

June 25, 2007

- A. Call to Order** The Board of Education of the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District met in special session at 4:05 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 Haffa.
- B. Roll Call – Establishment of Quorum**
- Board Members Present: Diane Creasey
Alan Haffa
Regena Lauterbach
Bettye Lusk (arrived at 4:10 p.m.)
Carlos E. Noriega
Helen B. Rucker
Marjorie Troutman
- Staff Members Present: Robert Costa
Marilyn Shepherd
Tom Woodruff
- DLI/POM/NPS Representative Present: Cindy Rothstein
- The President declared that a quorum was present and the Board proceeded with the order of business.
- C. Public Comments on Closed Session Items** No public comments were made at this time.
- D. Closed Session** The Board adjourned to closed session at 4:06 p.m. to discuss the following:
1. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Gov. Code section 54957)
 2. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Gov. Code section 54957.6)
a. Agency Negotiator: Robert Costa
Employee Organization: Monterey Bay Teachers Association
 3. Conference with and/or Receive Advice from Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9
 4. Public Employee Appointment (Gov. Code section 54957)
Assistant Superintendent, Early Childhood/Elementary Education
- E. Reconvene Open Session** The Board reconvened at 6:14 p.m. to take the following action:
- F. Pledge of Allegiance** The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by President Haffa.
- G. Report Action Taken in Closed Session, if any** Dr. Haffa reported in closed session the Board approved the hiring of Kathleen Biermann as Assistant Superintendent for Early Childhood/Elementary Education. The vote was 7-0.

H. Action Items

- *1. Hold a Public Hearing and Approve the 2006-2007 Revisions and Adopt the 2007-2008 Budget

Chief Business Officer Tom Woodruff reviewed revisions to the tentative budget that was presented on June 18 that included \$838,000 for the court stipulated judgment, \$18,000 for contracted service for the development of a State-required School Accountability Report Card, and \$54,000 to cover essential services and costs for the Technology Department that had not been in the budgeted. He also provided an update on the athletic budget and reviewed a narrative of cost increase items. Dr. Woodruff said \$42,287 was the anticipated amount for unappropriated funds available for possible general fund budget augmentations for 2007-2008.

Board Member Rucker suggested a study session to look at the possible augmentations and to prioritize what the Board felt should be a priority should the District receive additional funds.

The public hearing on the 2007-2008 budget was opened by the Board President at 7:08 p.m.

Carlos Ramo said if the District is looking at zero-based budgeting in 2008-2009, then consultants should be hired for a 2007-2008 mid-year review to ensure the entire District is on track and knows what to expect.

Carlos Pina, Maintenance and Safety Director, referred to the downsizing of the Maintenance Department in 2002 and the need to reinstate those positions in order to maintain the facilities prior to addressing other issues.

Maria Buell, League of United Latin American Citizen's District XII Director, requested that the budget augmentations include cultural diversity workshops for all employees.

There being no further comments, the public hearing was closed at 7:14 p.m.

Following a brief discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to include middle and high school athletic programs as a budget assumption.

RESOLVED that the 2006-2007 budget revisions be approved and that the 2007-2008 budget be adopted as amended.

MSC Creasey, Lauterbach
AYES: 6
NOES: 1 (Haffa)

- *2. Approve Board Policies in Section 5000 - Students

Following a brief discussion regarding Board Policy 5126, Awards for Achievement, the motion was amended to delete the sentence regarding the Golden State Seal Merit Diploma and the sentence referring to a scholarship and loan fund.

RESOLVED that the following sections in Board Policy section 5000 be approved as amended.

