

**Monterey Peninsula Unified School District  
Minutes  
Regular Board Meeting**

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**April 7, 2003**

The Board of Education of the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District met in regular session at 5:38 p.m., on the above date at the Instructional Materials Center, 540 Canyon Del Rey, Monterey, California.

The meeting was called to order by President Troutman.

Board Members Present: Robert Eggers (arrived at 6:09 p.m.)  
Resa Foss  
Regena Lauterbach  
Shanda LeBoeuf (arrived at 6:12 p.m.)  
Carlos E. Noriega  
Marjorie Troutman  
Daniel Villa (arrived at 5:46 p.m.)

Staff Members Present: Jim Burnis  
Daniel Callahan  
Robert Costa  
John Lamb  
Bob Riefe

DLIFLC/POM/NPS Representative Present: Ron Graddy

Student Board Members Present: Adam Brown, Monterey HS  
Wayne Ming, Seaside HS

The President declared that a quorum was present and the Board proceeded with the order of business.

No public comments were made at this time.

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:39 p.m. and reconvened at 7:14 p.m. to take the following action:

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Adam Brown.

It was the consensus of the Board to move Item P-1, Update on America's Choice, before the Action items.

No reportable actions were taken in closed session.

No additional items were added to the agenda.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The public hearing regarding the proposed boundary changes from Crumpton School to Marina del Mar School, and Los Arboles Middle School to Fitch Middle School was opened at 7:16 p.m.

Support Services Director Bob Riefe reviewed the proposed boundary changes to more evenly distribute students based on current and future enrollment projections.

No public comments were made.

The public hearing closed at 7:17 p.m.

## **STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Wayne Ming reported on activities at Seaside High School including a multicultural assembly, 2003-2004 class elections, junior ring ceremony, and grade level meetings to discuss their upcoming events.

Adam Brown reported on activities at Monterey High School including baseball, a third quarter school dance, senior activities and prom. Adam also said he recently received a scholar-athlete award for football.

(Adam left the meeting at 7:21 p.m.)

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

President Troutman acknowledged correspondence from the Monterey County Department of Health regarding a healthy foods policy, California School Boards Association regarding the Golden Bell Award, and Monterey Bay Teachers Association President Rick Ziel regarding an invitation for Board members to participate as observers during discussions regarding the interpretation on the stipulated judgment.

## **SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS AND OFFICERS OF THE BOARD**

Mrs. Lauterbach said she would not be able to attend the April 14 Board Study Session and requested information on what would be needed to participate via teleconference.

President Troutman noted that Board meetings have been scheduled for the next four Mondays. She said concern has been expressed about the District voice mail system and group messaging for Board members, and asked if it should be continued or Board members be notified individually through a phone call.

Dr. Callahan said it would be helpful for effective communication and use of staff time. With reduced staff, he said the implementation of group voice mail and e-mails seemed to be a more effective way to communicate with the Board and that the voice mail box is a consistent number to communicate to the Board.

Mr. Eggers preferred the voice mail for routine messages, but for emergencies his preference was via home or cell phone; Mrs. Lauterbach preferred her home phone number; Mr. Noriega said the e-mail is working well, but call him at home if critical; Mr. Villa said if it's an emergency to call him at work; Ms. Foss said if routine messages voice mail is okay, but her preference was messages at her home or work number and voice mail for the public; Mrs. LeBoeuf expressed a direct phone call for emergencies, and routine messages on voice mail; President Troutman said voice mail was okay, but call her at home to alert her.

After further discussion, it was the consensus that general information be communicated by voice mail and personal calls be made for emergencies.

President Troutman requested approval from the Board to honor people at Board meetings without having to agendaize the item. There was no opposition. President Troutman requested a video taping of Board meetings so Board members can see themselves as others see them. Consensus. President Troutman said she plans to write articles of interest about the District to the Monterey County Herald and encouraged other Board members to do the same.

Ms. Foss referred to Board Policy Subcommittee attendance and said if a subcommittee member is unable to attend a meeting, the meeting should not be canceled. She said Mr. Villa volunteered to be an alternate. After further discussion it was the consensus for the group to meet every other week and that they would coordinate the meeting dates with the Dr. Callahan's schedule.

(Wayne left the meeting at 7:40 p.m.)

## **SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM VISITORS - NON-AGENDA MATTERS**

Helen Rucker, Seaside resident, thanked the District for bringing adult education and computer classes to her community and for holding them at Del Monte Manor. She said computers were purchased by the Nash family and donated to the program.

- **Academic Performance Index**
- **No Child Left Behind Act**

Support Services Director Bob Riefe provided an update on the Academic Performance Index (API) and the implementation of the accountability provisions of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act.

Dr. Callahan noted there is evidence in the District and other school districts that there are students who are not able to achieve the levels to prepare them to choose whether or not they want to go to college. He said one of the strategies is to increase the number of partnerships and said the promise of Imagine College and America's Choice begins the process of making it an attainable goal. He said America's Choice curriculum design approach better addresses the needs of the students, and will provide the opportunity for them to have the choice.

