

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 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
Judy Pennycook, Vice-President
Harvey Kuffner
John McPherson
Janet Wohlgemuth
Mary Claypool
Sergio Alejo

Trustee Area #5
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Trustee Area #4
Trustee Area #6
Trustee Area #7 (*via conference call from
833 Tumbleweed Drive, Salinas, CA 93905
at 9:12 AM*)

Dr. Nancy Kotowski, Secretary to the Board
Dr. Deneen Guss

STAFF TO SUPERINTENDENT:

Michelle Archuleta
Garry Bousum
Ginny Brown
Leigh Butler
Phil Davis
Dr. Jennifer Elemen
Norma Esparza
Karen Hennessy
Jessica Hull
Yvette Irving
Joshua Jorn
Dean Keisker
Justin McCollum
Vivian Moises
Dr. Jamie Valenzuela-Mumau
Mariphil Romanow-Cole
Esther Rubio
Colleen Stanley
Carla Stewart
Dawn Tovey

GUESTS:

Melanie Crall
Becki Hadley
Dr. Edward Moreno

1.3 Pledge of Allegiance: Carla Stewart led the Pledge of Allegiance. Ron Panziera shared a patriot story. Judy Pennycook also thanked members of the board who served in the military in honor of Veterans' Day.

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: Harvey Kuffner requested to adjourn the meeting in memory of Gerald Novak, former Monterey County educator and father of Community Human Services Executive Director Robin McCrae.
- 1.4.3 Adoption of the Agenda:

MSC 16-17-37 (6-0) Mary Claypool, Judy Pennycook

“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 16-17-38 (6-0) Judy Pennycook, 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 November 2, 2016
- 3.2 Approval of the Teacher Temporary Certificates of November 16, 2016

4. Unfinished Business Action Items: None

5. New Business Action Items: None

The Board moved to Item 7.2.

6. Unfinished Business Non Action Items

6.1 Board Room Modernization Update

Joshua Jorn presented redesigned options for the board room modernization project based on the Board's direction. He reported that to date, the costs associated with the project have been under budget. The Board requested brown tones with lighter walls, but also keeping the wood slats that are presently along one side of the room. Updated lighting plans as well as an additional projection screen will be added. Different window covering options will be presented at a future meeting as well new finishes for the Board to select from. Judy Pennycook suggested that there be a timeless saying painted on the back wall as a reminder of the mission of MCOE.

The Board moved to Item 8.2.2.

7. New Business Non Action Items

7.1 Monterey County Home Charter School Update

Justin McCollum, Monterey County Home Charter School Principal, presented a PowerPoint on the school's progress this quarter. He reviewed in detail the two elements of the recent material revisions to the charter: enhanced safety protocols, and academic performance. The enhanced safety protocols included: three-tiered accountability system, homeschool home visits, and enhanced mandated reporter and child abuse training. Mr. McCollum was also pleased to report continued academic growth by the students in all grade levels.

The Board took a recess at 10:32 AM and reconvened at 10:43 AM.

The Board then moved to Item 6.1.

7.2 Monterey County School Districts 2015-16 Unaudited Actuals Summary

Colleen Stanley presented the item. Only three school districts were in deficit spending, and were working to increase their ending balances.

The Board moved to Item 7.4.

7.3 Quarterly Investment Report for Period Ending September 30, 2016

Garry Bousum presented the item. He shared that the current interest rate is 1.54%.

The Board moved to Item 8.1.

7.4 Payment of Claims for October 2016

Colleen Stanley presented the item. There were no questions.

7.5 First Reading of Proposed Changes to Board Policy 4010, Conflict of Interest Code of the Monterey County Board of Education and Monterey County Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Deneen Guss presented the item.

Sergio Alejo joined the call at 9:12 AM.

The Board moved to Item 8.2.1.

8. Reports from Superintendent and/or Staff

8.1 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Deneen Guss distributed the Board calendar. She also spoke regarding out-of-country teacher recruitment that will be taking place in January in the Phillipines by Leigh Butler, Chief Human Resources Officer, and Mariphil Romanow-Cole, Assistant Superintendent of Special Education. A similar recruitment effort was done in 2004, at which time seven teachers were hired, with five of those being employed by MCOE for at least 14 years.

8.1.1 Report of MCOE Program Activities

- "A Brave Heart", Lizzie Velasquez story at Greenfield High School
- Greenfield Unification update / IBank meeting
- Farm Day
- Harmony at Home Luncheon

8.1.2 Upcoming Events

- CSBA Annual Conference
- Employee Photos
- Winter Social
- MCSBA Trainings

Sergio Alejo departed the call at 12:17 PM.

8.2 Staff Reports

- 8.2.1 Bullying Prevention Presentation: Dr. Jamie Valenzuela-Mumau, Assistant Superintendent, and Dr. Edward Moreno, Monterey County Health Officer, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the ongoing efforts of both agencies to address bullying in Monterey County. They reviewed the background, data summary, prevention efforts, sustainability and resources available, as well as the agencies involved in prevention efforts (school based, Health Department based, community based, parent based). Judy Pennycook suggested incorporating parent effectiveness training in both English and Spanish. The Board also spoke regarding the need for adults to model the behavior expected from children.

The Board moved to Item 7.1.

- 8.2.2 Civic Learning Presentation: Dr. Jennifer Eleman, ELA/ELD Educational Specialist, presented a PowerPoint on civics education and learning opportunities in Monterey County and the ongoing efforts by MCOE to encourage districts to include civic learning in their district LCAP's. Discussion ensued by the Board regarding community service requirements at high schools throughout Monterey County and at what grade level civics education should be introduced.
- 8.2.3 Finance & Business Services Division Update: Members of the Finance and Business Services Division presented an update on the services the division provides both internally and externally.

9. Comments by Members of the Board

- 9.1 Board Members: Mary Claypool reported that she attended the Salvation Army Red Kettle Kick-off and the MPUSD meeting to present the bullying prevention initiatives and resolution. John McPherson stated he attended the Washington Union SD Board meeting to present the bullying prevention initiatives and resolution, and the Jefferson-Lincoln Awards on behalf of Dr. Kotowski. Mr. McPherson also reported on the human trafficking meeting that was held with partner agencies. Judy Pennycook reported that she would be presenting the bullying prevention initiatives and resolution at the North Monterey County USD Board meeting the following evening. Mrs. Pennycook also spoke regarding the Child Abuse Prevention Council meeting and Labor of Love event. Janet Wohlgemuth reported on the Sunrise House meeting, and also that she would be presenting the bullying prevention initiatives and resolution at the Alisal USD Board meeting on behalf

of Sergio Alejo. Harvey Kuffner congratulated the Carmel High School Mock Trial Team for winning the world competition. The Board will present a resolution of commendation to the team.

Additionally, Janet Wohlgemuth stated she would like to be considered for the CSBA County Delegate nomination. Staff will put on the December 14 agenda for approval.

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

12.1 Proposed Future Commendatory Resolutions: Carmel High School Mock Trial Team

12.2 Proposed Future Agenda Items

- Shovel-Ready Department of State Architects (DSA) Approved Projects
- Presentation on Efforts to Assist Underperforming Students
- Report on Low-Cost Internet Services for Students
- Update on Recruitment Plan
- Update on Internet Transmission Towers

13. Next Meeting Dates:

December 14, 2016 – 9:00 AM Agenda Items due December 2, 2016
2017 Board meeting dates will be determined at the December 14 Board meeting.

14. The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 PM in memory of Gerald Novak.

Approved: December 14, 2016

Ron Panziera, President

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