

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MANHATTAN BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Manhattan Beach, CA
May 5, 2010

The Board of Trustees of the Manhattan Beach Unified School District held a regular Board meeting on Wednesday, May 5, 2010, at 325 S. Peck Avenue, Manhattan Beach, California. The following were present:

Members of the Board Ida VanderPoorte, President
 Amy Howorth, Vice President
 Bill Fournell, Clerk
 Ellen Rosenberg, Member
 Penny Bordokas, Member
 Dr. Beverly Rohrer, Superintendent
 Jeff Whelan, Student Board Member
 Sarah Keasler, Student Board Member

District Personnel Carolyn Seaton, Steve Romines, Kathy Hall, Nancy Bogart, and staff

Call to Order Ms. VanderPoorte called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., and recessed to closed session to discuss:

1. Conference with District labor negotiator Steve Romines regarding MBUTA negotiations, per Government Code Section 54957.6.
2. Conference with District labor negotiator Steve Romines regarding CSEA negotiations, per Government Code Section 54957.6.
3. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 45956.9. One potential case.

**Open Session
Reconvened** Open session was reconvened at 6:40 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance Kate Walsh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Report of Action Taken
During Closed Session** No action was reported.

Approval of Agenda Mrs. Howorth moved approval of the agenda, seconded by Mr. Fournell. Dr. Rohrer asked to pull items E.3., and 3.a. from the Consent Calendar. Ms. VanderPoorte called for the question and Board members voted unanimously to approve the agenda as amended.

<u>Public Comment</u>	None.
<u>Moment of Silence</u>	A Moment of Silence was held for Neil Dillon, a Pennekamp parent who passed away recently.
<u>Recognition</u>	Lynda Mitsakos, a parent at Mira Costa High School, was recognized for outstanding service to the Manhattan Beach Unified School District. Ms. Mitsakos rallied parents to protest the revocation of permits from the Los Angeles Unified School District and to allow students to attend their school of choice.
<u>Teacher Spotlight</u>	The Teacher Spotlight was on Melissa Kundrat, first grade teacher from Robinson Elementary School.
<u>Board Member Announcements</u>	Board members shared announcements of interest.
<u>Student Board Member Report</u>	Mr. Whelan introduced the new student Board members for 2010-2011, Emily Goldenberg and Sierra Bloodgood, from Mira Costa High School.

Mr. Whelan and Miss Keasler reported on events and activities taking place at the high school and elementary schools. Jina Stanfill reported on activities and events at Manhattan Beach Middle School.

Ms. VanderPoorte called the Consent Calendar and asked if any member of the audience or staff wished to pull an item. Dr. Rohrer asked to pull Items E.5., and E.11. She asked if any member of the Board wished to pull an item and there were none. Mrs. Howorth moved approval of the Consent Calendar, seconded by Mr. Fournell. Board members voted unanimously to:

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

General

1. Approve correction to previously submitted California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) Waiver of Test Passage for Special Education student #920005743, as prescribed in Education Code section 56101.
2. Approval of the field trip request for Mira Costa High School Model UN Students to participate in the UC Davis Model UN Conference. Mira Costa High School is requesting Board approval for thirty-six students and four chaperones to travel via airline and bus to Davis, CA, May 13-16, 2010. Accommodations will be at Courtyard by Marriott.
3. Pulled
- 3a. Pulled
4. Approve the 100% employment contract for Dr. Michael Matthews, Superintendent of Schools, for two years, from July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2012, at \$190,000 per annum for the first step, on terms reflected in the employment contract.

Personnel

6. Ratify leave of absence for classified employees at effective dates as listed:

Weber, Patricia, Staff Secretary, M&O, (Contract Article 6) effective
04/19/10 – 04/29/10
7. Ratify employment of classified personnel to serve as substitute and/or short term/intermittent, district wide, at effective dates listed:

Burkhead, Barbara, effective 04/16/10
Grenier, Jean-Sebastien, effective 04/12/10
Hilgendorf, Brittany, effective 04/15/10
Li, Qinpei, effective 04/05/10
Wianecki, Krista, effective 04/15/10
8. Ratify employment of certificated staff as follows:

Hernandez, Leslie (DO), Column VI, Step 13, 100%, eff. 5/3/10
9. Ratify leave of absence for certificated staff per MBUTA Contract Article #11.9, #11.10, #11.18 as follows:

Mitchell, Stephanie (GV), from 4/26/10 to 6/24/10
10. Ratify employment of certificated substitutes at current rate of pay as follows:

Kelly, James eff. 4/16/10

Business

12. Reject claim against a public entity dated April 23, 2010, from Kaufman, Kaufman & Miller, LLP, on behalf of a minor.
13. Accept, with thanks, a gift to the District from Chevron.

