowski distributed the Board calendar.

8.2 Staff Reports

8.2.1 Foster Youth & Homeless Report: Denise Lang presented the report on Foster Youth in Monterey County. Esther Rubio presented the report on Homeless Youth in Monterey County.

Ron Panziera left for a prior commitment at 11:10 AM. Sergio Alejo departed the conference call at 11:12 AM.

8.2.2 Finance & Business Update: Garry Bousum discussed the correspondence from the Monterey County Treasurer Tax Collector regarding the recovery of funds for the investment pool related to Lehman Brothers. MCOE will be receiving 34 cents on the dollar, and the allocation for schools should be ready by the last week in August.

Members of the Finance and Business Services Division presented an update on the services the division provides both internally and externally.

8.2.3 Escape Human Resources Authorization Update: Phil Davis of the Finance and Business Services Division provided an update on the Escape system.

9. Comments by Members of the Board

9.1 Board Members

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

11.1 Recognition of Dr. Deneen Guss and Leigh Butler: The item was postponed to a future meeting.

12. Consideration of Items for Future Meetings

12.1 Proposed Future Commendatory Resolutions

12.2 Proposed Future Agenda Items

- Employee Recruitment and Retention Strategies
- Report on Solar Project

14. Next Meeting Dates:

August 19, 2015 – 9 AM
September 2, 2015 – 9 AM

Agenda Items due August 7, 2015
Agenda Items due August 21, 2015

15. The meeting was adjourned at 12:48 PM in memory of Cherry Denise Griffith.

Approved: August 19, 2015

Mary Claypool, President

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