

McFARLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 9, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the McFarland Unified School District Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, February 9, 2010, at the McFarland High School Multi-Purpose Room. The meeting was called to order by Board President at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL Marin Ortega Jr., President
 Marlin Isaacs, Vice President
 Kaye Breyer, Clerk
 David Arguello, Member
 Rey DeLeon, Member

Student board members: Ezenia Garza

Absent: Jose Jaime

Staff Present: Gabriel McCurtis Irene Melendez David Yanney
 Smith Efada Kim McManaman Lori Schultz
 David Lopez Ty Bryson Raul Murrieta
 Manuel Cantu Mike Elliott Susana Bustillo
 Mary Williams Smith Sandy Hannah Albert Melendez

Numerous Others

Community Present: Robert Thornton Craig Arnell
 John Almond Arcadia Lopez
 Beatrice Nieves Susie Zermeno
 Others

Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

Pledge of Allegiance – Kaye Breyer

Invocation – Manuel Cantu

Public Communication

Student Beatrice Nieves addressed the board. She asked for the boards consideration regarding her expulsion.

Closed Session

The board adjourned to Closed Session at 4:05 p.m.

Open Session

The board re-convened to Open Session at 5:40 p.m.

Report of Closed Session

- A. Under Resolution #0910-08 in Closed Session, the Board took action to non-reelect Employee #2643 probationary certificated employee, pursuant to Education Code Section 44929.21(b), effective at the end of the 2009-2010 school year. The board directed the Superintendent or designee to send out appropriate legal notices. Motion made by Marlin Isaacs, seconded by David Arguello. Roll Call vote: Rey DeLeon – Aye, David Arguello – Aye, Kaye Breyer – Aye, Marlin Isaacs – Aye and Marin Ortega Jr. – Aye. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.
- B. No Action
- C. Tabled
- D. No Action
- E. No Action
- F. Closed Session item F Student Expulsion/Readmittance was postponed to follow XV. Advance Planning, due to time constraints.

Action Items

- A. Revision and Agenda Approval of Agenda of February 9, 2010.

New Business item E. the Resolution number was revised to #0910-09. Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Marlin Isaacs, to approve the Agenda of February 9, 2010 with the revision. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

- B. Approval of Minutes of January 12, 2010 (Regular Meeting).

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Kaye Breyer, to approve the minutes of January 12, 2010, (Regular Meeting). Motion carried by a 5 - 0 vote.

- C. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Warrant Registers
2. Approval of Interdistrict Agreements
3. Approval of Addendum to Mandate Prep Services Agreement with School Innovations & Advocacy
4. Approval of Annual School Trustees Winter Workshop Dinner Meeting of the KCSOS office and the Kern County School Boards Association (including spouses)

Motion made by Marlin Isaacs, seconded by David Arguello to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Motion carried by a 5- 0 vote.

Information and Proposals

Community Input

Susie Zermeno addressed the board. She asked that the board consider revising the winter break session to begin one week earlier due to the fact the some parents leave to Mexico the week before winter break begins and return one week earlier in January.

Superintendent's Report:

1. Attendance

Supt. McCurtis stated that the monthly total was 3268ents enrolled for the month. Last month there were 3224 one year ago there were 3208 students. The district has gained 60 students from last year at this time. He added that he had met with county people and the district financially is in a good position. The projections look good to continue in the black.

Board Member/Student Board Member Reports

Student Board member Jose Jaime was absent

Student Board Member Ezenia Garza reported on the AP Literature Class Poetry Coffee House where a Black History Celebration was held. The Keynote Speaker was the President of NAACP of Bakersfield, Barnard Anthony. Also Dr. Doug Davis, of the Jazz Festival of Bakersfield, performed. Honored at the Celebration was MUSD Employee Brenda Bradford. This was the Second Black History Celebration and it was very successful.

Rey DeLeon –None

Marlin Isaacs – None

Kaye Breyer – None

Marin Ortega Jr. – None

David Arguello – None

Reports

1. Supplemental Counselor Danny Diaz gave a brief powerpoint presentation regarding “At-Risk Students.” He gave an Overview of what it means to be “At-Risk” and gave a profile of who they are and where we want them to be. He also addressed the areas of Focus and gave some “At-Risk” stats regarding MHS CAHSEE students as well as MMS students. He included some of the Interventions being done, which include 1 on 1 Conferences, Student Intervention plan program, after-school tutoring, 8th period, CAHSEE prep classes, weekly progress/grade checks, behavioral contracts and shadowing students.
2. MTA – MTA President Raul Murrieta addressed the board in which he stated regarding ideas and notions the district had sent personnel to other districts to observe. He spoke regarding the DAIT mandated programs implemented. He added that we have a wealth of experience in the district and what is needed is a commitment from everybody. We need input from other people. He has attended conferences and shared with others. He added that there needs to be consequences when the numbers are down, consequences for students as well. All Staff need to take this seriously. He added that the idea of uniforms at MMS and MHS would create unity among the different groups. He continued that one of the consequences of not at grade level might be not walking at graduation. He added that these were just some insights to addressing the problems.
3. CSEA – None

Presentations

1. Taylor Teter Partners/SC Anderson – Robert Thornton from Taylor Teter and Craig Arnell from SC Anderson gave an update regarding the 10 classrooms at MHS. It has been DSA approved from the State. They are taking bids and will review on Tuesday with recommendations. They have a construction schedule in place. They also presented a conceptual design of a Central Kitchen. They will look into an alternate loading truck route per board members requests.

