

May 12, 2004

**A. Call to Order**

The Board of Education of the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District met in regular session at 5:42 p.m. on the above date at the Instructional Materials Center, 540 Canyon Del Rey, Del Rey Oaks, California.

The meeting was called to order by President Lauterbach.

**B. Roll Call –  
Establishment of  
Quorum**

Board Members Present: Terri DeBono  
Robert Eggers (arrived at 6:25 p.m.)  
Resa Foss  
Regena Lauterbach  
Carlos E. Noriega

Board Members Absent: Shanda LeBoeuf  
Marjorie Troutman

Staff Members Present: Jim Burnis  
Daniel Callahan  
Robert Costa  
Shelby Garrison  
John Lamb

DLI/POM/NPS Representative Present: Cindy Rothstein

Student Board Member Present: Michael Leonard, Monterey HS

Student Board Member Absent: Andrew Mahone, Seaside HS

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

**H. Take Action to Items  
That Arose Since Posting  
of the Agenda and  
Approve Agenda (2/3  
Vote Required if Any  
Item is Added to the  
Agenda)**

President Lauterbach announced that the meeting would begin with Item P-1, Reports, but requested that action be taken on tabled item N-3 and then continue with Item P-1, Reports.

It was the consensus of the Board to begin with Item N-3, and then continue to Item P-1, Reports.

**N. Action Items**

- \*3. Consider Hearing Officer's Recommendation(s)  
- *Strategy 1*

Personnel Services Director Robert Costa reviewed the final phase of the process for certificated layoffs and clarified questions from Board members. He said hearings were held and recommendations were submitted by the judge to the Board. Mr. Costa indicated that the Board needed to act on those conclusions by either endorsing the layoff or by rescinding the notices of the elementary teachers.

**RESOLVED** that the Board consider the Hearing Officer's recommendations from the April 30, 2004, hearing.

MSC+ Eggers/Noriega  
AYES: 5  
NOES: 0

Discussion was held regarding the ruling and Mr. Costa's report. As a result of the discussion, the motion was amended.

**RESOLVED** that the Board accept the District's resolution to the hearing officer's recommendation.

MSC+ Eggers/Noriega  
AYES: 5  
NOES: 0

The resolution was numbered #14.

**P. Reports**  
*Strategy 1*

1. Committees/Conferences

ROP Joint Powers Meeting - Clerk Vice President Foss reported that she attended the Regional Opportunity Program (ROP) Joint Powers meeting, and suggested that ROP classes be placed on the agenda in the future for discussion as to what was happening in ROP.

Delegate Assembly - Board Member Noriega reported on his attendance at the California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly and updated the Board on what was happening in the Community Human Services Agency Group.

President Lauterbach reported that she attended the academic banquets for Seaside and Monterey High Schools.

2. Superintendent's Report

- *Bunker Hill: Public Employee Housing/Child Development Center*
- *Celebrating Successes*
- *"We need to celebrate successes."*
- *Unified District*

Superintendent Callahan gave a brief report on the Bunker Hill project and other projects that were in the process of being developed. He gave a brief report on the successes of Highland Elementary School, Fitch Middle School, Colton Middle School, Marshall Elementary School, Marina Vista Elementary School, Foothill Elementary School, Ord Terrace Elementary School, and Central Coast High School.

3. DLIFLC/POM/NPS Representative – No report was presented.

**Q. Information**

It was the consensus that item Q-4 be moved up on the agenda.

- \*4. Single Plan for Student Achievement for Central Coast High School, Monterey High School and Seaside High School - *Strategy 3*

A presentation for Central Coast High School was given by Brian Morton, principal. He described Central Coast's alternative programs and answered Board member questions.

Dan Albert, Monterey High School principal and Judy O'Mara, Assistant Principal, gave a presentation on student achievement and answered Board member questions.

Bettye Lusk, Principal; Bill Murphy and Tom Shively, Assistant Principals; and Pat Dowd, counselor; reviewed and presented the single plan for student achievement at Seaside High School and answered Board member questions. Dr. Lusk said that the plan focused over the last two years.

