

**Moreno Valley USD Minutes**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education**

February 12, 2019 5:01 PM

Closed Session: 5:01 p.m.

Open Session: 7:00 p.m.

Moreno Valley Unified School District  
Board Room  
25634 Alessandro Blvd. Moreno Valley, CA 92553

**Attendance Taken at 5:10 PM:**

Present:

Mrs. Tina Daigneault  
Mr. Jesus Holguin  
Mrs. Claudia Jauregui  
Mr. Cleveland Johnson  
Dr. Martinrex Kedziora  
Dr. Marsha Locke  
Mrs. Maribel Mattox  
Mrs. Susan Smith  
Dr. Robert Verdi

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Minutes:

The Board of Education opened the meeting at 5:10 p.m. to convene into Closed Session to discuss Board Deliberation Regarding Student Discipline Cases; Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Non-Reelects; Conference with Labor Negotiator; Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation; Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation and Settlement of Claims

**A.1. Roll Call**

Minutes:

**Board of Education**

Jesus M. Holguin, President  
Cleveland Johnson, Vice-President  
Marsha Locke, Ed.D., Clerk  
Susan Smith, Member

Claudia Jauregui, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education

**District Administration**

Martinrex Kedziora, Ed.D., Superintendent  
Maribel Mattox, Chief Academic Officer  
Tina Daigneault, Chief Business Official  
Robert Verdi, Ed.D., Chief Human Resources Officer

## **B. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

Minutes:

There were no public comments on closed session agenda items.

## **C. CLOSED SESSION**

Minutes:

The Board of Education convened into Closed Session at 5:12 p.m.

### **C.1. Board Deliberation Regarding Student Discipline Cases Pursuant to Education Code 48912 & 48918 - Student Disciplinary Actions**

#### **C.2. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Non-Reelects Pursuant to Government Code 54957**

**Motion Passed:** Approved the Settlement agreement and Release for Employee # 196913, OAH Case No. 2018090974. Passed with a motion by Mr. Cleveland Johnson and a second by Mrs. Susan Smith.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

#### **C.3. Conference with Labor Negotiator Pursuant to Government Code 54957.6**

Minutes:

Represented Employee Group: Classified School Employees Association (CSEA); Agency Designated Representative: Chief Human Resources Officer and Chief Business Official

Represented Employee Group: Moreno Valley Educators Association (MVEA); Agency Designated Representative: Chief Human Resources and Chief Business Official

#### **C.4. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9**

Minutes:

1 Case

#### **C.5. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9**

#### **C.6. Settlement of Claims Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(b)(1)**

**Motion Passed:** Approved the Settlement Claim No. 539501. Passed with a motion by Dr. Marsha Locke and a second by Mrs. Susan Smith.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

## **D. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION**

Minutes:

The Board of Education reconvened into Open Session at 7:08 p.m.

### **D.1. Roll Call**

Minutes:

#### **Board of Education**

Jesus M. Holguin, President  
Cleveland Johnson, Vice-President  
Marsha Locke, Ed.D., Clerk  
Susan Smith, Member

#### **District Administration**

Martinrex Kedziora, Ed.D., Superintendent  
Maribel Mattox, Chief Academic Officer  
Tina Daigneault, Chief Business Official  
Robert Verdi, Ed.D., Chief Human Resources Officer

### **D.2. Report Out of Closed Session**

Minutes:

Board President Jesus Holguin reported that discussion was held and direction given on Closed Session items, Student Discipline, Public Employee Employment/Appointment, Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal, Conference with Labor Negotiator, Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation and Settlement of Claims.

## **E. OPEN SESSION**

### **E.1. Pledge of Allegiance**

Minutes:

The Pledge of Allegiance and Inspiration was led by Giancarlo Escobar-Navarrete, Student Board Representative from March Mountain.

### **E.2. Dates of Future Board Meetings**

**Motion Passed:** Approved the amended Board Meeting dates for 2019, as presented. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Susan Smith and a second by Dr. Marsha Locke.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin  
Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson  
Yes Dr. Marsha Locke  
Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

### **E.3. Approve or Deny Resolution No. 2018-19-57 Petition for Garvey Allen Visual and Performing Arts Academy for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics**

**Motion Passed:** Approved Resolution No. 2018-19-57 to DENY (approve/deny) the Petition for Garvey/Allen Visual & Performing Arts Academy for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. Passed with a motion by Mr. Cleveland Johnson and a second by Dr. Marsha Locke.

- Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin
- Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson
- Yes Dr. Marsha Locke
- Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

Minutes:

-Community Member spoke of all the positive contributions that she believes GAVPAA STEM will provide to the community and students.

-Community member spoke of her support for Tiffany Gilmore and of her belief in Tiffany Gilmore's leadership skills. She also spoke of her understanding of how charter petitions should work.

-Community member spoke to her concerns in respect to MVUSD's handling of the charter petition.

-Community member said that there is no competition between MVUSD and GAVPAA Charter.

-Community member said that the district has an irrational fear of students getting a good education; an irrational fear of charter schools.

#### **E.4. Superintendent's Report**

Minutes:

Dr. Kedziora shared the District's Mission Statement and the District's 11 Commitments. The Board of Education and Superintendent were given recognition for their outstanding community support to the Next Level Athletic Alliance and The Moreno Valley Bears Youth Football. He highlighted events that occurred such as: Valley View High School in CIF Tournaments for Waterpolo, Soccer and Basketball; Cloverdale student wins the District Spelling Bee; Cyber Patriots teams advance to the national semi-finals; all four high schools are advancing to CIF Masters in Wrestling; STEAM Expo on January 26, 2019 was a huge success with over 1,000 people in attendance; there are 3 schools out of 18 in the nation that are P21 Exemplar Schools designation; the district has recovered nearly \$150,000 in ADA revenue in just two sessions of the Saturday STEAM Academies; District History Day had over 198 students participating; and there were 227 projects entered for the District Science Fair with 35 of those projects are going to the county level.

Facilities update included the School of Arts and Innovation at Moreno Valley High School, construction of solar panels throughout the district and the installation of multi-zone air conditioning and lighting upgrades throughout the district.

In conclusion, Dr. Kedziora shared upcoming events and to inform the community about amazing opportunities for all.

## **E.5. School Reports**

Minutes:

The high school Student Board Representatives gave their school reports at this time.

## **E.6. Recognitions/Communications/Events**

### **E.6.a. Resolution No. 2018-19-55 Black History Month February 2019**

**Motion Passed:** Approved Resolution No. 2018-19-55 Black History Month, February 2019, as presented. Passed with a motion by Mr. Cleveland Johnson and a second by Mrs. Susan Smith.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

### **E.6.b. Resolution No. 2018-19-56 Career and Technical Education Month**

**Motion Passed:** Approved Resolution No. 2018-19-56 Career and Technical Education Month, February 2019, as presented. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Susan Smith and a second by Dr. Marsha Locke.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

### **E.6.c. Resolution No. 2018-19-60 Adopting the Official Proclamation for National School Breakfast Week**

**Motion Passed:** Approved Resolution 2018-19-60 as presented. Passed with a motion by Mr. Cleveland Johnson and a second by Mrs. Susan Smith.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

### **E.6.d. Educational Services Recognitions**

Minutes:

Maribel Mattox, Chief Academic Officer, led the recognition of selected programs, students, staff, and community members for their accomplishments and presented them to the Board.

Champion Equity through attendance with North Ridge Elementary at 96.3% ADA; Landmark Middle School with 96.3% ADA and Valley View High School with 96.3% ADA.

Palm Middle School STEAM Academy Robotic Team-Awards from Legoland The Board of Education recognized Palm Middle School STEAM Academy Robotic Teams: STEAM Dream and STEAM

Pumanators for attending their First Lego League SoCal Championship at LEGOLAND and obtaining the 10th and 12th place out of 60 teams at the tournament. The teams, STEAM Dream and Pumanators, are coached by Kyle Gerhard and Amy Byrd, two teachers at Palm. Palm Middle School Principal, Dr. Mallanie Harris, was on hand to support the teams. Each team also took home individual awards for Core Values and Research Project.

Recognized all middle students with the highest score in ELA and Math for the 2017-18 CAASPP.

Recognized teachers for dedicating their own time to earning 12 quarter units through UCR by attending courses co-designed by UCR and Moreno Valley Unified School District.

Recognized schools for having the highest completion rate of the California College Guidance Initiative Milestones during the first semester of the 2018-2019 school year. Badger Springs at 93%, Moreno Valley High School at 55% and March Valley School at 43%.

Recognized the Moreno Valley Unified School District's High Schools for providing the support needed for students to graduate, obtaining an increase in the graduation rate that exceeds the California average by 6% and surpassed the Riverside County average of 89.9 percent in the 2017-2018 school year.