Old Business

A. Approval of New/Revised Board Policies – Second Reading

Motion made by Marlin Isaacs, seconded by David Arguello for approval of Second Reading of New/Revised Board Policies. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote with 1 abstaining.

B. Approval to Select Alternate Representative to County Committee on School District Organization

Motion made by Marin Ortega Jr, seconded by David Arguello to appoint Marlin Isaacs as Alternate Representative to County Committee on School District Organization. Motion carried by a 5 - 0 vote.

New Business

A. Personnel Register

The Personnel register was approved in sections:

Section 1. Employment

A. New Hires

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello to approve New Hires. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

B. Additional Duties

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Marlin Isaacs to approve Additional Duties. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

C. Transfers/Reassignments

There were no motions and so this item was not approved.

Section 2.

A. Retirements

Motion made by Marlin Isaacs, seconded by Rey DeLeon to approve Retirements. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Section 3. Other Actions

A. Leave if Absences

Motion made by Marlin Isaacs , seconded by David Arguello to approve Leave of Absences. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

B. Return to Work

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to approve the Return to Work. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

That concluded the Personnel Register approval.

B. Approval of Resolution #0910-07, 2009-2010 Child Development Services – California State Preschool Program.

Motion made by Marlin Isaacs, seconded by David Arguello to approve Resolution #0910-07, 2009-2010 Child Development Services- California State Preschool Program. Roll Call vote: Rey DeLeon – Aye, David Arguello – Aye, Kaye Breyer – Aye, Marlin Isaacs – Aye and Marin Ortega Jr. – Aye. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

C. Approval of Work Authorization with Taylor Teter Partners for Architectural Services for the Central Kitchen

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Kaye Breyer for approval of the work authorization with Tayer Teter Partners for Architectural Services for the Central Kitchen. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

D. Approval of Construction Agreement with SC Anderson

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Marlin Isaacs, to approve the Construction Agreement with SC Anderson. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

E. Approval of Resolution #0910-09 to Retain KCSOS to Provide Third Party Labor Compliance Program Services to the District

Motion made by Marlin Isaacs, seconded by Kaye Breyer, for approval of Resolution #0910-09 to retain KCSOS to provide third party labor compliance program services to the district. Roll Call vote: Rey DeLeon – Aye, David Arguello – Aye, Kaye Breyer – Aye, Marlin Isaacs – Aye and Marin Ortega Jr. - Aye. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

F. Approval to Extend Interactive Educational Services, Inc. (IES) Contract for an additional 2 Years of Web Hosting

Motion made by Kaye Breyer, seconded by Rey DeLeon, to approve to Extend Interactive Educational Services, Inc. (IES) Contract for an additional 2 Years of Web Hosting. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

G. Approval to Extend Kern County Superintendent of Schools Contract 2 Years for our Internet Service Provider

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to approve to Extend Kern County Superintendent of Schools Contract 2 Years for our Internet Service Provider. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

H. Approval to Award Cell Phone Contract to Sprint

Motion made by Marlin Isaacs, seconded by Kaye Breyer for approval to Award Cell Phone Contract to Sprint. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

I. Approval to Award Student E-mail Contract to Gaggle.Net

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Kaye Breyer for approval to Award Student E-mail Contract to Gaggle.Net. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Advance Planning

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Marlin Isaacs to approve the next special board/study session meeting date of February 23, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. at Kern Avenue School room #74 and regular board meeting date of March 9, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. at MHS Multipurpose Room. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Closed Session

The board adjourned to continue Closed Session at 6:43 p.m.

Open Session

The board re-convened to Open Session at 7:40 p.m.

Report of Closed Session

F. Student Expulsion/Readmittance

1. Student #0910-25 MMS – Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Kaye Breyer for Expulsion of student #0910-25. Motion carried by a 5- 0 vote.
2. Student #0910-26 MMS – Motion made by Marlin Isaacs, seconded by David Arguello to Suspend Expulsion of student #0910-26 with Stipulations. Motion carried by a 5- 0 vote.
3. Student #0910-27 MLC – Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon for Expulsion of student #0910-27. Motion carried by a 5- 0 vote.
4. Student #0910-28 MLC – Motion made by Marlin Isaacs, seconded by Rey DeLeon for Suspended Expulsion of student #0910-28 with Stipulations. Motion carried by a 5- 0 vote.
5. Student #0809-04 MMS – Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon for Readmittance of student #0809-04. Motion carried by a 5 - 0 vote.

Adjournment

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Marlin Isaacs to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Board President adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Gabriel McCurtis, Secretary to the Board

Marin Ortega Jr., Board President

Marlin Isaacs, Vice President

Kaye Breyer, Clerk

ABSENT
Rey DeLeon, Member

David Arguello, Member