

McFARLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 18, 2008

The Regular Meeting of the McFarland Unified School District Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, November 18, 2008, at the McFarland High School Multipurpose Room. The meeting was called to order by Board President at 5:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL Marin Ortega Jr., Vice President
David Arguello, Clerk
Rey DeLeon, Member

Absent Ramon Melendez, President
Jim Kasiner, Member

Staff Present:

Gabriel McCurtis	Candi Clark	Irene Melendez
Cynthia Virrey	Smith Efada	Ty Bryson
Martin Schmidt	Maria Salgado	Javier Ruiz
Chris Breyer	Roberta Burgh	Josie Ortega
Louie Gomez	Sandra Espinoza	Mike Elliott
Shirley Ritchey	Melissa Melendez	Susana Bustillo
Ernesto Diaz	Maggie Gore	Yolanda Gonzalez
Angelica Gonzalez	Margie Perez	Sandy Hannah
Albert Melendez		
Others		

Community Present:

Nitasha Sawhney	John Barnard
David Borcky	Glenda Santillan
Others	

Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

Board Vice President asked regarding the board president Melendez and board member Jim Kasiner. Irene stated that board president had notified her that he would not be present and board member Jim Kasiner had also notified her that he would not be present. Board Vice-President also asked Irene Melendez if both had received their packets. She responded that they had.

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation -- Chris Breyer

Public Communication

None

Closed Session

The board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:10 p.m.

Open Session

The board re-convened to Open Session at 7:05 p.m.

Report of Closed Session

- A. Approval of termination of employee: Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to terminate employee #3829. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.
Approval of termination of employee: Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to terminate employee #9458. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.
- B. Not Action
- C. Student #0809-04 – MMS Expulsion recommendation- Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello for Expulsion of student 0809-04 for the remainder of the year. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.
- D. Student #0809-05 – MMS Expulsion recommendation - Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello to Expel & Suspend Expulsion for student #0809-05 as recommended with stipulations for the rest of the year in Independent Study. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.
- E. Student #0809-06 – MHS – Expulsion recommendation - Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to Expel Student #0809-06 as recommended for the remainder of the year. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.
- F. Student #0809-07 – MMS – Expulsion recommendation - Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello to Expel Student #0809-07 as recommended for the remainder of the year. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.
- G. Student #0809-08–MHS – Expulsion recommendation - Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to Expel & Suspend Expulsion for Student #0809-08 with a behavior contract and transfer to the Continuation High School. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.
- H. Student #0809-09 –MHS – Expulsion recommendation – Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to Expel & Suspend Expulsion for Student #0809-09 with a behavior contract and transfer to the Continuation High School. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.
- I. Student #0809-10 – MHS – Expulsion recommendation – Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to Expel Student #0809-10 for the remainder of the year. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Action Items

- A. Revision and Agenda Approval of Agenda of November 18, 2008.

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello to approve the Agenda of November 18, 2008. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

- B. Approval of Minutes of October 14, 2008 (Regular Meeting) & October 20, 2008 (Special Meeting).

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

- C. Consent Agenda

- 1. Approval of Warrant Registers Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to approve the Warrant Registers. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

2. Approval of Interdistrict Agreements for the 2008-2009 school year Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to approve the Interdistrict Agreements for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.
3. Approval of Carl D. Perkins Career & Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006 – 2008-2012 Local Plan for Career Technical Education
4. Approval of Learning Plus Associates (QES) Proposal for Principal Coaching. Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Marin Ortega for approval. Motion not approved with the 2-1 vote. (must be unanimous)

Information and Proposals

Community Input

Lion David Borcky representative of the McFarland Lion's Club greeted the board & community. He stated he was here to report on some of the activities of the McFarland Lion's Club. Student of the Month, Student Speaker Contest, Christmas Baskets for the community to be put together on Dec. 22 and distributed on Dec. 23, Night of Stars (Celebration of Stars) and the club will provide meals for the Certificated & guest, Classified & guest and Student & parents, he also mentioned the Leo Club that the club will be requesting for permission to address the students at the high school and if there is enough interest will have at the high school. He thanked the board for the opportunity to speak.

