

MOORPARK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Tuesday, May 9, 2023
4:15 PM Closed Session
5:30 PM Regular Meeting
District Office Board Room
5297 Maureen Lane
Moorpark, California 93021
Adopted 5/31/23

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Sweet called the closed session to order at 4:18 PM and the regular meeting to order at 5:33 PM

PRESENT: Board President Nathan Sweet and Board Members Amy Adams, Scott Dettorre, Robert Perez and Ute Van Dam

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Kelli Hays, District Superintendent; Dr. Cathy Lasure, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel Services; Lynn David, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services; Dr. Jane Wagmeister, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services; and Areli Hernandez, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Board President Sweet called for comments from the public regarding the closed session items. There were no comments.

3. CLOSED SESSION

- a) *Conference with Labor Negotiator – Government Code Section 54957.6*
District Negotiator: Dr. Kelli Hays
Employee Organizations: Moorpark Educators Association (MEA); and California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter No. 498
- b) *Public Employee Evaluation: Goal Setting/Mid-Year Review– District Superintendent: Government Code section 54957*
- c) *Public Employee Appointment/Employment– Government Code Section 54957*

4. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION AND RECOGNITION OF A QUORUM

Board President Sweet reconvened the meeting to open session at 5:33 PM, recognized the presence of a Board quorum and indicated no reportable action was taken in closed session.

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board President Sweet led the Pledge of Allegiance.

6. REORDERING AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – MOTION NO. 125

On a motion by Robert Perez and second by Ute Van Dam, the Board unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MOTION NO. 126

On a motion by Robert Perez and second by Amy Adams, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the April 25 2023 Regular Meeting.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Board President Sweet called for comments from the public regarding items of interest that are pertinent to the Moorpark Unified School District. There were no comments.

9. REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT

- a) Above & Beyond Recognition
- Gina Jurick, Walnut Canyon School

The Board and Superintendent Hays recognized Gina Jurick, Office Manager, for her service and dedication to the students, staff and families of Walnut Canyon School.

- a) MUSD Update

Dr. Hays reported on the following: She thanked all of the District nurses for the work and service in honor of Nurse Appreciation Week; MHS girls' softball team for winning their second round of CIF playoffs; Ventura County Track Meet held at MHS; upcoming CIF Masters Track meet; MEF funding focus workshop and upcoming end-of-year thank you event for all staff members; the completion of the seventh in a series of workshops for School Safety, Security and Targeted Prevention presented by the VCOE, VC schools were the first in the nation to undergo this training from a federal agency; past events, including: Flory's Einstein & Dine, Star Wars Day at Campus Canyon, Arroyo West's Carnival, Science Night at Walnut Canyon, and the Peach Hill Carnival; recent meeting with Assemblymember Jacqui Irwin to discuss education programs; and plans for the THS@MC graduation and MHS graduation, the MHS graduation ceremony will be livestreamed.

10. REPORT FROM DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS

(Resolutions/Commendations, Correspondence, Committee Reports)

Ute Van Dam reported on the following: recent VCSBA zoom meeting; MHS music/band fundraiser; attended the TO Civic Arts production of *Anastasia* and indicated

the MHS production was just a good if not better; Chamber of Commerce mixer; MEF Focus meeting; Instruction Subcommittee meeting; and Flory's Einstein & Dine fundraiser.

Robert Perez reported on the following: MHS varsity baseball games; April 29th Rudy Perez Foundation Event, where they raised enough funds to provide 4 scholarships for football; and the MHS Band Gala.

Scott Dettorre reported on the following: Mountain Meadows' open house; Arroyo West's Art Carnival; and Flory's Einstein & Dine event.

Amy Adams reported on the following: MHS track meets; MHS girls softball games; MEF Focus meeting; Instruction Subcommittee meeting; Muskie Awards; and the MHS College Fair.

