

**MORGAN HILL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**

April 02, 2019, 6:00 PM
MHUSD Board Room
Closed Session 4:00pm

Attendance Taken at 4:05 PM:

Present:

Adam Escoto
Carol Gittens
Heather Orosco
Mary Patterson
Wendy Sullivan

Absent:

John Horner
Vanessa Sutter

Updated Attendance

Vanessa Sutter was updated to present at 4:08 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

A.1. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION TOPICS

A.2. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

A.3. PUPIL PERSONNEL - Student discipline Education Code 48918 (c)(K-12)

A.3.a. Recommendation for Expulsion and Rehabilitation Plan for Student E-18/19-007

A.4. LIABILITY CLAIMS - Governmental Code Section 54956.95

A.5. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: one case

A.6. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION - Pursuant to subdivision (a) of Government Code 54956.9

A.6.a. A Voice for Choice Advocacy, Inc., v. Morgan Hill Unified School District, et.al, Case No. 17CV316128

A.6.b. Santa Clara Superior Court Case No. 17CV319128; EL 17/18-001

A.6.c. Jane Doe 1 et al vs South Valley Dance Arts et al, Case No. 18CV340012

A.6.d. Catherine Rudolph v. Morgan Hill Unified School District Case No. 18CV338592

A.7. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Government Code 54957.6) Morgan Hill Classified Employees Association (MHCEA) and Morgan Hill Federation of Teachers (MHFT), Designated representative: Fawn Myers / Morgan Hill Educational Leaders Association (MHELA), Unrepresented employees, Designated representative: Steve Betando, and Superintendent, Designated representative: Karen Rezendes, Lozano Smith

A.8. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Government Code 54956.8)

A.9. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE-DISCIPLINE / DISMISSAL / RELEASE / REASSIGNMENT / COMPLAINT (Government Code 54957 and 54957.1)

A.10. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Government Code 54957)

A.11. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT / PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code 54957) Title: Superintendent

A.12. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION

B. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Patterson called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM

Giovanni Tlaxcalteco, Martin Murphy Middle School Seventh Grader, lead the Pledge of Allegiance

C. INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF

Board Members and Staff seated around the dais introduced themselves

D. RECOGNITIONS / PRESENTATIONS

D.1. Altersville, Future City Team Presentation

Team Taifeng Zhen from Martin Murphy Middle School, presented their award-winning model and presentation that was entered into the Future Cities competition this past January. Team Taifeng was awarded 2nd place in the Northern California regional competition. The theme for the Future City contestants was to build a resilient city that could withstand natural disasters. Taifeng Zhen designed and created a city to specifically withstand Typhoons.

E. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Heather Orosco and a second by Adam Escoto.

Yes Adam Escoto
Yes Carol Gittens
Absent John Horner
Yes Heather Orosco
Yes Mary Patterson
Yes Wendy Sullivan
Yes Vanessa Sutter

F. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion Passed: Passed with an amendment to the March 19, 2019 meeting minutes, a motion by Wendy Sullivan and a second by Adam Escoto.

Yes Adam Escoto
Yes Carol Gittens
Absent John Horner
Yes Heather Orosco
Yes Mary Patterson
Yes Wendy Sullivan
Yes Vanessa Sutter

President Patterson called upon Student Board Member, Emily Dinh to recall an experience with a Classified Employee that made an impact in her life in honor of the adoption of the resolution declaring May 19-25 Classified School Employee Week. Ms. Dinh recalled the time she spent at Nordstrom Elementary School and how Classified Employee George Peregoy, "Papa George" was kind, built strong connections with students and fostered a positive environment.

President Patterson also recognized Staff from the other approved resolutions on the consent calendar declaring School Lunch Hero Day, California Day of the Teacher and National School Nurse Day in the month of May.

G. PUBLIC COMMENT / COMMUNICATIONS

There were no public comments

H. COMMUNICATIONS

H.1. Closed Session Action Report (Government Code 54957.1)

H.2. Report: Student Board Member

Emily Dinh, Ann Sobrato Student Board Member, reported the Junior class will be taking the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) test beginning April 15 and the annual district wide band concert will be held upon return of spring break. No reports from the other high schools.

