

MOORPARK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

4:30 PM Closed Session

5:30 PM Regular Meeting

District Office Board Room

5297 Maureen Lane

Moorpark, California 93021

Adopted 12/15/24

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Board President Perez called the closed session to order at 4:38 PM and the regular meeting to order at 5:31 PM

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

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

ABSENT: Board Member Amy Adams

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Board President Perez 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: District Superintendent*
Government Code section 54957
- c) *Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release – Government Code Section 54957*
- d) *Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation - Government Code Section 54956(b)*
Significant Exposure to Litigation (number of cases to be discussed = 1)

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

Board President Perez reconvened the meeting to open session at 5:31 PM, recognized the presence of a Board quorum and reported that, by a vote of 4 to 0, the Board took action in closed session to approve a resignation agreement with a teacher, the details of which are contained in the written agreement.

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Kelli Burns led the Pledge of Allegiance.

6. REORDERING AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – MOTION NO. 32

On a motion by Nathan Sweet and second by Scott Dettorre, the Board approved the agenda with the reordering of item 10a to follow item 8.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MOTION NO. 33

On a motion by Scott Ute Van Dam and second by Nathan Sweet, the Board approved the minutes of the October 8, 2024 regular meeting.

8. REPORT FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

- a) THS@MC – Jade Griner – no report
- b) MHS ASB –Lily Winters reported on the following: homecoming activities; Halloween costume contest; school spirit activities; WASC visit; winter rally and winter sports.
- c) MHS Renaissance – Sydney Jensen & Ava Woods – no report.

10. REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT

- a) Above & Beyond Recognition

Superintendent Hays and the Board recognized Eva Gutierrez, Kelli Burns and Melissa LaBelle for their work and dedication to the District staff members and families.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

Board President Perez called for comments from the public regarding items of interest that are pertinent to the Moorpark Unified School District. Shari Dolvek and Heather Lee addressed the Board to express concerns regarding student IEPs and the need to correct outstanding issues. MHS students Connor Lucente, Tanya Uddin, Grant Wang, Saish Nemani, and Kristin DeLaRosa addressed the Board to request implementation of the State Seal of Civic Education Program at MHS.

10. REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT

b) MUSD Update

Superintendent Hays reported on the following: 1) Thanked all school psychologists (local and nationwide) in recognition of the week of the school psychologist; 2) congratulated the MHS marching band for taking first place in all three categories in their division at the Oxnard Marching Band & Auxiliary 27th annual field show; congratulated the varsity girls volleyball team; varsity football team; girls golf for making the playoffs and for the boys and girls cross country for advancing to the CIF preliminaries.

c) Recognition of Service – Board Member Scott Dettorre

Superintendent Hays and the Board Members thanked and recognized Mr. Scott Dettorre for his 8 years of service on the MUSD Board of Education. Highlights during Mr. Dettorre's tenure include: focus on setting policies and direction for nearly 6000 students; Covid pandemic challenges and decision to return students to in-person learning; actively attended many school events (TK-12); a positive force for students and staff; safety at the forefront to ensure a secured learning environment; participation with board members at conferences and workshops and providing positive input and feedback; and selfless dedication to continue public service and leadership to the students and families in Moorpark.

Scott Dettorre thanked everyone for the kind words and recognition and gave a special thank you to parents for allowing him to serve and represent the students of Moorpark for eight years. He is grateful for the many accomplishments the Board achieved during his years of service that directly benefited the students. Mr. Dettorre ended his comments with this Irish blessing: "May the road rise to meet you, may the wind be always at your back, may the sun shine warm upon your face, the rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of his hand".

Brian Friefeld thanked Mr. Dettorre on behalf of MEA for his years of services to the students and staff at Moorpark USD.

d) 2023-2024 CAASPP Data Review

Dr. Wagmeister, Melissa LaBelle and Jenn Silva reviewed a PowerPoint presentation that included the 2023-2024 CAASPP data analysis and SBAC data.

e) Child Nutrition Department Presentation

Orlando Orozco and Kelly Carrillo shared a PowerPoint presentation that included a review of the CNS department's summer meal services success, Mesa Verde cafeteria renovation, MHS upgrades, District-wide cooler renovations, electric/eco-friendly delivery truck, new menus, and a financial overview.

