

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
LA MESA-SPRING VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING: November 3, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. at the Education Service Center by the President, Dr. Turner.

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Board members present: Baber, Duff, Halgren, Turner, Winet

Board members absent: None

Staff members present on assignment: Bender, Marshall, Martinez, Yoshihara, Walker

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Halgren, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 5, 2010, as presented.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Copy of the Agreement between CSEA, Chapter 419, and Board of Education

Personnel Commission Annual Report for 2009-2010

Memo from Claudia Bender, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, regarding a correction to HR-2, Standard Recommendations, regarding termination of a classified employee from a position title.

PowerPoint for Budget Update Report

PowerPoint for Personnel Commission Report

Invitation to Jackson Park Playground Grand Re-Opening

**AGENDA**

It was moved by Halgren, seconded by Duff, and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

**HEARING SESSION**

The President announced a hearing for anyone who wished to address the Board on any topic relating to public education.

Melanie Carter, Parent, Murdock Elementary School, expressed concern regarding budget cuts.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

**MINUTES**  
Approved as presented

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Agrmt. between CSEA and Board of Education

Personnel Commission Annual Report

C. Bender, Asst. Supt., HR  
Correction to HR-2

Budget Update PowerPoint

Personnel Commission PowerPoint

Jackson Park Re-opening

**AGENDA**

Approved as presented

**HEARING(S)**

General Education matters

M. Carter, Parent, MUR  
Budget cuts

Jay Steiger, Parent, Murdock Elementary School, expressed hope the district can look at an effective business model that includes a low-cost way of helping students. Mr. Steiger also congratulated those returning Board members on their recent election victory and stated he looks forward to continuing to work with the District.

J. Steiger, Parent, MUR  
Election and budget

The President announced a hearing for anyone who wished to address the Board relating to the Agreement Between California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 419, and the Board of Education. There being no one wishing to address the Board, the session was closed.

Agreement between CSEA and  
Board of Education

**HUMAN RESOURCES RECOMMENDATIONS**

It was moved by Halgren, seconded by Baber, and carried unanimously to approve the Agreement between California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 419, and the Board of Education.

**Agmt. between CSEA and  
Board of Education**  
Approved

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD**

**REPORTS**

Education Code section 45266 and Personnel Commission Rules and Regulations 20.400.3 require an annual report which reviews the activities of the Personnel Commission during the preceding year. Dr. T.R. Lin, Director, Classified Personnel, presented a summary of the 2009-10 annual report and responded to clarifying questions.

Personnel Commission Report

The Governor signed the budget on October 8, 2010, (100 days after it was due). It was noted the Governor line-item vetoed funding for AB 3632 (mental health services) which will now be challenged through the courts. There was discussion regarding election and proposition results, Governor Brown’s education plan, and the economic outlook (national and local labor force, real estate and consumer confidence statistics). Major changes from the May Revision to the Final 2010-11 Budget were highlighted and there was discussion regarding cash flow and state deferrals (10 so far this year). David Yoshihara, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, presented information regarding the budget and responded to clarifying questions.

Budget Update

**NEW BUSINESS**

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It was moved by Winet, seconded by Halgren, and carried unanimously to schedule the Board’s Organizational meeting on December 7, 2010.

**Board Organizational mtg.**  
Scheduled for 12/7/10

It was moved by Halgren, seconded by Winet , and carried unanimously to approve the following:

**Consent Calendar**  
Approved

Purchase Orders E21049 through E21379 totaling \$1,414,055.15

Purchase Orders

Warrants September 23, 2010 through October 20, 2010 totaling \$707,326.45

Warrants

Expenditures in the amount of \$101.30

Revolving Cash Fund  
Reimbursements from the  
General Fund

Travel of the person listed as attached

Travel

Ratification to Reaward 18 Items from Bid # FB9-09/10 for food staples, dry goods and refrigerated and frozen foods

Reaward items from food bid

Acceptance of SB 564 Financial Disclosure

SB 564 Financial Disclosure

Ratification to enter into a Renewed Lease Agreement with Alpha Kappa Alpha Head Start at Casa de Oro Elementary School

Renewed lease with Alpha  
Kappa Alpha Head Start at  
CDO

It was moved by Halgren, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to submit to the California Department of Education the 2009-10 Application for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (AARA) Title I, Part A Funding.

**200910 AARA Application,  
Title I Part A Funding**  
Authorized

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to accept the following gifts with thanks: \$1000.00 from the Jesus CEO Foundation to Kempton Elementary to be used to purchase classroom supplies; \$1000.00 from the Lindstrom Family Trust to La Mesa Dale Elementary to be used for school assemblies; and \$3465.00 from Murray Manor Elementary School PTA to Murray Manor Elementary to be used for school assemblies.

