

**MINUTE RECORD of Madera Unified School District Board of Education
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON THE 14th DAY OF JUNE, 2011**

The Board of Education of the Madera Unified School District convened in a **Regular Board Meeting** in the Madera Unified School District Boardroom, 1902 Howard Road, Madera, California on **Tuesday, June 14, 2011**, at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Robert E. Garibay, President
Ricardo Arredondo, Clerk

Lynn Cogdill, Trustee
Jose Rodriguez, Trustee
Michael Salvador, Trustee
Ray G. Seibert, Trustee
Maria Velarde-Garcia, Trustee

Deborah A. Wood, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services
Jake Bragonier, Public Information Officer
Teri Bradshaw, Director, Fiscal Services
Mike Lennemann, Director, Human Resources
Robert Chavez, Chief Academic Officer
Janet Morgan, Senior Administrative Assistant

Absent: Kelly Porterfield, Acting Superintendent

Gladys Wilson, Translator
Omar Jeronimo, Principal, Parkwood Elementary
Jesus Navarro, Vice Principal, Martin Luther King
Jennifer Gaviola, Director, Special Services
Marissa DiMauro, Director, Categorical Programs
Janet Grossnicklaus, Director, Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment
Marcus Sosa, Director, Student Services
Carsten Christiansen, Principal, Alpha Elementary
Allan Kristensen, District Music Coordinator and Vice Principal, Howard Elementary
Cindy Ellis, Curriculum Coordinator
Alma DeLuna, Director, English Learners

There were approximately 60 visitors/District employees in attendance.

1. Call to Order of Public Meeting – Closed Session Immediately Convened

President Garibay called the Public Session of the Board of Education to order at 5:30 p.m. and immediately adjourned to Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Sections 54957, 54957.1, and 54957.6, and Education Code Sections 35146, 44951, 48900, and 48918.

2. Reconvene Public Session/Call to Order Regular Meeting

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3. Pledge of Allegiance, Opening, Acknowledgement of Visitors and Media, and Invocation

President Garibay adjourned the Closed Session at 6:25 p.m. and reconvened the Regular Meeting by calling the Public Session to order at 7:00 p.m. President Garibay welcomed the visitors and asked Trustee Cogdill to lead the flag salute. President Garibay asked Chaplain Jim Adair of the Madera County Jail to lead the invocation. President Garibay explained the rules governing the Board meeting. The meeting was recorded on Audio File No. 26-2010/11.

4. Closed Session Reportable Actions (Government Code Section 54957.1)

Associate Superintendent Wood announced there were no reportable Closed Session actions.

5. Adoption of Agenda – Motion No. 176-2010/11

President Garibay stated that if the Board and/or Administration determined they wished to add to the Agenda under Miscellaneous Items, this would be the appropriate time.

President Garibay noted a correction on Consent Item 8A1 which should read “May 24, 2011” rather than “May 10, 2011”.

Trustee Velarde-Garcia asked that Consent Item 8A17 be pulled for separate vote, and President Garibay asked that Consent Item 8A20 be pulled for separate vote.

It was moved by Trustee Seibert, seconded by Trustee Salvador, and unanimously carried to adopt the Agenda as amended.

Ayes:	Trustees Cogdill, Rodriguez, Salvador, Seibert, Velarde-Garcia, Clerk Arredondo and President Garibay
Noes:	None
Absent:	None
Abstained:	None

6. Student Board Representative Report

None

7. Communications

7A. Public Hearing

President Garibay opened the meeting for visitors to speak on a subject not on the Board Agenda.

- Luther Slack, 2300 Riverview Drive; representing NAACP; advised the Board that five MSHS and MHS students will be taking part in the ACT-SO competition held during the NAACP Convention, July 23-28 in Los Angeles. Students will be competing in a variety

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of disciplines in the areas of humanities, performing arts and sciences. Mr. Slack is asking if the district can provide a van for transporting the 5 students and 2 chaperones to this event this year as they have done in past years.

