

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 2, 2016
APPROVED MINUTES

1. Opening Business

1.1 Call to Order: President Ronald Panziera 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:

Ronald Panziera, President	Trustee Area #5
Judy Pennycook, Vice-President	Trustee Area #3
Harvey Kuffner	Trustee Area #1
John McPherson	Trustee Area #2
Janet Wohlgemuth	Trustee Area #4
Mary Claypool	Trustee Area #6
Dr. Nancy Kotowski, Secretary to the Board	

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTIFICATION:

Sergio Alejo	Trustee Area #7
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STAFF TO SUPERINTENDENT:

Garry Bousum
Ginny Brown
Dr. Rosa Coronado
Dr. Deneen Guss
Jessica Hull
Dr. Jamie Valenzuela-Mumau
Dr. Faris Sabbah
Colleen Stanley
Carla Stewart

GUESTS:

Becki Hadley
Mary Zeeb

President Panziera asked for a moment of silence in honor of Sergio Alejo and his ongoing battle with cancer.

1.3 Pledge of Allegiance: Harvey Kuffner 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: Dr. Kotowski requested to adjourn the meeting in memory of Monterey County Educators Claudia Johnson-Goodrich, Rosalie Mary Aiello, Carol Guido Todd, and Rosemarie Flores.

1.4.2 Additions to the Agenda: None

1.4.3 Adoption of the Agenda:

MSC 15-16-61 (6-0) Harvey Kuffner, Mary Claypool

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

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.):* Becki Hadley spoke regarding the sales tax component of Proposition 30, also called the Education and Health Care Initiative, which is set to expire at the end of this year. She informed the Board that there are efforts to gather enough signatures to place an initiative to extend Proposition 30 on the ballot in November, and she had petitions available if anyone wished to sign. She also spoke regarding the Hartnell College Black History Month celebration.

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.)

Judy Pennycook requested to add to her absence resolution under Item 3.4 the additional public hearings attended in December, as well as involvement in Child Abuse Prevention Council activities.

MSC 15-16-62 (6-0) John McPherson, Harvey Kuffner

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

- 3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 17, 2016
- 3.2 Approval of the Teacher Temporary Certificates of March 2, 2016
- 3.3 Adoption of Resolution No. 15-16-32, Cesar Chavez Day
- 3.4 Adoption of Resolution No. 15-16-34, Board Member Absence – Judy Pennycook
- 3.5 Adoption of Resolution No. 15-16-35, Board Member Absence – Judy Pennycook
- 3.6 Adoption of Resolution No. 15-16-36, Board Member Absence – John McPherson
- 3.7 Adoption of Resolution No. 15-16-37, Board Member Absence – Janet Wohlgemuth

The Board moved to Item 7.1.

4. Unfinished Business Action Items

Judy Pennycook departed the meeting at 11:29 AM.

Begin Closed Session to Hear Item 4.1 at 11:32 AM.

- 4.1 Reconsideration of Student Expulsion Appeal No. 15-16-01 / Salinas Union High School District, Upon Receipt of Correction to the Record

Reopen the Meeting to Hear the Board's Decision on Item 4.1.

MSC 15-16-63 (4-0-1) John McPherson, Janet Wohlgemuth

Harvey Kuffner abstained from voting due to the fact he was not part of the original hearing decision.

“That the Monterey County Board of Education, in light of recent correction of the record, re-affirms the decision by the Governing Board of the Salinas Union High School District to expel student 15-16-01.”

The Board moved to Item 8.

5. New Business Action Items: None
6. Unfinished Business Non Action Items: None
7. New Business Non Action Items
 - 7.1 Discussion regarding March 16, 2016 Board Retreat

Dr. Nancy Kotowski shared that the Harden Foundation’s Bunkhouse Conference Room has been reserved as the location for the Board retreat. Additionally, she stated that she has arranged for Michelle Slade to serve as facilitator at the retreat. Dr. Kotowski stated that there will also be a demonstration of possible chairs for the Board room for each of the Board members to try out during the meeting. After discussion, it was agreed the regular meeting would be conducted at the Bunkhouse Conference room, with the Board retreat taking place immediately following. The Board will review the self-evaluation tool, Board goals, and planning for the year.

The Board moved to Item 7.3.

- 7.2 Quarterly Investment Report for Period Ending December 30, 2015 – Mary Zeeb, Treasurer-Tax Collector, County of Monterey, 10:30 AM

Mary Zeeb, Treasurer-Tax Collector, County of Monterey, presented the Quarterly Investment Report for the period ending December 30, 2015. She was pleased to share with the Board the increase in diversity of the county portfolio.

The Board moved to Item 9.

