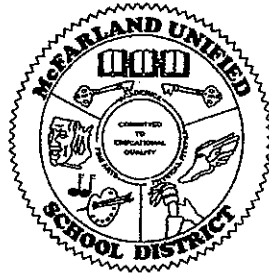


McFARLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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REGULAR MEETING September 9, 2008

BOARD MEETING PLACE
McFarland High School Multi-Purpose Room
259 Sherwood Avenue
McFarland, CA

- I. Call to Order** **5:00 p.m.**
- II. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum**
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Invocation**
- V. Public Communication**

The public is invited to comment on any matter appearing on the closed session agenda.

VI. Closed Session

- A. Public Employee Discipline/ Dismissal/ Release (G.C. 54957)**
- B. Public Employee Appointment**
- New Hires
 - Speech Pathologist
- C. Conference with Labor Negotiator (G.C. 54957.6)**
- Negotiator: Garcia Calderon Ruiz
 - Unrepresented Employee: Gabriel McCurtis
- D. Public Employment (G.C. 54957)**
- Title: Superintendent
- E. Conference with Labor Negotiators (G.C. 54957.6)**
- Employee Organizations: MTA and CSEA
 - Labor Negotiators: GCR, LLP; Kim McManaman
Cynthia Virrey
- F. Student #0708-07 – Readmittance**
- G. Student #0708-13 – Readmittance**
- H. Student #0708-15 – Readmittance**

VII. Open Session

VIII. Report of Closed Session

IX. Action Items

- A. Revision and Approval of Agenda of September 9, 2008
- B. Approval of Minutes of August 12, 2008 (Regular Meeting).
- C. Consent Agenda
 - 1. Approval of Warrant Registers
 - 2. Approval of Interdistrict Agreements for the 2008-209 school year
 - 3. Approval to Contract with Interquest Detection Canines of Central Valley

X. Information and Proposals

A. Community Input

This is an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Board on matters pertaining to the school district that are not listed on the agenda. For items on the Agenda, the public will have an opportunity to address the Board when that item is acted upon. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, each person is limited to 3 (three) minutes. If a large number wish to speak on a specific item, there is a limit of 20 minutes total input on any item.

B. Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent will report to the Board about various matters involving the District.

- 1. Attendance

C. Board Member Reports

This is an opportunity for board members to report on conferences, workshops and other school/school board meetings attended as well as provide recognition/information about the schools. It is also an opportunity to calendar a conference, workshop, and/or meeting for future attendance.

D. Reports

- 1. AYP & API Results – Kim McManaman
- 2. MTA
- 3. CSEA

XI. Presentation (possible action)

- 1. MHS Cross Country Trip – Amador Ayon
- 2. Construction Update – Taylor Teter Partners & S. C. Anderson, Inc.

XII. Action Items (cont'd)

XIII. Old Business

- A. Approval of New/Revised Board Policies – BP 3513.1 & AR 3513.1

New/Revised Board Policies are being presented in order to insure current District Policy. Approval of Second Reading is requested.

XV. New Business

- A. Approval of Superintendent's Contract

- B. Personnel Register

The personnel register is listed as one item. The Board can approve the entire register in one vote, or can approve each employment, resignation, transfer, reassignment, etc., individually. Approval is requested.

- C. Approval of Provisional Intern Permit for Maria Rodelo, Mathematics Teacher at McFarland High School

Ms. Maria Rodelo is being recommended for hire under a Provisional Intern Permit. She is currently enrolled in a credentialing program to receive her Single Subject Credential-Mathematics. She will be a Math teacher at the high school. Approval is requested.

- D. Approval of Provisional Intern Permit for Nicholas Ray, Special Education Teacher at McFarland Middle School

Mr. Nicholas Ray is being recommended for hire under a Provisional Intern Permit. He is currently enrolled in a dual/credentialing program through Point Loma University in Bakersfield. He will be receiving two credentials this year: Social Science and Education Specialist – Mild Moderate Disabilities. He will be placed as an RSP teacher at the Middle School. Approval is requested.

- E. Approval of New/Revised Board Policy – BP 9270 - Conflict of Interest

A biennial review of the conflict of interest code for Multi-County and Local agencies is required. The MUSD policy is being updated to reflect the current administration titles and categories of filing. Approval of First Reading is requested.

