

**MINUTE RECORD of Madera Unified School District Board of Education
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON THE 9th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2010**

The Board of Education of the Madera Unified School District convened in a **Regular Board Meeting** in the Madera South High School Cafeteria, 705 West Pecan, Madera, California on **Tuesday, February 9, 2010**, at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Philip D. Janzen, President

Robert E. Garibay, Clerk

Ricardo Arredondo, Trustee

Loraine Goodwin, Trustee

Michael Salvador, Trustee

Ray G. Seibert, Trustee

Absent: Michael H. Westley, Trustee

Denisse Frayre, Student Board Representative, Madera South High School

Karamjot Kaur, Student Board Representative, Madera High School

John R. Stafford, Superintendent

Kelly Porterfield, Associate Superintendent, Business and Operations

Deborah A. Wood, 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

Babette Jaire, MUTA President

Ron Zaragosa, CSEA President

There were approximately 350 visitors/District employees in attendance.

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

President Janzen 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 Janzen adjourned the Closed Session at 6:45 p.m. and reconvened the Regular Meeting by calling the Public Session to order at 7:05 p.m. President Janzen welcomed the visitors and

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asked Trustee Arredondo to lead the flag salute. President Janzen asked Pastor Lance Leach of Valley West Christian Center to lead the invocation. President Janzen explained the rules governing the Board meeting. The meeting was recorded on Audio File No. 14-2009/10.

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. 85-2009-10

President Janzen 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.

Trustee Seibert asked that Item 8A5 be pulled from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion. Superintendent Stafford asked that Item 10B be pulled from the Agenda.

It was moved by Trustee Goodwin, seconded by Trustee Salvador, and unanimously carried to adopt the Agenda as amended.

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

6. Student Board Representative Report

Denisse Frayre, Student Board Representative, Madera South High School and Karamjot Kaur, Student Board Representative, Madera High School each presented highlights of activities taking place at their respective school sites.

7. Communications

7A. Public Hearing

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

No one came forward.

7B. Student and Staff Recognition

There were none this evening.

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8. Approval of Consent Agenda – Motion No. 86-2009/10

Document Numbers 198-2009/10 through 210-2009/10

Resolution Number 43-2009/10

Commercial Warrants, Exhibit A

Staffing Changes, Exhibit B

Field Trip/Employee Conference Requests, Exhibit C

It was moved by Trustee Goodwin, seconded by Trustee Salvador, and unanimously carried to Approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

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

Item 8A5 was discussed here

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

8A1. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of January 26, 2010

8A2. Adoption of Resolution No. 43-2009/10 – Approval of the December 31, 2009 Budget and Expense Transfer reports **RESOLUTION NO. 43-2009/10**

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

8A3. Approval of a three-year Maintenance Agreement between Madera Unified School District and Valley Air Conditioning and Repair, Inc. for the Madera High School Pool Co-Gen System **DOCUMENT NO. 198-2009/10**

8A4. Approval to accept the following donation:
• \$10,000 Grant awarded by the Alice O. Liechti Educational Foundation to Dixieland Elementary School to support music and related student programs **DOCUMENT NO. 199-2009/10**

8A5. Approval to Purchase four vans for the primary use of the High Schools' Athletic Programs utilizing the California State Contract

It was explained that these vans would be used to transport small high school teams that currently utilize either a school bus or rented van and would result in a cost savings to the district. The Board asked that governor devices be placed on the vans to ensure that they are driven at safe speeds.

