

**MURRIETA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING**

February 25, 2021

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 Lunn called the Special Teleconference Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 4:30 p.m.

**A.1 Establishment of Quorum**

A roll call was conducted to establish a quorum with the following board members 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: Paul Diffley – Trustee Area 5

**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 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release**

Pursuant to Government Code 54945, the Board met to consider discipline, dismissal, or release of public employee(s).

**C. PUBLIC SESSION (5:00 PM)**

**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, Linda Lunn, Oscar Rivas, Kris Thomasian

Absent: Paul Diffley

Mrs. Lunn announced that a quorum was present with four Board members in attendance and said that the meeting was being audio recorded.

**C.1 Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum** (continued)

**Staff Members Present**

Patrick Kelley, Superintendent/Secretary to the Board  
Bill Olien, Deputy Superintendent  
Darren Daniel, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
Mary Walters, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services  
Julie Diaz, Executive Assistant

**C.2 Report Out of Closed Session**

President Lunn reported that the Board took the following action in Closed Session:  
Motion by Kenneth Dickson, second by Oscar Rivas and voted upon unanimously to terminate Classified employee 271479 effective February 25, 2021.

**C.3 Pledge of Allegiance**

Board Member Oscar Rivas led the Pledge of Allegiance

**C.4 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.5 Public Comment regarding Meeting Agenda Item(s)**

None.

**C.6 Direction Setting Discussion for 2021/22 School Year**

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

Mr. Kelley discussed the two primary objectives for the 2021/22 school year of learning acceleration supports and social emotional supports as students return to campus after a full year of remote learning due to the pandemic lockdowns. Mr. Kelley reviewed previously identified initiatives from prior Board workshop meetings and stated that the District continues to support those initiatives along with the newly identified ones.

The Educational Services team provided a brief overview of the LCAP and discussed the initiatives that support closing the achievement gap for the District's focus groups.

**C.7 Election of Representatives to the California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly for Subregion 18-A**

Action Taken: Motion by Kris Thomasian / Second by Oscar Rivas to elect the candidates listed below. Motion Passed by the following vote:

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

Robert Garcia, Jurupa Unified	Gerard Reller, Romoland Elementary
Madonna Gerrell, Palm Springs Unified	David Sanchez, Beaumont Unified
Sandy Hinkson, Temecula Unified	Kris Thomasian, Murrieta Unified

**C.8 Designation of Board Member to serve on the Riverside County School Board Members Association**

Action Taken: Motion by Kris Thomasian / Second by Oscar Rivas to designate Linda Lunn as the representative to serve on the Riverside County School Board Members Association and to designate Kenneth Dickson as the alternate. Motion Passed by the following vote:

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

**C.9 Approval of Minutes of January 21 and January 28, 2021 Board meetings**

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

Yes Kenneth Dickson  
Absent 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 Oscar Rivas. Motion Passed by the following vote:

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

**D.1 Approval of Personnel Report** (continued)

Type: R = Replacement G = Growth

**MANAGEMENT/CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL – NEW HIRE**

Employee:	Catherine Owens	Effective Date:	01/21/2021	Type:	G
Assignment:	Tier 1 Classified Temporary Project Manager – Senior Contract Tracer				

**CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – PROMOTION/TRANSFER**

Employee:	Elvira Armstrong	Effective Date:	02/16/2021	Type:	R
From:	Instructional Assistant I – Lisa J. Mails Elementary				
To:	Campus Supervisor – Dorothy McElhinney Middle				
Employee:	Kellie Gaines	Effective Date:	02/08/2021	Type:	R
From:	Secretary I – Murrieta Valley High				
To:	Library/Media Technician II – Murrieta Valley High				

**CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – NEW HIRE**

Name:	SiTara Danishwar	Effective Date:	02/04/2021	Type:	R
Assignment:	Personnel Clerk – Human Resources				
Name:	Naomi Davis	Effective Date:	02/10/2021	Type:	R
Assignment:	D.I.S. Aide I – Warm Springs Middle				
Name:	Geraldine Delaney	Effective Date:	02/03/2021	Type:	R
Assignment:	Instructional Assistant I – Lisa J. Mails Elementary				
Name:	Ryan Farley	Effective Date:	02/16/2021	Type:	R
Assignment:	Special Education Assistant I – Dorothy McElhinney Middle				
Name:	Hope Grimes	Effective Date:	02/10/2021	Type:	G
Assignment:	Special Education Assistant I – Cole Canyon Elementary				
Name:	Angie Jimenez	Effective Date:	02/10/202	Type:	R
Assignment:	D.I.S. Aide I – Alta Murrieta Elementary				
Name:	Christopher Liermann	Effective Date:	03/01/2021	Type:	R
Assignment:	Field Support Technician - Technology				

**CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – RECLASSIFICATION**

Employee:	Justin Esteves	Effective Date:	02/10/2021
From:	D.I.S. Aide I – Range 15		
To:	D.I.S. Aide II – Range 17		

**SUBSTITUTE PERSONNEL – CLASSIFIED**

Mayra Abrego	Kayla Cushman		
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**RESIGNATIONS/RELEASES – CERTIFICATED AND CLASSIFIED**

Employee # – Effective Date	Employee # – Effective Date	Employee # – Effective Date
160922 – 01/29/2021	302841 – 02/01/2021	265314 – 02/19/2021
285424 – 02/11/2021	298506 – 04/01/2021	

**D.1 Approval of Waiver per Education Code 44266 Waiving Professional Preparation Program for a Pupil Personnel Services Credential in School Social Work for Amanda Pesavento**

Action Taken: Motion by Oscar Rivas / 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

**D.2 Approval of Temporary Contract Project Management Salary Schedule**

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

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

**D.3 Approval of Revised Classified Substitute Salary Schedule, AVID/Alumni Tutor Hourly Salary Schedule, and Certificated Substitute Salary Schedule**

Action Taken: Motion by Oscar Rivas / 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

**E. BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS**

**E.1 Approval of Change Orders totaling \$29,095.71 for the Murrieta Mesa High School New Classroom Building**

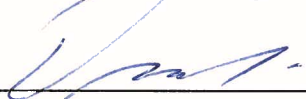
Action Taken: Motion by Kenneth Dickson / Second by Kris Thomasian. Motion Passed by the following vote:

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

**F. ADJOURNMENT**

President Lunn adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

*Approved by the Governing Board April 15, 2021*

  
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**Oscar Rivas, Clerk of the Board**