- F. Approval of Lease-Leaseback Provider for the 2-Story Addition at McFarland High School

The District has conducted an RFQ process by which it has selected a Lease-Lease Back Entity. The District wishes to engage S.C. Anderson, Inc. to perform Lease-Leaseback services in connection with the 2-Story addition at McFarland High School. The staff recommends approving the Pre-Construction Services Agreement and seeks authority to negotiate a contract with S.C. Anderson for Lease Leaseback Services. Funding Source: Bond/Developer Fees/School Facilities. Approval is requested.

- G. Approval of the Pre-Construction Services Agreement with S.C. Anderson, Inc. Lease-Leaseback Provider, for the 2-Story Addition at McFarland High School

The Pre-Construction Services Price for performance of the work by S. C. Anderson is Fifty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Seven Dollars and Sixty-Nine Cents (\$54,667.69). This is a guaranteed maximum price and is a component of the overall Guaranteed Maximum Price for the entire project. Staff recommends that the District authorize the Superintendent to enter into the Pre-Construction Services Agreement with S.C. Anderson, Inc. in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A. Funding Source: Bond/Developer Fees/School Facilities. Approval is requested.

- H. Approval of a donation of \$1,285.59 from a Parent Organization to the McFarland High School Band Program

Several years ago there was a Band Booster Club run by parents of some of our band students. The parents raised money for the band and the remainder of that money has been sitting in a bank account for several years. Since it has been inactive for many years the former members would like to close the account and donate the money to the band program at the high school. Approval is requested.

- I. Approval of No Child Left Behind – Program Improvement LEA Plan Addendum

The McFarland Unified School District was identified as a Program Improvement District in March 2005 - two of the district's five assessment groups (English Language Learners and Students with Disabilities) failed to reach No Child Left Behind student assessment targets in English/Language Arts and Mathematics for two years in a row - resulting in the Program Improvement designation. The district must meet NCLB targets for all assessment groups for two years in a row to exit the Program Improvement program.

The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 requires school districts identified for program improvement revise their current Local Education Agency Plan (LEAP). The McFarland Unified School District LEA plan and this addendum were developed through consultation with parents, the school staff, the local education agency, and the required external technical assistance providers. Approval is requested.

- J. Approval of Unaudited Actuals for 2007-2008 School Year

All financial closing entries have been made relating to the 2007-2008 school year. The Unaudited Actuals for the 2007-2008 school year are hereby presented to the board. Approval is requested.

- K. Approval to Utilize SISC to Offer Flex Plans to all Staff -Resolution #0708-03

Currently the District does not have a pre-tax program to assist employees in defraying the cost of healthcare or dependent care expenses. In order to assist employees, the District is requesting approval to utilize SISC to offer these options to staff. The plans are free to the District and to the staff. Approval is requested.

L. Approval to Authorize the CBO Transfer up to \$200,000 to Fund 20.

In light of GASB 45 requirements (Other Post Employee Benefits), the district has begun to fund its long term obligation for retiree benefits. Now that the unaudited actuals are complete, we are requesting approval to transfer up to \$200,000 to Fund OPEB. Approval is requested.

M. Approval of Enrollment Projection Contract

For the 2008-2009 School year, the District has selected Jerrold H. Jensen to perform the enrollment projection. Jerrold has many years as a statistician. Cost for the 2008-2009 projection is \$2,000. Approval is requested.

N. Approval to Authorize the CBO Transfer \$300,000 to Fund 17.

During the 2007-2008 school year, \$300,000 was transferred from FD 17 to the general unrestricted fund to cover anticipated legal expenses. Now that the unaudited actuals have been completed, the funds should be transferred back to FD 17 from the unrestricted ending fund balance. Approval is requested.

XVI. Advance Planning

A. Future Meeting Dates

1. Regular Board Meeting – October 14, 2008 – 5:00 p.m.

XVII. Adjournment

Notice: If documents are distributed to board members concerning an agenda item within 72 hours of a regular board meeting, such documents will be made available for public inspection at the same time at the front desk of the McFarland Unified School District Office located at 601 Second Street, McFarland, CA 93250.