- 7.3 Payment of Claims for January 2016

Colleen Stanley presented the item.
- 7.4 First Reading of Proposed Board Policy 1240, Volunteer Assistance

Dr. Deneen Guss presented the item. The law requires any volunteer who will be alone with students without the supervision of a certificated employee to have both Department of Justice (DOJ) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) background checks, or a Commission on Teacher Credentialing certificate. Some of MCOE’s programs require DOJ only, and some require both DOJ and FBI; it is dependent on the program requirement, and the superintendent or designee will make the determination. In addition, if the volunteer will come in contact with students, he or she is required to submit results of a tuberculosis screening proving he or she is free from the disease.

- 7.5 First Reading of Proposed Changes to Board Bylaw 9000, Role of the Board

Harvey Kuffner presented the item. Upon further review, it was agreed to delete the first bullet on page 2, under subheading "judicial", that reads "conduct appeal hearings on actions taken by school district governing boards on student expulsions and denial of interdistrict transfer requests."

7.6 First Reading of Proposed Changes to Board Bylaw 9012, County Board Member Electronic Communications

Harvey Kuffner presented the item.

7.7 First Reading of Proposed Changes to Board Bylaw 9230, Orientation for New Board Members

Harvey Kuffner presented the item. He requested that on the first page, paragraph three, item number 3, change the word "specifically" to "additionally". Also, it was suggested to add the California County Boards of Education (CCBE) New Board Member training for County Board members under number 12.

7.8 First Reading of Proposed Changes to Board Bylaw 9320, Meetings and Notices

Harvey Kuffner presented the item. On page 89, under "location of meetings", item 2, add the word "to" following "brought in".

7.9 First Reading of Proposed Changes to Board Bylaw 9323, Meeting Conduct

Harvey Kuffner presented the item. Additional language will be added from Ed Code on what constitutes an abstention.

7.10 First Reading of Proposed Changes to Board Bylaw 9324, Minutes and Recordings of Board Meetings

Harvey Kuffner presented the item.

The Board moved to Item 11.

8. Reports from Superintendent and/or Staff

8.1 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Kotowski distributed the Board Calendar. She also shared a video of the Parent Engagement Conference on February 20, showing the extraordinary turnout of parents. Additionally, she shared pictures from the Salinas Farm Day.

Dr. Kotowski spoke regarding the completion of the Management Classification and Compensation Study. She stated it was a 17-month process conducted by Ewing Consulting, with the last study being done 19 years ago. She shared pertinent information about the study and informed the Board that she would be meeting with all affected managers to share the results of the study and how it would be implemented.

Becki Hadley requested a copy of the study and salary schedules. Dr. Kotowski stated that it would be available.

8.1.1 Report of MCOE Program Activities

- Parent Engagement Conference
- Rancho Cielo Culinary Round-up
- "State of the Aquarium" Address and program opportunities
- Kinsey Art Collection presentation
- CISC visit of Millennium and MCAET
- MCSBA meeting
- Special presentation to Special Education parents by Jeff Hittenberger

8.1.2 Upcoming Events

- Science Fair
- South County Farm Day
- Spelling Bee
- Panetta Lecture Series
- NAACP Life Membership Banquet

The Board moved to Item 14.

8.2 Staff Reports

- 8.2.1 Every Student Succeeds Act: Dr. Jamie Valenzuela-Mumau presented a PowerPoint and distributed two handouts on the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The ESSA returns more control to the state and school districts for the education of their students, reduces the legal authority of the U.S. Secretary of Education, and takes effect in the 2017 school year with an authorization for four years. States would still have to support their lowest performing schools until ESSA is implemented. Dr. Valenzuela-Mumau highlighted many other aspects of the ESSA, and will keep the Board updated regarding new developments and implementation of this law.

The Board took a recess at 10:33 AM and reconvened at 10:46 AM. The Board then moved to Item 7.2.

9. Comments by Members of the Board

9.1 Board Members: None

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 Joshua Jorn for Graduating from California's Coalition for Adequate School Housing (CASH) School Facilities Leadership Academy

The Board moved to Item 8.2.1.

12. Consideration of Items for Future Meetings

12.1 Proposed Future Commendatory Resolutions

12.2 Proposed Future Agenda Items

- CCBE Conference Presentation by MCOE – “Juvenile Court Advocacy and Support”
- Community Human Services Presentation

13. Next Meeting Dates:

March 16, 2016 – 9 AM

(Board Retreat)

April 6, 2016 – 9 AM

Agenda Items due March 4, 2016

Agenda Items due March 25, 2016

14. The Board meeting was adjourned at 12:19 PM in memory of Monterey County Educators Claudia Johnson-Goodrich, Rosalie Mary Aiello, Carol Guido Todd, and Rosemarie Flores.

Approved: March 16, 2016

Ron Panziera, President

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