

McFARLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 12, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the McFarland Unified School District Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, January 12, 2010, at the McFarland High School Multi-Purpose Room. The meeting was called to order by Board Vice President at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL Marlin Isaacs, Vice President
 Kaye Breyer, Clerk
 David Arguello, Member
 Rey DeLeon, Member

ABSENT: Marin Ortega Jr., President

Student board members: Jose Jaime Ezenia Garza

Staff Present: Gabriel McCurtis Irene Melendez David Yanney
 Smith Efada Sandra Espinoza Margie Perez
 David Lopez Cynthia Virrey Louie Gomez
 Ty Bryson Lori Schultz Deloris Terrell
 Melissa Melendez Albert Melendez

Numerous Others

Community Present: Chris Breyer

Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation – Chris Breyer

Public Communication

Board Vice President asked if there were any public comments to be made regarding the closed session agenda items. There were none.

Closed Session

The board adjourned to Closed Session at 4:02 p.m.

Open Session

The board re-convened to Open Session at 6:00 p.m.

Report of Closed Session

- A. No Action
- B. No Action
- C. Mr. McCurtis was appointed the District negotiator.

D. Student Expulsion/Readmittance

1. Student #0910-21 MMS – Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello for Suspended Expulsion of student #0910-21 with stipulations. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.
2. Student #0910-22 MHS – Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Kaye Breyer for Expulsion of student #0910-22. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.
3. Student #0910-23 MMS – Motion made by David Arguello , seconded by Kaye Breyer for Suspended Expulsion of student #0910-23 with stipulations. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.
4. Student #0910-24 MMS – Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Kaye Breyer for Expulsion of student #0910-24. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Action Items

A. Revision and Agenda Approval of Agenda of January 12, 2010.

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello, to approve the Agenda of January 12, 2010. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

B. Approval of Minutes of December 15, 2009 (Organizational & Regular Meeting).

Motion made by Kaye Breyer, seconded by David Arguello, to approve the minutes of December 15, 2009, (Organizational & Regular Meeting). Motion carried by a 4 - 0 vote.

C. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Warrant Registers
2. Approval of Interdistrict Agreements
3. Approval of Agreement with Total School Solution for CBO Search
4. Approval of MHS Travel Club Overnight Trip to San Francisco – April 23-25, 2010
5. Approval of Health & Welfare Benefits Agreement for Classified Confidential and Management Employees
6. Consolidated Application Part II – 2009-2010
7. Child Development Continued Application Funding – 2010-2011

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Information and Proposals

Community Input

None

Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent McCurtis welcomed everyone back and wished everyone a Happy New Year. He stated that he hoped they had a restful Christmas break. He added that he along with Kim McManaman and Board Member Kaye Breyer had attended a meeting of the State Dept. of Education regarding the status in growth of API and AYP scores. The state will send two members of the State Dept. and two members of the State Board of Education and along with district staff will work together to implement a plan. It will be reviewed again in July. He added that the district needs to produce improvement. He thanked Board Member Kaye Breyer for attending and stated that by a board member in attendance it carried a lot of clout with the State. He also added that the district has received approval to begin the 10 room project and should begin within the next two months. The district will also begin moving forward on the Central Kitchen.

1. Attendance

Supt. McCurtis stated that the monthly total was 3224 students enrolled for the month. Last month there were 3258 and one year ago there were 3184 students. We have improved in attendance and it's good to see progress.

Board Member/Student Board Member Reports

Student Board member Jose Jaime reported that on Dec. 17th the Music Dept. held their Holiday Concert at MHS. Mr. Brady the music director coordinated this event and with his dedication to McFarland and its music dept the winter concert was a success. The concert was a great hit as well as the drumline. He added that finals were taken on Thursday, Dec 17th and Friday Dec. 18th. The Groundbreaking Ceremony was held on Thursday, Dec. 17th. Students were dismissed on Friday, Dec. 18th for Winter Break. Classes resumed on Monday, Jan. 11th and are off to a great start. They are looking forward to a good second semester.

Student Board Member Ezenia Garza – Her report to the board were pictures of the Alumni Basketball games that were held in December for the boys and girls as well as the Alumni Cheerleaders.

Rey DeLeon – None

Kaye Breyer – Stated that she learned a lot at the State Board of Education. She found it to be very interesting watching the procedures and meetings. She stated that they are very passionate about the job they do. She was amazed at the amount of time devoted to the agenda items. They were there from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. with no lunch break. She found it to be a good experience at the State level.

David Arguello – None

Marlin Isaacs stated that he was reappointed to the North Kern Vocational Training Center. He added that Vocational Education is very important and that there is a Tec working at the high school. It is taken very seriously.

Marin Ortega Jr. – Absent

Reports

1. Family Resource Center- Margie Perez gave an update on the Family Resource Center and its many Activities and Programs provided to the community. She gave a powerpoint presentation regarding such programs as: School Readiness Program with the amount of \$220,000.00 being awarded to the center, Case Management, Parent Education and Summer Bridges. They provide services such as: United Way Mini Grant, ARRA Program, & Emergency Services (rent/mortgage, utilities) in the McFarland, Delano, Wasco areas with \$23,629.00 being awarded. They also provide Utility assistance, Emergency Food Pantry, Operation School Bell, Uniform Assistance as well as used clothing. They provide the community with Thanksgiving Baskets, Christmas Food Baskets, Anonymous Giving and the Free Medical Clinic. She stated that First Five approved funding for 2009 to 2013 and the amount awarded will be \$600,000.00. The services provided are under review. The staff of the FRC includes; Veronica Mata, Mariana Quinones, Lydia Soto, Margie Perez and a new addition Maricruz Diaz-Garcia.
2. MTA – None
3. CSEA – None
4. Williams Act Uniform Complaints Quarterly Report – Irene Melendez gave the quarterly report with no complaints to report.

Old Business

- A. None

New Business

- A. Personnel Register

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon, to approve the Personnel Register as presented. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

- B. Approval of Updated Figure for District Vehicle Use

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to approve the Updated Figure for District Vehicle Use. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

- C. Approval of Resolution #0910-06 Regarding the Annual Accounting of Development Fees for the 2008-2009 Fiscal Year.

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello to approve Resolution #0910-06 Regarding the Annual Accounting of Development Fees for the 2008-2009 Fiscal Year. Roll Call Vote: Rey DeLeon – Aye, David Arguello – Aye, Kaye Breyer – Aye, Marlin Isaacs – Aye. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

- D. Approval of New/Revised Board Policies – First Reading

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Kaye Breyer for approval of First Reading of New/Revised Board Policies. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote

Advance Planning

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello to approve the next regular board meeting date of February 9, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. with Regular Session reconvening after Closed Session at 5:30 p.m.. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Adjournment

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Kaye Breyer to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Board President adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Gabriel McCurtis, Secretary to the Board

ABSENT

Marin Ortega Jr., Board President

Marlin Isaacs, Vice President

Kaye Breyer, Clerk

Rey DeLeon, Member

David Arguello, Member