Mrs. Howorth moved approval of Item E.5., seconded by Mr. Fournell. Mrs. Hall read the resolution in honor of the California Day of the Teacher. Ms. VanderPoorte called for the question, and Board members voted unanimously to:

5. Adopt Resolution 2010-7, *California Day of the Teacher*.

Mrs. Howorth moved approval of Item E.11., seconded by Mr. Fournell. Ms. VanderPoorte noted that minor changes had been made to this agreement. She called for the question. Board members voted unanimously to:

11. Approve Lease Agreement for Use of School Property between Manhattan Beach Unified School District and the Manhattan Beach Athletic Foundation/PSmanhattan.

Approval of Board Policies

Mrs. Rosenberg moved approval of the following list of Board policies, seconded by Mrs. Howorth. Board members voted unanimously to:

1. Receive for first reading and adoption, revised Board Policy 6111, School Calendar.
2. Receive for first reading and adoption, revised Board Policy 3580, District Records, and receive for review, revised Administrative Regulation 3580, District Records.
5. Receive for first reading and adoption, revised Board Policy 5117, Interdistrict Attendance, and receive for review, revised Administrative Regulation 5117, Interdistrict Attendance.
6. Receive for first reading and adoption, revised Board Policy 6146.4, Differential Graduation and Competency Standards for Students with Disabilities.
7. Receive for first reading and adoption, revised Board Policy 6173.1, Education for Foster Youth, and receive for review, advised Administrative Regulation 6173.4, Education for Foster Youth.

The following Administrative Regulations were received by the Board:

3. Receive for review, revised Administrative Regulation 4112.23, Special Education Staff.
4. Receive for review, revised Administrative Regulation 5113.2, Work Permits.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Howorth moved approval of the minutes of the special Board meeting of April 7, 2010, seconded by Mrs. Rosenberg and unanimously approved by the Board.

Superintendent/Cabinet Report

Status of Classified Employee Layoffs

Mrs. Hall reported there would no be any layoffs at this time.

Use of Facilities and Fields

Dr. Romines reported that a master scheduling process is being developed for the use of District fields and facilities. This will streamline the process. The issue of having restroom facilities open to the public on weekends was discussed, as was the damage to those restrooms when left open.

Friday Letter

Dr. Rohrer said the Friday Letter would include the 7-11 Committee Surplus Property Report in preparation for the May 19th Board meeting.

Board Workshop

Dr. Rohrer reminded Board members about the workshop on Wednesday, May 12th at 5:00 p.m., regarding facilities.

General Obligation Bonds

Dr. Romines updated the Board on the preparation for the sale of General Obligation Bonds.

Percussion Concert

Mrs. Seaton informed the Board that the concert would be held on Friday, May 7, at 7:15 p.m.

Senior Acceptances

Mrs. Seaton reported that the data on senior surveys was being compiled. Some of the acceptances included Harvard, Princeton, Stanford, Brown, Duke, Dartmouth, Williams, Northwestern, UCLA, USC, and Berkeley.

Public Comments

None

**Items Recommended
for Future Board
Discussion**

Dr. Rohrer asked the Board what they would like included in the presentation on ExCEL at the first meeting in June, which they explained.

Dr. Romines updated the Board on the District's website construction.

Dr. Rohrer said an update on the Mira Costa principal search would be included in the Friday Letter.

Adjournment

Mrs. Rosenberg moved to adjourn at 8:03 p.m., seconded by Mr. Whelan and unanimously approved by the Board.

BILL FOURNELL, CLERK
Board of Trustees

BEVERLY J. ROHRER, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools