

**MORGAN HILL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION
THEMED STUDY SESSION MINUTES**

May 17, 2022, 6:00 PM
Closed Session, 5:00 PM
MHUSD Board Room / ZOOM

Attendance Taken at 5:08 PM:

Present:

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

Absent:

Carol Gittens

A. CALL TO ORDER

A.1. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION TOPICS

A.2. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

A.3. LIABILITY CLAIMS - Governmental Code Section 54956.95

**A.3.a. Accept / Deny Claim Against Morgan Hill Unified School District, ASCIP File
2209228**

**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-DISCIPLINE / DISMISSAL / RELEASE / REASSIGNMENT /
COMPLAINT (Government Code 54957 and 54957.1)**

A.6. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION

B. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*The meeting was called to order at 6:20 PM and Nikoo Shahab, Alternate Student Board Member 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

Absent 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. Recognition of the 2022 Site Teachers of the Year and District Teacher of the Year and Honoree for the Santa Clara County Teacher Recognition Celebration

The Morgan Hill Federation of Teachers conducted a nomination process whereby peers at each school site nominated one of their colleagues as their site's Teacher of the Year. One of these Teachers is then recommended as a finalist to the county as the District's Teacher of the Year.

MHUSD and Board of Education honored all the MHFT peer-nominated Teachers. Ms. Frankie Kellett, English Teacher at Ann Sobrato High School, was selected as this year's District Teacher of the Year and will go on to the County's Teacher Recognition Celebration.

The Board and Staff congratulated all the selected Teachers.

F.2. Recognize Ravi Bhagat, Student Board Member (Ann Sobrato High School) and Nikoo Shahab, Alternate Student Board Member (Live Oak High School) for 2021-22 school year

Ann Sobrato High School Senior, Ravi Bhagat served as Student Board Member and Live Oak High School Senior, Nikoo Shahab served as alternate Student Board Member for the 2021-2022 school year. The Board of Education, Superintendent and Staff expressed their appreciation to Ravi and Nikoo for their contributions to the Morgan Hill Unified School District community through their service on the Board.

Both Ravi and Nikoo thanked the Board and District for the experience and support.

G. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

G.1. Approve the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of May 3, 2022

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mary Patterson and a second by Heather Orosco.

Yes Adam Escoto
Absent 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

Ron Woolf, Morgan Hill Mushroom Mardi Gras Festival Board Member, addressed the Board to announce the annual Morgan Hill Mushroom Mardi Gras and scholarship opportunities for Students within the MHUSD boundaries. Mr. Woolf invited everyone to the event and scholarship awards ceremony.

Trustee Patterson, acknowledged Ms. Kellett, MHUSD Teacher of the Year for the support she provides to the

I. GENERAL BUSINESS - PUBLIC SESSION ITEMS FOR BOARD DISCUSSION

I.1. Approve AB 361 Resolution

California Legislature has recognized the ongoing state of emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic and has responded by creating an additional means for public meetings to be held via teleconference (inclusive of internet-based virtual meetings).

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Wendy Sullivan and a second by Iván Montes.

Yes Adam Escoto
Absent 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

I.2. Adopt Resolutions to Formally Adopt a Full-day Transitional Kindergarten and Full-day Kindergarten Program

Dr. García presented the resolutions to formally adopt transitional kindergarten over time to offer instructional opportunities for TK Students at all elementary schools in the district, as well allow us to pursue funds to either retrofit the classrooms currently housing kindergarten students to meet the updated kindergarten design requirements or build new kindergarten compliant classrooms.

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

Yes Adam Escoto
Absent 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

I.3. CTE/Focus Academies Study Session

Dr. García and Staff presented the Focus Academies and Career Technical Education presentation of our five District Focus Academies (El Toro Health Sciences Academy, Paradise Valley Engineering Academy, Jackson Academy of Music & Math, San Martin Gwinn Environmental Science Academy, and P.A. Walsh: STEAM Academy), an idea for a TK-12 IB program that can be explored, as well as our Career Technical Education (CTE) program.

[220517 CTE/Focus Academy Study Session Presentation](#)

Board Discussions included the P.A. Walsh DIME community survey; San Martin Gwinn DIME enrollment and need for teachers, waitlist balance and priority list; Voices space issue and possible transition of students to MHUSD, and alignment and collaboration for transitioning the Academies from Elementary to Middle School.

The Board took a five-minute recess until 7:51 PM

Additional Board discussions included the Student Board Member perspective of an International

Baccalaureate (IB) Programme; results from IB Programmes around the country and data that supports benefits for students of color; implementation of an IB Programme over time; interest in learning more about programmatic costs; how the IB Programme may impact the community; Career Technical Education (CTE) areas of focus from last spring and progress made; update on externships; deepening CTE program structures; CTE pathways from Middle School to High School and vice versa; MOU for teacher credentialing; Naviance and tracking CTE Alumni; foreseeable impact on Staff and organization to support these programs; exploration of classes and reliability of the California State college and career dashboard.

J. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 PM

Dr. Carmen García, Superintendent