H.3. Reports: Superintendent / Staff

Superintendent Betando, reported attending the Live Oak High School Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) accreditation welcome and initial meeting; traveled to Long Beach, Ca to attend the California Association for Bilingual Education (CABE) awards luncheon, honoring Dr. Ramon Zavala, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services for CABE Administrator of the Year; attended the Project Cornerstone Asset Champion Awards Ceremony breakfast honoring Araceli Garcia, Paradise Valley Engineering Academy Community Liaison; attended Nordstrom Elementary School Multicultural Fest; participated in the American Association of University Woman (AAUW) Wild Flower Run and will attend the South County United for Health Leadership meeting this week and will share the resolution opposing cannabis recently approved by the Board.

Superintendent Betando, acknowledged Dr. Zavala for receiving the CABE 2019 Administrator of the Year award.

Dr. Zavala, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services, updated the Board on the Community Engagement AB1808 initiative to support family engagement in Districts, reporting that the district has moved onto the next phase. Victoria Sorensen coordinated the visit, including interviews with staff and the opportunity to highlight our programs.

H.4. Reports: Board Members

Trustee Orosco, reported attending Paradise Valley Engineering Academy Open House.

Trustee Gittens, attended the Santa Clara California School Board Association monthly meeting where she participated in a presentation from Children Now and was updated on legislative opportunities, attended a presentation by Dr. Dewan on Census 2020 and the schools' role to help identify common misunderstandings and lastly, met with Voices Academy and toured the facility.

Trustee Sullivan, attended Paradise Valley Engineering Academy Open House and attended the retirement celebration planning committee meeting, announcing the upcoming Retirement Celebration will be held May 20th from 4-5:30 PM at the Morgan Hill Community and Cultural Center.

President Patterson, visited Ann Sobrato High School where she met with the Harry Potter Alliance, a group of students who undertake combatting climate change. President Patterson visited the Harry Potter Alliance to help guide an environmental policy for the District. President Patterson also participated in the District's Budget Review and thanked Staff for all they did in preparation of the review and LCAP Study Session.

H.5. Reports: Employee Groups: Morgan Hill Classified Employee Association / Morgan Hill Federation of Teachers / Morgan Hill Educational Leaders Association

Danielle Nunes, Morgan Hill Classified Employee Association President, spoke about the process for nominating the Classified Employee of the Year. This year, Debbi Wilson, Accounting Specialist and Nathan Tarzian, Maintenance will be retiring and have been nominated by their peers for Classified Employee of the Year. The winner of the award will be announced at the end of April. Ms. Nunes spoke about how Classified Employees make a difference in the support they provide students and is proud to have Debbi and Nathan nominated. Ms. Nunes thanked the Board for their support and informed the Board that the sunshine items for MHCEA negotiations will be coming up at the next BOE meeting.

Debbie Stewart, Morgan Hill Educational Leaders Association Representative, reported updates from various school sites, including two students from JAMM who have been invited to attend workshops at West Point Center for Leadership and Diversity in STEM; Nordstrom held a Multicultural Fest and will be hosting a 2K and 5K run / walk; PVEA held their open house, dance with dads and tech challenge; SMG hosted a Cesar Chavez Day event celebrating with special guests; Britton will attend Future Woman's Leader Conference and reported their Color Guard took 3rd place in a competition; Live Oak Nuts and Bolts Robotics Team participated in a competition, the Color Guard attended the Winter Color Guard championship and are currently in Ohio competing; Sobrato held a Red Cross Club event and met their goal, six students accomplished State FFA Degree and Los Paseos will hold their Open House and dance performance this week.

H.6. Calendar: Upcoming events

President Patterson announced the calendar of upcoming events.

I. CONSENT ITEMS

I.1. BUSINESS SERVICES

I.1.a. Ratification of contracts executed pursuant to Board Policy 3312 for the month of February 2019

I.1.b. Approve award to Kent Construction-SVA Architects for the design build of Nordstrom Elementary School portable replacement project

I.1.c. Delegation of authority to approve award of the Britton Middle School classroom furniture bid

I.2. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

I.2.a. Approve travel for nine students from Live Oak High School's Nuts and Bolt's Robotics team to travel to the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics Championship in Houston, Texas

I.3. HUMAN RESOURCES

I.3.a. Approve personnel action to employ, re-employ, promote, reassign, accept resignation, accept retirement, and authorize related compensation

I.3.b. Adopt Resolution declaring May 3, 2019 "School Lunch Hero Day"