- \*1 Review Course Outlines for Middle School and High School - *Strategy 3*
- Associate Superintendent John Lamb reviewed the following course outlines and answered Board member questions.
- | <u>Revised Courses</u>      | <u>New Courses</u>            |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <u>High School</u>          | <u>High School</u>            |
| - Introduction to Computers | - Introduction to Journalism  |
| - Computers 2               | - Literature Appreciation     |
| - Creative Writing          | - Reading Booster             |
| - Leadership & Government   | - Web Design/Publishing       |
| <u>Middle School</u>        | <u>Middle School</u>          |
| - Algebra 1A                | - English 1/Reading           |
| - Algebra 1B                | - Internship (SPARC^ Academy) |
| - Environmental Science     |                               |
| - Student Activities Class  |                               |
- ^SPARC-Sports Professions & Recreation Careers
- \*2. Review Petition by Monterey Bay Charter School - *Strategy 1*
- Associate Superintendent John Lamb introduced David Hill, Administrative Coordinator for Monterey Bay Charter School.
- Mr. Hill submitted and read to the Board a statement requesting that its petition be approved along with a request for classroom space.
- Mr. Lamb said that in reviewing the Charter with staff and legal counsel, nine areas were found that needed serious work. He said that because there was a time limit and once the petition was given, the Board had to take action. In light of the timeline, Mr. Hill requested that the decision be postponed until next fall. Mr. Lamb said that at the next meeting, he would ask that the petition be denied. He said that this action would not prevent the request from being placed on the agenda in the future.
- \*3. Review Memorandum of Agreement with Military Child Education Coalition and the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District - *Strategy 2*
- Shelby Garrison, Director of Support Services, and Cindy Rothstein, reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Mrs. Rothstein clarified questions from Board members and said that the MOU was to help military kids transition from state to state. Mrs. Garrison answered questions regarding the Military Child Education Coalition.
5. Discuss Renaming of the Monte Vista School Library - *Strategy 1*
- Dr. Callahan said this item was brought forward for discussion for the purpose of renaming the library in Ruth Vreeland's honor.
- Hearing no objection, the item will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
- \*6. Review Placement of Monthly Budget Revision on Agenda - *Strategy 1*
- Dr. Callahan said this item was placed on the agenda per Board direction.
- President Lauterbach said that all budget items should be an Action Item.
- Board Member Eggers concurred.
- It was the consensus of the Board to place future budget items as an Action Item.
- \*7. Review Recommendation of the "D" Policy Committee - *Strategy 3*
- Associate Superintendent John Lamb gave a brief history, reviewed the recommendations of the "D" Policy Committee, and answered Board members' questions. He said that the recommendations were distributed to schools, students, and staff. Mr. Lamb said implementation will begin with the 2004-2005 school year.

**R. Board Member Request(s) for Information and/or Possible Future Agenda Items**

Board Member DeBono asked permission to place as an Information Item her recommendation to re-open Monte Vista School and begin the process for closing schools with one criterion. She proposed to close three schools over the next two years (one in 2004-05 and two in 2005-06). She said each school closure would facilitate a K-8 or a magnet school and take \$463,000 from the reserve. She felt this was a compromise that deserved discussion.

Clerk Vice-President Foss asked for clarification as it pertained to Monte Vista School because she had a concern with the school closures proposed. She said that she did not have a problem with discussion but had no intention of changing anything.

Board Member Noriega said no.

Board Member Eggers said no.

President Lauterbach felt that the idea of what Board Member DeBono proposed was correct, but what was needed were criteria although it was too late to review or to consider closing a school.

There was discussion as to whether Board Member DeBono's recommendation could be placed on the agenda without consensus. President Lauterbach said she would check with legal counsel to see if consensus was needed. If consensus was not needed, it would be placed on the agenda as an Information Item. If consensus was needed it would be placed on the agenda for the next meeting for discussion.

Board Member DeBono said she didn't understand because all she was asking for was a discussion.

Board Member Noriega asked for budget reductions and school closures.

Clerk Vice-President Foss said she was opposed to placing school closures and budget reductions on the agenda until a suggestion was made.

Board Member Eggers said if that was the direction of the Board, then he suggested putting an agenda on how the budget would be balanced, whether to turn the District over to the County or the State, or to use the reserve or something else, because the budget had to be balanced by June 30, 2004.

Superintendent Callahan said as part of the budget development process, administration will bring forward a draft of the budget on June 7, 2004 that will show a balanced budget and "draconian" cuts across the District.

Board Member Noriega said the Board should bring back items mentioned by the Facilities Planning Committee and the Budget Advisory Committee.

Clerk Vice-President Foss said she liked Board Member DeBono's and Eggers' idea about putting an item on the agenda.

President Lauterbach asked for recommendations/ideas for a budget cut on the agenda.

Board Member Noriega recommended closing Foothill School.

President Lauterbach said that could not be done because he was in the minority and Colton reconfiguration was using Foothill and they would have to start all over again.

**S. Board Self-Evaluation, as Applicable**

**T. Closed Session**

There was no need for the Board to go back into Closed Session.

**U. Adjournment**

The next meeting was scheduled for May 17, 2004. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Callahan, Ph.D.  
Executive Secretary

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\*Board Attachment

^Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, Presidio of Monterey & Naval Postgraduate School

+Motion/Second/Carried