11. REPORT FROM DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS
(Resolutions/Commendations, Correspondence, Committee Reports)

Scott Dettorre reported that he attended the recent football games and again thanked everyone for the recognition.

Ute Van Dam reported on the following: recent VCSBA Dinner meeting; Kiwanis Club volunteers at elementary school libraries; WASC Team meeting at MHS: recent instruction committee meeting; Veterans' Day activities; and the upcoming Kiwanis Club fundraiser.

Robert Perez reported on the following: October football games; ribbon cutting ceremony at the new sweet shop; Flory's Halloween Carnival; MHS homecoming; MVMS band; breakfast meeting with Antonio Castro; Haunted High Street event; Walnut Canyon fundraiser; and the Holiday Boutique/Rudy Perez Holiday Fundraiser.

12. BOARD ITEMS FOR ACTION/DISCUSSION

No items.

13. CONSENT-ACTION – MOTION NO. 34

On a motion by Ute Van Dam and second by Scott Dettorre, the Board approved the following consent action items by a roll call vote:

- a) Classified Employment Report No. 11-12-24-04
- b) Certificated Employment Report No. 11-12-24-04
- c) Payment of stipend
- d) Agreements for Services – 2024-2025
 1. Ventura County Office of Education - Quality Counts/QRIS (Preschool) cost: \$31,040
 2. Ventura County Office of Education/Consortium Partner - Inclusive Early Education & Expansion Program (Preschool) - total cost \$10,000
 3. Ventura County Office of Education - 2024-25 - total cost \$77,000.00
 4. Ventura County Office of Education - 2024-25 - total cost \$80,300.00
 5. ISA w/ The Academy for Advancement of Children with Autism - 2024-25 - total cost \$238,131.70
 6. ISA w/ The Academy for Advancement of Children with Autism - 2024-25 - total cost \$270,520.89
 7. The Help Group-Bridgeport - 2024-25 - total cost \$32,812.30
 8. Star of CA LLC - 2024-25 - total cost \$1,562,719.16
 9. Casa Pacifica - 2024-25 - total cost \$183,755.94
 10. Simun Psychological Assessment Group - 2024-25 - total cost \$6,000.00
 11. New Direction Solutions - 2024-25 - total cost \$107,520.00

- 12. Reliable Translations - 2024-25 - total cost 6,500.00
- 13. Economic Development Collaborative - 2024/25 - total cost \$28,750.00
- e) Warrants issued through October 31, 2024
- f) Declaration of obsolete electronic equipment
- g) Acceptance of donations:
 - 1. FrontStream - \$71.00 - Peach Hill - School Supplies
 - 2. Charities Aid Foundation America-\$125.00 - Peach Hill - School Supplies
 - 3. The Blackbaud Giving Fund -\$46.00 - Flory Academy - FAST Account
 - 4. TreeRing Corporation -\$1,396.29 -THS@MC – Student Activities
 - 5. Kroger - \$53.32 - Flory Academy - FAST Account
 - 6. Patrick J. Carroll - \$353.95 - Campus Canyon - Middle School Agendas
 - 7. Campus Canyon PTSA - \$5,000.00 - Campus Canyon - Field Trips
 - 8. Peter Lars, Inc.\$2,270.52 - Moorpark High School - Principal's Discretionary
- h) Ratification of purchase orders in the total amount of \$11,492,229.50
 B Series: B25-00163-B25-00185; CO Series: CO25-00099-CO25-00151; F Series: F25-00017-F25-00021; P Series: P25-00422-P25-00589; TP Series: TP25-00059-TP25-00061.