Superintendent's Report

Supt. McCurtis greeted the board president and board members. He gave the attendance Report – He gave the totals for month 1 as 3210. One month ago there were 3211. One year ago there were 3233. He also commented on the recent school board election and who was elected. Board member Rey DeLeon was re-elected to the board and Kaye Breyer and Marlin Isaacs were the newly elected board members. The election results will not be official until December 2, 2008. He also presented Board President Ramon Melendez an appreciation plaque for his excellent leadership skills in his years of service to the board as member and President. He added that the new board members will be attending trainings this coming year. He also said that he and three board members will be attending the California School Board Associations Annual Education Conference in San Diego in December. He concluded by thanking the board.

Board Member Reports

David Arguello – None

Rey DeLeon – None

Marin Ortega Jr. – He also mentioned he is looking forward to attending the CSBA conference. He added that they had attended a workshop in October with speaker Jean Fuller and it was very informative regarding the budget and possible cuts that will affect our students and schools.

Reports

1. MMS - Roberta Burgh – She gave a powerpoint presentation and distributed handouts to the board regarding Standards. She proceeded to explain the Evolution of the Standards Movement, National Education Summit, No Child Left Behind, Essential Standards, Aligning Essential Standards to the Weight Determined, Pacing Calendar and the AYP Growth. She added that Standards are essential.

2. North Kern Vocation Training Center – Gloria Santillan – She gave the annual report in which she stated that each year, as mandated by SB 813, a presentation will be made to each of the three Boards of Trustees of the component districts. The presentation consists of prepared written material that includes an ADA Computation Report for 2007-2008, a student placement Follow-up Survey report for 2006-2007, and a current schedule of programs for the 2008-2009 school year. Other information includes possible new programs for 2009-2010, NKVTC special activities, including Kern County Vocational Olympics, and 612 Certificates of Completions were presented at the annual awards ceremonies.

3. MTA – Mike Elliott addressed the board. He wanted to give an update on the status regarding Rick Sparks. He stated that Rick was being released from the hospital and would be having physical therapy three times a week. He was doing great and it was a miraculous thing the recovery so soon. He also stated that Rick is hoping to be back to work by the first of the year.

4. CSEA – None

Action Items (cont'd)

Old Business

Approval of New/Revised Board Policy - BP 6146.1 – High School Graduation Requirement – Second Reading

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to approve the Second Reading of board policy BP 6146.1. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

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 3-0 vote.

B. Approval of Variable Term Waiver Request for Susana Bustillo, Speech Pathologist for the 2008-2009 School year.

Tabled

C. Approval of AB430 Administrator Training Program Agreement

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello for approval of AB430 Administrator Training Program Agreement. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

D. Approval of MOU – Truancy Prevention Services

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello to approve the MOU – Truancy Prevention Services. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

E. Approval to Request Proposals for an HVAC Preventative Maintenance Program

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello for approval to request Proposals for an HVAC Preventative Maintenance Program. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

F. Approval of Architect Selection for Central Kitchen

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon for approval of Architect Selection for Central Kitchen. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

G. Approval of Request to Utilize a Piggyback Contract with Silver Creek Industries, Inc. to provide one 48 x 40 classroom for McFarland Learning Center to serve as a Medical Building.

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello for approval of Request to Utilize a Piggyback Contract with Silver Creek Industries, Inc. to provide one 48 x 40 classroom for McFarland Learning Center to serve as a Medical Building. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

H. Approval of the 2007-2008 Confidential & Management One-Time (Off-Schedule) Salary Adjustment

Jane Gonzalez submitted a request to speak regarding this agenda item

This item was to be tabled and Vice President Ortega asked if she wished to speak now or wait till it was brought back to the board. Jane Gonzalez replied that she would do it now since she was here.

Jane Gonzalez addressed the board, "I come before you this evening to bring forth a concern CSEA has regarding this agenda item. We are asking that you look into who will be receiving the 3% increase and see that it doesn't include the four positions who within the last several months received a substantial salary increase. Please be conservative in making your decision. The State is in a budget crisis. We're working with you. Thank you."

Tabled

I. Approval of Application for Children's Health Initiative "Successful Application Program (SAS)"

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon for approval of Application for Children's Health Initiative "Successful Application Program (SAS)"

Advance Planning

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to approve the future meeting date of December 18, 2008 Organizational Meeting & Regular Meeting at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Adjournment

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Board Vice - President adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Gabriel McCurtis, Secretary to the Board

ABSENT

Ramon Melendez, Board President

Marin Ortega Jr., Vice President

David Arguello, Clerk

Rey DeLeon, Member

ABSENT

Jim Kasiner, Member