**Gifts – KEM, LMD & MUM**  
Accepted with thanks

It was moved by Halgren, seconded by Duff, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to conduct student excursions throughout the year with Spring Valley Middle School Band.

**Student excursions –  
SVMS Band**  
Authorized

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Halgren, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to develop, submit, and implement a Subaru Healthy Sprouts Award.

**Subaru Healthy Sprouts  
Award**  
Authorized

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Halgren, and carried unanimously to approve the 2010-2011 Single Plans for Student Achievement.

**2010-11 Single Plans**  
Approved

It was moved by Halgren, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Vocabulary Assessment Study in Education.

**MOU with Vocabulary  
Assessment Study in Ed.**  
Authorized

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to enter into a Special Education Master Contract with NewBridge School.

**Special Education Master  
Contract w/NewBridge School**  
Authorized

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES RECOMMENDATIONS (cont.)**

It was moved by Halgren, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to approve standard Human Resources recommendations as amended to include four additional Lecturer/Presenter and/or Short-Term Employment forms.

**Human Resources  
Recommendations**  
Approved as amended

It was moved by Halgren, seconded by Duff, and carried unanimously to approve the following teacher assignment per Education Code Section 44258.3: Karen Dingwall – One period of Pre-Algebra at La Mesa Middle School.

**Teacher Assignment**  
Approved

It was moved by Halgren, seconded by Duff, and carried unanimously to certify the following managers as competent to evaluate teachers: Julie Bankes, Principal, Loma Elementary; and Tylene Hicks, Vice Principal, La Presa Middle School.

**Managers as competent to  
evaluate teachers**  
Certified

It was moved by Halgren, seconded by Baber, and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 10-11-11, eliminating the 100 percent (100%) FTE Human Resources Analyst classified position.

**Res. 11, Elimination of FTE  
for HR Analyst position**  
Adopted

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS, COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD**

Mr. Duff announced the Fifth Annual Intergenerational Games event was held at La Mesa Middle School on October 14 and, in addition to 75-80 children and 35-40 adults, was attended by Supervisor Dianne Jacob, Mayor Art Madrid, and Councilmembers Mark Arapostathis and Dave Allan. Philip Duff and Yvette Lewis, Olympic medal winners, were inspirational speakers.

Mr. Duff announced Dr. Roberta Flynn, American Red Cross, made a presentation on training for *Coping in Today's World* and what to do in stressful situations. Mr. Duff suggested this could be considered for teacher training at the middle school level.

Mr. Duff further announced he recently met with the Wellness Committee who is looking developing a policy regarding foods served in school and brought from home, as well as physical activities for children.

Mr. Baber announced the success of the Third Annual "Sustain La Mesa" Environmental Festival and Literacy/Art Contest. Mr. Baber commended Ronda Wood, Coordinator, Extended School Services, for her assistance in coordinating the Literacy and Art Contest.

Dr. Turner announced she visited a Special Education school in Tijuana last week with a group of educators. The school teaches daily living skills to students ages 14-22 and is supported by parent donations, grants and the business community (federal government only funds teacher salaries).

Dr. Turner announced she was invited to hear Diane Ravitch, education historian, speak locally on education reform from the bottom up and privatizing public education.

Mr. Duff announced he saw the film, *Waiting for Superman*, and was not impressed.

The Superintendent announced he is working with the County of San Diego to renovate the existing football field at La Presa Middle School through grants for which the County has applied. The District would have sole use of the sports fields during the instructional day, allowing the County to use it outside the school day. The Superintendent will bring an agreement to the Board for ratification in December.

The Superintendent reported that Kathleen Brand, a District parent, is interested in developing the area behind Highlands Park, near La Mesa Middle School, and reintroducing native plant species through grant funding. Ms. Brand believes this area can eventually be used to educate students on the benefits of native vegetation, water conservation etc. Mr. Baber suggested a letter be written to the La Mesa Environmental Sustainability Commission, requesting the City work with Ms. Brand on this project.

At 9:35 p.m. the President announced a recess.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 9:48 p.m. the President called for a closed session to discuss Negotiations Update – LMSV Teachers Association; Negotiations Update – California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 419; Negotiations Update – Administrators Association and Other Unrepresented Bargaining Groups; Potential Litigation – two cases; and Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release. The Superintendent; Board; and Assistant Superintendents Business, Human Resources and Learning Support adjourned to the session, which was held in the Boardroom.

At 10:41 the President reconvened the meeting and announced the Board took the following action in closed session:

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Halgren, and carried unanimously to suspend a certificated employee for two (2) days (File 11-03-10-01).

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 p.m.

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Brian Marshall, Secretary to the Board of Education

Approved and ordered into the proceedings of the District at the next regular meeting of the Board of Education to be held December 7, 2010.

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Bill Baber, Clerk of the Board of Education