



MEETING MINUTES

Attendees

Voting Board Members

Paul Diffley III, Board President
Linda Lunn, Board Member
Nicolas Pardue, Clerk of the Board
Julie Vandegrift, Board Member
Nancy Young, Board Member

Staff Members

Dr. Ward Andrus, Superintendent
Darren Daniel, Deputy Superintendent
Richard Rideout, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Faythe Mutchnick-Jayx, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Julie Diaz, Executive Assistant

Student Representatives to the Board

Murrieta Canyon Academy - Avery Redmon
Murrieta Mesa High School - Haven Anozie
Murrieta Valley High School - Meghan Lewis
Vista Murrieta High School - Alana Elliott

Employee Organization Representatives

Kimberly Binning-Chevlin, President, Murrieta Educators Association
Freddie Musquiz, President, California School Employees Association, Murrieta Chapter 223

A. OPENING BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

President Diffley called the Board of Education Regular meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. at Murrieta Valley Unified School District Office, 41870 McAlby Court, Murrieta, California. He announced the meeting was being recorded and livestreamed to the public.

2. Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established with Trustees Paul F. Diffley III, Linda Lunn, Nicolas Pardue, Julie Vandegrift and Nancy Young in attendance.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Murrieta Canyon Academy student representative, Avery Redmon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A. OPENING BUSINESS (continued)

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by: Nancy Young. Motion seconded by: Nicolas Pardue

Voting:

Paul Diffley III - Yes

Linda Lunn - Yes

Nicolas Pardue - Yes

Julie Vandegrift - Yes

Nancy Young - Yes

B. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Student Representative Reports

Murrieta Mesa High School student representative, Haven Anozie reported on academics, athletics, activities and upcoming events.

Murrieta Canyon Academy student representative, Avery Redmon, reported on academics, Pheonix activities, guidance and leadership, and culture and climate.

Vista Murrieta High School student representative, Alana Elliott, reported on academics, athletics, activities and upcoming events.

Murrieta Valley High School student representative, Meghan Lewis, reported on academics, athletics, activities and upcoming events.

2. Public Comment

Mr. Diffley announced that public comments would be reduced to two minutes per person due to the number of comment cards received. Mrs. Vandegrift requested a discussion about the speaking time allowed for each public comment submitted. After Board member discussion, the maximum time allotted for each speaker was set at three minutes.

The following individuals each commented on agenda item D.1 First Reading of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation BP/AR 5113: Mayra Rodriguez, Jack Marston, Lupita, Amarissa Cubana, Yvette Anthony, Maria, Jose Carino, Romarie, Francis Burns,

Comments regarding students choosing to change in locker rooms that aligns with the gender they identify were made by Jessica Tapia and Elenore Briggs.

Amy Davis and Mrs. Munoz spoke about the high turnover rate for Special Education Aides and the need for a job reclassification.

Lucky Harutunian commented on declining public school enrollment.

John Leonard made general comments regarding education, curriculum, and staff.

Comments about Kindergarten overage pay were provided by Brittany Sattari, Stacy Parmenter and Karin Shafer.

Chris Schoults expressed his views on Civic Decorum and urged public speakers and Board members to be respectful to one another, reminding them that students are watching and modeling the adult behaviors being exhibited in public forums.

B. COMMUNICATIONS (continued)

2. Public Comment (continued)

Kelly Parsons spoke about the advantages from a teacher's point of view to keeping class sizes small.

Mikhail Homzeker shared his son's experience with being bullied at school and the lack of equitable discipline. A member of the Student Support team assisted Mr. Homzeker at the conclusion of his comments.

3. Superintendent Report

Superintendent, Dr. Ward Andrus reported visiting many school sites along with after-school programs at Buchanan Elementary School. Dr. Andrus led a Career Technical Pathways training session for high school leaders and said that the District will modify the message from college for all to recognize student's options to utilize the CTE pathways programs during high school to obtain trade certifications and/or to explore alternate post-high school options. He spoke about the District's inclusion efforts for special education students and said the District is applying for a California School Boards Association Golden Bell Award for those efforts. In response to Mr. Diffley's earlier comment regarding parental notification policies; Dr. Andrus clarified that State law AB1266, which was passed ten years ago, provides for protection of transgender students' identity disclosure. He said in recognition that state law does not provide a mechanism for the District to notify parents, we are looking to our parental notification policy as a means to communicate with parents within the parameters of the law.