- Sra. Virginia Vargas and Sra. Sylvia Cortez members of the MLK SSC read a statement in Spanish that was then translated by Gladys Wilson regarding the elimination of teacher aides voted on during the final meeting of the SSC this year. They did not understand what the information was and would have voted differently if they had. Information was not provided in Spanish. CAO Robert Chavez responded that we'll look into it this issue.
- Amanda Vela, 1504 West Central Avenue; does not agree with the SSC's replacing aides by TSAs; feels the district is pushing the SSC's to do this since every school site had the same change at the same time. Asked the board not to approve any of the school site plans and bring it back to the table.
- April Clark, 1558 Princeton Avenue; spoke about the district's dress code; considers it biased; understands gang attire not being allowed but disagrees with rules about hair color; feels this isn't any more distracting than the cheerleaders' short skirts.
- Rosa Benetiz a future 8th grade student at MLK: addressed her concerns geometry not being offered in the 8th grade next school year; Miss Benetiz feels administration is not focusing on the students are excelling in academics. She has already completed algebra and wants to be challenged.
- Rosa Benetiz (mother of the 8th grade student): addressed the lack of a GATE program at MLK this year and also addressed geometry not being offered in the 8th grade.
- Jeannette Ylarregui, Alpha Elementary teacher and parent: addressed the issue of Spanish I not being offered to freshman at MHS wonders why they can only take Spanish II as a freshman. Mrs. Ylarregui was told by someone at MHS that her child would have taken Spanish I if she had St. Joachim's. CAO Robert Chavez will look into this issue and get back to Mrs. Ylarregui.
- Ron Montoya, 1828 Pierce Lane, parent: stated that he was a volunteer in his child's classroom at Lincoln Elementary school and wondered if those doing observations in the classroom might instead help the students who are struggling rather than observing the teacher – felt that observing was a distraction. Mr. Montoya also asked if the schools could do something to help slow traffic on the streets surrounding school sites.

7B. Student and Staff Recognition

Alpha Elementary – MUSD Athletics Champions

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Curriculum Coordinator Cindy Ellis introduced the Alpha Elementary 6th grade team that took 1st place in the Mathletics Competition. Ms. Ellis provided an overview of this annual competition.

The students were presented certificates and congratulated by the Board.

8. Approval of Consent Agenda – Motion No. 177-179-2010/11

Document Numbers 319-2010/11 through 336-2010/11

Resolution Numbers 53-2010/11 through 55-2010/11

Commercial Warrants, Exhibit A

Staffing Changes, Exhibit B

Field Trip/Employee Conference Requests, Exhibit C

It was moved by Trustee Salvador, seconded by Trustee Rodriguez, and unanimously carried to Approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

Ayes: Trustees Cogdill, Rodriguez, Salvador, Seibert, Velarde-Garcia, Clerk Arredondo and President Garibay

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

8A. Routine Business Transactions, Annual Renewal of Programs, Bids, Agreements, Notices of Public Hearings, and Proclamations:

8A1. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of May ~~10~~ 24, 2011

8A2. Adoption of Resolution No. 53-2010/2011: Committed Fund Balance

Ayes: Trustees Cogdill, Rodriguez, Salvador, Seibert, Velarde-Garcia, Clerk Arredondo and President Garibay

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

RESOLUTION NO. 53-2010/11

8A3. Adoption of Resolution No. 54-2010/2011: Minimum Fund Balance

Ayes: Trustees Cogdill, Rodriguez, Salvador, Seibert, Velarde-Garcia, Clerk Arredondo and President Garibay

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

RESOLUTION NO. 54-2010/11

8A4. Adoption of Resolution No. 55-2010/2011: Approval of the April 30, 2011 Budget and Expense Transfer Reports

Ayes: Trustees Cogdill, Rodriguez, Salvador, Seibert, Velarde-Garcia, Clerk Arredondo and President Garibay

Noes: None

Absent: None

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Abstained: None

RESOLUTION NO. 55-2010/11

8A5. The Board of Trustees is Requested to Accept the following donations:

- \$309 from various MHS Counselors and Administrators to fund the MHS Admin & Counselor Scholarship
- \$100 from Gateway Travel to Madera High School to be used for robotics discretionary funding

DOCUMENT NO. 319-2010/11

8A6. Approval to remain with Myers-Stevens & Toohey & Co., Inc. to provide:

- Voluntary Student Insurance (Parent Paid)
- Elementary Competitor's Team Coverage (District Paid)
- Catastrophic Accident Insurance (District Paid)

DOCUMENT NO. 320-2010/11

8A7. Approval to extend existing contract (Document No. 17-2010/2011) between Madera Unified School District and County of Madera to provide educational services to Madera County Jail inmates effective July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

DOCUMENT NO. 321-2010/11

8A8. Approval of Consultant Service Agreement between Madera Unified School District and Barbara Bailey to provide Educational Outreach Services at Madera Adult School effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012

DOCUMENT NO. 322-2010/11

8A9. Approval of the Madera Adult School Course Offerings for 2011-2012

DOCUMENT NO. 323-2010/11

8A10. Ratification of the California Department of Education Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Program Self-Evaluation for the Madera Unified School District State Preschool Program

DOCUMENT NO. 324-2010/11

8A11. Ratification of the California Department of Education Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Program Self-Evaluation for Madera Unified School District Cal-SAFE Program

DOCUMENT NO. 325-2010/11

8A12. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Madera Unified School District and Fresno Pacific University for a Certificate for Online Teaching Professional Development Program beginning July 1, 2011

DOCUMENT NO. 326-2010/11

8A13. Approval of Content License and Service Agreement between Madera Unified School District and Intel-Assess, Inc. beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012. Intel-Assess will provide Madera Unified School District staff with formative assessment resources.

