

**McFARLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**September 11, 2007**

The Regular Meeting of the McFarland Unified School District Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday September 11, 2007, at the McFarland High School Multipurpose Room. Board President called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Marin Ortega, Jr., Vice - President  
Rey DeLeon, Clerk  
David Arguello, Member  
Jim Kasiner, Member

**Absent**

Ramon Melendez, President

**Student Board Members**

Ivan Marquez  
Israel Guerrero

**Staff Present:**

Gabriel McCurtis  
Smith Efada  
Maria Salgado  
Angelica Gonzalez  
Melissa Melendez  
Rick Sparks  
Kim McManaman  
Mary Williams Smith  
Ty Bryson  
Ruben Ozuna  
Mario Torres  
Shirley Ritchey  
Ramon Gonzalez  
Ernesto Diaz  
Chris Breyer  
Javier Holguin  
Numerous Others

Irene Melendez  
Robert Matheny  
Sandra Espinoza  
Dalia Cordero  
Sean McGinn  
Albert Melendez  
Roberta Burgh  
Cynthia Virrey  
Martin Schmidt  
Louie Gomez  
David Lopez  
Ernesto Diaz  
Sandra Gutierrez  
Veronica Mello  
Corina Nunez  
David Heredia

**Public Present:**

Arturo Munoz  
Mr. & Mrs. Marcos Padilla  
Alejandra Guerrero  
Manuel Cantu  
Others

Laura Munoz  
Mark Thompson  
Tahir Ahad  
Roque Gonzalez

The Oath of Office was administered by the Board Vice President and Superintendent McCurtis to Student Board Member Israel Guerrero.

**Public Communication**

Board Vice President asked the community if anyone had any comments regarding the Closed Session agenda items.

There were none.

### **Closed Session**

The Board Adjourned to Closed Session at 5:39 p.m.

### **Open Session**

The Board re-convened to Open Session at 8:05 p.m.

### **Report of Closed Session**

- A. No Action Taken
- B. No action taken
- C. No action taken
- D. Student # 0607-06 – Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello for re-admittance. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.
- E. Student # 0708-01 – Motion made by Jim Kasiner, seconded by David Arguello for Expulsion. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.
- F. Student # 0708-02 – Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello for Expulsion. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.
- G. Student # 0708-03 – Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello for Expulsion. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.
- H. Student # 0708-04 – Motion made by Jim Kasiner, seconded by Rey DeLeon for Expulsion. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.
- I. Student # 0708-05 – Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Jim Kasiner for Expulsion. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

### **Action Items**

- A. Revision of Agenda of September 11, 2007.

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello to approve the agenda of September 11, 2007 with revisions. Revisions being Presentation number 3 & 4 and Personnel Register being pulled for the October meeting. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

- B. Approval of Minutes of August 14, 2007 (Regular Meeting).

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello to approve the Minutes of August 14, 2007. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

## Consent Agenda

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to approve the Consent Agenda items 1, 3-22 & 24. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Jim Kasiner to approve Consent Agenda items 2 & 23. Motion was defeated by a 2-2 vote.

