

**North Monterey County Unified School District**  
8142 Moss Landing Rd.  
Moss Landing, CA 95039

Board of Trustees  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
November 19, 2009  
5:30 p.m.

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the North Monterey County Unified School District held on November 19, 2009.

Board Members Present

Mr. Gary De Amaral, Mr. Sam Laage, Mrs. Polly Jimenez, Mrs. Diana Jimenez, Mr. Manuel Osorio

Administration Present

Mr. Sergio Montenegro, Superintendent; Dr. Linda Mann, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum; Ms. Monica Williams, Assistant Superintendent of Business; Mr. Scott McColgan, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources; Yvette Padilla, recording secretary, were present.

Others Present

Jo Quinn, Helena Paneyko, Jon Lorensen, Eloise Milam, Francisco Padilla, Marilyn Mcloughlin, Julie High, Kate Dixon, Kristi Burns

Closed Session

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:35 p.m.

Reconvene to open session

The Board reconvened at 7:05 p.m.

Reports of Actions Taken in Closed Session

It was moved by Mr. De Amaral, seconded by Mr. Osorio, that the Board expel "Student A" for violation of Board Policy 5220.1, sections B, 1, a; and c, 11, and that the student attend the Community Day Program; student is eligible to apply for readmission in July 2010; the student needs to demonstrate good behavior, good grades, and counseling.

Roll call vote: Mr. Laage, Mrs. P. Jimenez, Mr. De Amaral, Mrs. D. Jimenez, Mr. Osorio voted "yes". Motion Carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mr. De Amaral, seconded by Mrs. P. Jimenez, that the Board expel "Student B" for violation of Board Policy 5220.1, sections B, 2, a; and c, 11, and that the Board suspend the expulsion to allow the student to attend the Opportunity Program; student is eligible to apply for readmission in July 2010; the student needs to demonstrate good behavior, good grades, and counseling.

Roll call vote: Mr. Laage, Mrs. P. Jimenez, Mr. De Amaral, Mrs. D. Jimenez, Mr. Osorio voted "yes". Motion Carried 5-0.

Adoption of the Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Laage, seconded by Mrs. P. Jimenez to approve the agenda.

Business From the Floor

There was no business from the floor.

### Board Reports

Mr. Osorio reported that he attended a Sunrise House meeting on November 12, 2009 and stated that they are currently working on a grant with the City of Salinas, which will also benefit the youth of North County. He also reported that he attended the Community Alliance for Safety and Peace (CASP) on November 18, 2009 and stated that he learned a lot more about their mission. He stated that they deal with crime prevention by using a multidisciplinary team and a model out of San Jose for gang prevention. He added that this is a very active group.

Mrs. P. Jimenez reported that she attended the North County football game, participated in mock interviews at the high school, and continuing to participate in the Girls Inc. program.

Mr. De Amaral reported that he attended the football CCS playoffs and the band performance in Pismo Beach. He also announced that this year's posada is on December 5, 2009 from 2PM-5PM at the middle school.

Mrs. D. Jimenez reported that she attended Fall Festival at Elkhorn School and was well attended with over 300-400 parents. She also announced that the North County Chamber and North County Recreation Center in Castroville is hosting Thanksgiving for needy families and is looking for volunteers. The Monterey County Office of Education is conducting a series of trainings and added that she helped facilitate a new Board member meeting at the county.

### Consent Calendar

It was moved by Mr. Osorio, seconded by Mrs. P. Jimenez to approve the consent agenda.

