

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

May 3, 2022, 6:00 PM
Closed Session, 5:00 PM
MHUSD Board Room / ZOOM

Attendance Taken at 5:01 PM:

Present:

Adam Escoto
Carol Gittens
John Horner
Iván Montes
Heather Orosco
Mary Patterson
Wendy Sullivan

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 E21/22-009

A.3.b. Recommendation for Expulsion and Rehabilitation Plan for Student E21/22-010

A.4. 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 Representatives

A.5. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Government Code 54957)

A.6. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE-DISCIPLINE / DISMISSAL / RELEASE / REASSIGNMENT / COMPLAINT (Government Code 54957 and 54957.1)

A.7. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION

B. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM and Jared Lebovitz, Ann Sobrato High School Senior led the Pledge of Allegiance

C. INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF

Board Members and Staff introduced themselves

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Wendy Sullivan and a second by Heather Orosco.

Yes Adam Escoto
Yes Carol Gittens

Yes John Horner
Yes Iván Montes
Yes Heather Orosco
Yes Mary Patterson
Yes Wendy Sullivan

Yes Ravi Bhagat, Student Board Member Preferential Vote

E. CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT (Government Code 54957.1)

F. RECOGNITIONS / PRESENTATIONS

F.1. National Merit Scholarship Finalist Recognition Ann Sobrato High School Students

The MHUSD Board and Staff recognized Jared Lebovitz and Neil Shah on being selected as a "Finalist" for the National Merit Scholarship Program from the College Board.

The Board and Staff congratulated both Jared and Neil on their accomplishments and future endeavors.

Mr. Shah thanked MHUSD for the quality education Neil received.

F.2. P.A. Walsh School Presentation

Principal Rafat and Assistant Principal Sokacich from P.A. Walsh STEAM Academy provided the May school site presentation.

[220503 P.A. Walsh Presentation](#)

Board discussions included appreciation for the presentation and service provided to the P.A. Walsh Community.

G. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

G.1. Approve the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of April 5, 2022

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Wendy Sullivan and a second by Mary Patterson.

Yes Adam Escoto
Yes Carol Gittens
Yes John Horner
Yes Iván Montes
Yes Heather Orosco
Yes Mary Patterson
Yes Wendy Sullivan

Yes Ravi Bhagat, Student Board Member Preferential Vote

H. PUBLIC COMMENT / COMMUNICATIONS

I. COMMUNICATIONS

I.1. Report: Student Board Member

Ravi Bhagat, Student Board Member, announced upcoming AP exams; High School Spring theater performances; upcoming Sobrato FFA BBQ; College Signing Day; May 4th is bike/walk to school day; May 14th Prom for both high schools; Seniors are working on their exhibitions and congratulated Merit Scholarship Finalists Jared and Neil.

I.2. Reports: Superintendent / Staff

Assistant Superintendent Myers, introduced Rick Ito as the new Principal of Martin Murphy Middle School.

Mr. Ito thanked the Board for the opportunity and looks forward to working with the Staff and Students.

Dr. García, Superintendent, presented a slide presentation update.

[220503 Superintendent Update Presentation](#)

I.3. Reports: Employee Groups: Morgan Hill Classified Employee Association / Morgan Hill Federation of Teachers / Morgan Hill Educational Leaders Association

Cheryl Van Deventer, Morgan Hill Classified Employee Association Interim President, reported upcoming MHCEA elections will be held; announced the MHCEA scholarship program will be giving away over \$6000 in scholarships to all who applied and will report the scholarship recipients at the next meeting.

Jim Levis, Morgan Hill Federation of Teachers President, acknowledged P.A. Walsh for their presentation; announced MHFT is in contract negotiations; requested the Board and District attract and retain qualified educators by providing competitive salaries and benefits, along with appropriate support staff; reflected on the difficult last few years and asked for continued supports with the Wellness Centers and other support programs; requested all of the MHUSD community to reach out to State Legislators for continued funding of these programs; reported on site activities and announced MHFT will present the Site and District Teachers of the Year at the next Board Meeting.

Patrick Buchser, Morgan Hill Educational Leaders Association President, congratulated the National Merit Scholar Finalists; announced the new ACSA Executive Director; reported sites are working on prioritizing standards to implement in the fall; reflected on the past year; reported State Testing is going on at school sites; congratulated the Guiding Coalitions and invited the community to JAMM for a Cinco de Mayo event.

I.4. Reports: Board Members

Trustee Patterson, attended the Sobrato theater performance; College Signing Day and acknowledge one of the National Merit Scholar Finalist Parent's comments about choosing MHUSD to educate his student.

