

McFARLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 12, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the McFarland Unified School District Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, May 12, 2009, at the McFarland High School Multi-Purpose Room. The meeting was called to order by Board President at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Marin Ortega Jr., President
David Arguello, Vice President
Kaye Breyer, Clerk
Rey DeLeon, Member
Marlin Isaacs, Member

Student board members:

Jose Jaime
Ezenia Garza

Staff Present:

Gabriel McCurtis	Irene Melendez	Mary Williams Smith
Smith Efada	Kim McManaman	Martin Schmidt
Candi Clark	David Lopez	Cynthia Virrey
Ty Bryson	Louie Gomez	Raul Murrieta
Sandra Espinoza	Lori Schultz	Roberta Burgh
Claudia Rodriguez	Mike Elliott	Albert Melendez
Yolanda Gonzalez	Julie Machado	Shirley Ritchey
Ernesto Diaz	Chris Breyer	Alice Perez
Mary Aguinaga	Susana Gomez	Angelica Gonzalez
Melissa Melendez	Jan Agabashian	Suzanne Villaruz
Elvia Barajas	Elizabeth Ortega	Teresa Arvizu
Numerous Others		

Community Present:

John Bernard
Others

Jeff Kirby

Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation – Chris Breyer

Recognition of Staff

Fifteen and Twenty year employees were recognized and presented with a certificate and pen for their years of service to the McFarland Unified School District.

Recognition of Reclassification of LEP students was move to presentations.

Student Board Members Ezenia Garza and Jose Jaime were recognized and presented with Plaques for their year as student board members.

Special Education Instructional Assistants Recognition – Mary Williams Smith recognized and presented certificates to Mary Aguinaga, Griselda DeLeon, Sandy Garza, Susana Gomez, Angelica Gonzalez, Yolanda Gonzalez, Paula Herrera, Melissa Melendez, Trini Ortega, Alice Perez and Rebecca Quintanilla for completion of the Paraeducators Workshop series which included training in First Aid, Role of the Paraeducator, Special Education Law, Interventions and Students with Disabilities.

Public Communication

Jeff Kirby, CSEA representative thanked the board for taking the time to research before making decisions regarding layoffs. He also asked that New Business agenda item A be tabled for more discussion.

Closed Session

The board adjourned to Closed Session at 4:18 p.m.

Open Session

The board re-convened to Open Session at 6:05 p.m.

Report of Closed Session

- A. No Action
- B. No Action
- C. No Action
- D. Student Expulsion/Readmittance
 - 1. Student #0809-34 – MMS – Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Marlin Isaacs for Suspended Expulsion of Student #0809-34 with stipulations. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.
 - 2. Student #0809-35 – MHS – Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Kaye Breyer for Expulsion of Student #0809-35. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Action Items

- A. Revision and Agenda Approval of Agenda of May12, 2009.

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Marlin Isaacs, to approve the Agenda of May 12, 2009. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

- B. Approval of Minutes of April 21, 2009 (Regular Meeting).

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Kaye Breyer, to approve the minutes of February 21, 2009, (Regular Meeting). Motion carried by a 5 - 0 vote.

- C. Consent Agenda

- 1. Approval of Warrant Registers
- 2. Approval of Interdistrict Agreements
- 3. Approval of MHS Cross Country Out-of-State Trip to New York in October 2009.
- 4. Annual Approval of Designation of CIF Representatives to League
- 5. Approval of Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Application for 2009-2010 Funding.
- 6. Community Action Partnership Agreement Renewal – 2009-2014
- 7. Approval of the Annual Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators.
- 8. Annual Statement of Need – Emergency 30-Day Substitute Teaching Permit
- 9. Technology Services Agreement – 2009-2010

Motion made by Kaye Breyer, seconded by Rey DeLeon to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Information and Proposals

Community Input

None

Superintendent's Report:

1. Attendance

Supt. McCurtis stated that the monthly total was 3243 students enrolled for the month. Last month there were 3218 and one year ago there were 3137 students. He added that the district dropout rate is below the state levels at 19.9%. Kudos going to Smith Efada and Candy Clark. He also added that there will be Study Session planned in June regarding Supt. Evaluation and Board Self-Evaluation. He attended a Seminar regarding Supt. Evaluation. He also reported that the principals and some Directors will be attending a Professional Learning Community workshop. He added that he and Candi will be attending a Budget meeting on Friday.