Recognized the following students who won the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Essay Contest. Casandrah Barcenas, a Junior at Canyon Springs High School and Michelle Chun, a Senior at Moreno Valley High School, were awarded scholarships during the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Breakfast, sponsored by Moreno Valley College and MVUSD. Students were prompted to research and write essays based on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s "The Three Evils of Society" speech in 1967. Student essays addressed the issues in current society and how to address those evils.

#### **E.7. Staff Responses to Public Comments Made at Previous Meetings**

Minutes:

There were no responses to previous public comments.

#### **E.8. Public Comments on Agenda Items**

Minutes:

All public comments made were for the Item E.3 - Approve or Deny Resolution No. 2018-19-57 Petition for Garvey Allen Visual and Performing Arts Academy for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics and spoke during the time when the item was being considered.

#### **E.9. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items**

Minutes:

-Community Member spoke about the track bins at Valley View High School.

They have not been put back since the renovation. No progress has been made since September. The track team should not need to drag all their equipment around. They need to be able to store it on the field. We need a true ETA.

## **F. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion Passed:** Approved the Consent Agenda as presented. Passed with a motion by Mr. Cleveland Johnson and a second by Mrs. Susan Smith.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

### **F.1. SUPERINTENDENT CONSENT ITEMS**

**F.1.a. Minutes of the Organizational/Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of December 11, 2018**

### **F.2. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CONSENT ITEMS**

**F.2.a. Conference Attendance**

**F.2.b. Overnight Field Trips**

### **F.3. BUSINESS SERVICES CONSENT ITEMS**

**F.3.a. Purchase Order List No. 10**

**F.3.b. Contractual Agreements**

**F.3.c. Acceptance of Donations**

**F.3.d. Declaration of Surplus Property**

**F.3.e. Authorization to go to Bid for Temporary Kitchen/Serving Facilities - Canyon Springs and Moreno Valley High Schools**

**F.3.f. Authorization to Piggyback from Val Verde Unified School District's Bid No. 18/19-001 for Office Supplies**

**F.3.g. Award of Request for Proposal No. 18-19-06 - Pre-construction and Lease-Leaseback Services for Moreno Valley and Vista del Lago High Schools Football Fields and Tracks**

**F.3.h. Notice of Completion No. 16-17-28 - Canyon Springs High School Athletic Complex**

**F.3.i. Notice of Completion for Bid No. 17-18-20 - Box Springs Slope Renovation**

### **F.4. HUMAN RESOURCES CONSENT ITEMS**

**F.4.a. Certificated Personnel Report**

**F.4.b. Classified Personnel Report**

**F.4.c. 2018-2019 Salary Schedules and Classifications**

## G. ACTION ITEMS

### G.1. Educational Services Action Items

#### G.1.a. Student Discipline Cases 525-529

**Motion Passed:** Approved actions on Student Disciplinary Cases as presented. Passed with a motion by Dr. Marsha Locke and a second by Mr. Cleveland Johnson.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

#### G.1.b. Approve Low-Performing Students Block Grant Funds Spending Plan

**Motion Passed:** Approved Low-Performing Students Block Grant Funds Spending Plan, as presented. Passed with a motion by Mr. Cleveland Johnson and a second by Dr. Marsha Locke.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

## H. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

### H.1. Business Services Discussion/Action Items

#### H.1.a. Authorization of Parent/Community Booster Clubs

**Motion Passed:** Approved the Authorization for Parent/Community Booster Clubs for 2019 as presented. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Susan Smith and a second by Mr. Cleveland Johnson.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

#### H.1.b. Resolution No. 2018-19-59 of the Board of Education of the Moreno Valley Unified School District Granting Easements Required Under and Concurrent with Power Purchase Agreement Previously Awarded to California Solar 1, LLC, a Subsidiary of Engie Services U.S.

**Motion Passed:** Approved Resolution No. 2018-19-59 as presented. Passed with a motion by Mr. Cleveland Johnson and a second by Mrs. Susan Smith.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith



## H.2. Human Resources Discussion/Action Items

### H.2.a. Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between the Moreno Valley Unified School District and Moreno Valley Educators Association MVEA - Early Notification of Separation Incentive Plan (ENSIP)

**Motion Passed:** Approved the Memorandum of Understanding to offer an Early Notification of Separation Incentive Plan (ENSIP) for the 2018-19 school year. Passed with a motion by Dr. Marsha Locke and a second by Mrs. Susan Smith.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

### H.2.b. Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between the Moreno Valley Unified School District and the Moreno Valley Educators Association for Monetary Incentive For Difficult To Fill Positions In Math, Science and Special Education.