1. Approval of Warrant Registers
2. Approval of Travel, Conference, and Related Expenses
3. Approval of Interdistrict Transfers for the 2007-2008 school year
4. Approval of Teacher Recruitment and Retention Program
5. Approval of Psychology Interns Consultant Agreement
6. Approval of Occupational Therapist Consultant Agreement
7. Approval of Additional RSP Teacher at KA and SDC Teacher at MMS
8. Approval of Financial Consultant – Barbara May
9. Approval of Agreement with Medical Billing Technologies, Inc. for Services related to Billing our Medical eligible activities for Medi-Cal
10. Approval of Addendum, to 2006-2007 Agreement with School Innovations & Advocacy regarding Site Service Plan – expanded training and support of collection of mandated cost data collection.
11. Approval of Construction Agreement with LEA Electric Power Distribution for installation of Kern Avenue Relocatable Classroom
12. Approval of Construction Agreement with LEA Electric Wire and Conduit installation for Kern Avenue Relocatable Classroom Fire Alarm System
13. Approval of Construction Agreement with Southern Valley Concrete Construction for concrete and flat work for Kern Avenue Relocatable Classroom
14. Approval of Construction Agreement with ATES Electric for Components and connection of Stand alone Fire Alarm System
15. Approval of Construction Agreement with Bill Martin Construction Clear & Grub of site per plans Browning Road School New Library Building
16. Approval of Construction Agreement with Bill Martin Construction Grading and Excavation of site per plans Browning road School New Library Building
17. Approval of Construction Agreement with Bill Martin Construction installation of concrete foundation per plans Browning Road School New Library Building
18. Approval of Construction Agreement with Bill Martin Construction Additional Excavation and Engineered Fill due to unfavorable soil sample test of foundation soil – Browning Road School New Library Building
19. Approval of Agreement to purchase from M & M Enterprises – Visalia to provide and install steel Foundation necessary for New Modular Library Building per specifications and plans
20. Approval of Construction Agreement with Bill Martin Construction installation of concrete curbing and new 8” sidewalk as directed for water damage.
21. Approval of Construction Agreement with Bill Martin Construction installation at Browning Road School Playground Equipment
22. Approval of Construction Agreement with Bill Martin Construction installation at Browning Road School Playground Equipment and concrete Demolition and curbing
23. Approval of Out of State Travel and Conference – Director of Curriculum & Instruction, MHS Principal, 1 Math Teacher and 1 English Teacher
24. Approval Update to School Plan – McFarland High School to offer Saturday School and After School Programs for School Year 2007/2008

## Information and Proposals

### A. Community Input

None

### B. Superintendent's Report – Mr. McCurtis gave his report.

1. Attendance - Attendance is up from one year ago. Total is 3198 and one month ago we were at 3108 and one year ago we were at 3166 so there has been an increase. At Browning Road is at 624, Kern Avenue is at 950, McFarland Middle is at 714, and McFarland High School is at 830 with McFarland Learning Center at 80 which will increase within the next month.
2. Newsletter -- There will be a newsletter going out to parents with the Superintendent's message, profiles from the principals and other Dept. information. It will be in English and Spanish. Superintendent McCurtis thanked Migrant Director Sandra Espinoza for all her hard work in helping to put the newsletter together.
3. Management Study – In Regards to a negative letter on the internet by the County Office placed there last year; Tahir Ahad and Sean McGinn along with the Supt. McCurtis attended a meeting with Bud Burrows at the County Office to discuss the Conditional Budget and the negative letter. The letter has since been removed.

Superintendent McCurtis continued with his report. He stated that the district has brought in a retired Supt. She came in and has gone through our budget and has made corrections and is working on closing our budget. Our finances are in a healthy state. Also he added that Total School Solutions is working on the search for a CBO. He added that the district is "marching down the road with some areas making improvements in AYP/API" and that the principals and administration is making lots of strides for continued improvements." He thanked the board.

### C. Board Member Reports & Student Board Member Reports

Student Board Member Ivan Marquez gave his report. He stated that they had had a great time at the CATA conference. They learned many things he will be able to use. He thanked the board for their support and donations to attend the CATA conference.

Student Board Member Israel Guerrero gave his report. He reported regarding the clubs and organizations at MHS which included FFA to the Dodger Game, Houchin Bank Blood Drive coming up, ASB Back to School Dance and AP Literature Class Trip to Paris and Rome in the Spring. He also had a question regarding classes at the high school. He asked regarding the AP Statistics class, French class, Forensics class and Drama that were not offered this year.

Martin Schmidt was directed by board president to respond to the question. He stated that the classes were not cost effective due to the fact that they didn't have the enrollment needed to offer those classes.

Student Board Member Israel Guerrero concluded his report by thanking the board.

Superintendent introduced new staff members: Martin Schmidt - MHS Principal, Roberta Burgh – MMS Principal, Mary Williams Smith – Special Education Director, Kim McManaman – Director of Curriculum & Instruction 6-12, Louie Gomez – Vice Principal @ KA, Robert Matheny – Director of Maintenance,

Operations & Transportation and he comes with 27 years of experience. Supt. McCurtis then asked the student board members if their questions had been answered and they responded that they had.

#### Board Member Reports continued

Jim Kasiner welcomed the student board members to the board. He also made reference to 9/11 and that we should remember that day.

