

McFARLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 11, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the McFarland Unified School District Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, August 11, 2015, at the McFarland High School Multi-Purpose Room. The regular meeting was called to order by Board President at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL  
Jim Beltran, President  
David Arguello, Vice President  
Angel Turrubiates, Clerk  
Eliseo Garza, Member  
Victoria Ramirez, Member

Staff Present: Victor Hopper Irene Melendez Ambelina Duran  
Valerie Garcia Brian Bell Lori Schultz  
Dario Diaz Justin Derrick Mayela Medina  
Patricia Carrillo Mayra Trevino Cristina Tafoya  
Manuel Cantu Francisco Flores Aaron Resendez  
Humberto Chairez Javier Ruiz Margie Perez  
Matt Roderick Adan Robles David Lopez  
Brenda Bradford Melissa Melendez Maria Perez  
Javier Ruiz Teresa Arvizu  
Others

Community Present: Pastor Phil Corr Humberto Topete Jim De La Mater  
Others

**Open Session**

**Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum**

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Trustee David Arguello

**Invocation** – Pastor Phil Corr

**Presentations**

- A. Parent Volunteer Recognition – Humberto Topete was presented with a plaque for his many years of service as a Parent Volunteer by Teresa Arvizu. He thanked the board and stated that this recognition means a lot to him.

**Public Communication**

**Closed Session**

The board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:08 p.m.

**Open Session**

The board re-convened to Open Session at 6:35 p.m.

## Report of Closed Session

- A. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal /Release - Nothing to report
- B. Conference with Labor Negotiators – Nothing to report

## Action Items

- A. Revision and Approval of Agenda of August 11, 2015.

Motion made by Angel Turrubiates, seconded by David Arguello, to approve the Agenda of August 11, 2015. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

- B. Approval of Minutes of June 11, 2015 (Regular Meeting) and June 29, 2015 (Special Meeting).

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Angel Turrubiates, to approve the Minutes of June 11, 2015 (Regular Meeting) and June 29, 2015. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote with 1 abstaining vote.

- C. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Warrant Registers
2. Approval of Interdistrict Agreements
3. Approval of District Job Descriptions
4. Approval of Contract with Verizon for Relocation of Aerial Facilities to Underground along New School
5. Approval of Agreement for Special Education Services with KCSOS – 2015-16
6. Approval of Agreement for Special Education Transportation Services with KCSOS – 2015-16
7. Approval to Declare Items as Surplus - MHS
8. Approval of Fieldwork Agreement between University of La Verne and MUSD – 2015-16
9. Approval of New Job Description – Coordinator of Fiscal Services
10. Approval of New Job Description - Accountant
11. Approval of Facilities Lease with KCSOS for the KA Preschool – 2015-2018

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

## Information and Proposals

### Community Input

Brenda Bradford addressed the board regarding the Cheer Coach position. She spoke on behalf of Veronica Hernandez and what an asset it would be to have her as Cheer Coach at MHS.

Mackenzi Gonzales also addressed the board regarding the Cheer Coach position at MHS. She also spoke on behalf of Veronica Hernandez and the wonderful things she had accomplished while at CCHS and the motivation she brought to the Cheerleading program at the school.

### Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Hopper reported on:

1. Attendance – To date the District has 3407 students enrolled, one year ago there were 3340 an increase of 67 students.

Superintendent Hopper also reported on:

