

**MINUTE RECORD of Madera Unified School District Board of Education
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON THE 9th DAY OF JUNE, 2009**

The Board of Education of the Madera Unified School District convened in a
Regular Board Meeting in the Madera Unified School District Boardroom,
1902 Howard Road, Madera, California on **Tuesday, June 9, 2009**, at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Michael H. Westley, President

Philip D. Janzen, Clerk

Ricardo Arredondo, Trustee

Loraine Goodwin, Trustee

Michael Salvador, Trustee

Ray G. Seibert, Trustee

Absent: Robert E. Garibay, Trustee

John R. Stafford, Superintendent

Kelly Porterfield, Associate Superintendent, Business and Operations

Kathleen Lopes, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

Jake Bragonier, Public Information Officer

Teri Bradshaw, Director, Fiscal Services

Jerry Stehman, Director, Human Resources

Robert Chavez, Chief Academic Officer

Darren Sylvia, Chief Academic Officer

Janet Morgan, Senior Administrative Assistant

Deborah Wood, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services (2009/10)

Jennifer Gaviola, Director, Special Services

Mike Lennemann, Principal, Desmond Middle School

Rosalind Cox, Director, Facilities and Planning

Lupe Rodriguez, Director, Maintenance

Carsten Christiansen, Principal, Alpha Elementary

Lisa Chaney, Coordinator of Health Services

Alma Jauregui DeLuna, EL Coordinator

Marty Bitter, Athletic Director, Madera South High School

Marisa DiMauro, Director, Categorical Programs

Andy Beakes, Principal, Madera South High School

Janet Grossnicklaus, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

Becky McHaney, Coordinator, Special Services

Galen Wright, Director, Student Services

Babette Jaire, MUTA President

Alice Rios, CSEA President

There were approximately 60 visitors/District employees in attendance.

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1. Call to Order of Public Meeting – Closed Session Immediately Convened

President Westley called the Public Session of the Board of Education to order at 5:30 p.m. and immediately adjourned to Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Sections 54957, 54957.1, and 54957.6, and Education Code Sections 35146, 44951, 48900, and 48918.

2. Reconvene Public Session/Call to Order Regular Meeting

3. Pledge of Allegiance, Opening, and Acknowledgement of Visitors and Media

President Westley adjourned the Closed Session at 6:50 p.m. and reconvened the Regular Meeting by calling the Public Session to order at 7:00 p.m. President Westley welcomed the visitors and asked Trustee Salvador to lead the flag salute. President Westley asked Fred Thurman of Praise Chapel to lead the invocation. President Westley explained the rules governing the Board meeting. The meeting was recorded on Tape No. 24-2008/09.

4. Closed Session Reportable Actions (Government Code Section 54957.1)

Superintendent Stafford announced there were no reportable Closed Session actions.

5. Adoption of Agenda – Motion No. 163-2008/09

President Westley stated that if the Board and/or Administration determined they wished to add to the Agenda under Miscellaneous Items, this would be the appropriate time.

Superintendent Stafford asked that Items 10A, 10B and the Public Hearing be removed from the Agenda. Superintendent Stafford also asked that Item 10C moved to Item 6.

It was moved by Trustee Salvador, seconded by Trustee Janzen, and CARRIED by a vote of 5 Ayes and 1 Absent to adopt the Agenda as amended.

Ayes:	Trustees Goodwin, Salvador, Seibert, Clerk Janzen, and President Westley
Noes:	None
Absent:	Trustee Garibay
Abstained:	None

6. Student Board Representative Report

ITEM 10C DISCUSSED HERE

Immediately following action on Item 10C to approve/accept the Declarations of the Official Statewide May 19, 2009 Special Election Results by the Madera County Clerk, newly elected Board member Ricardo Arredondo, and re-elected Board member Ray Seibert were issued the Oath of Office by presiding Board Clerk, Philip Janzen.

7. Communications

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7A. Public Hearing

President Westley opened the meeting for visitors to speak on a subject not on the Board Agenda.

