

MURRIETA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
June 18, 2020**

PURSUANT TO GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20
THIS MEETING WAS HELD AS A TELECONFERENCE MEETING
OBSERVERS WERE ABLE TO VIEW THE MEETING LIVESTREAMED VIA THE DISTRICT'S WEBSITE

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Linda Lunn called the Regular Teleconference Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 3:00 p.m.

A.1 Establishment of Quorum

President Lunn confirmed that a quorum was established with all board members in attendance.

A.2 Public Comment regarding Closed Session Item(s)

None

B. CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned into Closed Session teleconference to discuss the following items:

B.1 Conference with Legal Counsel - Potential Litigation

Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9 (d)(2), the Board met with legal counsel to discuss potential litigation.

B.2 Conference with Labor Negotiators

Pursuant to Government Code 54957.6, the Board met with designated district representatives to discuss labor negotiations with the Murrieta Educators Association and California School Employees Association - Murrieta Chapter 223.

C. PUBLIC SESSION

C.1 Call to Order / Establishment of Quorum

President Lunn reconvened the meeting into public session at 5:00 p.m. Mrs. Lunn stated that votes will be conducted by roll call and provided instructions on how to present comments for the record. She proceeded to conduct a roll call to establish a quorum.

Establishment of Quorum – Roll Call:

Present: Kenneth Dickson – Trustee Area 3
Paul Diffley – Trustee Area 5
Linda Lunn – Trustee Area 4
Oscar Rivas – Trustee Area 1
Kris Thomasian – Trustee Area 2

Absent: None

Mrs. Lunn stated that the meeting was being audio recorded.

C. PUBLIC SESSION (continued)

Staff Members Present

Patrick Kelley, Superintendent/Secretary to the Board
Bill Olien, Deputy Superintendent, Business and Operations
Mary Walters, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Julie Diaz, Executive Assistant

Employee Organization Representatives Present

Kim Binning-Chevlin, President, Murrieta Educators Association

C.2 Report Out of Closed Session

President Lunn reported that no action was taken during the Closed Session discussion with labor negotiations

C.3 Pledge of Allegiance

Board member Kenneth Dickson lead the Pledge of Allegiance

C.4 Approval of Agenda

Action Taken: Motion by Paul Diffley / Second by Kris Thomasian. Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes	Kenneth Dickson
Yes	Paul Diffley
Yes	Linda Lunn
Yes	Oscar Rivas
Yes	Kris Thomasian

C.5 Communications

a. Public Comment

Chrissy Thomas-Kelley submitted a statement that expressed concern that the district will be using Microsoft Office 365 as the platform for hybrid and distance learning. She is requesting that the district allow staff to use both Google and Office 365 platforms in order to realize the full benefits each platform offers.

Shelia Barnett inquired as to which impartial third party has the Murrieta Valley Unified School District Board hired to look at the investigation results, or be involved in the investigation, given the closeness of these racist accusations to the district regarding the group chat.

Aneita Benson submitted a statement saying she would like to see more African American teachers and administrators in all the schools. She would also like to see a change to the one-sided lessons in all subjects and have her children learn about their roots history. She cited discoveries that African Americans have made to improve our daily lives, such as refrigeration, peanut butter, space travel and the traffic light. She asked at what juncture can we see a change in our schools without having to suffer.

Stephanie Holloway's statement addressed the FAIR Act and its need for implementation in our schools in order for students to learn about people from all walks of life. She states that all students and groups of people listed in the FAIR Act are not being represented in instruction.

C.5 Communications (continued)

b. Employee Organizations Communication

Kimberley Binning-Chevlin, President of the Murrieta Educators Association said they anticipate negotiating the impacts of working in this environment will be a difficult task but are committed to work hand and hand with the district during this process. Mrs. Binning-Chevlin stated that MEA supports racial equity and efforts to ensure that every MVUSD student has equitable opportunities and outcomes. She said MEA will ensure staff due process rights are protected and is hopeful that the independent investigation will bring some sense of peace and closure for those involved.

c. Superintendent Communication

Superintendent Kelley stated that in the last several weeks there has been an important amplification of voices from people who have shared an experience of disrespect, disengagement, and dismissal from our organization. He said we have heard from our community that change must happen in our attitudes, practices, and systems for individuals and the organization. Mr. Kelley reported that district has asked the law firm of Best, Best and Krieger to conduct an independent investigation regarding claims of racism and injustice. He said many specific actions and outcomes will emerge over the next several weeks that will be shared publicly with our stakeholders.

d. Board Member Communication

Board member Oscar Rivas said this current environment in our nation and community has caused him to reflect quite a bit and asked to present his comments at the conclusion of the African American Parent Advisory Council presentation.