- Approval of November 5, 2009 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
- Cycle of Inquiry/Effective Instructional Strategies K-6.
- Updated Report on District Title III, Year 4 Action Plan
- William Quarterly Report
- Adopt Resolution No. 2009-1018 which approves Child Development Services Contract, CSPP-9329, Amendment 01 General Child Care & Development Programs-Project No. 27-7382-00-9.
- Adopt Resolution No. 2009-1019 which approves the 2009-2010 Child Development Services Contract, CCTR-9383 General Child Care & Development Programs-Project No. 27-7382-00-9.
- Adopt Resolution No. 2009-1021 which approves Child Development Services Contract-CRPM-9075 Facilities Renovation and Repair, Project No. 27-7382-00-9.
- Approve Middle School Band Field Trip for December 10, 2009.
- Approve Castroville Elementary School Field Trip Request.
- Approve Agreement between County of Monterey (Network for a Healthy California Program) and Elkhorn Elementary School to Fund and Paint a Mural.
- Approve 2008-2010 Agreement Between County of Monterey Health Department's Community Health Division, Nutrition Network Local Incentive Program and North Monterey County Unified School District.
- Acceptance of the following certificated resignations: Linda Mann, effective 6/30/10.
- Transmitted to the Board for their acceptance of the following certificated employees: Courtney Anderson, effective 11/06/09; Amanda Austin, effective 11/2/09; Cheri Kaplan, effective 11/4/09; Frank Verga, effective 11/3/09.
- Transmitted to the Board for their acceptance of the following listed classified resignations: Frieda Jackson, effective 12/31/09.

Motion Carried 5-0.

### DISCUSSION AGENDA

#### Recognition and Acknowledgements

Superintendent Montenegro recognized the North Monterey County High School Varsity Football and Cross Country Team for making it to the CCS Playoffs.

#### Budget Development Process

Superintendent Montenegro reported that he has just finished Phase VII which is to meet with all managers to look at their budget cuts for their sites and is now moving on to Phase VIII which is to develop a draft budget. He expressed that the

meetings have been positive and thanked all management. He added that it's important to secure jobs and programs, and will bring back the proposed budget to the December 17, 2009 Board Meeting.

#### Update on Echo Valley Water System and Federal Drinking Water Regulations

Director of Facilities Jon Lorensen gave an update on the water system at Echo Valley Elementary and stated that the district needs to have an engineer establish base lines for a water meter. He explained that it's a preliminary foundation to start building, but still needs the total package to include Phase II and Phase III. The total package would need to be approved by the district.

Mr. DeAmaral asked what the \$19,000-\$20,000 covers. In response, Mr. Lorensen explained that there are changes that need to be made in the filters, inadequate valving and filters. He added that the preliminary numbers are \$25,000-\$30,000 to get the system up and running, and design the system for only the Echo Valley Elementary School.

Mr. DeAmaral expressed that he is not sure what the proposal actually covers and needs to understand it better before voting on the proposal.

Ms. Williams stated that Phase I is just for testing so the county could approve the permit.

Mr. Osorio and Mrs. D. Jimenez expressed that they need more information in order to move forward with this process. Mrs. Diana Jimenez asked Mr. Lorensen to bring back proposals for Phase I. Ms. Williams added that she will look into the county's process.

Ms. Williams stated that bottled water is still being provided to students. Mr. De Amaral asked how much water is being provided. In response, Mr. Lorensen stated that 15 gallons of water has lasted over 3-weeks.

#### EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

##### Board Goal #1 Student Achievement: Update on 2008-09 Student Subgroup Achievement Data Results

Dr. Julie High, Director of Program and Evaluation, gave a brief overview and explanation on the Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) Subgroup from 2005-2009. She explained that the AYP targets increase every year and every student subgroup must meet AYP targets in order for the school to meet AYP targets. She also explained that targets are set at a minimum percentage of students who score Proficient or Advanced on ELA and Math CA Standards Tests (CSTs). She added that if a school does not meet AYP targets; it is designated for Program Improvement (PI).

She reported that the District English Language Arts (ELA) and District Math have improved in all subgroups in the last 5-years. She explained that the subgroups are broken down into White, Hispanic Latino, Socio Economic Disadvantage and English Learners. She added that there is still a lot of room for improvement and that schools are being held more accountable.

##### Adopt Resolutions 2009-1017 Inclusive Schools Week and 2009-1016 Day of the Special Educator

Dr. Mann reported that the week of December 7-11, 2009 has been designated as Inclusive Schools Week and December 3, 2009 as the Day of the Special Educator.

