

MONTECITO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Regular Meeting
Minutes
August 30, 2011

Present: Mr. Brett Matthews, President, Mrs. Gwyn Lurie, Clerk, Mrs. Deborah Fuss, Ms. Mary Kirkhart, and Mrs. Mary Morouse, Members.

Staff Present: Mrs. Tammy Murphy, Superintendent, Ms. Virginia Alvarez, Director of Business, Nick Bruski, Chief Academic Officer, Mrs. Autumn Noe, Administrative Assistant

Board President, Mr. Brett Matthews called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Brett Matthews reported that there was no correspondence to the Board over the summer.

Recognitions: The custodial and gardening staff were honored for all of their work over the summer; furniture moving, classroom changes, office moves, cleaning and all the work that went on.

Student Learning

2011-2012 Opening of School Report

Enrollment Report

Mrs. Murphy presented an update on enrollment. Current enrollment for Montecito Union School is 452 students. School wide class average still 17 students per class. Five students are still potentially enrolling.

Summer Facility Projects

Mrs. Murphy presented an update regarding summer projects; 6 classrooms moved this summer, relocated three offices, the retaining wall in the parking lot was replaced, a second storage container was purchased, the fourth grade wing received new roller shades, pressure washing on the buildings, up keep of grounds, fixed a roof leak, and worked on sprinkler systems.

Staff Hiring

The new staff hired was announced in the parent newsletter for parents and staff.

Staff Development Opportunities

Update on staff training; in July 11 teachers went to Harvard. A representative from Columbia will come for two days for the winter in-service.

After School Program Update

As requested by the Board, Mrs. Murphy and Ms. Alvarez presented an update to the After School Program Task Force. After Care was reassessed which resulted in a decrease in staffing and a change in pay structure. The After School Task Force Committee has been formed; Kathy Kelley, Nick Bruski, Dave Williams, Rhonda McBride, Jen Lilienstein, Lucia Engel, Fiona Stone, Carrie Hafner, Margaret Spencer, and Carey Young. Fall classes have stayed the same with 27 classes, omitting knitting and Chinese, due to low enrollment. In order to streamline After Care, billing and hours will be delegated to the District office. Intensive work to get done by November needed in order to address budget and class schedule, while utilizing teachers and current staff. Mr. Brett Matthews requested that an update be presented at the November Board Meeting with information regarding the program sustaining itself and winter class offerings.

Mrs Murphy also mentioned that the Homework Club will now be overseen by Mr. Bruski. Homework Club will be ran by a credentialed teacher and will benefit, students, teachers and parents. 3rd grade students were eliminated from participating because they do not have more than 30 minutes of homework.

Ms. Lia Garcia spoke to the Board regarding Homework Club.

Strategic Plan Update

Mrs. Murphy gave an update to the plans for the Strategic Plan schedule and committee. On the 28th of September, Dr. Bena Kallick will facilitate the 23-member committee (13 parents and 10 staff) for the Strategic Rethink, in order to integrate 21st Technology. The Board discussed their participation within the committee and it's impact on the Strategic Rethink. The final plan will be brought to Board for approval. Mr. John Glanville spoke to Board about the Strategic Plan and the Board's involvement.

Santa Barbara County Special Education Local Plan Area, Local Plan Revisions

Mrs. Murphy is a member of SELPA and brings forward the revisions to the SELPA plan for approval. Mrs. Mary Morouse to approve the Santa Barbara County Special Education Local Plan Area, Local Plan Revisions. Mrs. Deborah Fuss seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Hearing: Sufficiency of Instructional Materials

Mr. Matthews announced the public hearing on sufficiency of instructional materials was open at 7:00 p.m. The following are the instructional materials utilized at Montecito Union School:

1. English/Language Arts		Pearson Reading Street
2. Mathematics		Houghton Mifflin and Glencoe
3. Science	K-5	Foss
	6	Holt
4. Social Studies	K	Pearson
	1-4	Harcourt
	5-6	History Alive

There were no comments from the public regarding the hearing. The hearing was closed at 7:01 p.m.

Resolution #11/12-01 Textbook and Instructional Materials Compliance

Per Education Code 60242.5 which requires that the superintendent of each school district provide a written assurance that all purchases of instructional materials conform to law and applicable rules and regulations adopted by the State Board of Education, Mrs. Murphy presented Resolution 11/12-01 reflecting Montecito Union's Textbook and Materials Compliance.