I.3.c. Adopt Resolution declaring May 8, 2019 "California Day of the Teacher"

I.3.d. Adopt Resolution declaring May 8, 2019 "National School Nurse Day"

I.3.e. Adopt Resolution declaring May 19-25, 2019 "Classified School Employee Week"

I.4. SUPERINTENDENT

I.4.a. Approve the minutes from the Regular Board meeting of March 19, 2019 and Special Board Meeting March 20, 2019

I.4.b. Approve Board of Education schedule for 2019-2020

I.4.c. Adopt resolution authorizing compensation for Vanessa Sutter's absence from a special meeting of the Morgan Hill Unified School District Board of Education held on January 16, 2019 and February 28, 2019.

J. GENERAL BUSINESS - PUBLIC SESSION ITEMS FOR BOARD DISCUSSION

J.1. Public Hearing: Public hearing and accept the Morgan Hill Unified School District contract reopeners for negotiations with Morgan Hill Federation of Teachers

Open Public Hearing: 6:53 PM

Comments: No public comments

Closed Public Hearing: 6:53 PM

Motion Passed: Following the public hearing, it is recommended that the Board of Education accept the reopeners from the Morgan Hill Unified School District for negotiations with the Morgan Hill Federation of Teachers. Passed with a motion by Carol Gittens and a second by Wendy Sullivan.

Yes Adam Escoto

Yes Carol Gittens

Absent John Horner

Yes Heather Orosco

Yes Mary Patterson

Yes Wendy Sullivan

Yes Vanessa Sutter

J.2. Facilities Master Plan follow up and potential funding initiative

Casino Fajardo, Director Construction / Modernization, provided an update on the District's Facilities Master plan since the February 28th workshop presented to the Board, as well as funding options.

Kirsten Perez, Assistant Superintendent Business Services, updated the Board on the budget and funding the projects.

The Board discussed new bond options and directed Staff to begin the process of planning. The Board also expressed appreciation for the positive impact of student learning created by the Facilities Master Plan.

[190402 Facilities Master Plan Update Presentation](#)

J.3. Approve New Course Outlines

Glen Webb, Director Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, presented two new courses to the Board for approval.

1. Advanced Video Production, a CTE course developed by William Row of Live Oak High School. This course was reviewed by the Secondary Curriculum Council with 95.7% approval as submitted and 4.3% approve with edit.

The suggested edit was to remove references to Live Oak High School so as to allow the course to be offered at any high school in the future. The edit was made as suggested and the outline is recommended by Educational Services for approval as attached

2. *PE/Marching Band, a year-long class offering 5 credits in each Visual and Performing Arts and Physical Education developed by Jason Locsin of Live Oak High School and Greg Chambers of Ann Sobrato High School. The course was reviewed by the Secondary Curriculum Council with a 73.9% approve as submitted and a 26.1% approve with edit or opposing the course concept.*

Suggested edits included ensuring that all PE standards are covered in the outline as required by the framework. Objections were registered to the concept of the course overall as well as access for all students rather than limited to band students.

The following individuals addressed the Board in support of the PE / Marching Band course:

Cherie Bourlard, Talia Jordan, Jennifer Evans, Paula Scotney-Castle, Christine Osborne, Annette Batey, Catherine Le, Theresa Le, David Gonzales, Aaron Osborne, Joe Claytor and Alexander Gitchev

Motion Passed: Approve the Advanced Video Production course outline as attached for addition to the high school course inventory. Approve the PE/Marching Band course outline as attached for addition to the high school course inventory for the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years following which it may return to the Governing Board for further review and consideration for extended approval. Passed with a motion by Carol Gittens and a second by Wendy Sullivan.

Yes Adam Escoto
Yes Carol Gittens
Absent John Horner
Yes Heather Orosco
Yes Mary Patterson
Yes Wendy Sullivan
Yes Vanessa Sutter

President Patterson thanked the community for their passion on the PE / Marching Band subject.

J.4. New business: future agenda items / recognitions

K. PUPIL DISCIPLINE

K.1. Recommendation for Expulsion and Rehabilitation Plan for Student E-18/19-007

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Carol Gittens and a second by Wendy Sullivan.

Yes Adam Escoto
Yes Carol Gittens
Absent John Horner
Yes Heather Orosco
Yes Mary Patterson
Yes Wendy Sullivan
Yes Vanessa Sutter

L. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Steve Betando, Superintendent