

**MURRIETA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
January 23, 2014**

Call to Order President Thomasian called the special meeting of the Board of Education to order at 5:00 p.m. at the Murrieta Valley Unified School District Support Center, 41870 McAlby Court, Murrieta, California.

Quorum A quorum was established with the following Board Members present: Robin Crist, Kenneth Dickson, Paul Diffley, Barbara Muir, Kris Thomasian and Patrick Kelley, Superintendent/Secretary to the Board.

Member absent: None

Attendance

Staff Members

Stacy Coleman, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Bill Olien, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities/Operational Services
Guy Romero, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Pamela Wilson, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Laura Gonzales, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Board

Employee Organization Representatives

Kathy Ericson, President, Murrieta Teachers Association

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by **DIFFLEY**, second by **DICKSON**, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Crist	X			
Dickson	X			
Diffley	X			
Muir	X			
Thomasian	X			

Public Comments

John Guzman of Canyon Lake shared an update on Assembly Bill 1266, Pupil rights: sex-segregated school programs and activities.

A-5: Board of Education Communication / Discussion regarding Directions for Education

Trustee Paul Diffley indicated that he would like to see more emphasis placed on working with individual students to bring them up to grade level, a foreign language balance at high schools, and a wage increase for substitute teachers. He also stressed the importance of reinstating a strings program in elementary schools to provide a continuum from elementary to middle school.

A-5: Board of Education Communication / Discussion regarding Directions for Education
(Continued)

Trustee Robin Crist remarked that while there is always need for improvement, she is pleased with the successes and efforts happening throughout the district. She highlighted a program sponsored by the Corona Norco Unified School District called the “100 Mile Club” which motivates students to be more active and learn new life skills.

Trustee Barbara Muir noted that she would like to see the district expose students to more hands-on careers and apprenticeships. She also discussed the importance of having a greater focus on emergency preparedness.

Trustee Ken Dickson commented that in addition to teaching our kids character, individual accountability and integrity, our role is to prepare students for the challenging times ahead. He said that because he is a fan of local control he would like to see more community engagement.

Trustee Kris Thomasian also stressed the importance of emergency preparedness. She expressed concern about the growing number of children with autism and encouraged the district to continue to meet the needs of children with special needs.

B-1: Approval of Employment of Confidential/ Management Applicant

Motion by **DIFFLEY**, second by **DICKSON** to approve the employment of the following Management application pending completion of the hiring process. The motion carried unanimously.

Cari Zmeck, Warm Springs Middle School Counselor – Temp. effective 1/14/2014

	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Crist	X			
Dickson	X			
Diffley	X			
Muir	X			
Thomasian	X			

B-2: Approval of Request for Provisional Internship Permit for Certificated Employee

Motion by **MUIR**, second by **DIFFLEY**, to approve the request for a Provisional Internship Permit for Mark Splittstoesser.

The motion carried unanimously.

	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Crist	X			
Dickson	X			
Diffley	X			
Muir	X			
Thomasian	X			

C-1: Information and Presentation on the Revised Common Core Implementation Work Plan

Guy Romero, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services, Char Gollogly, Executive Director of Elementary Education, and Darren Daniel, Executive Director of Secondary Education reviewed the revised Common Core implementation work plan. Mr. Romero noted that the revised plan will be brought back to the Board at the February 11 Regular meeting for approval.

Closed Session

The Board met in Closed session from 7:31 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to discuss student disciplinary actions.

**Public Session /
Report Out of
Closed Session**

President Thomasian reconvened the meeting into public session at 8:01 p.m. and reported that no actions were taken in Closed Session.

**D-1: Expulsion of High
School Student Number
956-011-908**

Motion by **CRIST**, second by **DIFFLEY**, that the Board Education expel student number 956-011-908 for the violation of Education Code 48900 (c) for the remainder of the first semester of the 2013/14 school year and the second semester of the 2013/14 school year. The enforcement of the expulsion shall be suspended based upon the student's and parent's agreement with the terms and conditions of the education placement determined by administration during the term of the expulsion.

The motion carried unanimously.

	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Crist	X			
Dickson	X			
Diffley	X			
Muir	X			
Thomasian	X			

Adjournment

President Thomasian adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Approved by the Governing Board March 13, 2014



 Barbara Muir, Clerk of the Board