

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

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
January 28, 2010**

- Call to Order** President Crist called the special meeting of the Board of Education to order at 3:15 p.m. at the Murrieta Valley Unified School District Support Center, 41870 McAlby Court, Murrieta, California, and announced that the meeting is being audio recorded.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Quorum** A quorum was established with the following Board Members present: Robin Crist, Kenneth Dickson, Paul Diffley, Kris Thomasian, Margi Wray and Dr. Stan Scheer, Superintendent/ Secretary to the Board.
- Members absent: None
- Attendance**
- Staff Members**  
Dr. M. Buck DeWeese, Deputy Superintendent  
Stacy Coleman, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services  
Patrick Kelley, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
Bill Olien, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities/Operational Services  
Guy Romero, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services  
Laura Gonzales, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Board
- Association Reps**  
Craig Frame, California School Employees Association
- Approval of Agenda** **MSCU DICKSON/THOMASIAN** to approve the agenda as presented.
- Public Comments** None.
- A-5: Report from the County of Riverside Registrar of Voters** Barbara Dunmore, Riverside County Registrar of Voters presented a report on the costs associated with changing from an odd-year election to an even-year. She indicated that although switching election years could ultimately result in a savings due to the larger number of agencies that share the cost, any immediate savings would be lost in the cost to notify voters of the change. She also reported that with even-year elections there is a chance of voter fatigue which can lead voters to skip races further down the ballot.

**B-1: Information on the Governor's Budget Proposal for Fiscal Year 2010/2011**

Stacy Coleman, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services provided highlights of the Governor's proposed budget for 2010-2011. He reported that the Murrieta Valley Unified School District has a \$14 million budget gap to resolve for the 2010-2011 school year, and that the district has identified a savings of \$3.4 million by not replacing 49 employees who are taking early retirement, and another \$1.9 million by laying off temporary and substitute employees for a total of \$5.3 million. He indicated that because 88% of the District's budget is tied to employee salaries and benefits, budget cuts and solutions that are being considered and currently negotiated include a salary reduction or a combination of salary reduction, furlough days and/or freezing step and column increases, or reducing the district's contribution to health and welfare cap. To reach the \$8.7 million through layoffs, 225 employees would lose their jobs which would cause class sizes to increase.

Board Trustees agreed that layoffs are not the direction they would want to go because of the negative impact on employees, class sizes and the local economy. In addition, it is not the option that would allow the district to meet the goal of maintaining a quality educational program and saving employee jobs.

**C-1: Approval to Participate in the Riverside County Sheriff's Department Work Release Program (WRP)**

**MSCU THOMASIAN/DIFFLEY** to approve participation in the Riverside County Sheriff's Department Work Release Program (WRP).

**Closed Session**

President Crist adjourned the meeting into Closed Session at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the following item:

CS-1 Conference with Labor Negotiators (*Government Code 54957.6*)  
Agency Designated Representatives: Dr. Stan Scheer, Pat Kelley, Stacy Coleman and Pam Wilson

**Reconvene to Public Session and Report Out of Closed Session**

President Crist reconvened the meeting into Public Session at 5:49 p.m. She announced that the Board held a conference in Closed Session with labor negotiators with no actions taken.

**Adjournment**

President Crist adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

*Approved by the Governing Board March 11, 2010*

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***Paul Diffley, Clerk of the Board***