ITEM PULLED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION

**MOTION NO. 87-2009/10
DOCUMENT NO. 200-2009/10**

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**It was moved by Trustee Seibert, seconded by Trustee Salvador, and
unanimously carried to Approve purchase of four vans for primary use of the
High Schools' Athletic Programs Utilizing the California State Contract**

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

8A6. Approval of the Interconnection Agreement between Madera Unified
School District and Pacific Gas & Electric Co. (PG&E) for a solar panel at Madera
South High School **DOCUMENT NO. 201-2009/10**

8A7. Approval to Reimburse WASC visiting team members for expenses
associated with full self study visits during the 2009-2010 school year
DOCUMENT NO. 202-2009/10

8A8. Ratification of a Memorandum of Understanding between Madera Unified
School District and the Madera County Superintendent of Schools for services
provided in support of the ARCHES Grant during the 2009-2010 school year
DOCUMENT NO. 203-2009/10

8A9. Ratification of a Memorandum of Understanding between Millview
Elementary School and Encourage Tomorrow for the period from February 4, 2010
to April 30, 2010 **DOCUMENT NO. 204-2009/10**

8A10. 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: 995181, 997198, 2436,
5440, 996334, 16622, 201346, 997518, 5478, 16462, 302771, 997147, 997730, 17375,
985990 and 302400

CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT NO. 205-2009/10

8A11. Approval of the December 31, 2009 Student Body Statement of Club Trust
Accounts **DOCUMENT NO. 206-2009/10**

8A12. Approval of the December 31, 2009 Financial Report **DOCUMENT NO. 207-2009/10**

8A13. Approval of Commercial Warrant Listing **DOCUMENT NO. 208-2009/10**

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8B. Human Resources Items

8B1. Approval of Staffing Changes and Coaches DOCUMENT NO. 209-2009/10

8C. Approval of Field Trip/Employee Conference Requests DOCUMENT NO. 210-2009/10

**7:15 – PM Public Hearing
for Madera Unified School District (“DISTRICT”) Initial Negotiation Proposal
to Classified School Employees Association (“CSEA Local Chapter No. 169”)
for the 2010/2011 School Year**

**7:20 PM Public Hearing
for Adoption of Resolution No. 42-2009/10 – Approving a grant of easement to the City of
Madera for construction and use of a compressed natural gas system**

9. New Business

President Janzen opened the Public Hearing for the Madera Unified School District (“DISTRICT”) Initial Negotiation Proposal to Classified School Employees Association (“CSEA Local Chapter No. 169”) for the 2010/2011 School Year.

Seeing no one come forward, President Janzen closed the Public Hearing

President Janzen opened the Public Hearing for the Adoption of Resolution No. 42-2009/10 – Approving a grant of easement to the City of Madera for construction and use of a compressed natural gas system.

Seeing no one come forward, President Janzen closed the Public Hearing

A. Madera Unified School District (“DISTRICT”) Initial Negotiation Proposal to Classified School Employees Association (“CSEA Local Chapter No. 169”) for the 2010/2011 School Year

Jerry Stehman advised this item would be available for review tomorrow morning at 8:00 a.m. in the office of Human Resources.

B. Adoption of Resolution No. 42-2009/10 – Approving a grant of easement to the City of Madera for construction and use of a compressed natural gas system

**It was moved by Clerk Garibay, seconded by Trustee Goodwin, and
unanimously carried to Adopt Resolution No. 42-2009/10.**

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

MOTION NO. 88-2009/10
RESOLUTION NO. 42-2009/10

C. Review Madera Unified School District's Draft Budget and potential reductions for the 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 school years

Kelly Porterfield presented a detailed overview of the proposed budget reductions for the 2010/2011 school year which included recommendations made at the Board Workshop on Monday, February 8th.

Following Mr. Porterfield's presentation the Board made comments and asked clarifying questions.

Clerk Garibay commented on plans to cut Madera Adult School and asked the board to consider taking that item off of the cut list and look for cuts elsewhere.

Mr. Porterfield stated that we would make note of recommendations but that by the end of the evening we would need direction from the Board regarding items to add or delete from the list.

Trustee Seibert commented that we would then have to find other cuts to replace those represented by Adult School and suggested that we look to the bargaining units to see what they would give in order to save Adult School.

Trustee Goodwin asked about the codes in the so-called Trailer Bill. Mr. Porterfield responded we are still seeking clarification and are watching for communication from Sacramento.