Mr. Louis Ceja of 956 Drysdale Way, Madera, California came to the podium and was recognized by President Westley. Mr. Ceja is the parent of one Martin Luther King Middle School student and 2 Cesar Chavez Elementary School students. Mr. Ceja extended praise for the teachers and administrators at Cesar Chavez Elementary School for the exemplary way in which they foster and nourish empowerment of the students and their strong connection to the community and parents. Mr. Ceja then voiced his concerns about the opposite culture he sees at Martin Luther King Middle School. Mr. Ceja asked the Board to seriously consider a change in administrative personnel at King Middle School. Mr. Ceja emphasized that his comments this evening were given serious consideration and are shared by many other parents of Martin Luther King Middle School students.

7B. Student and Staff Recognition

Allied Waste/Recycling Program representatives Carolyn Dickson and Mark Scozzari were on hand to present checks to Madera High School (\$500) and Thomas Jefferson Middle School (\$250) athletic programs. Madera Unified middle and high schools competed in collecting tennis shoes for recycling with checks going to the winners in each division.

Springboard Schools Excellence in Education Award

Jennifer Gaviola, Director of Special Services was on hand to report about an award received by Madera Unified School District from the Springboard Schools Foundation in Pomona on June 4th. Mrs. Gaviola and Deborah Wood represented Madera Unified at ceremonies in Pomona.

Spring Spirit of Sport/Model Coach Awards were presented as follows:

Desmond Middle School

Spirit of Sport Award: Cooper Neal (male), Crystal Rivera (female)

Model Coach Award: Mark Beyer (boys coach), Anthony Ashford (girls coach)

MLK Middle School

Spirit of Sport Award: Juwan Cummings (male), Ariana Ledesma (female)

Model Coach Award: Alex Fierros, Annemarie Welkin

Jefferson Middle School

Spirit of Sport Award: Jeremy Vollberg (male), Carissa McMillan (female)

Model Coach Award: Sarah Dougherty (boys volleyball), Greg Jones (baseball)

Madera South High School

Spirit of Sport Award: Jesus Martinez (male), Sherry Ramirez (female)

Model Coach Award: Steve Guglielmana (boys volleyball), Autumn Davis (track and field)

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Madera High School

Spirit of Sport Award: Haden Hinkle (male), Crystal Renteria (female)

Model Coach Award: Doug Adams (boys golf), Alan Revilla (assistant varsity softball)

8. Approval of Consent Agenda – Motion No. 164-2008/09

Document Numbers 359-2008/09 through 372-2008/09

Resolution Number 60-2008/09

Commercial Warrants, Exhibit A

Staffing Changes, Exhibit B

Field Trip/Employee Conference Requests, Exhibit C

It was moved by Trustee Janzen, seconded by Trustee Salvador, and CARRIED by a vote of 6 Ayes and 1 Absent to approve the Consent Agenda.

Ayes: Trustees Arredondo, Goodwin, Salvador, Seibert, Clerk Janzen, and
President Westley

Noes: None

Absent: Trustee Garibay

Abstained: None

**8A. Routine Business Transactions, Annual Renewal of Programs, Bids,
Agreements, Notices of Public Hearings, and Proclamations:**

8A1. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of May 26, 2009

8A2. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2009
(Motion Numbers Out of Sequence)

8A3. Adoption of Resolution #60-2008/09: Request approval of the
April 30, 2009 Budget and Expense Transfer reports **Resolution #60-2008/09**

Ayes: Trustees Goodwin, Salvador, Seibert, Clerk Janzen, and
President Westley

Noes: None

Absent: Trustee Garibay

Abstained: Trustee Arredondo

8A4. Approval of an agreement between Tiger, Inc. and Madera Unified School District
Document No. 359-2008/09

8A5. Approval of the April 30, 2009 Financial Report
Document No. 360-2008/09

8A6. Approval of the April 30, 2009 Student body Statement of Club
Trust Accounts **Document No. 361-2008/09**

8A7. Approval of Mission 212 Club for Thomas Jefferson Middle School
Document No. 362-2008/09

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8A8. Approval to Change School Designation from Targeted Assistance to Schoolwide for Madera High School, Furman High School and Nishimoto Elementary School
Document No. 363-2008/09

8A9. Approval of Contract with Pearson for the 2009-2010 school year
Document No. 364-2008/09

8A10. Approval of Martin Luther King Middle School Grant Application to the Lois Lenski Covey Foundation, Inc.
Document No. 365-2008/09

8A11. Approval of Madera Unified School District EETT 2009-10 Grant Application
Document No. 366-2008/09