4. Board Member Reports

Trustee Julie Vandegrift stated that the parents are the ones who govern the school district and encouraged parents to continue to provide public comment. She referenced the Bond consultant's presentation and said it is extremely important that all community members engage in the process of deciding how our tax dollars are utilized to support the needs of our school district. Mrs. Vandegrift expressed concerns about bullying being addressed with the utmost importance on our campuses.

Trustee Paul Diffley also agreed that bullying needs to be addressed immediately and taken seriously. Mr. Diffley encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming drama productions at the school sites. He reported visiting Shivela Middle School with Mrs. Vandegrift and attending the Employee of the Year celebration. Mr. Diffley also provided positive feedback regarding the progress the District is making in the realm of Career Technical Education. Mr. Diffley thanked the Buchanan Special Education class for making stars for the Board members.

Trustee Linda Lunn shared her experience of being a validator for Moreno Valley's Golden Bell Award submission for outstanding programs. She reported attending Dorothy McElhinney Middle School's Peer Mentoring program, Unified Basketball at Murrieta Mesa High School, Hispanic Heritage Festival at Vista Murrieta High School, the Employee of the Year celebration, a community play produced by a former employee, Carol Hernandez, and the Excellence Through Equity Conference. Mrs. Lunn encouraged all community members to attend the upcoming Rotary Club's Field of Honor event and to donate to the Share the Harvest event, if possible.

B. COMMUNICATIONS (continued)

4. Board Member Reports (continued)

Trustee Nicolas Pardue said he was pleased to see the District working on curriculum issues in the middle and high school levels through the Profile of a Graduate. He reported visiting Shivela Middle School, Tovashal Elementary School, Murrieta Valley High School and attending the African American Parent Advisory Council (AAPAC) meeting. In reference to the Bond Presentation earlier in the evening, he stated that the facilities in his trustee area are among the oldest in the city and there are real concerns and needs for improvements to those facilities. He encouraged the community to be involved, to stay civically involved and gain an understanding of where the funding for school facilities comes from and how these funds are distributed.

Trustee Nancy Young reported visiting Avaxat Elementary School, and attending the Employee of the Year ceremony, Rotary Club meetings, African American Parent Advisory Council (AAPAC) meeting, Unified Basketball at Murrieta Mesa High School and the Excellence Through Equity Conference.

5. Employee Organization Reports

Kimberly Binning-Chevlin, President of Murrieta Educators Association, thanked the Murrieta educators for their unwavering commitment to our students. Mrs. Binning-Chevlin reported participating in the Murrieta Valley Unified School District's Teacher of the Year process and announced Aimee Bachor from Dorothy McElhinney Middle School, Sara Hogan from Shivela Middle School and Lindsay Ricketts from Murrieta Valley High School were chosen as District Teachers of the Year. She said Murrieta teachers had recently attended the Excellence Through Equity conference and the California Teachers Association (CTA) Special Education Conference.

Freddie Musquiz, President, California School Employees Association, Murrieta Chapter 223, reported attending the Employee of the Year event where Murrieta Valley High School Nutrition Services employee Cynthia Vinson was announced as the District Classified Employee of the Year. Mr. Musquiz said the District and CSEA will continue to work towards solutions to the concerns the Aids brought to the meeting this evening.

C. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of Consent Calendar items C.1 through C.5 as presented.

Motion made by: Nancy Young. Motion seconded by: Linda Lunn

Voting:

Paul Diffley III - Yes

Linda Lunn - Yes

Nicolas Pardue - Yes

Julie Vandegrift - Yes

Nancy Young - Yes

1. Ratification of Report of Purchases and Warrants Issued

Report of Purchases from 08/29/2023 through 09/25/2023 and warrants issued on the claim numbers X210064 through X210824 in the amount of \$7,194,699.77, and the Nutrition Services Warrants issued on check numbers 14898 through 14930 in the amount of \$1,052,074.07.

