

MINUTES

**MENDOTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

Wednesday, September 26, 2018
Regular Board Meeting Beginning at 6:00 P.M.
Mendota High School Library
1282 Belmont Avenue, Mendota, CA 93640

MINUTES

1.0 CALL TO ORDER 6:00PM

2.0 ROLL CALL

1. Alma Durazo	Present	5. Angelic Salinas	Present
2. Lupe Flores	Present	6. Raul S. Varela	Arrived 6:01pm
3. Isabel Maldonado	Present	7. Jose C. Zavala	Arrived 6:02pm
4. Adrian Perez	Present	8. Marvin Cornejo, Student Board Member	Absent

3.0 FLAG SALUTE & RECOGNITION: Nicolas Zarate, Mendota Continuation High School graduate led the flag salute.

4.0 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR:

5.0 APPROVAL OF OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA FOR: September 26, 2018 Motion was made by Raul Varela to approve the agenda with Jose Zavala seconding the motion. Motion passed with a roll call vote of 7-0).

(The Board may add an item to the agenda if, upon two-thirds vote, the Board finds that there is a need for immediate action on the matter and the need came to the attention of the District after the posting of this agenda.)

6.0 POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

(Any Trustee who has a potential conflict of interest may now identify the item and recuse himself/herself from discussing and voting on the matter.) [FPPC §87105] NONE

7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

(This is an opportunity for the members of the public to address the Board on any matter related to the District. The District Secretary has forms that may be filled out and given back to the District Secretary. In accordance with District Policy, members of the public are asked to keep their comments to four (4) minutes or less.) NONE

8.0 REPORT(S) – INFORMATION ONLY

California Consulting Update

Ms. Ann Vermel

Ms. Vermel introduced herself to the board as a grant writer from California Consulting. She is searching and writing grants for the district. She shared that she gives Dr. Lopez monthly reports on the different grants available. Ms. Vermel mentioned there is one grant pending for the district, which is a grant for the purchase of an Electric School Bus.

Mendota Alternative Education – Action Plan Review

Mrs. Rebecca Gamez

Mrs. Gamez gave a brief update on what is going on at her site and what future plans are for her site.

Washington Elementary School – Action Plan Review

Mrs. Rhyanna Cervantes

Mrs. Cervantes gave an update on what her site is doing and her goals for her school site this school year.

9.0 CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion was made by Lupe Flores to approve the Consent Calendar with Jose Zavala seconding the motion. Motion Passed with a roll call vote of 7-0.

(All Consent Calendar items are considered to be routine action items and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered following approval of the Consent Calendar.)

- 9.1** Approved for Mendota High School Cross Country team to hold a community 5K fundraiser on November 10, 2018 at Mendota High School.
- 9.2** Approved of Compliance Letter between the Foundation for California Community Colleges (College Next) and Mendota Unified School District.
- 9.3** Approved of the Contract Agreement between Fresno County Superintendent of Schools and Mendota Unified School District for Migrant Saturday Core Academy Transportation effective October 6, 2018-November 3, 2018.
- 9.4** Approved to hold a surplus property sale Saturday, October 13, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Auction will be at the Annex/Warehouse behind the District Office.
- 9.5** Approved of overnight trip for Mendota Junior High MESA to attend the Catalina Island Marine Institute, October 30-November 2, 2018.
- 9.6** Approved of payment to Lozano Smith, LLP, Attorneys at Law, for services rendered not to exceed \$709.00.
- 9.7** Approved of payment to Lozano Smith, LLP, Attorneys at Law, for services rendered not to exceed \$3,970.752.
- 9.8** **Approved of Warrants:**
#512138851-#512138876 #512141859-#512141894 #512140842-#512140872
#512139779-#512139801 #512143054-#512143090
- 10.0** **ACTION ITEMS: Motion was made by Lupe Flores to approve Action Items with Isabel Maldonado seconding the motion. Motion Passed with a roll call vote of 7-0.**
- 10.1** Considered and Approved of playground purchase for the new Pre-School location at 195 Smoot Avenue.

11.0 **TRUSTEE RECOGNITION AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Board Presentation and Recognition is for the purpose of recognizing district staff, parents and community organizations for exemplary services on behalf of our students while sharing school-related activities, school visitations, conference attended, or meetings scheduled. The items discussed will not result in any Board action

- *Isabel Maldonado—Thank administration for an outstanding job working with the students, especially Mrs. Gamez at the Mendota Alternative Education.*
- *Alma Durazo—Thanked administration as well.*
- *Raul Varela—Mr. Varela asked regarding funding for trees. Dr. Lopez will double check on this issue tomorrow. Mr. Varela also shared with the board that at the Cobra game there was a lot of people in the press box. He would like it if someone could call coordinator of program and suggest that maybe only announcer and scorekeeper can be in the press box. He is concerned over the equipment. Dr. Lopez will contact Mr. Dino Perez regarding this issue.*
- *Adrian Perez—Mr. Perez went on site visits. He said good things are happening at MES. He said teachers are on top of it. MES also allows teachers have freedom to create their own schedule but still keeping with the instructional minutes. Mr. Perez said also McCabe Elementary 3rd grade teachers are each teaching Math different but still keeping with the standards. He also mentioned that at MHS he was impressed with Ms. Fraga’s math class. He said not a minute is wasted in instructional time.*
- *Jose Zavala—Thanked everyone for doing their job.*
- *Lupe Flores—Attended the MHS Rally. She said it was a great rally. She said she spoke to Mr. Dutcher and asked him about his student mechanic. Mr. Dutcher said he ranked 10 out of 50 students at National. She also mentioned that October 4th is Bring Your Bible to School Day.*

12.0 REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

- ❖ Invitation to Trustees Dinner October 16th at 7:00pm in Firebaugh.
- ❖ Spring Dinner at Portuguese Hall in Fresno.
- ❖ October 10th at next board meeting will be Recognition Dinner for Retirees and new employees.
- ❖ McCabe Modernization-couple weeks ahead of schedule. Parking Lot should be ready by mid to late October.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION 8:30pm

- 13.1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**
Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §54957, subdivision (b).
- 13.2 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT**
Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §54957, subdivision (b).
- 13.3 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE**
Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §54957, subdivision (b).
- 13.4 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR(S)**
❖ California School Employees Association (CSEA)

14.0 RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

- 15.0 ADJOURNMENT (Isabel Maldonado made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:08pm with Adrian Perez seconding the motion. Motion passed with a roll call vote of 7-0).**

Clerk of the Board

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