Trustee Escoto, also commented on the Parent of Neil Shah; congratulated the National Merit Scholar Finalists; acknowledged Mr. Levis and chaperones who accompanied students to Washington DC; reported the Education Foundation Ad Hoc Committee will meet to write draft for a presentation to the Board; attended an FFA fundraiser and the P.A. Walsh Open House; announced the upcoming MHUSD Retirement Celebration on May 26th; congratulated Martin Murphy Principal Mr. Ito; recognized Jazmine Hernandez on her future endeavors and paid tribute to the life of Norm Mineta.

Trustee Sullivan, attended a SCCSBA meeting and Resilience Day at Martin Murphy; participated in the Board Member Coffee Chat, Suicide Prevention Presentation, Chamber Education meeting and announced the upcoming Manufacturing Day in May; attended the City School Liaison meeting, Nordstrom Elementary Multicultural Fair, Sobrato College Signing Day and congratulated the FFA on their event.

Trustee Montes, attended a DELAC meeting, Martin Murphy Resilience Day; expressed SBAC testing patience and well wishes to school sites; recognized National Principal Day and National Teacher Appreciation Day.

Trustee Horner, attended the C2C conference and presented slides from the conference.

I.5. Calendar: Upcoming Events

J. CONSENT ITEMS

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Carol Gittens and a second by Mary Patterson.

Yes Adam Escoto
Yes Carol Gittens
Yes John Horner
Yes Iván Montes
Yes Heather Orosco
Yes Mary Patterson
Yes Wendy Sullivan

Yes Ravi Bhagat, Student Board Member Preferential Vote

J.1. BUSINESS SERVICES

J.1.a. Adopt Resolution Authorizing Signing Authority for the District

J.1.b. Approve Bid Award to Stronger Building Services for Charter School Roof Replacement

J.1.c. Ratification of Contracts Executed Pursuant to Board Policy 3312

J.2. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

J.2.a. Annual Program Self-Evaluation Report for California State Preschool Program CSPP-0575

J.2.b. Approve Travel for up to Eight Members of the Live Oak High School Boys Basketball Team to Attend the UC Santa Barbara/Team Camp in Santa Barbara, California

J.3. HUMAN RESOURCES

J.3.a. Approve Personnel Action to Employ, Re-employ, Promote, Reassign, Accept Resignation, Accept Retirement, and Authorize Related Compensation

J.3.b. Approve Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators for the Morgan Hill Unified School District

K. GENERAL BUSINESS - PUBLIC SESSION ITEMS FOR BOARD DISCUSSION

K.1. Approve Resolution in Support of Meaningful Actions that Affirm Inclusion of LGBTQIA+ Youth, Staff, and Community Across the Morgan Hill Unified School District

Trustee Montes presented a resolution which supports the rights, freedoms, and equality of those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer/questioning, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+).

Board discussions included appreciation for Trustee Montes, the Staff and Students for their input and support of this resolution.

Motion Passed: Approve as submitted passed with a motion by Adam Escoto and a second by Wendy Sullivan.

Yes Adam Escoto
Yes Carol Gittens
Yes John Horner
Yes Iván Montes
Yes Heather Orosco
Yes Mary Patterson
Yes Wendy Sullivan

Yes Ravi Bhagat, Student Board Member Preferential Vote

K.2. Approve Resolution Recognizing AAPI Heritage Month

Trustee Sullivan presented a resolution in support of the continued partnerships that uplift Asian American and Pacific Islander Students that help to prepare them for a bright, innovative future.

Board discussions included appreciation for getting this resolution on the agenda.

Motion Passed: Approve as submitted passed with a motion by Iván Montes and a second by Mary Patterson.

Yes Adam Escoto
Yes Carol Gittens
Yes John Horner
Yes Iván Montes
Yes Heather Orosco
Yes Mary Patterson
Yes Wendy Sullivan

Yes Ravi Bhagat, Student Board Member Preferential Vote

K.3. New Business: Future Agenda Items

Trustee Gittens requested the Home & School Club meeting also be offered virtually.

Trustee Montes, requested historical expulsion data dated back five years and a conversation on the historical data and the view of young people who have had this reality.

Trustee Horner, requested to follow up with the above students and their rehabilitation plans.

Trustee Escoto, requested a report on the Wellness Center data. Dr. Garcia offered to resend the data with the embedded demographic data.

L. PUPIL DISCIPLINE

L.1. Approve Recommendation for Expulsion and Rehabilitation Plan for Student E21/22-009

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Heather Orosco and a second by Wendy Sullivan.

Yes Adam Escoto
Yes Carol Gittens
Yes John Horner
Yes Iván Montes
Yes Heather Orosco
Yes Mary Patterson
Yes Wendy Sullivan

L.2. Approve Recommendation for Expulsion and Rehabilitation Plan for Student E21/22-010

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

Yes Adam Escoto

Yes Carol Gittens
Yes John Horner
Yes Iván Montes
Yes Heather Orosco
Yes Mary Patterson
Yes Wendy Sullivan

M. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM

Dr. Carmen García, Superintendent