Trustee Seibert emphasized to everyone in attendance that the District wouldn't choose to make any of the cuts it is looking at tonight but this is something we have to do because of the cuts being made in Sacramento and once again stated we are asking the bargaining units to step up to help save some of the jobs on the list.

Trustee Salvador stated he would like to see a tiered method of class size reduction and would prefer to see other programmatic cuts – perhaps lose only part of Adult Ed.

President Janzen then opened the floor for public comment:

The following came forward to speak in support of Madera Adult School:

Dan Lindstrom, Principal, Madera Adult School/Furman High School

Shirley Wood, Vice Principal, Madera Adult School/Furman High School

Coordinator for the Firefighter Academy at Madera Adult School

Marty Marks, senior citizen residing at Yosemite Manor, community member

Lori Hodges, President of Small Fry Preschool

Rene Johnston, Manager of a senior apartment complex in Madera

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(male) Bustamante, Adult School student
Martha _____, Adult School graduate
(male), Adult School student
Enriqa (female), has a son in Adult School

Donna Moren, MUSD Health Clerk spoke regarding nurse and health clerk cuts

Juan Reyes, Adult School student
Adelea Anzaldo, HSD instructor for Madera Adult School
(3 of Ms. Anzaldo's students spoke as well)
Carmen Rodriguez, in Spanish
(male), in Spanish
Mr. Cervantes, in Spanish

Lynette Jacobsen, Madera Adult teacher
Ruth Cochran, community member, employee of Cedar Creek Senior Living
Sharry Rivas, Madera Adult teacher

Amanda Wade and Cece Foley – elementary teachers spoke regarding class size increase at K-3
Angela Lindsey – teacher at Chavez Elementary spoke regarding K-3 class size

Taylor Russell, student at Madera Adult

Raul Lozano, Principal, Nishimoto spoke regarding cutting vice principals

President Janzen thanked everyone for their comments.

Kelly Porterfield then summarized the next steps tonight:

Direction from the board

- items that the board wants to remove
- items the board wants to add
- modifications

Mr. Porterfield stated that the direction we are given tonight will be developed further and a recommendation will come to the Board for approval on February 23rd. Mr. Porterfield further explained that bargaining unit negotiations begin in March. A budget must be adopted in early March in order to meet timeline of noticing MUTA members by the March 15th deadline.

- Trustee Seibert asked about leaving Adult Ed on the list but cutting only parts of Adult Ed (leaving GED for instance) and possibly combining with Furman.
- Trustee Salvador wants more options regarding Adult Ed.
- Trustee Arredondo asked Mr. Lindstrom for clarification on the fact sheet he handed out to the board.
- Trustee Seibert spoke to the state of the economy and the necessity to make cuts that no one wants to make.
- Clerk Garibay asked that Adult Ed come back with a plan to Mr. Porterfield with suggestions to help salvage some of their programs.

The Board asked for modifications/options regarding Adult Ed. Mr. Porterfield reminded the board that our time for making changes to the budget is finite.

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Trustee Seibert stated the Board will have to adopt a budget they don't like in order to meet the timelines and then we have the opportunity to make changes to that budget before any of the cuts are implemented.

Adult Ed - Mr. Porterfield asked for direction regarding giving necessary notifications with the understanding that we can then come back and work on other program options.

Class Size reductions – Mr. Porterfield again asked for direction regarding necessary notifications for layoffs in order to meet mandated timelines.

Mr. Porterfield asked for consensus to go ahead and over notify knowing we can come back with another scenario. If we do not notify personnel by the mandated timeline, we have no recourse.

Mr. Arredondo asked for an explanation of how District administration arrived at the recommendation to eliminate 6 elementary vice principals. It was explained that this number represents nearly half of the total number of vice principals and that those remaining would either be assigned to a single site or shared between two sites depending on school population.