**Motion Passed:** Approved to offer a signing bonus incentive for hard to fill positions in Math, Science and Special Education for the 2018-19 and 2019-20 school year. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Susan Smith and a second by Dr. Marsha Locke.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

### H.2.c. Approve Board Resolution No. 2018-19-28 - Reduction and/or Elimination of Certain Classified Bargaining Unit Positions Effective February 13, 2019.

**Motion Passed:** Approved Resolution No. 2018-19-28 as presented. Passed with a motion by Mr. Cleveland Johnson and a second by Dr. Marsha Locke.

Yes Mr. Jesus Holguin

Yes Mr. Cleveland Johnson

Yes Dr. Marsha Locke

Yes Mrs. Susan Smith

## I. COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS AND SUPERINTENDENT

Minutes:

### Susan Smith

- I'd like to read a short piece from the New York times before I go on and talk about all the wonderful things going on in the district.
- I went to the third annual youth summit. They had workshops on mental health, graduations and many other topics. It was great to be there and to see the kids excited about what they were doing and learning.
- Mr. Johnson and I went over to Badger Springs for a reading night. It was a lot of fun. They had a huge number of families. As a teacher I know how hard it is to get parents to come to these things.

- I'm happy to be here in Moreno Valley and I wish everybody could see the things that I see.

### **Dr. Marsha Locke**

- I really want to make a special note on the powerful message I felt was portrayed on the video about the student at Vista del Lago and that was enrolled in the CTE Program, especially a note about the instructor and how he focused on the student and what he was capable of doing.
- Last but not least I want to commend the superintendent, board, cabinet and site staff for the focus on visual and performing arts, to see what is happening in the district and the students being given the opportunity to participate makes a difference.

### **Cleveland Johnson**

- I do want to congratulate all the students that came up tonight and all their teachers and principals. Sometimes we take this for granted. Just know that those students should be very proud and happy to be receiving those awards. I like to see these recognitions.
- Thank you again, Dr. Kedziora for making sure that we recognize all those folks that make sure our students succeed.
- I thought I knew everything that was to be known about the "Footsteps to Freedom" but I didn't. It is very educational.

### **Jesus Holquin**

- I take the administration's work that took place regarding the charter petition seriously as well as the professionals. We had both teams come to the same conclusion. We were properly informed to make the decision that we made tonight and I think that we made the right decision.
- I just want to say that the work that the district does for every student is amazing. Our students are receiving proper services. There is always room for improvement, yes, but I do not think there is a distinction between what services offered to certain groups of students versus others.
- We have active participation in the Friends of Forensics Competition. We are looking to include elementary children at least at a basic level.
- I went to CSHS a couple weeks ago to a math literacy night and I was a bit disappointed in the lack of parent attendance.
- Dr. Kedziora did a great job in portraying the message of the connection between the school district and the Salvation Army and how that helps our families. I just wanted to say congratulations and good job.
- I also want to say congratulations on the award that you received this past Saturday presented to you by the African-American Coalition and that it shows that people see all the great work you do for everyone in the community. It just proves once again all the good that you are doing.

### **Dr. Martinrex Kedziora**

- I want to thank the board and the cabinet for being there to support me for that award. I want to thank the African-American Coalition for selecting me because it is a great honor.
- I want to address some of the concerns brought forth by the GAVPAA Charter in regards to MVUSD. Regarding us having a low rate of reclassification, we

recently received an award on how well we are doing in regards to reclassification.

- Another comment was made regarding the access to college, and I know that we still have work to do but there is a lot of progress being made.
- The other comment made about the suspensions of black and brown students. That is simply not true that there are 6 times more suspensions. We have received 31 awards from PBIS because we have been lowering suspension rates.
- There is much to do and we are continuing to work on that. And I want the public to know that we do care about all our students and work to help everyone.
- You have to know that you have a board of education that cares and that they are here to support the students.
- I want to congratulate all of our teams on the hard work they have done to get to the level they are at.

## **J. ADJOURNMENT**

Minutes:

With no further business to come before the Board of Education, the meeting was adjourned at 10:28 p.m.