

**MINUTE RECORD OF: Madera Unified School District Board of Education**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON THE 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF June, 2008**

Anne Lozano, Administrative Assistant, Jack G. Desmond Middle School  
Raul Lozano, Principal, Nishimoto School  
Daren Miller, Principal, Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School  
Jesus Navarro, Vice-Principal, Parkwood School  
Darrell Yates, Vice-Principal, Jack G. Desmond Middle School

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Sue Thornton, MUTA President

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Luther Slack, President Madera NAACP

There were approximately 45 visitors/District employees in attendance.

**1. CALL TO ORDER OF PUBLIC MEETING –  
CLOSED SESSION IMMEDIATELY CONVENED**

President Seibert called the Public Session of the Board of Education to order at 4:32 p.m. and immediately adjourned to Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Sections 54957, 54957.1 and 54957.6 and Education Code Sections 35146, 48900, and 48918 to hear Level III Grievance. President Seibert recessed Closed Session at 5:20 p.m. to give the attorneys opportunity to caucus and reconvened Closed Session at 6:00 p.m.

**2. RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION/CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING –**  
**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, OPENING, AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF  
VISITORS AND MEDIA**

President Seibert adjourned the Closed Session at 6:55 p.m., and he reconvened the Regular Meeting by calling the Public Session to order at 7:02 p.m. President Seibert welcomed the visitors and he asked Trustee Adams to lead the flag salute. President Seibert asked Pastor Samuel Alvarado of Building for Christ Ministries to lead the invocation. President Seibert explained the rules governing the Board meeting. The meeting was recorded on Tape No. 20–2007/08.

**4. CLOSED SESSION REPORTABLE ACTIONS  
(GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.1)**

Superintendent Risinger announced there were not any reportable Closed Session actions.

**5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA – MOTION NO. 154–2007/08**

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President Seibert 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 Risinger asked that we pull Employee #3 from the Certificated Employment on the Staffing List, Lizbeth Lara.

**It was moved by Clerk/Trustee Westley, seconded by Trustee Janzen, and unanimously carried to adopt the revised Agenda.**

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

**6. COMMUNICATIONS**

**6A. PUBLIC HEARING**

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

Marissa Saldate, 309 Hilton, Madera, California, teacher at John Adams School, addressed the Board regarding the reassignment of classroom aides. She teaches the Districts first and only class for the Autistic. She said that her heart and passion is for the Autistic child, and her Autistic students in her classroom. She also said that she will make a model program out of her classroom. She said that Autistic children thrive on consistency. She said that consistency in the classroom is how an Autistic child grows. By reassigning classroom aides that Ms. Saldate has specifically trained for her program will only hurt the quality of the program, but she said that it will also hurt the students. She said that her students will experience great behavioral setbacks, which will then turn toward their academics. She said that time is of the essence with these children. Early and intense intervention by trained personnel is critical for their growth. To start a new school year with three new staff members who have never stepped foot in an Autism program is too much to ask of their parents who have endured this long journey, desperately seeking an educational program that meets the needs of their children. In conclusion, Ms. Saldate asked the Board for support. Support to create a program that these children deserve. Support for a program that has highly qualified staff that will not change from month to month or year to year. Support for a program that provides these children with an educational and behavioral intervention they deserve. Support for a program that prides itself on consistency and a program with integrity. And most important of all, a program that gives these children a voice. Ms. Saldate then introduced the staff that she works with: Ana Morfin, Instructional Aide; Denise Chambers, Instructional Aide; Mrs. Villanueva, parent and Mrs. Hook, grandparent.

**6B. STUDENT AND STAFF RECOGNITION**

➤ Joe Trevino, Teach One to Lead One

Joe Trevino, of Teach One to Lead One gave a brief presentation and overview of the Teach One to Lead One program. The program has been in Madera for the last eight years. The program reaches thirteen different groups of students on three campuses. The campuses are Ripperdan, Mt. Vista and Madera High School, with over 300 students each week. New this year to the program is the Freshman Academy. It has grown tremendously through the year. Mr. Trevino said that he was skeptical about the Freshman Academy when it first started, but it has turned out to be a great program. He said that once a week they go into a classroom, and take over the classroom. They introduce a principle, such as self-control. Teach One to Lead One is based on principles instead of issues. Mr. Trevino said that they do not talk about drugs, accidents or gangs. They talk about self-control and how we have to have the strength and discipline to do what we need to do in certain situations to achieve our goals. That covers a broad range of things, he said. A big portion of the program is about their Volunteer Mentors, and forming relationships with these students. He said that the program and mentors try to be a constant in their lives, which often is the only constant in their lives. Mr. Trevino then explained to the Board that he had planned on having two sisters who participate in the program attend the Board meeting. Because of their troubled home life, they were not able to be at the meeting. He said that this again is an example of the students that they deal with every day. Mr. Trevino then introduced several of his staff that were present: Mel and Penny Cellini, Volunteer Mentors; Robert Poythress, Volunteer Mentor; Dennis Smith, Volunteer Mentor; Carey Pitman, English Teacher at Mt. Vista High School; and Steve Williams, Board Member, Celebrate Life International, parent company of Teach One to Lead One.