BP/AR 5121	Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement
BP/AR/E 5123	Retention/Promotion Indicators
BP/AR/E 5124	Communication with Parents/Guardians/Students
BP 5125	Student Records
AR 5125.2	Withholding Grades, Diploma, or Transcripts
AR 5125.3	Challenging Student Records
BP/AR 5126	Awards for Achievement
BP 5127	Graduation Ceremonies and Activities

MSC Noriega, Rucker
AYES: 7
NOES: 0

- *3. Approve Board Policies in Section 6000 - Instruction

RESOLVED that the following sections in Board Policy section 6000 be approved as presented:

BP/AR 6146.1	High School Graduation Requirements
E 6146.1	Courses for Graduation
E 6146.1	California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) Options
BP/AR 6146.11	Alternative Credits Toward Graduation
BP/AR 6146.2	Certificate of Proficiency/High School Equivalency
BP 6146.3	Reciprocity of Academic Credit
BP 6146.5	Elementary/Middle School Promotion Requirements

MSC Troutman, Noriega
 AYES: 7
 NOES: 0

- *4. Approve Architect Selection Process

Solicitation of proposals for architectural services for projects including a new elementary school, campus redesign and expansion, Marina High School, and other projects have closed. Fourteen firms submitted Statements of Qualification. Selection of one or more architectural firms will be a key decision for the District. Dr. Woodruff reviewed the recommended process to move forward to include an estimated timeline and suggested participants on the selection committee.

RESOLVED that the selection process for architectural services be approved as presented.

MSC Lusk, Rucker
 AYES: 7
 NOES: 0

I. Consent Agenda

- 1. Approval of Consent Agenda

RESOLVED that the Consent Agenda be approved as submitted.

- *1. Approve Authorization to Issue Contract Asphalt Project at Seaside High School and Ord Terrace School
- *2. Approve Statistics Course Description and Recommendations
- *3. Approve English 9 Support Course Description and Recommendations
- *4. Approve Community Day School Program for Middle School Students (Grades 6-8)
- *5. Approve Posting of Job Descriptions for Management Positions Previously Approved with the After School Programs Staffing Plan on June 4, 2007
 - Coordinator: Public Relations, Resource Development and Evaluation
 - Director of Extended Learning Opportunities

MSC Noriega, Lusk
 AYES: 7
 NOES: 0

J. Reports

- 1. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Shepherd distributed a school calendar and discussed the possibility of rescheduling the August 6th meeting to the end of July due to the 6th being the first day of school for students. She also suggested moving or canceling the October 15th meeting since it was during fall recess. She reminded that special Board meetings could be called as needed. Following a brief discussion, it was the consensus that this item be brought back for action at a future meeting with suggested dates.

Board Member Noriega suggested as a future agenda item a discussion on the feasibility of beginning closed session at 4:00 p.m. and the open meeting at 6:00 p.m. so the meeting can adjourn earlier in the evening.

Dr. Shepherd also discussed changing the format of the Board agenda. Following a brief discussion, it was the consensus that Board members Creasey and Lusk serve on a subcommittee to look at different formats.

Assistant Superintendent Robert Costa provided an update on the incident that occurred at Seaside High School involving a campus monitor and a Muslim student who was wearing her hijab.

*2. Modernization Update

A status report on the District's modernization projects was presented to include project detail cost summaries on schools that have active modernization projects.

Facilities Planner Charlie Van Meter highlighted major projects at King, Los Arboles, Stilwell, Marina High School, Marina del Mar, Crumpton, Monterey High School, and Seaside High School.

Dr. Woodruff stated there is a back log of deferred maintenance projects, and in years past money has not been put into the fund. Funding sources now include modernization grants, deferred maintenance funds, Williams grant, and subsequently sale of surplus sites. He said many projects are funded through developer fees, and simultaneous projects being done using multiple funding sources.

Board Member Noriega requested a study conducted by a group to look at the feasibility of converting the Monterra site to workforce housing.

K. Information

1. Review Advanced Placement Art History Course Recommendation for High School

The recommendations for the 2007-2008 Advanced Placement Art History course descriptions were presented. This item will come back for action at the next meeting.

L. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m. in memory of retired maintenance employee James Padilla and William B. "Bill" Farr, father of maintenance employee Will Farr.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn K. Shepherd, Ed.D.
Executive Secretary

MKS/jjf

^Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, Presidio of Monterey & Naval Postgraduate School
+Motion/Second/Carried