Board Member/Student Board Member Reports

Student Board Member Ezenia Garza reported gave both reports as Jose had to leave. She stated that the Cinco de Mayo queen for 2009 is Abdulia Medina, STAR Awards were given to student Bryce Greenfield, Teacher Raul Murrieta and Classified Employee Javier Holguin. They will be recognized at a banquet on May 14 @ 6 p.m. in MPR room. She also stated that ASB elections for 2009-2010 were held and the new officers are: Alyssa Medina – President, Matthew Arguello – Vice President, Jazmine Flores – Treasurer, Maritza Duran- Secretary, Rubi Lara – Noontime Activities, Josie Hernandez – Sports Commissioner, Eric Marquez – Publicity Manager, Mercedes Story – Social Chairperson, and Ezenia Garza – Yearbook Representative. Class officer elections will be held this week. She added that SAT's were on Saturday, May 2nd and approximately 120 students were tested. Also, AP exams began last week with about 170 test scheduled to be taken. If students pass they will gain college credits which benefit the students and the school very much. She gave the Sports report for Jose: On April 3rd the boys and girls Track Team won League as well as the Sierra League. The team will be vying for Valley as well. Baseball and softball playoffs will be starting next week. Tennis is officially done for the season and they did not advance to the next division. All sports league games will be completed this week. Spring Football will begin next week and they will be having 10 official practices. The Coach's position has been posted for next year..

Rey DeLeon – None

Marlin Isaacs - None

Kaye Breyer - None

David Arguello – None

Marin Ortega – None

Presentations

1. MHS Literature Club – was not present
2. MHS Cross Country – Mr. McCurtis stated that Amador Ayon would be present at the next board meeting to speak regarding an all-weather track.

Reports

1. MTA – None
2. CSEA – None

Action Items (cont'd)

Old Business

None

New Business

A. Approval of Resolution #0809-13 to Decrease the number of Classified Employees Due to a Reduction in Particular Kinds of Services.

Motion made by Marlin Isaacs, seconded by David Arguello to approve Resolution #0809-12 to Decrease the number of Classified Employees Due to a Reduction in Particular Kinds of Services with the following changes: Office Managers to 0 FTE, Campus Supervisor to 0 FTE, Student Activities Assistant to 0 FTE and School Office Assistants from 10.13 to 1 FTE. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

B. Approval of Resolution #0809-14 to Create Classified Positions starting in 09-10 School Year.

Item died due to lack of motion.

C. Personnel Register

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by Marlin Isaacs, to approve the Personnel Register as presented. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

D. Adoption of April 15, 2009, proposed decision of Administrative Law Judge Regarding Reduction in Particular Kinds of Service (Office of Administrative Hearings Case No. 2009031207).

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Kay Breyer to approve the Adoption of April 15, 2009, proposed decision of Administrative Law Judge Regarding Reduction in particular kinds of service. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

E. Approval to Accept Superintendent's recommendation to Dismiss Employees Due to Reduction in Particular Kinds of Services and Direct Superintendent to Issue Final Dismissal Notices in Accordance with the Board's Certificated Layoff Decision and the Requirements of Education Code.

Motion made by Rey DeLeon, seconded by David Arguello for approval to accept Superintendent's recommendation to dismiss employees due to reduction in particular kinds of services and direct superintendent to issue final dismissal notices in accordance with the board's certificated layoff decision and the requirements of education code. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Advance Planning

Motion made by David Arguello, seconded by Rey DeLeon to approve the next regular board meeting date of June 16, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Adjournment

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

Board President adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Gabriel McCurtis, Secretary to the Board

Marin Ortega Jr., Board President

David Arguello, Vice President

Kaye Breyer, Clerk

Rey DeLeon, Member

Marlin Isaacs, Member