**7. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA – MOTION NO. 155-2007/08, DOCUMENT NUMBERS 439-2007/08 THROUGH 470-2007/08, AND RESOLUTION NO. 73-2007/08, INCLUDING COMMERCIAL WARRANTS – EXHIBIT “A”; STAFFING CHANGES – EXHIBIT “B”;**

**It was moved by Trustee Janzen, seconded by Clerk/Trustee Westley, and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda.**

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

**7A. ROUTINE BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS, ANNUAL RENEWAL OF PROGRAMS, BIDS, AGREEMENTS, NOTICES OF PUBLIC HEARINGS, AND PROCLAMATIONS:**

**7A1. APPROVAL OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 27, 2008**

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- 7A2. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 73-2007/08 -- APRIL BUDGET AND EXPENSE TRANSFER REPORTS RESOLUTION NO. 73-2007/08
- 7A3. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 30, 2008 FINANCIAL REPORT DOCUMENT NO. 439-2007/08
- 7A4. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 30, 2008 STUDENT BODY STATEMENT OF CLUB TRUST ACCOUNTS DOCUMENT NO. 440-2007/08
- 7A5. APPROVAL OF ANNUAL AGREEMENT WITH AXIOM MANAGEMENT ADVISORS & CONSULTANTS FOR CONSULTING SERVICES IN PREPARATION AND FILING OF REIMBURSEMENT CLAIMS AND ESTIMATED CLAIMS FOR CERTAIN PROGRAMS MANDATED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DOCUMENT NO. 441-2007/08
- 7A6. APPROVAL OF FOOD SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND MADERA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION FROM JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009 DOCUMENT NO. 442-2007/08
- 7A7. APPROVAL OF FOOD SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE SHERMAN THOMAS CHARTER SCHOOL FROM JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009 DOCUMENT NO. 443-2007/08
- 7A8. APPROVAL OF FOOD SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE MADERA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE MEALS FOR THE SCHOOL READINESS KINDER CAMP CONTRACTS FOR MADISON, WASHINGTON AND NISHIMOTO SCHOOLS FROM JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JULY 31, 2008 DOCUMENT NO. 444-2007/08
- 7A9. APPROVAL OF FOOD SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE EZEQUIEL TAFOYA ALVARADO ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL FROM JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009 DOCUMENT NO. 445-2007/08
- 7A10. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH SPRINGBOARD SCHOOLS AND MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMENCING JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009 DOCUMENT NO. 446-2007/08
- 7A11. APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH MADERA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION FOR SB472 TRAINING FOR THE 2008 MATHEMATICS ADOPTION PROGRAMS DOCUMENT NO. 447-2007/08
- 7A12. APPROVAL TO SUBMIT CHUKCHANSI GRANTS FOR MADERA HIGH SCHOOL, MADERA SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL, LA VINA SCHOOL, JOHN ADAMS SCHOOL, MADERA PRE-SCHOOL AND JAMES MADISON SCHOOL DOCUMENT NO. 448 THROUGH 458-2007/08
- 7A13. APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A CITI SUCCESS FUND GRANT FOR MADISON SCHOOL TO HELP FUND STUDENT PARTICIPATION AT CALVIN CREST CAMP DOCUMENT NO. 459-2007/08
- 7A14. APPROVAL OF CONSULTANT AGREEMENT WITH KEVIN CLARK CONSULTING AND MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR ELL DOCUMENT NO. 460-2007/08
- 7A15. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT/MADERA ADULT SCHOOL FOR PRACTICAL

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TRAINING IN VARIOUS CLINICAL DEPARTMENTS AS A COMPONENT OF THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM FOR 2008/2009 DOCUMENT NO. 461-2007/08

7A16. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN CEDAR CREEK RETIREMENT COMMUNITY AND MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT/MADERA ADULT SCHOOL TO TEACH "SENIOR FINE/APPLIED ARTS, HISTORICAL AND CURRENT PERSPECTIVES AND PHYSICAL FITNESS FOR OLDER ADULTS" FROM JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009 DOCUMENT NO. 462-2007/08

7A17. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT/MADERA ADULT SCHOOL AND FRANK BERGON SENIOR CENTER TO TEACH "FINE/APPLIED ARTS, AND HISTORICAL AND CURRENT PERSPECTIVES" FROM JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009 DOCUMENT NO. 463-2007/08

7A18. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT/MADERA ADULT SCHOOL AND THE CITY OF MADERA PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE USE OF MADERA ADULT DAY CARE TO PROVIDE CLASSES FOR OLDER ADULTS FROM JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009 DOCUMENT NO. 464-2007/08

7A19. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT/MADERA ADULT SCHOOL AND THE CITY OF MADERA PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE USE OF PAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY CENTER TO PROVIDE CLASSES FOR OLDER ADULTS FROM JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009 DOCUMENT NO. 465-2007/08

