



MEETING MINUTES

Attendees

Voting Board Members

Kris Thomasian, Board President
Paul Diffley, Clerk of the Board
Dr. Takesha Cooper, Board Member
Ellen Larson, Board Member
Linda Lunn, Board Member

Staff Members

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

Student Representatives to the Board

Murrieta Canyon Academy - Lilli Carmichael
Murrieta Mesa High School - Rylee Gahagan
Murrieta Valley High School - Anna Pham
Vista Murrieta High School - Luke Files

Employee Organization Representatives

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

A. OPENING BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

President Thomasian called the Board of Education a regular meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. at the Murrieta Valley Unified School District Support Center, 41870 McAlby Court, Murrieta, California.

2. Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established with Takesha Cooper, Paul Diffley, Ellen Larson, Linda Lunn and Kris Thomasian present.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEM(S)

There were no comments submitted pertaining to the closed session items.

C. CLOSED SESSION

President Thomasian adjourned the meeting to closed session at 3:30 p.m.

1. Student Discipline

Pursuant to Education Code 48918, the Governing Board met to consider student disciplinary action for case no. 2022-2023-114.

2. Conference with Legal Counsel Regarding Potential Litigation

Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9, the Board discussed matters that may result in litigation.

3. Conference with Labor Negotiators

Pursuant to Government Code 54957.6, the Governing Board met with designated representatives to discuss labor negotiations with the Murrieta Educators' Association and California School Employees Association - Murrieta Chapter 223.

Agency designated representatives:

Dr. Ward Andrus, Superintendent

Darren Daniel, Deputy Superintendent, Business and Operations

Leigh Lockwood, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

Faythe Mutchnick-Jayx, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

James Whittington, Chief Financial Officer

Craig Frame, Executive Director, Human Resources

Steve Ellis, Director, Human Resources

4. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint

Pursuant to Government Code 54957, the Governing Board met to discuss public employee discipline, dismissal, release and, or complaint.

5. Public Employee Performance Evaluation - District Superintendent

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

D. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

President Thomasian reconvened the meeting to open session at 5:03 p.m. She announced that the meeting was being audio recorded, livestream broadcast and that votes would be conducted by roll call.

1. Report Action Taken in Closed Session

President Thomasian announced that no action was taken during closed session conferences and discussion.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Murrieta Mesa High School student representative, Rylee Gahagan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION (continued)

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by: Paul Diffley; Motion seconded by: Ellen Larson

Voting:

Dr. Takesha Cooper - Yes

Paul Diffley - Yes

Ellen Larson - Yes

Linda Lunn - Yes

Kris Thomasian - Yes

E. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Student Representative Reports

High school student representatives reported on school academics, activities, athletics and upcoming events.

2. Public Comment

Anna Pham spoke about student representation on the Board of Education and requested that a student board member be selected starting with the 2022/23 school year and continuing each school year thereafter.

Kelly Parsons complimented the educators at Lisa J. Mails, stating that her experience as a parent has been amazing.

Clair Bolasky, RSP Teacher at Murrieta Valley High School commented on her experience in the classroom trying to make up for the learning loss students experienced in math during the COVID 19 pandemic. She also advocated for continuing to offer Earth Science at the high school level.

Rachel Fish, Shannon Saliba, Alida Pastizzo, Johanna Zeitman, Carly Fulks, Patty Smith each provided individual comments regarding large class sizes in elementary and SDC classes.

Frances Burns commented on the candidates for School Board in the upcoming election.

Sue Stein requested that all cell phones be removed from the classroom.

3. Employee Organization Reports

Kimberly Binning-Chevlin, President, Murrieta Educators' Association, shared the teacher's concerns about class sizes and being overwhelmed with the task of addressing learning loss due to the pandemic. She reported that the elementary PE MOU has been signed and that the co-teaching MOU is still in the works. Mrs. Binning - Chevlin and two other MEA members have been chosen to attend the CTA State Council of Education meetings. The next meeting is in Los Angeles on October 21 - 23, 2022.

