

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 7, 2016
APPROVED MINUTES

1. Opening Business

1.1 Call to Order: President Ron Panziera called the Regular Meeting of the Monterey County Board of Education to order at 9:04 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
Janet Wohlgemuth	Trustee Area #4
Mary Claypool	Trustee Area #6
Dr. Nancy Kotowski, Secretary to the Board	

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTIFICATION:

John McPherson	Trustee Area #2
Sergio Alejo	Trustee Area #7

STAFF TO SUPERINTENDENT:

Garry Bousum
Ginny Brown
Terri Dye
Dr. Deneen Guss
Joshua Jorn
Mariphil Romanow-Cole
Colleen Stanley
Carla Stewart

GUESTS:

Melanie Crall
Elizabeth Mills
Linda Smith

1.3 Pledge of Allegiance: Joshua Jorn 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: Judy Pennycook requested to adjourn the meeting in memory of Jack Harpster.

1.4.2 Additions to the Agenda: None

1.4.3 Adoption of the Agenda:

MSC 16-17-15 (5-0) Judy Pennycook, 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.)* 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 16-17-16 (5-0) 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 August 17, 2016
- 3.2 Approval of the Teacher Temporary Certificates of September 7, 2016
- 3.3 Adoption of Resolution No. 16-17-13, Red Ribbon Week

4. Unfinished Business Action Items: None

5. New Business Action Items

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 9:07 AM.

5.1 Liability Claims (Government Code 54956.94)

Claimant: John Downum

Agency Claimed Against: Monterey County Office Education

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 9:13 AM.

MSC 16-17-17 (5-0) Judy Pennycook, Janet Wohlgemuth

“The Monterey County Board of Education voted unanimously to deny the liability claim of John Downum, and to authorize Keenan & Associates to communicate this action to the claimant.”

6. Unfinished Business Non Action Items

6.1 Board Room and Superintendent’s Office Modernization Design Presentation

Joshua Jorn presented the item. Four options for the Board room design were presented. Extensive Board discussion ensued. Judy Pennycook suggested, and it was agreed by Board members present, that the dais be relocated to accommodate the public. Additional discussion was needed on the color scheme and wood paneling.

7. New Business Non Action Items

The Board moved to Item 7.2.

7.1 Quarterly Investment Report for Period Ending June 30, 2016

Mary Zeeb, County Treasurer/Tax Collector presented the item, reporting that Monterey County interest received has been improving due to change in investment strategy.

7.2 Salary Schedule Adjustment of Occupational Therapists

Garry Bousum presented the item. In March 2016, MCOE concluded a study of Classification and Compensation for staff. Salary placement for occupational therapists exceeded \$10,000, which required that the item be brought before the Board as an information item.

The Board moved to Item 9.

7.3 Report to the Board on Conference, Meeting and Workshop Attendance

Garry Bousum presented the item. Harvey Kuffner requested clarification on two items.

8. Reports from Superintendent and/or Staff

Dr. Kotowski distributed Board calendar and CCBE Fall Conference schedule.

8.1 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Kotowski distributed the Board calendar and the list of professional learning opportunities available for the districts.

8.1.1 Report of MCOE Program Activities

- 9/11 Memorial Blood Drive
- Monterey County Reads Volunteer Recognition
- CCBE Fall Conference / MCOE presentation on LCFF/LCAP tool
- AmeriCorps Swearing In
- Professional Development calendar
- Back to School BBQ

8.1.2 Upcoming Events

- Social Committee Events
- Employee Photographs
- District Boundary Maps
- SB415 Voter Participation, requiring all school district elections to occur in even years

The Board took a recess at 10:15 AM, and reconvened at 10:26 AM.

8.2 Staff Reports

8.2.1 Special Education Division Update: Mariphil Romanow-Cole, Assistant Superintendent, presented a PowerPoint presentation and reported on the state of the Special Education Department. She reported that an audit is underway of the billback agreement with school districts due to a discrepancy that MCOE found in the Itinerant Cost Center.

The Board moved to Item 9.

8.2.2 Report on Best Practices for English Language Learners: Dr. Jamie Valenzuela-Mumau, Assistant Superintendent, and Dora Salazar, Director of K-12 Language and Literacy, presented a PowerPoint on the English Language Learner team's alignment to MCOE priorities and progress that has been made over the past year. Goals for the current school year were presented.

The Board moved to Item 12.

9. Comments by Members of the Board

9.1 Board Members: President Panziera shared the Monterey County Herald's "Women's Magazine," which features Dr. Kotowski on the cover.

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

The Board moved to Item 8.2.2.

11. Staff Recognition

The Board moved to Item 7.1.

12. Consideration of Items for Future Meetings

- 12.1 Proposed Future Commendatory Resolutions
- 12.2 Proposed Future Agenda Items
 - Redevelopment Agency Report

13. Next Meeting Dates:

September 21, 2016 – 3:00 PM	Agenda Items due September 9, 2016
October 5, 2016 – 9:00 AM	Agenda Items due September 23, 2016

14. The meeting was adjourned at 11:33 AM in memory of Jack Harpster.

Approved: September 21, 2016

Ron Panziera, President

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