

Manhattan Beach Unified School District Minutes
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
April 22, 2015, 6:30 PM

Board Room
325 S. Peck Avenue
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Attendance taken at 6:30 p.m.

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Mr. Bill Fournell
Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Mr. Ryan Patel
Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

Absent:

Ms. Allison Arvin

Staff Members Present:

Dr. Michael D. Matthews, Superintendent
Dr. Murakawa-Leopard, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Brett Geithman, Executive Director
Mrs. Carolyn Seaton, Executive Director
Ms. Nancy Bogart, Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.A. Recess to Closed Session - 5:30 PM

Minutes:

Mr. Fournell called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

1.A.a. Persons wishing to address the Board of Trustees regarding an item scheduled for closed session must submit the "Comment Card" prior to the start of closed session.

Minutes:

As there was no one who wished to address the Board, Mr. Fournell recessed to closed session.

1.B. Reconvene Open Session - 6:30 PM

Minutes:

Open session was reconvened at 6:33 p.m.

1.C. Report from Closed Session

Minutes:

None.

1.D. Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

Principal John Jackson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.E. Approval of Agenda

Minutes:

Mrs. Komatinsky moved approval of the agenda as presented. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Rosenberg and unanimously approved by the Board.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

2.A. Student Board Member Report

Minutes:

Ryan Patel informed the Board of activities and events taking place at the elementary schools and high school. Rebecca Rawson updated the Board on events at the middle school.

2.B. Public Comment

Minutes:

Peggy Otsubo spoke in support of having instructional assistants for the band program.

2.C. Board Member Announcements

Minutes:

Board members shared announcements of interest.

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

3.A. Public hearing and approval of AB 1200 County Office of Education Forms and Tentative Agreement between MBUSD and CSEA

Minutes:

Mrs. Komatinsky moved to open the public hearing at 7:01 p.m. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Rosenberg and unanimously approved by the Board. No one wished to address the Board during the public hearing.

Mrs. Komatinsky moved to close the public hearing at 7:02 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Rosenberg and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mrs. Komatinsky moved to approve AB 1200 County Office of Education forms and Tentative Agreement between MBUSD and CSEA. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Cochran and unanimously approved by the Board.

3.B. Approve implementation of 2014-2015 salary increase for all unrepresented management and confidential personnel.

Minutes:

Mrs. Komatinsky moved to approve implementation of 2014-2015 salary increase for all unrepresented management and confidential personnel. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Cronin-Hurst and unanimously approved by the Board.

3.C. Approve Continued Funding of SoCal ROC through Amendment to Joint Powers Agreement.

Motion Passed: Approval is requested. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg.

Yes Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

3.D. Approve changes to Extended Day Program fee structure for Kindergarten students.

Motion Passed: Approval is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

3.E. Approve contracts with Momentum in Teaching for Reading Workshop Professional Development for June 22, 2015 and July 1, 2015, to December 20, 2015.

Minutes:

Dr. Geithman explained the two invoices attached and asked to have the middle school teachers included in the professional development.

Motion to Amend Passed: To amend the motion from: "Approval is recommended." to: "Approval is recommended to include middle school teachers." Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

4.A. Earth Week 2015 - Green Efforts in MBUSD

Minutes:

Jan Dunbar, Programs Manager for Grades of Green, Mariel Waller, Green Ribbon Award District Coordinator, and Cathey Graves, PTA President at Pennekamp. Updated the Board on

4.B. Mira Costa High School WASC and Gold Ribbon Visits for Mira Costa High School and Manhattan Beach Middle School.

Minutes:

Dr. Dale discussed the WASC visit to Mira Costa High School. Both he and Mr. Jackson reviewed the Gold Ribbon visits to the high school and Manhattan Beach Middle School.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR INFORMATION - Items in this section are considered routine and customary school district business. Any Board member may request that any consent item(s) be removed, discussed, and acted upon separately.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR - EDUCATIONAL SERVICES - Dr. Brett Geithman

6.A. Approve request by Robinson Elementary School's 5th grade teachers to attend the Marine Science Adventure Camp on Catalina Island.

Motion Passed: Approval is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst

Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel

Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

6.B. Approve request by Mira Costa High School's Model United Nations to attend the Davis Model UN Conference.

Motion Passed: Approval is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst

Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel

Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

6.C. Approve request by Mira Costa High School's marine science class to travel to Catalina Island to participate in marine science research.

Motion Passed: Approval is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst

Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel

Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

6.D. Ratify Mira Costa High School's varsity tennis team's participation in CIF championship tournament on April 22-25, 2015.

Motion Passed: Ratification is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst

Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel

Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

6.E. Ratify participation in the Sharp National Dance Team competition in Las Vegas on April 17-19, 2015, for Mira Costa High School's Dance Team.

Motion Passed: Approval is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst

Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel

Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

6.F. Ratify Manhattan Beach Middle School 6th grade Science Camp at the Pali Institute.

Motion Passed: Ratification is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mr. Ryan Patel and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst

Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel

Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

6.G. Approve contract with UCLA Center X for Common Core Mathematics parent workshops.

Motion Passed: Approval is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

6.H. Approve purchase of the Reading Workshop Units of Study.