14. SCHEDULING OF ANNUAL ORGANIZATION MEETING – MOTION NO. 35

On a motion by Ute Van Dam and second by Nathan Sweet, the Board set the date and time of the Annual Organization Meeting as Monday, December 16, 2024, 4:30 PM in compliance with the notice from the Ventura County Superintendent of Schools Office.

At this meeting, re-elected and newly elected Board members will be seated; the Board will elect officers and a representative to the Ventura County Committee on School District Organization; appoint the Superintendent as Secretary to the Board; and set the day, time and place of regular meetings for 2025.

The action on this agenda shall serve as notice by the Clerk to all members of the Board of the date and time selected for the meeting in accordance with Education Code Section 35143.

BUILDING PROGRAM

PERSONNEL

15. PROPOSED REVISIONS: CERTIFICATED JOB DESCRIPTION – MOTION NO. 36

A First Reading was held on the proposed revisions to the referenced job description: Program Coordinator: Preschool. Following the First Reading and on a motion by Scott Dettorre and second by Ute Van Dam, the Board waived the Second Reading and approved the proposed revisions to the job description as presented.

16. VARIABLE WAIVER – MOTION NO. 37

On a motion by Ute Van Dam and second by Nathan Sweet, the Board approved the employment of the following employee on the basis of a variable waiver the 2024-2025 school year.

Employee: Kellie Rowitz
Job Title: Teacher –Speech Therapy - DIS
Subject: Speech and Language
Grades K-5th
School: Mountain Meadows School

17. VARIABLE WAIVER – MOTION NO. 38

On a motion by Nathan Sweet and second by Ute Van Dam, the Board approved the employment of the following employee on the basis of a variable waiver the 2024-2025 school year.

Employee: Areli Diaz
Job Title: Teacher –Speech Therapy - DIS
Subject: Speech and Language
Grades: K-5th
School: Flory School

INSTRUCTION

BUSINESS

18. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: VCOE REVIEW AND CERTIFICATION OF DISTRICT'S 2023-2024 UNAUDITED ACTUALS

The Ventura County Office of Education has reviewed and certified the District's 2023-2024 unaudited actuals. The official letter is referenced and provided as an informational item for review; no Board action is required.

19. DEVELOPER FEE REPORT – ANNUAL AND FIVE-YEAR

In accordance with Government Code sections 66001 and 66006, the District must make available to the public the Collected and Expended Developer Fees. The referenced Reports of Collected and Expended Developer Fees for the 2023-24 fiscal year is for public reporting purposes only; no Board action is required.

DISTRICT POLICIES

20. REVISIONS TO BOARD POLICY SERIES 1000 AND 4000 - MOTION NO. 39

District staff continues to review recommendations from CSBA regarding updates and minor changes to the Board Policies and Administrative Regulations. The referenced staff reports summarizes the proposed changes and updates regarding the 1000 and 4000 series. On a motion by Scott Dettorre and second by Nathan Sweet, the Board approved the updates and changes referenced in the staff reports as they apply to the 1000 and 4000 series of the District's Board Policies.

21. REVISIONS TO BP 6120: INSTRUCTION, RESPONSE TO INSTRUCTION AND INTERVENTION – MOTION NO. 40

A First Reading was held on the proposed revisions to BP 6120: Instruction, Response to Instruction and Intervention. Following the First Reading and on a motion by Ute Van Dam and second by Nathan Sweet, the Board waived the Second Reading and approved the proposed revisions to BP 6120 as presented.

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 Monday, December 16, 2024 at 4:30 PM at the District Office Board Room, 5297 Maureen Lane, Moorpark, California.

ADJOURNMENT - MOTION NO. 41

On a motion by Scott Dettorre and second by Nathan Sweet, the Board adjourned the regular meeting at 7:15 PM.

AMY ADAMS
BOARD PRESIDENT

NATHAN SWEET
CLERK OF THE BOARD

DR. KELLI HAYS
SECRETARY TO THE BOARD

11/12/24