David Arguello -- None

Rey DeLeon had questioned regarding the teaching positions that still needed to be filled. He was told by Cynthia Virrey that this summer there were 16 openings and at present there were 7-8 that needed to be filled. She also stated that she along with some administrators attended a job fair and that there are many districts in the same predicament of hiring highly qualified teachers in the fields of English, Math, Science and Special Education and there aren't enough out there.. She also stated that the positions have been posted in Ed Join with few results.

Marin Ortega Jr. welcomed all the new staff on board. He continued that we could all work together and address issues and changes being made. There are some very positive community members. We all want the same things for the students. The job is hard with all the mandates on curriculum. We will continue to work together and keep open the lines of communication. Thank you all for your hard work.

#### D. Reports

1. All School reporting: MHS- Martin Schmidt greeted the board and community. He gave a power point presentation. The focus for the year is to increase levels of student achievement, to implement a strong discipline plan, implementation of the existing plans in the Single School Plan and to promote a College Going Culture. He stated that regarding increased levels of student achievement in CST – API dropped from 616 to 613 the SAT – scores are below the state average and girls are scoring lower than boys on all three tests. He continued with the Action Plans for Increasing Student Achievement which included Pacing Guides, Springboard Implementation & Training, Support Classes, Walkthroughs, ELA Collaboration Time, Professional Development, Benchmark assessments and Department Data Teams. He would like to implement a strong discipline plan which includes in-school suspension, Saturday School, After school and lunch detention and a visible administration. Also, Implementation of the existing plans in the Single School Plan such as Pacing guides, Springboard Curriculum in Math and ELA, Benchmark Exams and Data Analysis. He also wants to promote a college going Culture which includes College Fair, Scholarships, College Night and Financial Aid Night. He added the needs of MHS are increased enrollment – 72 students with the same number of teachers, crowded classes and a traveling teacher. They need two new teachers one for Health and one for Electives/Computers and two new classrooms.

Roberta Burgh and Maggie Gore gave the report for MMS. They reported that their attendance at present was 715 students. Regarding Curriculum and Instruction they had a delay day on Wednesday and they had looked at their API and AYP data. They dropped one point on their API from 612 to 611. Teachers disaggregated the data to discover the subgroups having the most difficulty. The EL students went back 20, the socioeconomically disadvantaged made no growth and the Hispanic subgroup went back 3 points. They looked at data by grade level and subgroups, comparing 2005 to 2006 and discovered which grade levels had the biggest drops and gains. Their two high priority release days on Thursday and Friday continued to look at the data. Each team was walked through the percent of students at or above proficient on their CST scores. They then took 35% and 38% of those students in each subgroup to see the number of

students they need to move next year in order to meet their AYP in each of their subgroups. As teams they decided to take the highest number which was their EL subgroup. Teams then looked at their own class lists and identified their EL students and did the math to come up with how many students they would have to move to make AYP. A list of those target students will be compiled to give to all teams. The following two hour delay days and high priority days will be used to discuss why they are where they are at, what they can do about it and prioritize strategies, programs and trainings need to meet their goals. She is submitted a request for a new position – Resource/Data Manager. This position is in their high priority school grant and would help with monitoring the benchmark assessments, pacing calendars and assessments in their intervention programs. She is also amending the Single School Plan for student achievement to include a reading coach and math coach for their site which is a requirement under their PI status. She has also turned in a request for a new classified position. This person would monitor the in-house suspension room and work in conjunction with the assistant principal on discipline. Currently they do not have an in-house detention center and all students who are suspended are sent home for the day. Keeping them at school makes more sense, but they need a person to manage that room. She also stated that Leadership classes have begun this week. They are offering the class period at 7:00 a.m. The students are excited and ready to go. They will be attending a leadership conference in Bakersfield in the near future. Elections for student body officers were held on Thursday. Lunch clubs are beginning next week and homework club for those students identified as at risk for failing due to lack of homework, and lunch detention began on Monday. The leadership team is in place and will begin to meet on a weekly basis next week. She has signed most of the team up for Data Driven Team training in Bakersfield which will occur over the next few months.

