

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

March 11, 2021

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

President Linda Lunn called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 4:30 p.m. at the Murrieta Valley Unified School District Support Center, 41870 McAlby Court, Murrieta, California. Members of the public could also observe the meeting via livestream broadcast, as in person capacity was limited due to public health guidelines.

**A.1 Establishment of Quorum**

A quorum was established 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: None

**A.2 Public Comment regarding Closed Session Items**

None

**B. CLOSED SESSION**

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

**B.1 Public Employee Performance Evaluation - District Superintendent**

Pursuant to Government Code 54957, the Board met to discuss the evaluation of the District Superintendent.

**B.2 Conference with Labor Negotiators**

Pursuant to Government Code 54957.6, the Board met with designated district representatives to discuss labor negotiations.

**C. PUBLIC SESSION**

**C.1 Call to Order / Establishment of Quorum**

President Lunn reconvened the meeting into public session at 5:00 p.m. She stated that votes will be conducted by roll call and proceeded to conduct a roll call to establish a quorum.

**Establishment of Quorum – Roll Call:**

Present: Kenneth Dickson, Paul Diffley, Linda Lunn, Oscar Rivas, Kris Thomasian

Mrs. Lunn announced that the meeting was being audio recorded and livestream broadcast.

**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

**Employee Organization Representatives Present**

Kimberly Binning-Chevlin, President Murrieta Educators Association  
Anna Leos, President California School Employees Association – Murrieta Chapter 223

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

President Lunn reported that no action was taken during the Closed Session discussion of the Superintendent’s performance evaluation and conference with labor negotiators.

**C.3 Pledge of Allegiance**

Board member Kris Thomasian led the Pledge of Allegiance

**C.4 Approval of Agenda**

Action Taken: Motion by Paul Diffley / Second by Kris Thomasian to approve the agenda as presented. 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**

None

**b. Employee Organizations Communication**

Anna Leos, President California School Employees Association, Murrieta Chapter 223, recognized technology, nutrition services, transportation, maintenance, and grounds departments for their ongoing contributions during this past year to ensure district operations continued to function. She said many of the employees reported to work on a daily basis during the “stay at home orders” to serve and support the students and staff of the District. Ms. Leos asked the Board members to remember to recognize classified staff in the same manner that they publicly recognize certificated employees and administrators.

Kimberly Binning-Chevlin, President Murrieta Educators Association stated that MEA plans to work with the District to return even more students to campuses. She said safety procedures and protocols must continue to be brought to the attention of staff, students and parents as the shift from virtual instruction to hybrid instruction takes place in the next couple of weeks.

**C.6 Communications** (continued)

**c. Superintendent Communication**

Superintendent Patrick Kelley reflected on the fact that it was one year ago during the March 2020 Regular Board meeting that schools in most of our nation were closing schools due to the COVID-19 pandemic and he is now very grateful to be able to share plans for returning students to in-person learning later in this evening's meeting.

**d. Board Member Communication**

Board member Kenneth Dickson commented on District staff's ability to embrace new challenges that will be a part of public education moving forward for this next year.

Board member Paul Diffley commented on the monumental changes this past year has brought to education due to the pandemic. Mr. Diffley acknowledged the supreme efforts from all staff to accomplish a smooth and safe transition back to the classroom for the students.

Board member Oscar Rivas said he has noticed the love people in this organization have for what they do and expressed his sincere appreciation for that. Mr. Rivas also said he is very excited to see his sons return to campus this year.

Board member Kris Thomasian thanked all the staff that have been working so hard to open the elementary campuses next week, acknowledging that it has required a lot of out of the box thinking.

Board member Linda Lunn highlighted the Parent Advisory Councils who have been meeting relentlessly to keep up with all the changes this year and help parents to understand the plans for the remainder of this school year.

**C.6 Return to In-Person Instruction Update**

Staff Presenters: Patrick Kelley, Superintendent; Bill Olien, Deputy Superintendent; Mary Walters, Assistant Superintendent, Faythe Mutchnick-Jayx and Jennifer Schriver, Executive Directors.

Superintendent Kelley said he is looking forward to sharing an optimistic report for returning to in-person instruction next week. He shared survey results showing approximately 60% of students will return to school under the hybrid model and 40% will remain in the virtual model at this time. Mrs. Walters reviewed the phased timeline for returning TK-12 grade students to school sites over the next few weeks. Mrs. Mutchnick-Jayx and Mrs. Schriver reviewed the schedules for hybrid learning at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. Mr. Olien reviewed all the safety mitigation efforts in place in the classroom and on the school buses.

**C.7 Adoption of Resolution No. 20/21-16 in Support of a Waiver Request on Statewide Assessments**

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. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Action Taken: Motion by Kris Thomasian / Second by Paul Diffley 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 January 27, 2021 through March 5, 2021 and warrants issued on claim numbers X188494 through X189261 in the amount of \$6,487,441.09.

