MINUTES
MERCED COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
June 21, 2021

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Pursuant to the Governor’s Executive Order #N-25-20, the Merced County Office of Education (MCOE) will be conducting the Merced County Board of Education meeting at the regular time, in a different modality. There will be no in-person public access to the meeting location. MCOE will be using a webinar format (using Zoom) in order for participation remotely. To join the meeting via Zoom visit this link: https://mcoe-org.zoom.us/j/94841377554?pwd=bW1vN0VZTzFaWHhkT1NjamdYcEE5Zz09 or by phone at: 1-669-900-6833. Meeting ID: 948 4137 7554 Passcode: 046300

I. Opening

A. Board Vice Chairperson, Geneva Brett, called the regular meeting of the Merced County Board of Education to order at 3:02 PM.

B. Members present were Geneva Brett, Frank Fagundes, Fred Honoré, and Dennis Hanks. Chris Chavez was absent.


II. Consent Agenda

Items listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine administrative functions and will be acted on by the Board in one motion and one vote. Any items under the Consent Agenda may be discussed; however, if the item needs further clarification and discussion, it may be removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of the Board or the Superintendent, and considered separately. Information concerning Consent Agenda items will be provided to each Board member for study prior to the meeting. It is understood that the Superintendent recommends approval of all consent items, unless otherwise noted. (Board Bylaw 9322)

A. Minutes of Regular Meeting on May 17, 2021
B. Approve Resolution No. 2021-15 Authorizing End of Year Transfers
C. Funding of Consolidated Application for Categorical Programs 2021-2022
D. Retirement Resolution(s):
   1. Resolution No. 2021-16 Honoring Barbara Price
   2. Resolution No. 2021-17 Honoring Charles “Steve” Foltz
   3. Resolution No. 2021-18 Honoring Kathy Silva
   4. Resolution No. 2021-19 Honoring Celeste Cooper
   5. Resolution No. 2021-20 Honoring Letha Martinez
   6. Resolution No. 2021-21 Honoring Shelly Gerken

Dennis Hanks moved and Frank Fagundes seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (Chavez absent).

III. Written Communications

A. Correspondence Received By Chairperson: None.
B. Correspondence Received By Board Members: None.
C. Correspondence Received By Superintendent: None.
IV. Call for Public Comments on Agenda & Non-Agenda Items
The public was invited to address agenda items, submit items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board for future consideration, or speak to issues related to the function and operation of the County Board of Education.

Public Comments: MCOE has taken steps to utilize technology to encourage full public participation during upcoming meetings in order to comply with public health guidance during the COVID-19 pandemic. Accessibility to members of the public will be via Zoom during the scheduled meetings and/or request to address the Board by completing the PDF form and submitting it to Yolanda Campos, Senior Executive Assistant to the County Superintendent at ycamps@mcoe.org. Please call Yolanda Campos at (209) 381-6603 with any questions.

No comments were made.

V. Future Agenda Items

VI. Superintendent's and Board Members' Report (Information/Discussion Only)

California School Employees Association (CSEA) #856, Unit A and B in compliance with Government Code 3547.5 – Janet Riley presented the proposal agreement between MCOE & CSEA #856, Unit A and B Bargaining Unit. No public comments were made.

California School Employees Association (CSEA) #856, Unit A and B in compliance with Government Code 3547.5 – This agenda item was removed and will be placed on the agenda at a future meeting.

C. Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Local Indicators for Schools operated by Merced County Office of Education – Cindy Gentry provided the LCAP Local Performance Indicator Report for MCOE. No public comments were made.

D. Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Local Indicators for Merced Scholars Charter School – Mark Pintor provided the LCAP Local Performance Indicator Report for Merced Scholars Charter School. No public comments were made.

E. Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Local Indicators for Come Back Charter School – Mark Pintor provided the LCAP Local Performance Indicator Report for Come Back Charter School. No public comments were made.

F. Board Member's Report (if any): None.

G. Superintendent's Report: Steve Tietjen reported on the following:
1. MCOE Kickoff Celebration, August 5, 2021

VII. Business Items for Action

Please Note: The Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) Budget Overview for Parents reports for Merced Scholars Charter School, Come Back Charter School, Merced County Office of Education Community and Court Schools can be found on our website at: https://www.mcoe.org/deptprog/edservices/students/Pages/postings.aspx

A. Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) with Budget Overview for Parents Review

It is recommended that the Board of Education review and adopt the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) with Budget Overview for Parents Review for Merced Scholars Charter School in compliance with Education Code 52068(b)(2)

Frank Fagundes moved and Fred Honoré seconded a motion to adopt the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) with Budget Overview for Parents Review for Merced Scholars Charter School in compliance with Education Code 52068(b)(2). The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (Chavez absent).
B. Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) with Budget Overview for Parents Review

It is recommended that the Board of Education review and adopt the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) with Budget Overview for Parents Review for Come Back Charter School in compliance with Education Code 52068(b)(2)

Dennis Hanks moved and Frank Fagundes seconded a motion to adopt the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) with Budget Overview for Parents Review for Come Back Charter School in compliance with Education Code 52068(b)(2). The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (Chavez absent).

C. Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) with Budget Overview for Parents Review

It is recommended that the Board of Education review and adopt the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) with Budget Overview for Parents Review for Merced County Office of Education Community and Court Schools in compliance with Education Code 52068(b)(2)

Frank Fagundes moved and Fred Honoré seconded a motion to adopt the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) with Budget Overview for Parents Review for Merced County Office of Education Community and Court Schools in compliance with Education Code 52068(b)(2). The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (Chavez absent).

D. School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) 2021-2022

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 School Plans for Student Achievement for Valley Community School Atwater, Valley Community School Los Banos, Valley Community School Merced, and Merced County Juvenile Hall Court School

Fred Honoré moved and Dennis Hanks seconded a motion to approve the 2021-2022 School Plans for Student Achievement for Valley Community School Atwater, Valley Community School Los Banos, Valley Community School Merced, and Merced County Juvenile Hall Court School. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (Chavez absent).

E. Annual Report on Differentiated Assistance 2020-2021

It is recommended that the Board of Education review and adopt the Merced County Office of Education Annual Report on Differentiated Assistance 2020-2021 as presented in compliance with Education Code 52066(i)(1)

Dennis Hanks moved and Fred Honoré seconded a motion to adopt the Merced County Office of Education Annual Report on Differentiated Assistance 2020-2021 as presented in compliance with Education Code 52066(i)(1). The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (Chavez absent).

F. 2021-2022 MCOE Budget

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Merced County Office of Education Budget in compliance with Education Code 1622(a)

Janet Riley presented the 2021-2022 MCOE Budget for Board review and public input. No public comments were made.
1. Adoption of Merced County Office of Education Budget of 2021-2022 Developed Using State-Adopted Criteria and Standards and Filed and Adopted Subsequent to Public Hearing by the County Board of Education in compliance with Education Code 1622(a)

**Frank Fagundes** moved and **Dennis Hanks** seconded a motion to adopt the Merced Office of Education Budget of 2021-2022 Developed Using State-Adopted Criteria and Standards and Filed and Adopted Subsequent to Public Hearing by the County Board of Education in compliance with Education Code 1622(a). The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (*Chavez absent*).

2. Adoption of Annual 2021-2022 Budget Report Reviewed by the County Board of Education and Certification that the Budget Includes Health and Welfare Benefits as Defined in Education Code Section 42140(a)

**Dennis Hanks** moved and **Fred Honore** seconded a motion to adopt the Annual 2021-2022 Budget Report Reviewed by the County Board of Education and Certification that the Budget Includes Health and Welfare Benefits as Defined in Education Code Section 42140(a). The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (*Chavez absent*).

3. Annual Certification to 2021-2022 Budget Pursuant to Education Code Section 42141(a) Regarding Self-Insured Workers’ Compensation Claims

**Frank Fagundes** moved and **Dennis Hanks** seconded a motion to adopt the Annual Certification to 2021-2022 Budget Pursuant to Education Code Section 42141(a) Regarding Self-Insured Workers’ Compensation Claims. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (*Chavez absent*).

G. County Superintendent’s Salary Schedules for 2021-2023 School Years

It is recommended that the Board of Education discuss and approve the County Superintendent of Schools’ Salary for the 2021, 2022, and 2023 School Year, Other Financial Remuneration, Health, Retirement and Other Benefits (Education Code Section 1209) as presented

**Dennis Hanks** moved and **Frank Fagundes** seconded a motion to approve the County Superintendent of Schools’ Salary for the 2021, 2022, and 2023 School Year, Other Financial Remuneration, Health, Retirement and Other Benefits (Education Code Section 1209) as presented. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (*Chavez absent*).

**Fred Honore** moved and **Dennis Hanks** seconded a motion to add agenda item #H – Covid-19 Safety Plan. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (*Chavez absent*).

H. Covid-19 Safety Plan & Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Covid-19 Safety Plan & Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services as presented

**Dennis Hanks** moved and **Fred Honore** seconded a motion to approve the Covid-19 Safety Plan & Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services as presented. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (*Chavez absent*).
VIII. Adjournment

Dennis Hanks moved and Fred Honoré seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Merced County Board of Education at 3:58 PM. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0 (Chavez absent).

Respectfully submitted,

Steve M. Tietjen, Ed.D.
County Superintendent of Schools
Secretary to the Board of Education

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