Smith Efada gave the report for the Learning Center. He greeted the community, staff and board members. He stated that he had a short report to give. The attendance numbers are: San Joaquin High School at 47 and they should see an increase in about 2-3 weeks to about 58 -60 students, Independent School at 72 and they should see an increase also to about 130. He stated that he is doing his best to pick up students of the streets. Last Friday he attended a D.A Truancy workshop where it was stated that new procedures will be taking place. For example a student who is referred to SARB twice the DA will then take their drivers license away before going to court. He added that Back to School was a disappointment with very few parents. We would like to have more parent participation. They did have 43 community members present. The computer class needs a minimum of 27 adults; they need 3 more to make it work. Future needs are: a citizenship class, another portable classroom to house the GED class, also a daytime portable for day care center which would serve a dual purpose for child care classes for all students not just students with children. The accreditation recommendation is for 6 years with a 3 year review. The site review is a self review. He invited the board to visit the site to see what's going on. We have the MTA president answer phones on occasion and he also has picked up trash on occasion.

Ty Bryson gave the Kern Avenue Report. Their enrollment at present is 951 students and they're at 98.6% attendance in 48 classes. The cafeteria is not as big as others and they are being kept on their toes. Kern Avenue has new staff: a new vice principal – Louie Gomez and seven new teachers, with two positions still open. Back to School had an outstanding attendance with 580 parents. Operations school bell will happen in 3 weeks with students will be taken to Bakersfield for school supplies during the school day and FRC will supervise. Kern Avenue met their API and he is very proud of everybody. The Williams visit took place and they had a couple of deficiencies, but the books had been ordered just not delivered and that will be remedied within 30 days. The Reading First visit was very positive. It was a good visit and went very well. The after-school intervention program will be starting in early October. Miss Gaines will begin Choir on Thursday. The Fall Fundraiser will start on Friday and there will be students knocking on your doors with catalogs in hand asking for your support.

Mario Torres gave the Browning Road Report. He reported that their 1<sup>st</sup> day enrollment was 648 with the current enrollment at 615. Their attendance rate is 98%. Their goals and continuous improvement: 1. To improve student academic achievement and increase student performance to attain grade level standards. 2. To systematically review the individual components of the school plan, with SSC and staff as the components relate to student success and achievement with a focus on ELL and Socio-Economic Students. 3. To implement a school wide program that develops a staff that meets the California Standards for the Teaching Profession through a comprehensive professional staff development plan. Browning Road has new staff: a new vice principal, Michelle Rubio and one new teacher, Sandra Gutierrez in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Browning Road has an After School Program such as; Migrant MEES Program for K-2 grade students, 5 students per teacher in Language Arts and a 20 week Intervention Program for students under the 39<sup>th</sup> percentile in Math. Classes start September 17<sup>th</sup> and will focus on Language Arts/Math/ELD. They will target students between 320-361 on CST to Improve AYP in grades 3-5. He also stated that Back to School Night was well attended. They had an average of 15 student families per class with each at different times K-1<sup>st</sup> @ 5:30 p.m., 4-5 @ 6:00 p.m. & 2-3 @6:30 p.m. with a total attendance of 570 parents. CELDT testing should be completed by Friday, September 21. Student of the Month and Royal Reader Assembly is scheduled for September 13, the Signature Fundraiser will be held from October 1<sup>st</sup> thru 15<sup>th</sup>, Reading Counts began on September 10<sup>th</sup> for 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> grade, Camp KEEP will be from October 22-26 for BRS 5<sup>th</sup> grade students, Calendar of Events for Browning Road Elementary: Monthly Cougar Cub Gazette for Parents Newsletter and Weekly Cougar Cub Notes for Staff, Student Council Speeches and Elections will be held on September 20<sup>th</sup> for 3-5 grades.

