

**MINUTE RECORD of Madera Unified School District Board of Education
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING HELD ON THE 6th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2009**

The Board of Education of the Madera Unified School District convened in a **Special Board Meeting** in the Madera Unified School District Boardroom, 1902 Howard Road, Madera, California on **Tuesday, October 6, 2009**, at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Michael H. Westley, President

Philip D. Janzen, Clerk

Ricardo Arredondo, Trustee

Robert E. Garibay, Trustee

Michael Salvador, Trustee

Ray G. Seibert, Trustee

Absent: Loraine Goodwin, Trustee

John R. Stafford, Superintendent

Kelly Porterfield, Associate Superintendent, Business and Operations

Deborah A. Wood, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

Jake Bragonier, Public Information Officer

Jerry Stehman, Director, Human Resources

Robert Chavez, Chief Academic Officer

Darren Sylvia, Chief Academic Officer

Janet Morgan, Senior Administrative Assistant

Janet Grossnicklaus, Director, Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment

Marisa DiMauro, Director, Categorical Programs

Robert Amaro, Attendance Officer

Babette Jaire, MUTA President

Alice Rios, CSEA President

There were approximately 25 visitors/District employees in attendance.

1. Call to Order of Public Meeting

President Westley called the Public Session of the Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

President Westley welcomed the visitors and asked Clerk Janzen to lead the flag salute. President Westley explained the rules governing the Board meeting. The meeting was recorded on Audio File No. 06-2009/10.

3. Adoption of Agenda – Motion No. 35-2009-10

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.

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It was moved by Clerk Janzen, seconded by Trustee Salvador, and unanimously carried to adopt the Agenda.

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

4. Communications

7A. Public Hearing

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

No one present came forward.

5. New Business

5A. Public hearing for Charter School Development Systems' petition seeking approval of their on-line e-charter school within Madera Unified School District

President Westley opened the Public Hearing for Charter School Development Systems' petition at 6:05 p.m. President Westley then outlined the process for the hearing and asked Superintendent Stafford to introduce the petition submitted to the District. President Westley then invited the petitioners to make their presentation.

Mr. Blaise Subbiondo of eTAP, Inc. (Teaching Assistance Program) was present on behalf of the petitioners. Mr. Subbiondo presented a handout of a slide presentation to Mr. Stafford and each member of the Board and proceeded to give a brief overview of their program.

Following Mr. Subbiondo's presentation President Westley opened the floor for public comment.

Alice Rios, CSEA Chapter President and Madera Unified employee spoke on behalf of Madera Unified School District's classified employees in opposition to the charter petition submitted by Charter School Development Systems citing a lack of understanding of the particular needs and issues of Madera Unified students by an East coast corporation and their failure to fully comply with the laws of the State of California.

Babette Jaire, MUTA President spoke on behalf of the Madera Unified Teacher Association in opposition to the charter petition submitted by Charter School Development Systems citing a lack of WASC accreditation and access to wet labs for science experiments.

Bob Amaro, Madera Unified School District Attendance Officer spoke in opposition to the charter petition submitted by Charter School Development Systems citing a lack of oversight/supervision of students who may enroll in this program.

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There were no further public comments.

President Westley closed the floor to public comment and allowed Mr. Subbiondo to respond to comments made by the public and asked for clarifying questions from the Board.

Mr. Subbiondo addressed the issue of WASC accreditation by stating this was a simple process of applying for accreditation and commented that they do have a couple of experiments that students will be able to perform at home in place of wet labs.

The Board asked clarifying questions which Mr. Subbiondo responded to.

President Westley stated that the Board will reconvene at a later date to further consider, discuss, and take action on the petition within 60 days from receipt of the petition by Madera Unified from Charter School Development Systems.

6. Adjournment – Motion No. 36–2009/10

President Westley adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:49 p.m.



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

Dated: October 6, 2009