Freddie Musquiz, President, California School Employees Association, Murrieta Chapter 223, said he is looking forward to continuing the past relationships his predecessor, Anna Leos, built. He reported that discussions are ongoing regarding the transportation contract language.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

4. Superintendent Report

Dr. Andrus expressed his appreciation to the community members for attending the meeting and sharing their comments. He reported attending the Excellence Through Equity Conference, parent advisory committee meetings, A Midsummer Night's Dream performance at Murrieta Valley High School, unified sports contests, visiting elementary school classrooms, and attending a Dr. Anthony Muhammad training on leading collaboration. Dr. Andrus recognized The Week of The School Administrator and thanked MVUSD school administrators for their tireless dedication to the district.

5. Board Member Reports

Board member Dr. Takesha Cooper thanked the teachers, parents and community members for attending the meeting. She reported attending the district LPAC meeting, Employee of the Year celebration and the Excellence Through Equity conference.

Board member Linda Lunn thanked the teachers and parents for bringing the class size issue to light tonight and stated that she would be revisiting her conversation regarding cell phone use on campus during the February board workshop. Mrs. Lunn reported attending the Student of The Month awards, unity football game at MVHS, touring CTE classes at MVHS, visiting the Learn@Home site and said she would be attending the Riverside County School Board Members Association and San Bernardino County School Boards Association Fall Joint meeting later in the month.

Board member Paul Diffley said he will be participating in the annual election of the Riverside County Committee on School District Organization as the representative delegate for Murrieta Valley Unified School District on October 24, 2022, and attending the Riverside County School Board Members Association and San Bernardino County School Boards Association Fall Joint meeting on that same evening. He shared his appreciation to the teachers for attending the meeting and sharing their experience in the classroom.

Board member Ellen Larson thanked the teachers and community members for sharing their thoughts and concerns. Mrs. Larson complimented the Murrieta Valley Unified School District AAPAC members on their presentation at the Excellence Through Equity Conference. She reported attending the unified sports event at MVHs, and the VMHS twentieth year homecoming celebration. She said she joined several PTAs this month and encouraged others to do the same. Mrs. Larson complimented the district staff for all the hard work they put in on a daily basis.

Board member Kris Thomasian thanked the parents and teachers who provided their comments during the evening. Mrs. Thomasian reported attending the meet & greet event for Dr. Andrus that was co-hosted by the Chamber of Commerce and the Santa Rosa Plateau Educational Foundation, the Student of The Month breakfast, Dr. Andrus' meet & greet event at The Colony, Employee of The Year celebration, Excellence Through Equity conference, unified sports flag football game, and the Role of a Board Member workshop.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of the Consent Calendar as presented.

Motion made by: Linda Lunn; Motion seconded by: Paul Diffley

Voting:

- Dr. Takesha Cooper - Yes
- Paul Diffley - Yes
- Ellen Larson - Yes
- Linda Lunn - Yes
- Kris Thomasian - Yes

1. Ratification of Report of Purchases and Warrants Issued

Report of Purchases from August 23, 2022 through September 25, 2022 and warrants issued on the claim numbers X201010 through X201862 in the amount of \$7,141,972.51.

2. Acceptance of Donations

School Site	Donor	Estimated Value
Buchanan Elementary	My eWaste Dropoff	\$100.00
	CA Financial, Inc.	\$250.00
	The Powell Family	\$250.00
	The Benson Family	\$250.00
	The Williams Family	\$250.00
	The Mel Family	\$250.00
	Curtis Karate	\$500.00
	Dental Growth Solutions	\$500.00
	Burt Lawson and Tristan Tims	\$250.00
	Gregory and Julie Riva	\$350.00
Lisa J. Mails Elementary	5th Grade Band Families	\$67.00
Tovashal Elementary	USAgain, LLC	\$100.00
	8th Grade Families, AVID Donations	\$590.00
	6th, 7th, 8th Grade Families, Science Donations	\$3,686.00
	6th, 7th, 8th Grade Families, Art Donations	\$1,698.00
	6th, 7th, 8th Grade Families, Multi-Media Donations	\$156.00
	Military Mortgage Group	\$300.00
Dorothy McElhinney Middle	W. Feinbeh	\$5.00
Shivela Middle	The Benevity Community Impact	\$80.00