8A12. Approval of DataWorks Contract for 2009-2010
Document No. 367-2008/09

8A13. Approval of modifications for the two existing Associate superintendents Contracts effective July 1, 2009
Document No. 368-2008/09

8A14. Approval to Adopt the Findings, Conclusions and Recommendations related to the possible expulsion or readmission of pupils as these are presented to the Board in one or more of the following forms of documentation:

- Report(s) of Administrative Hearing Panel(s)
- Expulsion Status Review Report(s) by the Superintendent's Designee
- Stipulated Expulsion Agreement(s)

The Governing Board is also requested to issue orders consistent with the above referenced findings, conclusions and recommendations related to the possible expulsion or readmission of pupils in the cases of the following students, herein identified by their District-assigned identification numbers: 401681, 997198, 6416, 977487, 200195, 402105, 302323, 200731, 968009, 502769, 5777, 977525, 202874, 202429, 17821, 996091, 995432, 301880, 995153, 200044, 402586, 7955, 402573, 1819, 501608, 501605, 995068, 995447, 997704, 301812, 12170, 401816, 17462, 997455, 200673, 95590, 996306
Confidential Document No. 369-2008/09

8A15. Approval of Commercial Warrant Listing
Document No. 370-2008/09

8B. Human Resources Items

8B1. Approval of Staffing Changes and Coaches
Document No. 371-2008/09

8C. Approval of Field Trip/Employee Conference Requests
Document No. 372-2008/09

9. Old Business

9A. Second Reading and Request for Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation on "Student Use of Technology" (BP/AR 6163.4)
Motion No. 165-2008/09
Document No. 373-2008/09

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It was moved by Trustee Seibert, seconded by Trustee Goodwin and CARRIED by a vote of 5 Ayes, 1 Absent and 1 Abstained to approve the Board Policy and Administrative Regulation on “Student Use of Technology” (BP/AR 6163.4)

Ayes: Trustees Goodwin, Salvador, Seibert, Clerk Janzen, and President Westley
Noes: None
Absent: Trustee Garibay
Abstained: Trustee Arredondo

- 9B.** Second Reading and Request for Approval of Proposed Revisions to the Administrative Regulation on “Suspension Expulsion” (AR 5144.1)

**Motion No. 166-2008/09
Document No. 374-2008/09**

It was moved by Trustee Janzen, seconded by Trustee Goodwin and CARRIED by a vote of 5 Ayes, 1 Absent and 1 Abstained to approve Proposed Revisions to the Administrative Regulation on “Suspension Expulsion” (AR 5144.1)

Ayes: Trustees Goodwin, Salvador, Seibert, Clerk Janzen, and President Westley
Noes: None
Absent: Trustee Garibay
Abstained: Trustee Arredondo

10. New Business

- 10A. Public Hearing for Categorical Flexibility Transfers** **PULLED FROM AGENDA**

- 10B. Approval to Transfer Funds Subject to Categorical Flexibility**
PULLED FROM AGENDA

- 10C. Approval/Acceptance by the Madera Unified School District Board of Trustees of the Declarations of the Official Statewide May 19, 2009 Special Election Results by the Madera County Clerk**

**Motion No. 167-2008/09
Document No. 376-2008/09**

Discussed at Item 6 above

It was moved by Trustee Salvador, seconded by Trustee Janzen and CARRIED by a vote of 5 Ayes and 1 Absent to approve/accept the Declarations of the Official Statewide May 19, 2009 Special Election Results by the Madera County Clerk

Ayes: Trustees Goodwin, Salvador, Seibert, Clerk Janzen, and President Westley
Noes: None
Absent: Trustee Garibay
Abstained: None

- 10D. Approval of Award of Bid #060409; Rearrangement of Electrical Service at Thomas Jefferson Middle School to the low responsive and responsible bidder**

**Motion No. 168-2008/09
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Kelly Porterfield informed the Board that Lane Electric is the recommended bidder for this project.

It was moved by Trustee Seibert, seconded by Trustee Salvador and CARRIED by a vote of 6 Ayes and 1 Absent to approve the award of Bid #060409; rearrangement of electrical service at Thomas Jefferson Middle School to Lane Electric, the low responsive and responsible bidder.

Ayes: Trustees Arredondo Goodwin, Salvador, Seibert, Clerk Janzen, and President Westley
Noes: None
Absent: Trustee Garibay
Abstained: None

10E. Review and Discussion of the 2009-10 Preliminary Budget

Kelly Porterfield presented an in-depth review of the 2009-10 preliminary budget and an overview of the issues impacting the budgeting process.