DOCUMENT NO. 327-2010/11

8A14. Approval to enter into an agreement with PLATO Learning for the 2011-2012 fiscal year. This is an annual request to provide software programs for all seventh through twelfth grade students.

DOCUMENT NO. 328-2010/11

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8A15. Approval between the Governing Board of Madera Unified School District and Gustavo Balderas ("Superintendent") regarding moving expenses
DOCUMENT NO. 329-2010/11

8A16. Approval of the Madera County School Boards Association (MCSBA) Executive Committee 2011-2012 Proposed Budget DOCUMENT NO. 330-2010/11

8A17. The Governing Board is requested to adopt the findings, conclusions and recommendations related to the possible expulsion or readmission of pupils as these are presented to the Board in one or more of the following forms of documentation:

- Report(s) of Administrative Hearing Panel(s)
- Expulsion Status Review Report(s) by the Superintendent's Designee
- Stipulated Expulsion Agreement(s)

The Governing Board is also requested to issue orders consistent with the above referenced findings, conclusions and recommendations related to the possible expulsion or readmission of pupils in the cases of the following students, herein identified by their district-assigned identification numbers: 996940, 701518, 6884, 7426, 5778, 5646, 996871, 17211, 502433, 17584, 303496, 402456, 10185, 15770, 996867, 997190, 7311, 501733, 987136, 16543, 987369, 995153, 602837, 987734, 403592, 7657, 987140, 19696, 987256, 303861, 17122, 4626, 6565, 16633, 5869, 200459, 7077, 15511, 996866, 17315 and 997689.

Trustee Velarde-Garcia stated she must recuse herself from voting on this item due to a conflict of interest. President Garibay then called for a vote.

It was moved by Trustee Salvador, seconded by Trustee Cogdill, and carried by majority to Adopt the findings, conclusions and recommendations related to the possible expulsion or readmission as presented to the Board.

Ayes: Trustees Cogdill, Rodriguez, Salvador, Seibert, Clerk Arredondo and President Garibay
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstained: None
Recused: Trustee Velarde-Garcia

MOTION NO. 178-2010/11
CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT NO. 331-2010/11

8A18. Approval of the April 30, 2011 Financial Report DOCUMENT NO. 332-2010/11

8A19. Approval of the April 30, 2011 Student Body Statement of Club Trust Accounts DOCUMENT NO. 333-2010/11

8A20. Approval of Commercial Warrant Listing

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President Garibay advised that because several of his clients are included in the Commercial Warrant Listing as payees he must recuse himself from voting on this item. President Garibay then passed the gavel to Clerk Arredondo who called for a vote.

It was moved by Trustee Velarde-Garcia, seconded by Trustee Salvador, and carried by majority to approve the Commercial Warrant Listing.

Ayes: Trustees Cogdill, Rodriguez, Salvador, Seibert, Velarde-Garcia,
and Clerk Arredondo
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstained: None
Recused: President Garibay

MOTION NO. 179-2010/11
DOCUMENT NO. 334-2010/11

8B. Human Resources Items

8B1. Approval of Staffing Changes and Coaches

DOCUMENT NO. 335-2010/11

8C. Approval of Field Trip/Employee Conference Requests

DOCUMENT NO. 336-2010/11

Following approval of the Consent Agenda, Human Resources Director Mike Lennemann introduced Melissa Murray the new Principal at Adams Elementary; Adalberto Hernandez the new Vice Principal at Adams Elementary.

Also approved was new MSHS vice Principal for the School of Ag, Oracio Rodriguez who will be introduced at the June 28th Board meeting.

9. Old Business

9A. Second Reading and Request for Approval of Revised Board Policy and Administrative Regulations for BP/AR 3100 Budget and BP/AR 3460 Financial Reports and Accountability

Director of Fiscal Services Teri Bradshaw presented a brief description of this item and asked the Board for approval.

It was moved by Trustee Seibert, seconded by Trustee Cogdill, and unanimously carried to Approve Revised Board Policy and Administrative Regulations BP/AR 3100 Budget and BP/AR 3460 Financial Reports and Accountability.

