

McFARLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
March 26, 2009

The Special Meeting of the McFarland Unified School District Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, March 26, 2009, at Kern Avenue School Room #74. The meeting was called to order by Board President at 3:06 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** Marin Ortega Jr., President  
Kaye Breyer, Clerk  
Marlin Isaacs, Member

**Absent:** David Arguello, Vice President  
Rey DeLeon, Member

**Staff Present:** Gabriel McCurtis Candi Clark Irene Melendez  
Kim McManaman Smith Efada David Lopez  
Rick Sparks Yolanda Gonzalez Ernesto Diaz  
Gerald Howze Humberto Chairez Cynthia Virrey  
Ty Bryson Melissa Melendez

Others

**Community Present:** Kitty Simpson MaryAnn Rodriguez Susana Rodriguez  
Socorro Munoz Robert Peraza Luis Rodriguez

**Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum**

**Pledge of Allegiance – Marlin Isaacs**

**Public Communication**

Gerald Howze addressed the board with some concerns regarding his involuntary transfer. He added information regarding his years of experience and the students he has worked with over the years he has been with MUSD. He added that he has 35 years of experience teaching at the high school and college level.

Susana Rodriguez spoke on behalf of Mr. Howze and her experience of being a student of his in high school. She stated she would like to see him remain with the high school students.

Luis Rodriguez also spoke on behalf of Mr. Howze and the positive impact he had on the students.

Robert Peraza also spoke on behalf of Mr. Howze. He stated that Mr. Howze had been a good influence on his life.

**Closed Session**

The board adjourned to Closed Session at 3:19 p.m.

## **Open Session**

The board re-convened to Open Session at 4:22 p.m.

## **Report of Closed Session**

- A. No Action taken

## **Action Items**

### **Public Hearing - Disclosure of Tentative Agreement with California School Employees Association (CSEA)**

The Public Hearing was opened by Board President at 4:23 p.m. for input from the community regarding disclosure of the tentative agreement with CSEA. There was no input from the community.

The Public Hearing was closed at 4:24 p.m.

- A. Approval of Bargaining Agreement between McFarland Unified School District and CSEA pending AB1200 Kern County Superintendent of Schools' approval.

Motion made by Marlin Isaacs, seconded by Kaye Breyer for approval of the Bargaining Agreement between MUSD and CSEA pending AB1200 Kern County Supt. of Schools' approval. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

- B. Personnel Register

Motion made by Marlin Isaacs, seconded by Kaye Breyer to approve the Personnel Register as presented. Motion carried by a 3 - 0 vote.

The Study Session was moved to follow the Special meeting.

## **Advance Planning**

1. April 21, 2009 – Regular Board Meeting at 4:00 p.m. in the MHS Multipurpose Room.
2. April 28, 2009 – Study Session at 3:00 p.m. at KA room #74.

Motion made by Kaye Breyer, seconded by Marlin Isaacs to approve the next board meeting date of April 21, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in the MHS Multipurpose Room and Study Session date of April 28, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. at KA rm. 74. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

## **Adjournment**

Motion made by Kaye Breyer, seconded by Marlin Isaacs to adjourn the special board meeting. Motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Board President adjourned the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

The Study Session continued at 4:41 p.m.

## Study Session/Board Workshop

Kitty Simpson of California School Boards Association gave a presentation on board policies. There was also a question and answer session in which the board members were able to discuss the policies and procedures regarding the board policies and district policies in general.

The study session was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Gabriel McCurtis, Secretary to the Board

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Marin Ortega Jr., Board President

Absent

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David Arguello, Vice President

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Kaye Breyer, Clerk

Absent

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Rey DeLeon, Member

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Marlin Isaacs, Member