- a. CSBA Nomination currently being accepted until Friday, Oct. 2, 2016.,

- b. Correspondence from Stephanie Vargas, of the Gay & Lesbian Center in Bakersfield thanking the District for making the Anti-Bullying policy and Uniform Complaint Procedures prominent on our site.
  - c. Mr. Hopper also mentioned the meetings attended on July 21, 2015 on their trip to Sacramento which included: CA Dept. of Ed., OPSC, CA Air Resource Board, Dept. of Finance, & State Board of Education.
  - d. KC Controller requesting to use one of our sites as Polling Place for the Presidential General Election to be held on November 8, 2016.
  - e. CALPERS Correspondence-Per AB 1522 of the Labor Code, Substitutes can now earn sick leave.
  - f. California School Test Scores will be released in September.
  - g. Letter was sent to NKVTC notifying them about terminating our relationship effective June 30, 2016.
2. FRC Report – Margie Perez gave a brief powerpoint presentation on the FRC Services and what they provide to families of McFarland. She gave the date for the “Stuff the Bus” as Sept. 5, 2015.
  3. Summer Projects/Facilities – Michael Doria first addressed a concern regarding the condensation units – they will be changed out. He then proceeded with a presentation of the ongoing Facility Projects as well as the projects completed this summer.
  4. Trips – Maria Perez gave a brief report of the Close – up Program and the recent trip to Washington D.C. She stated that the students and chaperones had a great time and visited many historical locations and sites. Two of the students which attended the trip also spoke regarding the wonderful time they had and they both thanked the Board for the opportunity of the trip.  
Javier Ruiz presented a brief video of the trip taken by two MHS Students and chaperones to Lima, Peru. He stated that they visited many sites and met many people and represented McFarland very well. A great time was had by all.
  5. District Dept. Reports was moved to follow under Supt. reports.
    - a. BR Principal Mayra Helo-Trevino shared her visions/Expectations for the year: BR is implementing new pick-up/drop-off policies, Career Day in March 2016, Monthly Parent Meetings, Positive Behavior Incentives, PIQE – (Empowering Parents Program).
    - b. KA Principal Matt Roderick noted changes to staff and changes to the Math Program. He addressed these programs: Imagine Learning, RTI, College Bound Bobcats, Computer Labs & Rally Education.
    - c. Director of Curriculum & Instruction Valerie Garcia addressed the LCAP 2015-2016 with a brief explanation. Coordinator Adan Robles spoke regarding Professional Development, Family Nights- Math Family Night and Literacy Family Night. They both addressed deadlines and Planning of Dates.
    - d. Special Projects Coordinator Maria Perez addressed the board regarding: CHAMPS Program(ASES), Summer School, Preschool, SES, MYPAAS, AVID, BTSA, TUPE, as well as the Migrant Program.
    - e. Director of Special Education Aaron Resendez addressed the board with an overview of the Sp. Ed. Programs as well as staff. He addressed the services provided by Special Education. Currently 246 students are being serviced at all the school sites. Sixteen students are receiving services outside of the District. He stated his goals for the Special Ed. Department. He is also planning for a Special Olympics to take place this school in partnership with the County Office.
    - f. Director of Alternative Options/Child Welfare & Attendance Lori Schultz gave an overview of what programs she oversees which included: Alternative Educational Programs/Schools at MLC, Attendance & School Attendance Board (SARB), SAFE Schools, Site Discipline Concerns, & Foster/Homeless Youth Liaison.
    - g. Middle School Principal Manuel Cantu gave his Mission Statement and Goals for the 2015-2016 school year which included: ELA, Math, ELD, School Climate & Culture, & Parent Involvement. He gave a Special Projects Overview as well.
    - h. McFarland High School Principal Brian Bell reported regarding: Summer School, MHS Programs; Welding Class as well as the Welding Shop Remodel. He addressed the CTE Pathways program as well. Vice-Principal Dario Diaz addressed the Anti-Bullying Campaign. Vice-Principal Justin Derrick addressed Athletics and Activities stating the first football game is on September 4 against Tranquility

High School with Homecoming on October 16<sup>th</sup> against Orosi High School. He spoke in regards to Sports Passes, Cougar Booster Club & MHS Newsletter.

- i. Director Food Services Cristina Tafoya thanked the District for their support. She added that she will have been with the District for two years in September. She stated she had 3 staff members retire and has hired 3 new employees. She is working on renewing the Salad Bar. She is working with BR & KA CHAMPS for meals. She added that the Admin Retreat was great.
- j. Director of Technology David Lopez gave an update on the various projects with included Networking Projects & the Server Projects. He is working on the New Technology projects which includes Chrome Tablets for K-2 grades and Chrome Books for 3-8 grades. The Technology Dept. will provide Professional Development Trainings for staff.