Mr. Porterfield explained that on March 9th we must make certain assumptions and turn into the County. We then have course correction opportunities at the May Revise and at the Adopted Budget following the May Revise. Right now, if we have no direction and we have nothing to turn into the County, we have to say to them that we are fiscally insolvent.

A majority of the board would like to leave Mules on the list.

It was then decided to ask each Board member what they would like to see added to the list.

Trustee Arredondo: nothing specific

Trustee Salvador:

- Tiered scenario for K-3 (modification to the list)
- 500/1 counselor to student ratio at the high schools (modification to the list)
- Hard hiring freeze (Mr. Porterfield explained this item is not quantifiable and cannot be budgeted)
- 10 day work furlough for non essential personnel (10 month workers)
- 12 day work furlough for non-represented classified & certificated staff (there was consensus from the Board to add this item)
- PIO – (there was consensus from the Board to add this item)

Trustee Goodwin: asked for information on a specific item that Mr. Porterfield said would be provided. Trustee Goodwin had nothing to add to the list.

Trustee Seibert: nothing

Clerk Garibay:

- Concurred with Trustee Salvador in adding the PIO to the list
- Suspend all athletics (per Teri Bradshaw the budget for all athletics \$2.2 million). The Board was polled on this issue and was evenly split – there was no consensus. Decision that the item will be added to the list, quantified and discussed at the next board meeting.
- This item is not an add on but for budget purposes next year asked that we transfer the interest from the 3 reserve funds we have back into the general fund each year.

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Trustee Arredondo stated that he wants to see Cabinet do a better job of identifying duties that can be shared within the District Office.

Trustee Goodwin wants a report on property that we own – Eastin-Arcola, the future high school property and the District Office. Trustee Salvador recommended moving the District Office to one of the continuation schools and selling or renting the District Office building. Superintendent Stafford reminded the Board that the sale of property would not be realized for some time. Trustee Seibert reminded the Board that any property we get rid of is difficult to replace.

Superintendent Stafford thanked the people in attendance for attending the meeting and for their comments and encouraged everyone to write to their legislatures and the governor and ask them to not make these cuts to education. Education in California has been asked to take 60% of the cut but represent only 48% of the state budget.

10. Information and Reports

- A. Madera Unified Teachers Association (“MUTA”) Initial Negotiation Proposal to Madera Unified School District (“DISTRICT”) for the 2010/2011 School Year

Jerry Stehman advised this item would be available for review tomorrow morning at 8:00 a.m. in the office of Human Resources.

- B. Classified School Employees Association (“CSEA”) Initial Negotiation Proposal to Madera Unified School District (“DISTRICT”) for the 2010/2011 School Year

ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA

- C. Educational Services Report
There was none this evening.

- D. Business and Operations Update
All items were covered in the budget discussion.

11. Announcements

Trustee Goodwin passed a flier from the Madera County School Boards Association Scholarship Foundation to Associate Superintendent Wood to pass along to the high schools who will notify eligible students of the availability of this program.

Superintendent Stafford announced the February 19th Madera High School Alumni softball game and dedication of a granite “Z” in honor of Coach Zimmerman. The dedication is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. and will conclude with a dinner social hosted by the 2010 Coyote Softball Team in the school cafeteria following the game.

12. Miscellaneous

There were no items.

13. Advanced Planning

President Janzen made the following announcement:

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Next Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 23, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

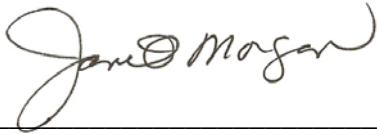
Madera High School Cafeteria – 200 South L Street, Madera, CA 93637

14. Suggested Future Agenda Items

Trustee Goodwin asked for the number of District credit cards (CalCard) issued, the names of those who have cards and how the money is spent. Mr. Porterfield advised he would provide that information to the Board.

15. Adjournment – Motion No. 89–2009/10

President Janzen adjourned the Public Session at 9:50 p.m.



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

Dated: February 9, 2010