Motion Passed: Approval is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

7. CONSENT CALENDAR - STUDENT SERVICES

7.A. Ratify Amendment to District Master Contract for 2014/15 School Year for Nonsectarian, Nonpublic School (NPS) Services with Carousel School.

Motion Passed: Ratify Amendment to District Master Contract for 2014/15 school year for Nonsectarian, Nonpublic School Services with Carousel School. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

7.B. Approve District Master Contract for 2014/15 School Year for Nonsectarian, Nonpublic Agency (NPA) Services with Shabani Institute.

Motion Passed: Approve District Master Contract for 2014/15 school year for Nonsectarian, Nonpublic Agency Services with Shabani Institute. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

7.C. Ratify Student Services Special Employment Agreement for 2014/15 School Year with Ann Simun, Psy D. dba Neuropsychology Partners, Inc.

Motion Passed: Ratify Student Services Special Employment Agreement for 2014/15 School Year with Neuropsychology Partners, Inc. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

7.D. Ratify Amendment to District Master Contract for 2014/15 School Year for Nonsectarian, Nonpublic Agency (NPA) Services with Sunbelt Staffing, L.L.C.

Motion Passed: Ratify Amendment to District Master Contract for 2014/15 School Year for Nonsectarian, Nonpublic Agency (NPA) Services with Sunbelt Staffing, L.L.C. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

7.E. Ratify Agreement Between Parents and District for Educational Fees and Services.

Motion Passed: Ratify reimbursement to parents for educational fees and costs. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

8. CONSENT CALENDAR - PERSONNEL - Mrs. Carolyn Seaton

8.A. Certificated Personnel Assignments, Orders, and Other Personnel Actions

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

8.B. Classified Personnel Assignments, Orders, and Other Personnel Actions

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

8.C. Approve increase in the hourly rate of home/hospital certificated teachers.

Motion Passed: Approval is requested. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

8.D. Ratify appointment of Charles Southey to the Personnel Commission for a second three-year term from January 2015, through December 2017.

Motion Passed: Ratification is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst

Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel

Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

8.E. Ratify Amendment to Contract with Mary Lynn McIver for support as Consultant for Reading Club and Written Expression Club for Robinson Elementary School.

Motion Passed: Approval is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst

Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel

Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

8.F. Ratify/approve contract with Dr. Dennis Fox to provide training on data analysis protocols. Mrs. Cronin-Hurst pulled this item to ask about the data analysis Dr. Fox will do, which Mrs. Seaton explained.

Motion Passed: Ratification is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst

Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel

Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

9. CONSENT CALENDAR - BUSINESS SERVICES - Dr. Dawnalyn Murakawa-Leopard

9.A. Approve Change Order Request #3 from Koury Engineering and Testing, Inc.

Minutes:

Mrs. Rosenberg and Mrs. Cronin-Hurst pulled to inquire about the significant increase over the years, which Dr. Murakawa-Leopard explained.

Motion Passed: Approval is recommended. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst and a second by Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst

Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel

Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

9.B. Accept Developer Fee report for the months of January 2015 through March 2015.

Minutes:

Mrs. Cronin Hurst pulled this item to note the increase in revenue.

Motion Passed: It is recommended the Board of Trustees accept the January 2015 through March 2015 report for receipt of Developer Fees. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst and a second by Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst

Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel

Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

9.C. Declare as indefinite for 2015-2016, Management, Confidential and other unrepresented employee salaries.

Motion Passed: As a result of financial uncertainties, negotiations, legislation and other factors, the governing board hereby declares that all management, confidential and other unrepresented employee salaries are declared indefinite for 2015-16. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin

Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran

Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst

Yes Mr. Bill Fournell

Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

9.D. Approve Williams Quarterly Report.

Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

10. BOARD BUSINESS

10.A. Developing Board Goals for 2015-2016.

Minutes:

Dr. Matthews said that a discussion of LCAP Goals and Board Goals would be on the next Board agenda.

10.B. Approve minutes of the regular Board meeting of March 4, 2015.

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Cochran.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky
Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

10.C. Approve minutes of the regular Board meeting of March 18, 2015.

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mrs. Karen Komatinsky and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Cochran.

Absent Ms. Allison Arvin
Yes Mrs. Jennifer Cochran
Yes Mrs. Christine Cronin-Hurst
Yes Mr. Bill Fournell
Yes Mrs. Karen Komatinsky

Yes Mr. Ryan Patel
Yes Mrs. Ellen Rosenberg

11. SUPERINTENDENT/CABINET REPORT

11.A. 21st Century Consortium Meeting

Minutes:

Dr. Matthews discussed the 21st Century Consortium that took place on April 16-18 at the Belamar Hotel. The next meeting will be held at the New Trier Township High School District in Northfield, Illinois.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

Minutes:

None.

13. ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR FUTURE BOARD DISCUSSION

Minutes:

Benefits Committee report and a report from the Bond Oversight Committee were suggested. Also, the Board requested a list of classes that students have taken at SoCalROC over the past 3 years.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

Mr. Patel moved to adjourn at 8:56 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Cronin-Hurst and unanimously approved by the Board.

15. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

15.A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9, Case Number 2015040532.

15.B. Public Employee Performance Evaluation, per Government Code Section 54957, Superintendent of Schools.

Jennifer Cochran, Clerk

Dr. Michael D, Matthews, Superintendent