2. MTA – None

3. CSEA – None

#### **Presentations (no action)**

1. Ivy League Tour – MHS Instructor Kathy Rowland, Israel Guerrero, Ivan Marquez and Maritza Duran gave a power point presentation on the trip. As students from a small farming community, they knew little to nothing of these prestigious universities. The universities attended were; Princeton, Yale, Harvard, MIT, Columbia and Brown. Princeton – The gates symbolized the students' portal to their future but remain closed until graduation. They, they students from McFarland, were on the inside of the portal. Yale – Its library is filled with rare and priceless books, ones we had never imagined could exist. Yale's campus illustrates the essence of gorgeous, and without a doubt, it is the most beautiful of all the Ivy Leagues. Harvard – is the oldest and the most prestigious university in the United States, and extends out to its own town square. Harvard is a fun school because being so old and well-known, it has many unique customs and rituals. MIT – is perhaps the number one university in the country for architecture and engineering. The unorthodox styles of buildings at MIT demonstrate their strength in architecture and engineering. Columbia – is situated in the heart of New York City. Its metropolis energy transcends any other Ivy League experience, being Broadway and Time Square's neighbor – in a big city yet secluded behind its famous Alma Mater. Brown – is the most liberal of all the schools in the East as it allows students to create their own majors. It is referred to as the Eastern Berkeley and it actually felt extremely accessible. Instructor Kathy Rowland commended the students from McFarland High and their exemplary behavior. They created their own business cards & learned business etiquette on how to present in front of people. Maritza Duran stated on a personal note that she thoroughly enjoyed visiting Harvard and will apply to Yale, Columbia and Brown and will go on the trip again. Ivan stated that just being in the East Coast and visiting all these colleges was amazing. They were not being pressured to apply. They are very supportive. The schools are looking for Latin

Americans with backgrounds in field work. Israel Guerrero stated that he had never heard of these schools till his sophomore year. He hadn't really grasped the idea of attending and now he is interested in the trips. They do have a chance of getting accepted. Diversity is much needed at Yale, Harvard and Columbia. Instructor Kathy Rowland who also went on the trip said she was just as surprised how accessible the universities are for our students. They want our students and they made some contacts. She stated the Mr. Mata has been working with this project. The students just need a vision/to broaden their vision. She thanked the board for their support.

Superintendent McCurtis added that with the help of Springboard it will help us to develop College consciousness.

Mrs. Rowland stated that Springboard has the best practices in curriculum as it gives direction and methods on how to teach tests, shows how to analyze and apply skills and with different kinds of methods to teach lessons are right there for teachers. A better effective way to teach is to model, to totally prepare you for your classes. She had the opportunity to go to Texas to learn how to train the teachers. Supt. McCurtis thanked them for their report.

2. Total School Solutions – Tahir Ahad gave a brief overview of the Educational Services Projects from February – September 2007 that included: Science Curriculum Adoption, Educational Services Support, MHS Scheduling, Staffing, Placement and Course Alignment, MMS Scheduling and Placement, Program Improvement Status, Coordinated Program Monitoring, and Quality Education Investment Act (QEIA). He stated that a foundation has been built in the last few months through collaboration. Discussion followed. Tahir also stated that they bring experience, professionalism and the desire to work for the community. They perform a total array of services. Rick Sparks commented that he had concerns with the different groups of consultants being used, the money being paid for these consultants and some personnel issues. Supt. McCurtis added that Total School Solutions makes recommendations with the final decision coming from the District. Tahir added that there are legal things that they must do in Program Improvement status. Other districts have different groups come in to assist. Whether you are in McFarland or Texas some things work and some do not, things in the past do not work. If everything was working the district would not be in Year 5 and not meeting the objectives. He continued with “we believe the community wants more for the children, to know what works and what doesn't. We have wonderful, qualified staff. All our clients have been extremely happy with our work.” Rick Sparks expressed the concern that people just want to have the input that they should have. They should be included. Supt. McCurtis added that the budget is being approved by the County. Per the County the district has the money. The Categorical carryover is too large. We have High Priority Grant to lower class sizes. He continued, “ It takes teamwork, we have to chart a course to accelerate student achievement and have the right relationship with people and students.”
3. Eminence Counseling Service was pulled from the Agenda. It will be rescheduled to a later date.
4. Caldwell Flores Winters, Inc. – Ernesto Flores and Miguel Rodriguez distributed a handout to the board members in which they gave a brief overview of the General Obligation Bonds election of 2004. Mr. Flores stated that the Measure was approved by 77.9% of the voters in March 2004. A total of \$8.3 million in General Obligation Bonds were authorized to make health and safety improvements throughout the district, modernize and upgrade classrooms and school facilities, construct a new elementary school to reduce student overcrowding, and improve student access to computers and modern technology. He went on to explain the process and also stated the opportunity to issue the next series of bonds in which he stated that issuing the bonds now would allow the district to: Repay the bonds seven years sooner than projected at the beginning of the bond



program, Capture prevailing low interest rates and pass the savings on to taxpayers in the form of lower payments, Complete construction an modernization projects earlier, reducing cost increases due to inflation. The district would also generate additional interest proceeds on the new proceeds deposited into the Construction Fund and Stabilize the tax rate paid by residents of the District. He also presented the board with a proposed timeline. Mr. Flores and Mr. Rodriguez thanked the board for their patronage and support.