Board member Kenneth Dickson said these are unsettled and challenging times and he is grateful for the steps staff has already taken to bring resources to the voices being raised.

Board member Paul Diffley said he supports the Superintendent and his quest toward involving so many different groups and individuals in solving some of the issues that have come to our attention. He stated that we have a very good school district and by listening and adapting to those suggestions that are valid provide opportunities to improve and make our school district better.

Board member Kris Thomasian reported she has had the opportunity as a member of CSBA's Delegate Assembly to attend many virtual meetings regarding the opening of schools. She encouraged her fellow Board members to log on to the webinars presented by CSBA to gain valuable insight from experts regarding the budget and learning opportunities for our students during this time.

Board member Linda Lunn said she was honored to be included in the virtual meeting with three former students who presented a call to action to the district. She stated that she will hold her comments until after African American Parent Advisory Council report.

C.6 African-American Parent Advisory Council report

Mrs. Natalee Hartwell, African-American Parent Advisory Council (AAPAC) Leadership Team member presented concerns stemming from racism, acts of collusion and the continuously not addressing concerns brought to the administration and staff. She said the list of concerns were the result of the collaboration of AAPAC leaders, parents, stakeholders, and staff.

C.6 African-American Parent Advisory Council report (continued)

Mrs. Hartwell outlined expectations and recommendations gathered from the collaboration that include; discipline consequences for any staff based on the results of the independent investigation, creation of MVUSD Race Relations Task Force, implementation of an independent reporting app or tip line, discipline matrix that includes racism, hiring personnel that reflect the diverse student, families, and community, provide staff with explicit direction on how to address racism, MVUSD curriculum committee to incorporate more African-American content, changes to VMHS administration, continued district focus on equity and professional development to include training on anti-black and anti-racial topics.

Board member Oscar Rivas stated that he is one hundred percent invested in appropriate change and necessary actions to achieve growth and development. He said he has been given the opportunity to represent those that he is serving and will represent all students. He said racism is a stumbling block for growth and development and he would take this opportunity to walk hand in hand with AAPAC to make a difference and grow together.

Board member Kenneth Dickson remarked that the AAPAC presentation provided an abundance of information to absorb and that we all have things to learn. He said he will continue to be an agent for change in his role on the School Board. Mr. Dickson praised the staff for the steps taken to reach out to the community to gather all the information necessary to be the district we aspire to be.

Board member Paul Diffley thanked Mrs. Hartwell for sharing the results of the AAPAC community survey and investigation. He said he very much appreciated the thoughts and expectations that were provided and is confident the district will be able to implement many of their recommendations.

Board member Kris Thomasian thanked Mrs. Hartwell for her wonderful presentation, saying the information was sometimes difficult to hear but much needed to be able to enact change. She said she appreciates that the students, parents, and community have taken the time to share their honest concerns with the AAPAC and is looking forward to partnering with our community to make tangible changes for the betterment of everyone.

Board member Linda Lunn thanked Mrs. Hartwell and all members of the AAPAC Leadership team who contributed to the presentation. Mrs. Lunn stated that curriculum needs to be reassessed to incorporate much more diverse content and African America content. She said she is encouraged that the AAPAC group will be working hand in hand with the district on our systems and curriculum. Mrs. Lunn stated that she has committed herself to parent engagement for change in the district and to support all our students that need it most.

C.7 Reopening Schools Update

Staff Presenters: Patrick Kelley, Superintendent; Bill Olien, Deputy Superintendent; Mary Walters, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services; Leigh Lockwood, Executive Director, Human Resources; Faythe Mutchnick-Jayx, Executive Director, Elementary Education; Jennifer Schriver, Executive Director, Secondary Education; Zhanna Preston, Executive Director, Special Education; Howard Dimler, Executive Director, Student Support.

C.7 Reopening Schools Update (continued)

Task force leaders provided information relating to coronavirus mitigation steps being taken to facilitate the reopening of schools in the fall while keeping students, staff, and the community safe. Educational Services staff presented overview information on the learning options for families to choose from for the 2020/21 school year and highlighted Leading Edge Certification training for staff to learn strategies to deliver quality educational materials in the virtual environment.