7A20. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT/MADERA ADULT SCHOOL AND PISTORESİ AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC. TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN STUDENTS FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR DOCUMENT NO. 466-2007/08

7A21. 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 CASE OF THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS, HEREIN IDENTIFIED BY THEIR DISTRICT-ASSIGNED IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS: 977385, 976471, 957227, 8778, 997312, 957871, 4659, 17362, 997057, 987547, 17219, 401816, AND 5869  
CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT NO. 4672-2007/08

7A22. APPROVAL OF COMMERCIAL WARRANT LISTING  
DOCUMENT NO. 468-2007/08 EXHIBIT "A"

7B1. HUMAN RESOURCES ITEMS – STAFFING – EXHIBIT “B” - MOTION NO. 155–2007/08—DOCUMENTS NUMBERED 469-2007/08

7B2. APPROVAL OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MIDDLE SCHOOL CONTRACT

**WAIVER FOR THE 2008-09 SCHOOL YEAR REGARDING ADVISEMENT  
CLASS DOCUMENT NO. 469-2007/08**

**7C. FIELD TRIP/EMPLOYEE CONFERENCE REQUESTS  
DOCUMENT NO. 470-2007/08 EXHIBIT "C"**

Superintendent Risinger introduced several new vice-principals that the Board approved as they adopted the Consent Agenda:

John Adams Vice-Principal is Shannon Whitten-Capshew; Alpha Vice-Principal, Isabel Guzman; Berenda Vice-Principal, Sabrina Rodriguez; Lincoln Vice-Principal, Melissa Laurence; Madison Vice-Principal, Michelle Angus; Millview Vice-Principal, Andy Cline; Nishimoto Vice-Principal, Mike Diaz; and Thomas Jefferson Middle School Vice-Principal, Patty Lopez.

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

**8A. APPROVAL OF 2008-09 ADOPTED BUDGET  
MOTION NO. 156-2007/08, DOCUMENT NO. 471-2007/08**

**It was moved by Trustee Janzen, seconded by Trustee Adams, and unanimously carried to approve the 2008-09 Adopted Budget.**

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

The Board approved the 2008/09 Adopted Budget which has been an agenda item in recent meetings, mainly due to how fluid the state's budget situation has been. In Mid-May, Governor Schwarzenegger publicly issued a revision to the state's proposed budget, and the news was much better for K-12 education. At the May 27th Board meeting, the MUSD Board announced the reinstatement of 28 positions initially slated for elimination due to a budget shortfall. Tonight the Board announced more reinstatements. The items initially planned for elimination/reduction that will be restored are as follows:

- Nurses on 193-day contracts will not have their work days reduced to 183. **Point of Clarification - contract is for 188 work days.**
- High school athletics budgets will not be reduced by 10%
- Middle school athletics budgets will not be reduced by 10%
- The work experience program will not be eliminated
- The facilities planning analyst position and construction project coordinator position will be combined into one position. Both were

originally planned for elimination

In addition, the board also approved the hiring of 10 teachers who will be allotted to sites at a later date based on need.

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

- 9A. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN KIWANIS CLUB/SUPPORT KIDS SAFETY FIRST (SKSF) AND MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2008 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2009 MOTION NO. 157-2007/08, DOCUMENT NO. 472-2007/08**

It was moved by Trustee Garibay, seconded by Trustee Goodwin, and unanimously carried to approve the Agreement between Kiwanis Club/Support Kids Safety First (SKSF) and Madera Unified School District effective September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2009.

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

**10. INFORMATION/REPORTS**

- 10A. CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (CSEA) INITIAL NEGOTIATION PROPOSAL TO MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (DISTRICT) FOR THE 2008/2009 SCHOOL YEAR**
- 10B. MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICTS (DISTRICT) INITIAL NEGOTIATION PROPOSAL TO CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (CSEA) FOR THE 2008/2009 SCHOOL YEAR**
- 10C. MADERA UNIFIED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (MUTA) INITIAL NEGOTIATION PROPOSAL TO MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (DISTRICT) FOR THE 2008/2009 SCHOOL YEAR**
- 10D. MADERA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICTS (DISTRICT) INITIAL NEGOTIATION PROPOSAL TO MADERA UNIFIED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (MUTA) FOR THE 2008/2009 SCHOOL YEAR**
- 10E. QUARTERLY INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO REPORT OF THE MADERA COUNTY TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 53646**



**10F. STANDARDS REPORT**

**10G. BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS UPDATE**

**11. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were none.

**12. MISCELLANEOUS**

There were no items.

**13. ADVANCED PLANNING**

President Seibert made the following announcement:

**Next Regular Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, June 24, 2008 - 7:00 p.m.**

**Madera Unified School District Boardroom – 1902 Howard Road, Madera, CA. 93637**

**14. SUGGESTED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were none.

**15. ADJOURNMENT MOTION NO. 158-2007/08**

President Seibert adjourned the Public Session at p.m.

*Fritz Ediger*

Fritz Ediger, Senior Administrative Assistant  
to the Superintendent and Board of Trustees

Dated: June 10, 2008