### **Update on America's Choice**

At this time, the Board received additional information about America's Choice and the current status of program exploration. California State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB) President Peter Smith and Imagine College Executive Director Marcy Singer reviewed key components of the program; and a brief status report from schools investigating the possible curriculum design implementation (Del Rey Woods, Manzanita, Ord Terrace, King Middle School, and Seaside High School) was presented. Mr. Lamb invited Board members to contact him if any were interested in observing an America's Choice school.

Monterey Bay Teachers Association (MBTA) President Rick Ziel said the association was invited to participate from the beginning of the process to look at curriculum issues and, for him, to make site visitations as an association president and in the eyes of a teacher. California School Employees Association (CSEA) President Beth Costanza represented the classified employees and their observations were shared.

(Mr. Eggers left the meeting at 10:10 p.m.)

### **ACTION ITEMS**

MSC\* LeBoeuf, Noriega

#### **Approve Proposed Boundary Changes: Crumpton School to Marina del Mar School; and Los Arboles Middle School to Fitch Middle School**

**RESOLVED** that the boundary changes from Crumpton School to the Marina del Mar School attendance area and the Los Arboles Middle School to the Fitch Middle School attendance area be approved.

AYES: 6

MSC Noriega, LeBoeuf

#### **Designate April as Public Schools Volunteer Month**

**RESOLVED** that the Board designated the month of April 2003, as Public Schools Volunteer Month and that a copy of the resolution will be sent to all schools and sites in the District in honor and recognition of the important role of volunteers in our schools.

AYES: 6

MSC Villa, Noriega

**Approve Amended Contracts for Associate Superintendent,  
Support Services Director, and Personnel Services Director**

Dr. Callahan noted there was no change in compensation; the amendment was for clarity of language.

**RESOLVED** that the amended Contracts for the Associate Superintendent, Support Services Director, and Personnel Services Director be approved as presented.

AYES: 6

**REPORTS**

Superintendent - Dr. Callahan highlighted "Celebrating Successes." He reported on his visit to Sacramento with Chief Business Officer Jim Burnis regarding the \$50 million hardship grant. In light of the canceled program management amendment, it was decided it was in the best interest to meet with the School Allocation Board director and expedite funding on the May agenda. Dr. Callahan said the director will also be meeting with them to talk about the intricacies of the hardship process.

DLIFLC/POM/NPS Representative - Mr. Graddy distributed information regarding the Child Care Planning Council and noted that MPUSD is represented on the council by Early Childhood Education Coordinator Leslie Dye.

**INFORMATION/POSSIBLE ACTION**

Due to the lateness of the hour, the following items were tabled to the next meeting:

- **Approve 2003-2004 Budget Guidelines**
- **Programmatic Responses to Current Year Budget Constraints**
- **Review Language Arts Adoption Recommendation for Secondary English Language Development (ELD) Programs**
- **Governance Standards**
  - The Individual Trustee
  - The Board
  - The Board's Jobs
- **Review Middle School Course Outlines and Adoption Recommendation**
- **Review Language Arts Instructional Resources Recommendations**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

MSC Villa, Lauterbach

**RESOLVED** that the Consent Agenda be approved as submitted.

- **Approve Minutes**
  - February 18, 2003, Regular Board Meeting
  - February 27, 2003, Special Board Meeting

- Approve/Ratify Personnel Items
- Approve Gifts to the District

From	To	Amount	Purpose
Crumpton PTA	Crumpton School	\$3,999.23	For a laminator, school microphones, and for Outdoor School scholarships
Yellow Brick Road Benefit Shop	Crumpton School	\$2,000.00	For the after school reading program

- Approve a Third Year of Funding for Immediate Intervention/Underperforming Schools Program (II/USP) Cohort 1 Schools
- Approve the Receipt of Funds for Teaching as a Priority (TAP) Program (\$132,666)
- Approve Language Arts Adoption Recommendation for High School Programs
- Approve the Governor’s Performance Award for Crumpton Elementary School (\$23,321)
- Approve NASA Explorer School Grant Application (\$10,000)
- Approval of Neighborhood Improvement Program Projects

AYES: 6

**SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS AND OFFICERS OF THE BOARD AND BOARD MEMBER REQUEST(S) FOR INFORMATION AND/OR POSSIBLE FUTURE AGENDA ITEM**

Mr. Noriega suggested that staff query the principals and local law agencies to bring back school crossing guards.

Ms. Foss said she would like to see the student Board members and Mr. Graddy more involved in school board matters and invited them submit information about themselves for the Board’s website. Ms. Foss requested a discussion on the reconfiguration of schools. (consensus)

President Troutman requested a discussion regarding MBTA President Ziel’s memo for Board participation as observers during discussions regarding the interpretation on the stipulated judgment. (consensus)

**BOARD MEETING EVALUATION** (none)

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:38 p.m. in memory of Accounting Supervisor Jim Kern; Retired Maintenance and Operations Supervisor Joe Aiello, husband of Monterey High School Supervisor Rose Aiello and father of Del Rey Woods School Head Custodian Russ Aiello; Mark Healy, husband of Del Rey Woods School Teacher Lori Robinson; and Ken Cory, husband of Del Rey Woods School Teacher Doni Dooley.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Callahan  
Executive Secretary

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MSC-Motion/Second/Carried