C.8 Adoption of Resolution No. 19/20-33 Ordering a Consolidated Governing Board Member Biennial Election on November 3, 2020, Specifications of the Election Order, and Request for Consolidation

Action Taken: Motion by Paul Diffley / Second by Kris Thomasian. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

C.9 Certification of Authorized Agents for the 2020/21 School Year

Action Taken: Motion by Kenneth Dickson / Second by Oscar Rivas. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

The following personnel serve as authorized agents to sign contract documents and other legal documents on behalf of the school district for the 2020/21 school year:

- Patrick Kelley, Superintendent
- William C. Olien, Deputy Superintendent
- Darren Daniel, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
- Mary Walters, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
- Stacy Matusek, Chief Financial Officer

The following personnel serve as authorized agents to sign revolving cash/clearing account for the 2020/21 school year:

- Patrick Kelley, Superintendent
- William C. Olien, Deputy Superintendent
- Darren Daniel, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
- Mary Walters, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
- Stacy Matusek, Chief Financial Officer
- Dawn M. Cherry, Director, Fiscal Services
- Kerri Moreno, Accounting Supervisor
- Alyssa Breckon, Payroll Supervisor

C.10 Approval of Minutes

Action Taken: Motion by Kris Thomasian / Second by Paul Diffley to approve the Board of Education minutes of the May 14, 2020 Regular Meeting and May 28, 2020 Special Meeting as presented. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

D. CONSENT CALENDAR

Action Taken: Motion by Paul Diffley / Second by Kenneth Dickson to approve the Consent calendar as presented. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

D.1 Ratification of Report of Purchases and Warrants Issued

Report of purchases from April 28, 2020 through May 29, 2020, and warrants issued on claim numbers X183028 through X183490 in the amount of \$5,584,691.60.

D.2 Approval of University Agreements with Brandman University, California Baptist University, California State University Fullerton, California State University San Bernardino

E. HUMAN RESOURCES

E.1 Approval of Personnel Report

Action Taken: Motion by Kris Thomasian / Second by Paul Diffley. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Abstain Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

RELEASES – CERTIFICATED AND CLASSIFIED

Employee # – Effective Date	Employee # – Effective Date	Employee # – Effective Date
288875-6/05/2020	242814- 6/08/2020	188820-6/30/2020
143290-6/30/2020	186267-6/29/2020	092940-6/08/2020
268821-6/05/2020	068105-6/30/2020	059816-6/08/2020
147594-6/30/2020	177640-6/08/2020	136894-6/08/2020
163591-6/30/2020	056340-6/08/2020	114698-6/08/2020

E. HUMAN RESOURCES (continued)

E.2 Approval of 2020/21 Certificated and Classified Staffing Plans

Action Taken: Motion by Paul Diffley / Second by Kris Thomasian. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

E.3 Approval of Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators for the 2020/21 School Year

Action Taken: Motion by Kenneth Dickson / Second by Paul Diffley. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

E.4 Authorization for Speech Pathologist to be employed under Education Code 44831

Brittani Adams	Jessica Bozarth	Ashley Crutchley
Jennifer Geary	Tessa Jansen	Annette Macher
Elizabeth Morrison	Jaclyn Shasha	Samantha Tuten
Heidi Zinn		

Action Taken: Motion by Oscar Rivas / Second by Paul Diffley. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

E.5 Assignment of High School Teachers to teach in a departmentalized classroom per Education Code 44263

Brad Stein	English
Molly Sovacool	American Sign Language

Action Taken: Motion by Kris Thomasian / Second by Kenneth Dickson. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

E. HUMAN RESOURCES (continued)

E.6 Authorization for Specified Credentialed Teachers to teach Physical Education one period per day

Molly Sovacool	American Sign Language
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Action Taken: Motion by Paul Diffley / Second by Kenneth Dickson. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

E.7 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with the Riverside County Office of Education for their Education Specialist District Intern Program

Action Taken: Motion by Kenneth Dickson / Second by Oscar Rivas. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

E.8 Second Reading and Adoption of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy BP 6142.7-Physical Education

Action Taken: Motion by Paul Diffley / Second by Kris Thomasian. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

E.9 First Reading of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy BP 4119.21 - Professional Standards/Code of Ethics

The Board received the above policy for first reading. No changes were recommended.

F. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

F.1 Adoption of Resolution No. 19/20-34 Approving the 2020/21 California Department of Education Child Development Contract CSPP-0388 to Provide State Preschool Services and Authorize Designated Personnel to Sign Contract Document for Fiscal Year 2020/21

Action Taken: Motion by Paul Diffley / Second by Kris Thomasian. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

F. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (continued)

F.2 Approval of COVID-19 Operations Written Report explaining changes to program offerings made in response to school closures to address the COVID-19 emergency and the major impacts on students and families.