5. Gary Farrell – McFarland Parks & Recreation gave a Mater Plan Update. He stated that the McFarland Recreation and Park District has completed the updating of the Park Mater Plan and gave some of the findings and recommendations: There is a shortage of open space, parks, athletic fields and bicycle trails in McFarland, The shortage of parks and facilities are due to: The State of CA taking 42% of the recreation and parks district's general fund and shifting it to ERAF and Lack of Developer and Assessment Fees, The Recreation and Park District should request to the City of McFarland that Park Development, Quimby and Assessment fees be created and/or increased in order to provide land and revenue to complete new parks, That there is a need to build fewer but larger parks instead of several small parks in order to contain the much needed athletic fields and parking lots, That the JPA with the McFarland Unified School District be updated so that Quimby land dedication fees can be increased, That the location of future parks should be located next to future school sites whenever possible in order to maximize use of public facilities and That there is a desire and need for a Trails and Bicycle path system in McFarland that could provide safe and attractive areas for families and children to walk, jog and bicycle.

#### **Action Items (cont'd)**

##### **Old Business**

None

##### **New Business**

##### **Public Hearing**

###### **A. Approval of New/Revised Board Policies – First Reading**

Motion made by Jim Kasiner, seconded by David Arguello to approve the first reading. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

###### **B. Approval of Personnel Register**

This item was pulled from the Agenda.

###### **C. Approval of Resolution to Reduce or Eliminate Classified Positions**

Motion made by Jim Kasiner, seconded by David Arguello not to eliminate the position. Roll Call vote: Jim Kasiner –Aye, David Arguello – Aye, Rey DeLeon – Aye, Marin Ortega – Aye. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**D. Approval of Resolution – Waiver Request Pursuant to Education Code Section 41402 (b)**

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello to approve the Resolution – Waiver request. Roll Call vote: Jim Kasiner – Aye, David Arguello – Aye, Rey DeLeon – Aye, Marin Ortega – Aye. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**E. Courses of Study – Social Studies**

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Jim Kasiner to approve the Course of Study – Social Studies. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**F. Approval of SpringBoard Subscription Agreement**

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Marin Ortega for approval of SpringBoard Subscription Agreement. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

**G. Approval for PESA (Parent Expectations Support Achievement) Parenting classes to begin for the 2007-2008 school year.**

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Jim Kasiner to approve the PESA Parenting classes. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**H. Approval of Agreement between the INEA – Instituto Nacional de Educacion Adulta/National Institute for Adult Education, the Mexican Consulate of Fresno, CA, the McFarland Unified School District and two consultants, to provide a program known as PLAZA Comunitaria.**

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello to approve the Agreement between INEA, the McFarland Unified School District and two consultants to provide a program known as PLAZA Comunitaria. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**I. Agreement between Kern County Superintendent of Schools Office the Kern County Consortium SELPA and McFarland Unified School District for the 2007-2008 school year.**

Motion made by Jim Kasiner, seconded by David Arguello to approve the agreement between Kern County Superintendent of Schools Office, the Kern County Consortium SELPA and McFarland Unified School District for the 2007-2008 school year. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**Advance Planning**

**A. Future Meeting Dates**

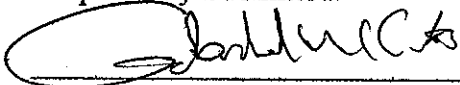
Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Jim Kasiner to approve the next regular meeting date of October 9, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. and Board Study Session on September 20, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**Adjournment**

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello, to approve adjournment of meeting. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Board Vice - President adjourned meeting at 11:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Gabriel McCurtis, Interim Superintendent

**ABSENT**

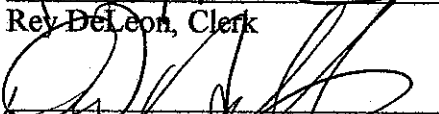
Ramon Melendez, Board President



Marin Ortega, Jr., Vice President



Rey DeLeon, Clerk



David Arguello, Member

Absent

Jim Kasiner, Member