11. BOARD ITEMS FOR ACTION/DISCUSSION

12. CONSENT-ACTION – MOTION NO. 127

On a motion by Robert Perez and second by Scott Dettorre, the Board unanimously approved the following consent action items by a roll call vote:

- a) Classified Employment Report No. 5-9-23-12
- b) Certificated Employment Report No. 5-9-23-12
- c) Agreement with VCOE for the Administrator & Teacher Induction Programs
- d) Annual Statement of Need
- e) Payment of stipends
- f) Agreements for Services: 1) MOU with Ventura USD for Indian Education Services (23-24); 2: Cooperative Services Agreement (use of facilities), City of Moorpark for ELOP (23-26); 3) Professional Tutors (special education services); 4) 5 Agreements with Star of CA LLC (behavior intervention); 5) Devereux Georgia-Ackerman Academy (special education services)
- g) Acceptance of the following donations:
 - Campus Canyon PTSA
 - \$1000.00 – Campus Canyon – 8th Grade Physics Disneyland Field Trip 6/5/23
 - James Yakel
 - \$400.00 – Mesa Verde – Principal's Discretionary
- h) Ratification of purchase orders in the total amount of \$604,386.15: 2022-2023: B Series: B23-00164; B23-00300 - B23-00302, CO Series: CO23-00253 - CO23-00274, P Series: P23-01150; P23-01178 - P23-01267 TP: Series: TP23-00116 - TP23-23-00120.

BUILDING PROGRAM

PERSONNEL

13. DECLARATION OF NEED FOR FULLY QUALIFIED EDUCATORS – MOTION NO. 128

On a motion by Scott Dettorre and second by Ute Van Dam, the Board unanimously approved the referenced Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators.

The California Commission on Teacher Credentialing requires school districts to project the number of teachers who will be hired on emergency permits or Limited Assignment Permits and submit the information to the Commission before the beginning of the school year. Statewide shortages exist for credentialed teachers, specifically in Math, Science, Special Education, and bilingual education which are areas that the District has also experienced shortages of qualified candidates in past years. This will allow for substitute teachers needed to fill long-term positions.

INSTRUCTION

14. INDIAN EDUCATION HONOREES FOR 2023

The District is a member of the Ventura County Indian Education Consortium. The referenced memorandum identifies Moorpark's Indian Education Honorees for 2023: Sophia Gutierrez, Peach Hill Academy; Paxton Morrow, Chaparral Middle School; and Shane Little, Reagan Little and Colton Morrow of Moorpark High School. This is an informational item only; no Board action is required.

BUSINESS

15. PROPOSAL FOR ARCHITECT SERVICES – MOTION NO. 129

The District must assess the condition of its facilities to prioritize projects that maintain safety and support high quality instructional and co-curricular programs. The Ruhnau Clarke Architect firm is qualified to conduct a facility assessment and provide a written report that estimates the cost for identified facility needs.

On a motion by Ute Van Dam and second by Robert Perez, the Board unanimously approved the proposal for architect services with Ruhnau Clarke to conduct an assessment of all District facilities and provide a written report for a fee not to exceed \$74,234.

16. PROTECTING STUDENTS AND STAFF-ACTIVE ASSAILANT TRAINING-MOTION NO. 130

Moorpark Unified School District places student and staff safety as our top priority. Training all staff annually is an important step that increases our capacity for an effective response if a threat occurs.

Strategos has provided intruder response training to more than 75,000 educators and students in over 1,500 early learning through higher education institutions, and was given a rating of 4.9 out of 5 by the Department of Homeland Security. During the past year a multidisciplinary district team participated in active assailant and threat assessment training with Strategos. The active assailant training includes a presentation, demonstrations on how to secure a space, and practice scenarios at school sites. The intruder response training provided by Strategos is a measure to increase employees' ability to prevent, report, and protect themselves and their students from an active assailant.

On a motion by Robert Perez and second by Scott Dettorre, the Board unanimously approved the proposal from Strategos to provide active assailant response training for all staff in 2023-24 for a contract cost not to exceed \$44,500. The Board members thanked Superintendent Hays and the administrative team for taking proactive measures to protect our students and staff.

DISTRICT POLICIES

PENDING AGENDA ITEMS

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Moorpark Unified School District will be held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 5:30 PM at the District Office Board Room, 5297 Maureen Lane, Moorpark, California.

ADJOURNMENT - MOTION NO. 131

On a motion by Ute Van Dam and second by Robert Perez, the Board unanimously adjourned the regular meeting in honor of Ed Antonette, former Board Member of the Moorpark Elementary School District, for his service and dedication to the students, families and community of Moorpark. Time of adjournment was 6:06 PM.

NATHAN SWEET
BOARD PRESIDENT

AMY ADAMS
CLERK OF THE BOARD

DR. KELLI HAYS
SECRETARY TO THE BOARD