Action Taken: Motion by Kenneth Dickson / Second by Kris Thomasian. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

F.3 Approval of New High School Course Outlines

Action Taken: Motion by Paul Diffley / Second by Kris Thomasian. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

New Courses:

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| 2358: Math Applications and Interpretations IB SL | 7915: Studio Art III |
| 2359: Math Analysis and Approaches IB SL | 7921: Sport Medicine Fundamentals |
| 5544: Inclusive Peer Mentoring | 7922: Construction Technology 1 |
| 7723: Automotive Service Technician I | 7933: Kinesiology - Sports Medicine |
| 7724: Automotive Service Technician II | 7959: Sport Medicine - Clinical Practicum |
| 7725: Automotive Service Technician III | 7996: Fire Science Technology 2 |
| 7913: Studio Art II | |

F.4 Approval of Canvas Learning Management System

Action Taken: Motion by Kris Thomasian / Second by Oscar Rivas. Motion passed by the following vote:

- Yes Kenneth Dickson
- Yes Paul Diffley
- Yes Linda Lunn
- Yes Oscar Rivas
- Yes Kris Thomasian

F.5 Instructional Minutes for 2020/21 school year

The Board received this information for review.

G. BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS

G.1 Public Hearing regarding the proposed Murrieta Valley Unified School District Budget for Fiscal Year 2020/21

President Lunn opened the public hearing at 7:10 p.m. and asked if any written public comments or questions had been submitted. Not having received any written comments or questions, she closed the hearing at 7:11 p.m.

G. BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS (continued)

G.2 Adoption of the 2020/21 Fiscal Year Budget for the Murrieta Valley Unified School District and Certification of Review of Budget in Accordance with State Adopted Criteria and Standards

Bill Olien, Deputy Superintendent reviewed the key components of the district's 2020/21 proposed budget. The report shows proposed budget revenues of \$251,350,776 and expenditures totaling \$258,457,548. Mr. Olien stated that the 2020/21 proposed budget and multi-year projections indicate that the district will be able to meet its financial obligations for the budget year and the 2021/22 fiscal year. However, due to current budgeting factors including unfunded Cost of Living Adjustments and proration factors to the Local Control Funding Formula, the 2022/23 multi-year projection demonstrates a negative ending fund balance.

Action Taken: Motion by Paul Diffley / Second by Kris Thomasian. Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes Kenneth Dickson
Yes Paul Diffley
Yes Linda Lunn
Yes Oscar Rivas
Yes Kris Thomasian

G.3 Adoption of Resolution No. 19/20-35 Authorizing the Education Protection Account Requirements

Action Taken: Motion by Kenneth Dickson / Second by Kris Thomasian. Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes Kenneth Dickson
Yes Paul Diffley
Yes Linda Lunn
Yes Oscar Rivas
Yes Kris Thomasian

G.4 Approval of Resolution No. 19/20-36 Adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Demolition, Reconstruction, and Expansion of the Existing Murrieta Canyon Academy Campus, and Approval of the Project

Action Taken: Motion by Kenneth Dickson / Second by Oscar Rivas. Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes Kenneth Dickson
Yes Paul Diffley
Yes Linda Lunn
Yes Oscar Rivas
Yes Kris Thomasian

G. BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS (continued)

G.5 Adoption of Resolution No. 19/20-37 Authorizing and Providing for the Levying of Special Taxes within various Community Facilities Districts

Action Taken: Motion by Kris Thomasian / Second by Paul Diffley. Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes Kenneth Dickson
Yes Paul Diffley
Yes Linda Lunn
Yes Oscar Rivas
Yes Kris Thomasian

G.6 Approval of Resolution No. 19/20-38 Adopting and Approving the Associate Membership Agreement Joining the Education Technology Joint Powers Authority

Action Taken: Motion by Oscar Rivas / Second by Paul Diffley. Motion passed by the following vote:

Yes Kenneth Dickson
Yes Paul Diffley
Yes Linda Lunn
Yes Oscar Rivas
Yes Kris Thomasian

G.7 Review of Associated Student Body Financial Reports for the quarter ended March 31, 2020

The Board received this report for review

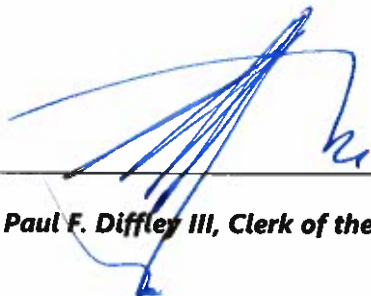
H. CLOSED SESSION

None

I. ADJOURNMENT

President Lunn adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Approved by the Governing Board August 27, 2020



Paul F. Diffley III, Clerk of the Board