Ayes: Trustees Cogdill, Rodriguez, Salvador, Seibert, Velarde-Garcia, Clerk Arredondo and
President Garibay
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstained: None

MOTION NO. 180-2010/11
DOCUMENT NO. 337-2010/11

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- 9B.** Second Reading and Request for Approval of New Course Proposals for Grades 9-12: Earth Science, Ag Earth Science, Applied Geometry, and Financial Literacy

It was moved by Trustee Seibert, seconded by Trustee Velarde-Garcia, and unanimously carried to Approve New Course Proposals for Grades 9-12: Earth Science, Ag Earth Science, Applied Geometry, and Financial Literacy

Ayes: Trustees Cogdill, Rodriguez, Salvador, Seibert, Velarde-Garcia, Clerk Arredondo and President Garibay
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstained: None

**MOTION NO. 181-2010/11
DOCUMENT NO. 338-2010/11**

10. New Business

- 10A.** Adoption of Resolution No. 56-2010/2011 Regarding Reduction of Classified Personnel Positions by Layoff

Trustee Cogdill asked for clarification on the reason for these layoffs. President Garibay explained the lack of funding for these positions. HR Director Mike Lennemann added that these positions are funded by the Merced Migrant Education office and Madera Unified has no control over that funding. These are Madera Unified employees funded through an outside source much like grant funding. The affected employees do have bumping rights depending on seniority. Mr. Lennemann will be meeting with CSEA to negotiate the effects of bumping.

It was moved by Trustee Seibert, seconded by Trustee Salvador, and unanimously carried to Adopt Resolution No. 56-2010/2011 Regarding Reduction of Classified Personnel Positions by Layoff

Ayes: Trustees Cogdill, Rodriguez, Salvador, Seibert, Velarde-Garcia, Clerk Arredondo and President Garibay
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstained: None

**MOTION NO. 182-2010/11
RESOLUTION NO. 56-2010/11**

- 10B.** Review and Discussion of the 2011-2012 Preliminary Budget

Teri Bradshaw, Director of Fiscal Services provided a PowerPoint review of this preliminary budget.

The Board asked clarifying questions and President Garibay asked Mrs. Bradshaw to provide the Board with a recap of which categories expense are posted to at the June 28th meeting.

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Parent, Ron Montoya commented on the classroom ratio of 1/28 and asked the Board how they are supporting the teachers in the classroom – what are the plans.

President Garibay stated that he has some ideas of how he would like to see some of the carryover used – specifically \$1.7million dollars. President Garibay would like to see these funds used for the benefit of our school sites (like copier replacement, etc.); Trustee Salvador brought up class size reduction and asked for a cost analysis on a tiered approach and perhaps target expenses in areas where there are dips in student achievement.

Mrs. Bradshaw closed by advising the Board the final budget will be brought back to the June 28th meeting for approval.

11. Information and Reports

11A. Educational Services Report

- MSHS Band Program – Allan Kristensen

Allan Kristensen, Coordinator of Music presented a review of various activities and achievements by Madera Unified's music programs. Mr. Kristensen also invited everyone to tour the MSHS newly refurbished band and color guard equipment truck which was parked outside.

11B. Business and Operations Update

There was none this evening.

11C. Human Resources

- Madera Unified Teachers Association (MUTA) Initial Negotiation Proposal to Madera Unified School District for the 2011/2012 School Year

Mike Lennemann advised the MUTA proposal will be available for review in the offices of Human Resources at 8:00 am tomorrow morning.

12. Announcements

President Garibay announced a regular CSBA meeting on July 15th in Sacramento. Those interested in attending should contact Janet Morgan.

President Garibay discussed the proposed iPad/Agenda Manager training session with Trustees. It was decided to hold this special Board Workshop on Tuesday June 28th at 4:00 pm.

Trustee Cogdill advised that the U.S. Army is contacting school district in an attempt to recruit people to go skydiving as a promotional event for Army recruiting. Trustee Cogdill has volunteered.

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13. Miscellaneous

There were no items.

14. Advanced Planning

President Garibay made the following announcement:

Tuesday, June 28, 2011 – 4:00 p.m. Board Workshop

Next Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 28, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Madera Unified School District Boardroom – 1902 Howard Road, Madera, CA 93637

15. Suggested Future Agenda Items

Trustee Cogdill asked for a report on District policy regarding school club use of district owned vans and other transportation.

Trustee Seibert brought up the question on courses not offered that was discussed in the Public Comment portion of the meeting. Mrs. Wood and Mr. Chavez will work on this and respond along with the request for transportation for the students participating in the ACSO competition in Los Angeles.

16. Adjournment – Motion No. 183-2010/11

President Garibay adjourned the Public Session at 9:05 p.m.



Janet Morgan, Senior Administrative Assistant
to the Superintendent and Board of Trustees

Dated: June 14, 2011