

**AGENDA**  
**MERCED COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**September 18, 2023**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

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**Merced County Office of Education - 632 West 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Merced CA 95341 – Board Room**  
The meeting begins at 3:00 p.m.

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*[These proceedings may be recorded.]*

**I. Open**

- A. Call to Order at \_\_\_\_\_ PM by Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Roll Call: Geneva Brett, Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_  
Fred Honoré, Vice Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_  
Dennis Hanks, Member \_\_\_\_\_  
Frank Fagundes, Member \_\_\_\_\_  
Tim Razzari, Member \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Others Present: \_\_\_\_\_

**II. Flag Salute - Pledge Allegiance to the Flag**

**III. Presentation:**

- A. Presentation of Plaques to MCOE Outstanding Classified, Certificated, and Management Employees for the Quarter ending September 2023
  - 1. Classified Employee: Trinidad Rodriguez, Educational Services
  - 2. Classified Employee: Jeannie Flores, Special Education
  - 3. Certificated Employee: Cristina Vara, Special Education
  - 4. Management Employee: Lee Vang, Educational Services

**IV. Consent Agenda:** Items listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine administrative functions and will be acted on by the Board in one motion and one vote. Any items under the Consent Agenda may be discussed; however, if the item needs further clarification and discussion, it may be removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of the Board or the Superintendent, and considered separately. Information concerning Consent Agenda items will be provided to each Board member for study prior to the meeting. It is understood that the Superintendent recommends approval of all consent items, unless otherwise noted. *(Board Bylaw 9322)*

- A. Minutes of Regular Meeting on August 21, 2023
- B. **Resolution No. 2023-24** Recognizing October 8-14, 2023 as Week of the School Administrator
- C. **Resolution No. 2023-25** Proclaiming October 2023 as Character Education Month
- D. Retirement Resolution:
  - 1. **Resolution No. 2023-30** Honoring Ana C. Espinosa

Motioned by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_

**V. Written Communications**

- A. Correspondence Received By Chairperson
- B. Correspondence Received By Board Members:
  - 1. CSBA Merced Delegate Update Letter from Zachery Ramos
- C. Correspondence Received By Superintendent

**VI. Call for Public Comments on Agenda & Non-Agenda Items**

During this portion of the agenda, the public is invited to address the Board on any item of interest that is within the Board's jurisdiction (*Education Code 35145.5; Government Code 54954.3*). The Board shall conduct no discussion, deliberation, or action on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except as authorized by law raised (*Education Code 35145.5, Government Code 54954.2*). Members of the public are limited to five minutes on each topic or agenda item and public participation cannot exceed 20 minutes total for each topic or agenda item (*Government Code 54954.3; Board Bylaw 9322 & 9323*).

**VII. Future Agenda Items**

**VIII. Superintendent's and Board Member's Report (Information/Discussion Only)**

- A. Board Member's Report (*if any*) Board Members
- B. Superintendent's Report Steve M. Tietjen
  - 1. Excellence in Education @ Merced Theatre – October 5, 2023
  - 2. Career Industry Day @ Merced Fairgrounds – October 19, 2023
  - 3. Merced County Education Foundation Oktober Fest @ MCOE Downtown PDC – October 21<sup>st</sup>

**IX. Business Items for Action**

- A. Public Hearing – Sufficiency of Instructional Materials and Textbooks May T. Moua  
*Director-Ed. Svcs.*

- 1. Review Sufficiency of Instructional Materials and Textbooks for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 in Schools Operated by the Merced County Office of Education in compliance with Education Code 60119.
- 2. Open Public Hearing
- 3. Close Public Hearing

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve **Resolution No. 2023-26** Declaration of Sufficient Instructional Materials and Textbooks for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 in **Schools Operated by the Merced County Office of Education**

Motioned by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_

- B. Public Hearing – Sufficiency of Instructional Materials and Textbooks Mark Pintor  
*Principal-Ed. Svcs.*

- 1. Review Sufficiency of Instructional Materials and Textbooks for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 at Merced Scholars Charter School Operated by the Merced County Office of Education in compliance with Education Code 60119.
- 2. Open Public Hearing
- 3. Close Public Hearing

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve **Resolution No. 2023-27** Declaration of Sufficient Instructional Materials and Textbooks for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 at **Merced Scholars Charter School** Operated by the Merced County Office of Education

Motioned by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_

C. Public Hearing – Sufficiency of Instructional Materials and Textbooks

Mark Pintor  
Principal-Ed. Svcs.

1. Review Sufficiency of Instructional Materials and Textbooks for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 at Come Back Charter School Operated by the Merced County Office of Education in compliance with Education Code 60119
2. Open Public Hearing
3. Close Public Hearing

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve **Resolution No. 2023-28** Declaration of Sufficient Instructional Materials and Textbooks for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 at **Come Back Charter School** Operated by the Merced County Office of Education

Motioned by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_

D. Change in Program form TAS to SWP

Maria Duran-Barajas  
Director-Special Education

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve a change in operation from Targeted Assistance School (TAS) to Schoolwide Program (SWP) for Merced Special Education and Floyd Schelby School as presented

Motioned by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_

E. Two Years Additional Service Credit Resolution [Resolution No. 2023-29]

Janet Riley  
Asst. Supt.-Business Svcs.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve **Resolution No. 2023-29** Providing A Designated Period From October 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 for Two Years Additional Service Credit for Members Eligible to Retire in the following classifications: Accounting Class, School Nutrition Services, Maintenance and Operations from Merced City Elementary School District

Motioned by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_

*The Board will identify closed session agenda item(s) and proceed into Closed Session.  
The public is invited to comment on identified items prior to adjournment into Closed Session.*

*The Board will proceed into Closed Session.*

**X. Closed Session Pursuant to Education Code 35146 to Hear Appeals of Denial of Interdistrict Attendance Requests**

**4:00 PM – Appeals # 2023-15 & 2023-16**

**XI. Closed Session Pursuant to Education Code 35146 to Hear Appeal of Denial of Interdistrict Attendance Request**

**4:30 PM – Appeal # 2023-17**

**XII. Closed Session to Deliberate Interdistrict Attendance Appeals**

The Board will proceed into Open Session.

**XIII. Open Session for the Disposition of Interdistrict Attendance Appeals:  
# 2023-15 and # 2023-16**

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ Roll Call Vote: Brett \_\_\_\_\_  
Fagundes \_\_\_\_\_  
Hanks \_\_\_\_\_  
Honoré \_\_\_\_\_  
Razzari \_\_\_\_\_

**XIV. Open Session for the Disposition of Interdistrict Attendance Appeal:  
# 2023-17**

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ Roll Call Vote: Brett \_\_\_\_\_  
Fagundes \_\_\_\_\_  
Hanks \_\_\_\_\_  
Honoré \_\_\_\_\_  
Razzari \_\_\_\_\_

**XV. Adjournment: \_\_\_\_\_ PM**

Motioned by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_

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