

MURRIETA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING
July 29, 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 Special Teleconference Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 1:30 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

None

B CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned into closed session to discuss the following item:

B.1 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 2:01 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
Linda Lunn – Trustee Area 4
Oscar Rivas – Trustee Area 1
Kris Thomasian – Trustee Area 2

Absent: Paul Diffley – Trustee Area 5 (due to technical difficulties)

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

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

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 Approval of Agenda

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

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

C.4 Public Comment regarding Meeting Agenda Item(s)

None

Arrival of Board Member: Mr. Diffley’s connection to the meeting was restored at 2:04 p.m.

C.5 Superintendent Communication

Superintendent Patrick Kelley reported that the 2020/21 school year will begin on August 14, 2020 in a virtual environment for all students, pursuant to the Governor’s orders issued July 17, 2020. Mr. Kelley outlined the key features of the virtual learning model, pointing out that it will be much more rigorous than the emergency distance learning model was last spring.

C.6 Second Reading and adoption of Proposed New Board Policy: BP 0470 - COVID-19 Mitigation Plan

Action Taken: Motion by Paul Diffley / 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

D. HUMAN RESOURCES

D.1 Approval of Personnel Report

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

D.1 Approval of Personnel Report (continued)

Type: R = Replacement G = Growth

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL – NEW HIRE

Name:	Amanda Dabbous	Effective Date:	7/20/2020	Type:	R
Position:	Teacher – Murrieta Valley High				
Name:	Christina Ericson	Effective Date:	8/10/2020	Type:	R
Position:	Teacher – Dorothy McElhinney Middle				
Name:	Andrea Lacuesta	Effective Date:	8/03/2020	Type:	R
Position:	Psychologist – Special Education				
Name:	Hilary Norman	Effective Date:	8/10/2020	Type:	R
Position:	Teacher – Rail Ranch Elementary				
Name:	Shauntsie Young	Effective Date:	8/10/2020	Type:	R
Position:	Teacher – Alta Murrieta Elementary				

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – NEW HIRE

Name:	Desarae Crowley	Effective Date:	8/11/2020	Type:	R
Position:	Nutrition Worker – Nutrition Services				
Name:	Daina Hidalgo	Effective Date:	8/11/2020	Type:	R
Position:	D.I.S. Aide I – Murrieta Elementary				
Name:	Lilia Maldonado	Effective Date:	8/11/2020	Type:	R
Position:	Nutrition Worker – Nutrition Services				
Name:	Brenda Rodriguez	Effective Date:	8/11/2020	Type:	R
Position:	Crossing Guard – E. Hale Curran Elementary				
Name:	Maria Zazueta	Effective Date:	8/11/2020	Type:	R
Position:	Crossing Guard – Rail Ranch Elementary				

RELEASES – CERTIFICATED AND CLASSIFIED

Employee # – Effective Date	Employee # – Effective Date	Employee # – Effective Date
299366-7/08/2020	264044-6/30/2020	229722-6/05/2020
242814-6/08/2020	298757-6/05/2020	

E. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

E.1 Equity Journey Presentation

Staff Presenters: Mary Walters, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services and Tamara Dewey, Coordinator of Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, Educational Services.

Mr. Kelley welcomed Dr. Judy White, County Superintendent of Schools to the meeting and introduced Ms. Tamara Dewey as the new Coordinator of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion.

Mrs. Walters and Ms. Dewey reviewed the District’s equity efforts and journey over the last five years highlighting the establishment of parent advisory groups, professional development opportunities and attendance at the Excellence through Equity Conference. Mrs. Walters compared dashboard data from 2018 to 2019 that demonstrates the efforts have resulted in closing the achievement gap for all student groups. Ms. Dewey outlined long term equity goals for the district in the coming years.

E.1 Equity Journey Presentation (continued)

Dr. White commended Murrieta Valley Unified School District for the decisiveness to take this journey and for having made measurable targets along the way. She stated that equity and fairness is a continuous journey and said it is important to stay mindful of the markers on this journey. Dr. White thanked Mr. Kelley for being so responsive to any issues referred from the County Office and said he is genuinely concerned about all students and families in the Murrieta Valley Unified School District.

Board members each thanked Dr. White for her comments and words of encouragement. They collectively agreed that equity conversations and efforts are very important and will enable the District to take subsequent actions, as needed. Mrs. Thomasian mentioned her excitement to see efforts being put in place for an updated and relevant Ethnic Studies course offering.

F. BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS

F.1 Approval to Award a Contract to Reed Family Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$231,000 for the Interim Housing at Murrieta Elementary School Bid No. 07072020

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

G. ADJOURNMENT

President Lunn adjourned the meeting at 2:51 p.m.

Approved by the Governing Board September 24, 2020



Paul F. Diffley III, Clerk of the Board