Mrs. Lurie moved to adopt resolution 11/12-01 Textbook and Instructional Materials Compliance. Ms. Kirkhart seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Resolution 11/12-02 Sufficiency of Instructional Materials

Board Policy 6161.1 states that the District shall assure that it is in compliance with the Instructional Materials Funding Realignment Program. Resolution 11/12-02 is meant to ensure that all students in grades K-6 are provided with instructional materials that are aligned to State content standards in the core curriculum areas of reading/language arts, mathematics, science, and history/social studies.

Mrs. Morouse moved to approve resolution 11/12-02 Sufficiency of Instructional Materials. Ms. Kirkhart seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Business and Finance

2011-2012 Budget Update

Ms. Alvarez presented to the Board the 2011-2012 budget update. Since the budget adoption, by the Board in June and the Santa Barbara County Office of Education approval in August the budget still could be effected by mid year cuts made by the Legislative Analyst Office or the Department of Finance. Being a Basic Aid School District we have to contribute for cuts, which we will not know until December. Reserves allow us not to lay off employees or cut programs.

Resolution #11/12-03 Open Fund for Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB)

Ms. Alvarez presented resolution 11/12-03 to the Board. At the June board meeting there was a presentation and funding was approved by the Board for a fund to be established to allocate funds towards the funding of the OPEB accrued. The 2010-2011 budget included \$38,000 towards the funding of the liability.

Mrs. Lurie moved to approve resolution 11/12-03 Open Fund for Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Mrs. Fuss seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports

Board Communication

Mrs. Morouse attended the Aspen Institute, Aspen Seminar. Could benefit the Board in regards to Strategic Planning.

Ms. Kirkhart reported that the PTA will be funding all requests, this year. Mrs. Fuss reported that MEF will not have a back to school night table. Neva Tro and Darren Osti will co-chair, this year and the next meeting is September 13th at 5:00 p.m. Ms. Kirkhart and Mrs. Murphy will be attending welcome event for new superintendent, Dr. Cash.

Superintendent's Report

Truancy

Mrs. Murphy presented to the Board, the report to the Grand Jury on "Where is the Truancy Program in Santa Barbara County?", in which all Superintendent's must respond to.

Ms. Morouse moved to approve the report to the Grand Jury on "Where is the Truancy Program in Santa Barbara County?". Mrs. Fuss seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Post Employment Benefits

Mrs. Murphy presented to the Board, the report to the Grand Jury on "Local Government Post Employment in Santa Barbara County-Complicated and Costly."

Mrs. Lurie moved to approve the report to the Grand Jury on "Local Government Post Employment in Santa Barbara County-Complicated and Costly." Ms. Kirkhart seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Murphy gave an update on the progress of the Request for Qualifications for Architectural and Engineering Services for a Facilities Master Plan. On September 7th the committee members; Dave Williams, Virginia Alvarez, Tim Werner, Mark Kirkhart and Tammy Murphy will meet to create a "short list" of interview candidates. Recommendations will be brought to Board to review at the September Board Meeting.

Consent Agenda

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – June 21, 2011
Warrants, June 10, 2011 – August 5, 2011
Inter-District Transfers
Resolution #11/12-04 Close Fund 457
Personnel Report
Central Coast Personnel Council Consortium Agreement
Beginning Teachers Support and Assessment (BTSA) Induction Program Participating Districts
Memorandum of Understanding
Williams Uniform Compliance Report

Mrs. Fuss moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Mrs. Lurie seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Board Governance/Evaluation of Meeting

The Board members and Superintendent evaluated tonight's meeting and discussed the timeliness of the meeting and efficiency.

The public meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. with a motion by Mrs. Lurie. Seconded by Ms. Morouse. Motion carried 5-0.

Closed Session

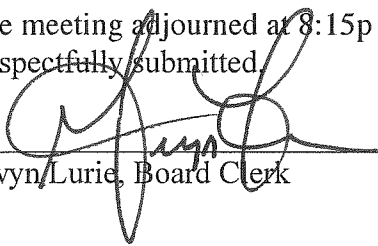
Board President, Mr. Matthews announced the Board was going into closed session to consider the following:

Conference With Legal Counsel--Existing Litigation Government Code
Section 54956.9(a). One matter:
(1) Montecito Union Elementary School District & Santa Barbara County
Education Office v. K.F. by and through his parents Diane and Rick
Figuroa

The Board reconvened to open session at 8:13 p.m. Board President, Mr. Matthews announced no action had been taken in closed session.

Mrs. Fuss moved to empower Superintendent, Mrs. Murphy as the District's representative regarding the settlement of the Montecito Union Elementary School District & Santa Barbara County Education Office v. K.F. by and through his parents Diane and Rick Figuroa. Mrs. Morouse seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15p .m.
Respectfully submitted



Gwyn Lurie, Board Clerk