10F. Ratification of the Madera County School Boards Association Executive Committee 2009-2010 Proposed Budget

**Motion No. 169-2008/09
Document No. 378-2008/09**

It was moved by Trustee Salvador, seconded by Trustee Goodwin and DEFEATED by a vote of 3 Ayes, 2 Noes, 1 Absent and 1 Abstained to ratify the Madera County School Boards Association Executive Committee 2009-2010 Proposed Budget

Ayes: Trustees Goodwin, Salvador and President Westley
Noes: Trustee Seibert and Clerk Janzen
Absent: Trustee Garibay
Abstained: Arredondo

10G. Approval of Recommendations from the Alternative Governing Board

**Motion No. 170-2008/09
Document No. 379-2008/09**

Kathleen Lopes presented a PowerPoint overview of AGB activities in 2008/09 and their recommendations for the four Program Improvement schools they monitor. Overall recommendations, in addition to individual recommendations for Madison Elementary, Millview Elementary, Washington Elementary and Martin Luther King Middle School were presented.

Following Ms. Lopes presentation the Board questioned the effectiveness of recommendations made by the AG Board. Ms. Lopes responded with comments on a site-by-site basis. The Board stated their concerns with the lack of progress at Martin Luther King Middle School. Ms. Lopes responded that some staffing

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changes have been made over the past few years and talked about the evolving role of academic coaches. Ms. Lopes added that AGB can only make certain recommendations. Anything beyond that would need to come from the Board of Trustees. The Board discussed the fact that approximately 60% of the current teaching staff have been at that site for only 2-3 years. Another serious concern is the fact that students move into 7th grade at Martin Luther King with good grades and their GPA declines by the end of 8th grade. The Board discussed the need for changes in administration at Martin Luther King. Another option is “reconstitution” of the school. Ms. Lopes explained the process as completely starting over with staff – everyone currently employed at that site would be required to re-apply for their positions. Additional discussion included the lack of good teaching; the amount of training invested in the staff; monitoring use of training. MLK is also a QEIA funded school that requires staffing of 25/1. The importance of providing encouragement to students; providing an environment conducive to doing homework and the involvement of parents in the school was discussed. It was suggested that a “homework policy” be instituted and we should have the expectation that teachers assign worthy work. Any further discussions regarding staffing will be undertaken by the Board and/or staff.

It was moved by Trustee Salvador, seconded by Trustee Goodwin and CARRIED by a vote of 6 Ayes and 1 Absent to approve Recommendations from the Alternative Governance Board as written.

Ayes: Trustees Arredondo, Goodwin, Salvador, Seibert, Clerk Janzen, and President Westley
Noes: None
Absent: Trustee Garibay
Abstained: None

**10H. Approval of Contract with Clark Consulting and Training for the 2009-2010 school year.
Motion No. 171-2008/09
Document No. 380-2008/09**

Kathy Lopes explained that she brought approval of this contract as a new agenda item in order to present an overview of MUSD’s Language Star and English Learner Program which has been developed over the past year with Mr. Clark.

It was moved by Trustee Janzen, seconded by Trustee Salvador and CARRIED by a vote of 6 Ayes and 1 Absent to approve the contract with Clark Consulting and Training for the 2009-2010 school year.

Ayes: Trustees Arredondo, Goodwin, Salvador, Seibert, Clerk Janzen, and President Westley
Noes: None
Absent: Trustee Garibay
Abstained: None

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11. Information and Reports

11A. Standards Report

Lisa Chaney, Coordinator of Health Services presented a year-end report on Health Services.

11B. Business and Operations Update

Kelly Porterfield presented a financial update.

12. Announcements

13. Miscellaneous

There were no items.

14. Advanced Planning

President Westley made the following announcement:

**Next Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 23, 2009 - 7:00 p.m.
Madera Unified School District Boardroom – 1902 Howard Road, Madera, CA 93637**

15. Suggested Future Agenda Items

16. Adjournment – Motion No. 172–2008/09

President Westley adjourned the Public Session at 10:00 p.m.

Janet Morgan, Senior Administrative Assistant
to the Superintendent and Board of Trustees

Dated: June 9, 2009