Ms. Jo Quinn, Director of Special Services, reported that the Day of the Special Educator is a National Day and expressed that it's a really good time to acknowledge eighteen classified and twenty-five certificated employees. She reported that that Inclusive Schools Week is to bring awareness and promote it district-wide that all students are accepted.

Ms. Quinn added that the district does not have any classes that serve severely disabled students and hoping in the future the district will choose to have one so we could continue to promote inclusion.

It was moved by Mrs. P. Jimenez, seconded by Mr. De Amaral to adopt Resolutions 2009-1017 Inclusive Schools Week and 2009-1016 Day of the Special Educator. Motion Carried 5-0.

## BUSINESS SERVICES

### Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) Financial Update, Approve Applying for 90 Day Extension and Discussion of Next Steps

Ms. Williams reported that at the November 5, 2009 Board meeting Jon White Chilton & Associates reported that a few large districts have issued QSCB's. It has become apparent that investors are requiring interest payments in addition to the tax credit. She added that this is an evolving program with substantial changes and an extension is being presented whether or not the state approves it.

Mr. John Dominguez, School Site Solutions Inc., expressed that the California Department of Education is aware of the problem with the QSCBs and the Governor's office has already been petitioned to move forward. He added that the extension letter for the QSCBs stated that the district is unable to meet the December 31, 2009 deadline because of bond counsel firms currently are unable to give clean opinions on California QSCBs.

Mr. Rex Despain stated that it's not good news, but he advises NMCUSD to submit a 90-day extension. He expressed that he is very positive that it will work out for district and this gives the district time to have a clear direction. He added that for the December Board Meeting the district come back with a resolutions and legal documents authorizing QSCBs.

Mr. Osorio asked if we would know the interest rate by December. In response, Mr. Despain, stated that there may be a better interest rate, but will not know until we go to the market.

It was moved by Mr. Lagge, seconded by Mr. Osorio for the approval of the 90 day extension for the Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB).

### Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) Facilities Study Session Continued

Ms. Williams reported that at the November 5, 2009 Board meeting there was discussion regarding the top two facilities priority items. She presented the updated estimates for completing the High School fire alarm and the upgrades at Castroville elementary. She distributed handouts that with the cost analysis of each project and stated that it would be approximately \$3,200,000 to install the modular classrooms in Castroville Elementary School, approximately \$185,000 for Castroville School roof, and approximately \$535, 269 for the high school's fire alarm system. She added that there may be additional expenses identified as the projects move forward.

Mr. Dominguez stated that the condition of Castroville Elementary School is a health and safety issue for students. He stated that there is a lot to discuss regarding Castroville Elementary School and other options needs to be discussed. He added that the district needs to start looking at some of their assets as part of leveraging by selling the property. He expressed that there needs to be a grassroots efforts.

Mrs. D. Jimenez expressed that we need to continue to seek other available options and explore facilities hardship money. In response, Mr. Dominguez stated that there is facilities hardship money, but has many hurdles. He added that it's a very technical, strategic program and the district would need to prove the health and safety of the facility. He expressed that this needs to be discussed further with the Facilities Committee so proposals could be developed.

Mrs. D. Jimenez asked if there is green technology funding for Castroville School's roof. In response, Mr. Dominguez stated that there are some grants and program s and that this would need to be discussed further with the Facilities Committee.

Mr. Dominguez stated that the district needs to look at a hardship program and an assets management plan with Facilities Committee.

The Board came to a consensus to have a joint meeting with the Facilities Committee in January, 2009.

Mr. Dominguez stated that the district needs to continue to move forward with a plan and he will continue to gather data.

PERSONNEL

Notification of Topics to be Included in 2009-10 Collective Bargaining Negotiations Between the North Monterey County Unified School District (NMCUSD) and North Monterey County Federation of Teachers (NMCFT), Local 4008

Mr. McColgan opened up for public comment the five day reduction of the work year and the impacts and effects of the change for NMCFT.

There were no public comments.

Superintendent Reports

Superintendent Montenegro reported that he attended the County Superintendent Council meeting and Elkhorn Elementary School Fall Festival. He also met with Deputy Matt Mendoza, Mr. Eric Tynan and Mr. David Hawke.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.