3. Approval to Dispose of Obsolete/Unusable Materials

Quantity	Item
66	Dell Desktop Computers
125	Chromebooks
4	Charging Carts
60	Laptop Computers
1	Scanner
2	Cassette Recorders

F. CONSENT CALENDAR (continued)

3. Approval to Dispose of Obsolete/Unusable Materials (continued)

Quantity	Item
3	Elmos
60	Monitors
9	Mini iPads
2	Desks
1	Metal Cabinet
1	Metal Shelf
4	Chairs
10	Bookshelves/Cubbies
3	Plastic Shop Cabinets
6	Tables
1	File Cabinet
30	Student Desks

4. Williams Uniform Complaints Quarterly Report

The Board reviewed this report indicating that no complaints were filed for the 1st quarter of the 2022/23 school year.

G. ACTION/INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Student Expulsion Case No. 2022-2023-114

The Board of Education, under California Education Code Section 48915 (b), expels student referenced in case number 2022-2023-114 from all schools in the district for the remainder of the first semester and the second semester of the 2022/23 school year.

Motion made by: Paul Diffley

Motion seconded by: Ellen Larson

Voting:

Dr. Takesha Cooper - Yes

Paul Diffley - Yes

Ellen Larson - Yes

Linda Lunn - Yes

Kris Thomasian - Yes

2. Adoption of Resolution No. 22/23-09 authorizing Compensation for Board Member, Paul Diffley, for his absence at the September 8, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

Motion made by: Linda Lunn

Motion seconded by: Dr. Takesha Cooper

Voting:

Dr. Takesha Cooper - Yes

Paul Diffley - Abstain

Ellen Larson - Yes

Linda Lunn - Yes

Kris Thomasian – Yes

3. Approval of Personnel Report

Approve the Personnel Report as attached, which includes Certificated personnel new hire; Classified personnel promotion, transfer and new hire; Substitute personnel certificated and classified; and resignations and/or releases of certificated and/or classified employees.

Motion made by: Paul Diffley; Motion seconded by: Linda Lunn

Voting:

Dr. Takesha Cooper - Yes
Paul Diffley - Yes
Ellen Larson - Yes
Linda Lunn - Yes
Kris Thomasian - Yes

4. Adoption of Resolution No. 22/23-10 Early Notification of Intent to Retire/Resign Incentive

Motion made by: Linda Lunn; Motion seconded by: Dr. Takesha Cooper

Voting:

Dr. Takesha Cooper - Yes
Paul Diffley - Yes
Ellen Larson - Yes
Linda Lunn - Yes
Kris Thomasian - Yes

5. Assignment of Middle School Teacher to Teach in a Departmentalized Classroom Pursuant to Education Code 44256(b)

Anita Grisby - English

Motion made by: Ellen Larson; Motion seconded by: Paul Diffley

Voting:

Dr. Takesha Cooper - Yes
Paul Diffley - Yes
Ellen Larson - Yes
Linda Lunn - Yes
Kris Thomasian - Yes

6. Second Reading and Adoption of Proposed New or Revisions to Board Policy, Administrative Regulations and Board Bylaws

BP/AR 3515.21 Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS/Drones)
AR 5131.7 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments
BB 9005 Governance Standards
BB 9100 Organization

Motion made by: Linda Lunn; Motion seconded by: Paul Diffley

Voting:

Dr. Takesha Cooper - Yes
Paul Diffley - Yes
Ellen Larson - Yes
Linda Lunn - Yes
Kris Thomasian - Yes

7. First Reading of Proposed Revision to Board Policies

The Board received the following policy and administrative regulation for first reading:

BP 4133 Travel Reimbursement, proposed revision includes a number change from BP 4133 to BP 3350

BP/AR 4161.9, 4261.9, 4361.9 Catastrophic Leave

No changes to BP 4133 Travel Reimbursement were recommended. The Board tabled the first reading of revisions to BP/AR 4161.9, 4261.9, 4361.9 Catastrophic Leave and requested more detailed information regarding all leave options for employees.

H. CLOSED SESSION (Optional)

President Thomasian adjourned the open session at 6:38 p.m. and reconvened in closed session at 6:45 p.m.

I. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Approved by the Governing Board November 10, 2022



Paul F. Diffley III, Clerk of the Board