**NKVTC Board Member Report** – Victoria Ramirez reported that the NKVTC would be adding Nursing Assistant Instruction as well as Medical Assistant and Career Guidance Tech. to the list of classes offered by North Kern Vocational Training Center.

**MTAP Board Member Report** – MTAP Member Jim Beltran reported that the Committee had not met so there was nothing to report.

### **Board Member Reports**

Victoria Ramirez – Trustee Ramirez welcomed everyone to the New School Year.

Eliseo Garza – Trustee Garza reported he had attended a workshop on Technology with District Staff at UC Davis.

Angel Turrubiates – Trustee Turrubiates also welcomed everyone back, “Go Cougars”.

Jim Beltran – Trustee President Beltran also Welcomed everyone back and stated that it’s great working with everyone.

David Arguello – Trustee Vice President Arguello also Welcomed everyone back to the new school year and Thanked everyone for having a positive attitude.

### **Reports**

1. McFarland Teachers Association – None
2. California School Employees Association – None
3. Williams Quarterly Report – Irene Melendez stated that there were no complaints filed for this quarter.
4. District Department Reports – This item was moved to the Supt. report.

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

- A. Personnel Register

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Angel Turrubiates, to approve the Personnel Register as presented. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

B. Approval of Ana Jimenez to be employed under a Provisional Intern Permit (PIP) as a Multiple Subject Teacher at McFarland Middle School.

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Eliseo Garza, to approve the Provisional Intern Permit (PIP) for Ana Jimenez as a Multiple Subject Teacher at McFarland Middle School. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

C. Approval of Marisela Pruneda to be employed under a Provisional Intern Permit (PIP) as a Multiple Subject Teacher at McFarland Middle School.

Motion made by Angel Turrubiates, seconded by David Arguello, to approve the Provisional Intern Permit (PIP) for Marisela Pruneda as a Multiple Subject Teacher at McFarland Middle School. Motion carried by a 5 -0 vote.

D. Approval of Sandra Ortiz to be employed under a Provisional Intern Permit (PIP) as a Multiple Subject Teacher at McFarland Middle School.

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Angel Turrubiates to approve the Provisional Intern Permit (PIP) for Sandra Ortiz as a Multiple Subject Teacher at McFarland Middle School. Motion carried by a 5 – 0 vote.

E. Approval of Nora Magana to be employed under a Provisional Intern Permit (PIP) as a Multiple Subject Teacher at McFarland Middle School.

Motion made by Eliseo Garza, seconded by Angel Turrubiates to approve the Provisional Intern Permit (PIP) for Nora Magana as a Multiple Subject Teacher at McFarland Middle School. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

F. Approval of Change Order #1 for the Painting Project

Motion made by Angel Turrubiates, seconded by David Arguello for approval of Change Order #1 for the Painting Project. Motion carried by a 5-0 Vote.

G. Approval of Change Order #2 for the Painting Project

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Angel Turrubiates for approval of Change Order #2 for the Painting Project. Motion carried by a 5-0 roll call vote.

H. Approval of Work Authorization #26 with Teter – MHS Welding Shop Remodel

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Eliseo Garza for approval of Work Authorization #26 with Teter – MHS Welding Shop Remodel. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

### **Advance Planning**

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Angel Turrubiates to approve the next regular board meeting date of September 8, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. at MHS Multipurpose Room. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

The Board Study Session meeting date of August 18, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. at the District Office Conference Room was approved at a previous board meeting.

**Adjournment**

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


Board President adjourned the meeting at 9:44 p.m.


Respectfully Submitted:

  
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Victor M. Hopper, Secretary to the Board

  
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Jim Beltran, Board President

  
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David Arguello, Vice President

  
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Angel Turrubiates, Clerk

  
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Eliseo Garza, Member

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Victoria Ramirez, Member