C. CONSENT CALENDAR (continued)

2. Acceptance of Donations

Site	Donor	Est. Value
Alta Murrieta	Abbie Goveia Art & Design, LLC	\$9,728.00
Cole Canyon	Cole Canyon PTC	\$3,000.00
E. Hale Curran	American Heart Association	\$100.00
Warm Springs	Shalhoub Management (McDonalds)	\$700.00

3. Approval to Dispose of Obsolete/Unusable Materials

Quantity	Item
9	Aruba Network Switches
2	Bretford Charging Stations
2	Table Top Lamp Projectors
4	Projection Screens
1	ELMO
3	Refrigerators
1	Desk
70	Dell Monitors
3	Microwaves
1	Amplifier
125	Student Desks
130	Student Chairs
3	Computer Chairs

4. Approval of Out of State Travel

Edu-Tech/Edu-Tech Academics 2023, November 5-7, 2023, Dallas, TX

- Attendee: Darren Daniel, Deputy Superintendent

United States Institute for Theater Technology Conference 2024, March 20-23, 2024, Seattle, WA

- Attendee: Mike Ruiz, VMHS CTE Teacher/Theater Tech.

5. Approval of Athletic Coaches

Name	Sport	Site
Angela Avina	Cross Country	Murrieta Valley High
Karee Mason	Cross Country	Murrieta Valley High
Kristina Hill	Cross Country	Murrieta Valley High
George Wilson	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Alexander Rosenblum	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Dave Olson	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Derrick Johnson	Football	Murrieta Valley High

C. CONSENT CALENDAR (continued)

5. Approval of Athletic Coaches (continued)

Name	Sport	Site
Lance Pfeiffer	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Dustin Nagy	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Matthew March	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Franklin Carido	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Jacob Johnson	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Rodney Connor	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Jon Robinson	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Gil Alvaro-Ramirez	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Monte Jones	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Nikolas Brazeale	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Jaime Zarate	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Rodney Everett	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Samuel Ntekim	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Sean Cue	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Shawn Sams	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Hobart Teets	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Stan Hunt	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Howard Nelson	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Robert Partin	Football	Murrieta Valley High
David Save	Football	Murrieta Valley High
Bryan Lynton	Water Polo	Murrieta Valley High
Michael Gonzalez	Water Polo	Murrieta Valley High
Christopher Boyer	Water Polo	Murrieta Valley High
Jeremy Elliott	Water Polo	Murrieta Valley High
Ann Romero-Parks	Girl's Volleyball	Murrieta Valley High
Ashley Matkins-Moon	Girl's Volleyball	Murrieta Valley High
Courtney Doyle	Girl's Volleyball	Murrieta Valley High
Tonia Jackson	Girl's Volleyball	Murrieta Valley High
Shelly Keller	Girl's Volleyball	Murrieta Valley High
Rogelio Gallegos	Girl's Golf	Murrieta Valley High
Christopher Mitchell	Girl's Golf	Murrieta Valley High
Jay Bunch	Girl's Tennis	Murrieta Valley High
Kathryn Terrazas	Girl's Softball	Vista Murrieta High
Tim Fox	Boy's Lacrosse	Vista Murrieta High

6. Williams Uniform Complaints Quarterly Report

The Board received this report indicating that no complaints were filed for the first quarter of the 2023/24 school year.

C. CONSENT CALENDAR (continued)

7. Approval of Minutes

September 28, 2023 Special meeting minutes as presented.

D. ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS

1. First Reading of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation

The Board received revisions to BP/AR 5113 - Absences and Excuses for first reading.

Board members discussions were centered around Education Code 46010.1 and the proposed revision to Board Policy 5113 as follows: ~~Students shall not be absent from school without their parents/guardians' knowledge or consent, except in cases of medical emergency or as authorized pursuant to Education Code 46010.1, for a confidential medical appointment.~~ *The Board believes that parents/guardians should be involved in decisions surrounding the medical treatment of their children who are under the age of 18. Therefore, while the Education Code allows school authorities to excuse students Grades 7 to 12 inclusive for the purpose of obtaining confidential medical services without the consent of the student's parent/guardian, it is the policy of the district that school authorities will not do so.*

Trustee Young was not in favor of the revisions as presented. Trustees Vandegrift and Pardue were in favor of the revisions as presented. Trustee Lunn suggested a revision similar to the following be made: *If any child under the age of 18 requests to leave campus for any reason, the parents/guardians will be notified by the school.*

Dr. Andrus stated that staff had taken note of the discussion and would work on an alternate revision to Board Policy 5113 for second reading.

2. Approval of Personnel Report

Approve the attached personnel report as presented. The report lists new hire certificated and classified personnel; classified personnel reclassification; certificated and classified substitute personnel, and resignations and releases.

Motion made by: Nancy Young. Motion seconded by: Linda Lunn

Voting:

Paul Diffley III - Yes

Linda Lunn - Yes

Nicolas Pardue - Yes

Julie Vandegrift - Yes

Nancy Young - Yes

3. Public presentation of and opportunity for public comment on Murrieta Educators Association's Initial Contract Proposal to the Murrieta Valley Unified School District for the 2024/25 School Year

Lisa Murray, Lead Negotiator for Murrieta Educators Association discussed the opening articles and key areas of concern. She closed her comments by stating the negotiations team is committed to working in partnership with the District to address the opening articles.

D. ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS (continued)

4. Public presentation of and opportunity for public comment on Murrieta Valley Unified School District's Initial Contract Proposal to the Murrieta Educators Association for the 2024/25 School Year

No comments were received.

5. Adoption of Murrieta Valley Unified School District's Initial Contract Proposal to the Murrieta Educators Association for the 2024/25 School Year

Motion made by: Nancy Young. Motion seconded by: Linda Lunn

Voting:

Paul Diffley III - Yes

Linda Lunn - Yes

Nicolas Pardue - Yes

Julie Vandegrift - Yes

Nancy Young - Yes

E. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEM(S)

None.

F. CLOSED SESSION

President Diffley called for a motion to adjourn the meeting to closed session at 8:37 p.m.

Motion made by: Nicolas Pardue. Motion seconded by: Linda Lunn

Voting:

Paul Diffley III - Yes

Linda Lunn - Yes

Nicolas Pardue - Yes

Julie Vandegrift - Yes

Nancy Young - Yes

1. Conference with Labor Negotiators

Pursuant to Government Code 54957.6, the Governing Board met in Closed Session with designated representatives to discuss labor negotiations.

Employee organizations:

Murrieta Educators' Association

California School Employees Association - Murrieta Chapter 223.

District designated representatives:

Dr. Ward Andrus, Superintendent

Darren Daniel, Deputy Superintendent, Business and Operations

Richard Rideout, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

Faythe Mutchnick-Jayx, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

James Whittington, Chief Financial Officer

Craig Frame, Executive Director, Human Resources

Daniel Baldwin, Director, Human Resources

F. CLOSED SESSION (continued)

2. Student Discipline

Pursuant to Education Code 48918, the Governing Board met to consider student disciplinary action for the following cases:

- Case No. 2023-2024-121
- Case No. 2023-2024-122
- Case No. 2023-2024-123

G. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

President Diffley reconvened the meeting to open session at 9:50 p.m.

1. Student Discipline: Expulsion Case No. 2023-2024-121

Approve the staff recommendation to expel student referenced in Case No. 2023-2024-121 for the remainder of the first semester of the 2023/24 school year and for the second semester of the 2023/24 school year for the violation of California Education Code Section 48900 (c) and (d).

Motion made by: Linda Lunn. Motion seconded by: Nicolas Pardue

Voting:

Paul Diffley III - Yes
Linda Lunn - Yes
Nicolas Pardue - Yes
Julie Vandegrift - Yes
Nancy Young - Yes

2. Student Discipline: Expulsion Case No. 2023-2024-122

Approve the staff recommendation to expel student referenced in Case No. 2023-2024-122 for the remainder of the first semester of the 2023/24 school year and for the second semester of the 2023/24 school year for the violation of California Education Code Section 48900 (c) and (d).