**D.2 Acceptance of Donations**

SITE	DONOR	EST. VALUE
Avaxat	Abbott Laboratories	\$115.00
Buchanan	Mr. Mendez / My Ewaste Dropoff	\$200.00
	Box Tops for Education	\$ 57.20
Educational Services	Multiple families donated musical instruments	\$11,105.00

**D.3 Approval to Dispose of Obsolete/Unusable Materials**

QUANTITY	ITEM DESCRIPTION
153	Laptop/Chromebook Computers
3	Tablets
2	Refrigerated Cabinets
150	Combo Seat/Desk Furniture

**E. HUMAN RESOURCES**

**E.1 Approval of Personnel Report**

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

Type: R = Replacement G = Growth

**MANAGEMENT/CONFIDENTIAL PERSONNEL – NEW HIRE**

Employee:	Jennifer Hanshew	Effective Date:	02/15/2021	Type:	R
Assignment:	Director - Transportation				
Employee:	Amanda Pesavento	Effective Date:	03/01/2021	Type:	R
Assignment:	School Counselor – Murrieta Mesa High				

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

**CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL – NEW HIRE**

Name:	Tera Adamson	Effective Date:	03/08/2021	Type:	G
Assignment:	Teacher – Avaxat Elementary				
Name:	Sean Wisdom	Effective Date:	03/08/2021	Type:	G
Assignment:	Teacher – Rail Ranch Elementary				

**CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – PROMOTION/TRANSFER**

Employee:	Richard Bonilla	Effective Date:	02/22/2021	Type:	R
From:	Maintenance Worker III - Maintenance				
To:	Field Support Technician - Technology				

**CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – NEW HIRE**

Name:	Karl Johnstone	Effective Date:	02/24/2021	Type:	R
Assignment:	Campus Supervisor – Warm Springs Middle				
Name:	Jorge Manjarrez	Effective Date:	02/26/2021	Type:	R
Assignment:	Custodian – Murrieta Valley High				
Name:	Lisa Provin	Effective Date:	02/22/2021	Type:	R
Assignment:	Instructional Assistant – Murrieta Elementary				
Name:	Calvin Walker	Effective Date:	02/25/2021	Type:	R
Assignment:	Campus Supervisor – Warm Springs Middle				

**CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – RECLASSIFICATION**

Employee:	Rachel Russell	Effective Date:	02/21/2021
From:	D.I.S. Aide I – Range 15		
To:	D.I.S. Aide II – Range 17		

**SUBSTITUTE PERSONNEL – CERTIFICATED**

Kyla Cushman			
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**SUBSTITUTE PERSONNEL – CLASSIFIED**

Mayra Abrego	Michael Hirst		
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**RESIGNATIONS/RELEASES – CERTIFICATED AND CLASSIFIED**

Employee # – Effective Date	Employee # – Effective Date	Employee # – Effective Date
298723-3/10/2021	298915-2/25/2021	279983-3/05/2021

**E.2 Public Hearing regarding Tentative Agreement with the Murrieta Educators Association for the 2020/21 School Year**

President Lunn opened the public hearing at 6:01 p.m. and asked for public comments or questions. Hearing none, she closed the hearing at 6:02 p.m.

**E.3 Approval of Tentative Agreement with the Murrieta Educators Association for the 2020/21 School Year**

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.4 Approval of a 3% One-Time, Off Schedule Payment to All Management/Confidential Employees**

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

**F. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

**F.1 Second Reading and Adoption of Proposed Revised Board Policies and Administrative Regulations: BP 5131 Conduct, BP/AR 5131.6 Alcohol and Other Drugs, BP 5131.62 Tobacco/Electronic Smoking Devices, AR 5131.7 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments, BP/AR 5141.27 Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs, New Board Policies BP 5131.7 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments and BP 5131.8 Mobile Communication Devices, and Proposed Recission of Board Policy AR 5131.62 Tobacco and BP/AR 5131.63 Steroids**

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. BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS**

**G.1 Filing and Positive Certification of the Second Interim Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2020/21**

Bill Olien, Deputy Superintendent reviewed the Second Interim Financial Report for the 2020/21 school year and multi-year projections for 2021/22 and 2022/23. He reported that total revenues are projected at \$286,000,000 with 73% of the budget funded by the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), 9% from State, 7% from Local, and 11% from Federal revenues. He reported that total expenditures are projected at \$277,800,000 with 85% expended for salaries and benefits and that another \$1,200,000 transferred to programs impacted by revenue losses due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**G.1 Filing and Positive Certification of the Second Interim Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2020/21 (continued)**

Mr. Olien indicated that the district will be able to meet its financial obligations for the budget year and two successive fiscal years.

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.2 Public Hearing regarding Resolution No. 20/21-17 Authorizing Conveyance of Easement to Southern California Edison**

President Lunn opened the public hearing at 6:16 p.m. and asked for public comments or questions. Hearing none, she closed the hearing at 6:16 p.m.

**G.3 Adoption of Resolution No. 20/21-17 to Convey an Easement to Southern California Edison**

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

**G.4 Approval to Award a Contract to JB Bostick Company, Inc. in the amount of \$570,000.00 for asphalt, slurry and restriping at various school sites**

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

**G.5 Approval to Award a Contract to Michael's Discount Painting in the amount of \$216,000.00 for painting at various school sites**

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

**G.6 Approval of the Appointment of Paul Parker, Ashley Sanchez, Angela Villanueva and William Seidlitz to the Citizens' Oversight Committee for the Measure BB General Obligation Bond**

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

**G.7 Approval of Facility Use Agreements between Murrieta Valley Unified School District Sites and Organizations for Fiscal Year 2020/21**

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

**Murrieta Mesa High**  
Temecula Swim Club  
Elite Prep Recruiting

**G.8 Review of Associated Student Body Financial Reports for the quarter ended December 31, 2020**

The Board received this report for review

**G.9 Review of Investment Report for the quarter ended December 31, 2020**

The Board received this report for review

**H. CLOSED SESSION (Optional)**

None

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

President Lunn adjourned the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

*Approved by the Governing Board May 13, 2021*



**Oscar Rivas, Clerk of the Board**