Motion made by: Nancy Young. Motion seconded by: Julie Vandegrift

Voting:

Paul Diffley III - Yes
Linda Lunn - Yes
Nicolas Pardue - Yes
Julie Vandegrift - Yes
Nancy Young - Yes

3. Student Discipline: Expulsion Case No. 2023-2024-123

Approve the staff recommendation to expel student referenced in Case No. 2023-2024-123 for the remainder of the first semester of the 2023/24 school year and for the second semester of the 2023/24 school year for the violation of California Education Code Section 48900 (d).

G. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION (continued)

3. Student Discipline: Expulsion Case No. 2023-2024-123 (continued)

Motion made by: Nicolas Pardue. Motion seconded by: Julie Vandegrift

Voting:

Paul Diffley III - Yes

Linda Lunn - Yes

Nicolas Pardue - Yes

Julie Vandegrift - Yes

Nancy Young - Yes

H. ADJOURNMENT

President Diffley called for a motion to adjourn the Board of Education meeting at 9:55 p.m.

Motion made by: Nicolas Pardue. Motion seconded by: Julie Vandegrift

Voting:

Paul Diffley III - Yes

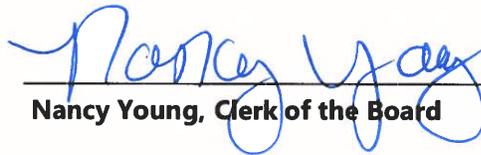
Linda Lunn - Yes

Nicolas Pardue - Yes

Julie Vandegrift - Yes

Nancy Young – Yes

Approved by the Governing Board January 18, 2024



Nancy Young, Clerk of the Board

R-Replacement
G- Growth
RS – Restructure
T-Transfer

Murrieta Valley Unified School District
Personnel Report
October 12, 2023

A. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

NEW HIRE:

Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Type
Rodriguez	Jada	Teacher	Buchanan Elementary	9/21/2023	R
Valencia	Taylor	Teacher	Murrieta Valley High	9/26/2023	R

B. CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

NEW HIRE:

Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Effective Date	Type
Androus	Savannah	DIS Aide	Vista Murrieta High	10/2/2023	G
Bullar Ralls	Brittany	Family Services Support Aide	Family Services	9/26/2023	R
De Alba	Gloria	Family Services Support Aide	Family Services	9/22/2023	R
Ivey	Mindy	Custodian	Maintenance	9/20/2023	R
Kaveney	Courtney	Nutrition Services Worker I	Nutrition Services	9/26/2023	R
Leyde	Kathrine	Nutrition Services Worker I	Nutrition Services	9/25/2023	R
Quirk	Jeff	Campus Supervisor	Thompson Middle	9/25/2023	G
Rutledge	Barbara	Crossing Guard	Antelope Hills Elementary	9/27/2023	R
Solis	Rosio	Family Services Support Aide	Family Services	9/28/2023	R

RECLASSIFICATIONS:

Last Name	First Name	Position From	Position To	Range From	Range To	Effective Date
Sacks Brady	Nea	Library/Media Tech I	Library/Media TechII	20	22	9/28/2023

C. SUBSTITUTE PERSONNEL

CERTIFICATED:

Name	Name	Name	Name	Name	Name
Amadi, Josette	Kelly, Gabriela	Nickel, Jessica	Rodriguez, Jada	Waller, Alexandra	Weigle, Angela
Wellcome, Lisa					

CLASSIFIED:

Name	Name	Name	Name	Name	Name
Aguilar, Lysette	Cervantes, Yokabeth	Gomez, Maria	Gonzalez, Abraham	Guel, Devan	Guerrero, Nathen
Jebens, Christopher	Jones, Amanda	Mitchell, Rebecca	Moore, Sandra	Omari, Monica	Pearson, Bernice
Poliandro, Isabella	Ralls, Timothy	Tangas, Michelle	Teets, Hobart	Vouauz, Deborah	

D. RESIGNATIONS / RELEASES (Certificated & Classified)

| Employee No. and Effective Date |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 156738 - 10/31/2023 | 233226 - 9/29/2023 | 302912 - 9/29/2023 | 309151 - 9/29/2023 |
| 332516 - 10/11/2023 | 335746 - 10/6/2023 | | |