

Modoc County Board of Education
Regular Meeting / Public Hearing
Adopted Minutes
October 9, 2017

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Members of the Board met for a regular meeting in the conference room at the Modoc County Office of Education. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present

Jim Hays
Bucky Harris
Dixie Server
Ben DuVal
Sadie Camacho

Members Absent

MCOE Staff Members Present

Mike Martin
Leslie Corder
De Funk
Lisa Reed
Beth Weber
Gail Eppler

Visitors Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

POSTING OF AGENDA

It was noted that the agenda had been properly posted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

1. **PRESENTATION / REPORTS**

De Funk reported the following:

Information was provided regarding the TUPE Healthy Kids Survey which is being conducted in grades 3-6. Copies of the survey were shared with the members of the board. De explained that overall smoking is down statewide. It was noted that the initiative will eventually include marijuana use.

The Early Childhood Education program is running smoothly. It was reported that the preschools are not full, as many of the 4-year-old children entered the available TK programs. It was pointed out that program staff is attempting to get 3-year-old children enrolled. De indicated that the preschool teachers are excellent, and have been involved in family engagement type activities in an attempt to determine what they can do to help kids thrive.

The “Talk – Read – Sing” campaign is ongoing.

Lisa Reed reported the following:

The Early Head Start program is fully enrolled with 104 families, with 6 on a waiting list. In addition, the program is fully staffed.

Leslie Corder reported the following:

The business office had closed the books for the 2016-17 fiscal year. She will be meeting with department heads soon to discuss budgets for the next fiscal year.

Financial Report dated October 9, 2017 and Unaudited Actuals were included in the agenda packet. Leslie explained the various fund balances / documents to the members of the board. It was pointed out that the MCOE ended the year with a higher balance than the original budget showed due to increases in various revenues. In addition, Leslie explained that with the closure of the Stronghold Court School there will be a \$200,000 loss to the SELPA. This will lead to higher bill-backs to the districts.

The auditors will be in Alturas during the first week of November.

The new phone system has been installed in the county office, and thus far is running smoothly.

Mike Martin reported the following:

It was explained that due to the closure of the Warner Mountain Group Home, there is no need for the Stronghold Court School. The appropriate 7-11 Committee had been convened. It was explained that the formal process of closing the school will be placed on the November agenda in the form of a resolution.

Mike also explained that with the closing of the school, a determination needs to be made regarding what to do with the MCOE building which currently sits on the Warner Mt. Group Home property. The original agreement with WMGH indicates that we have 6 months to make a decision regarding the disposition of the facility.

Members of the board will be kept up to date on all aspects of the above.

2. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- Minutes – September 11, 2017
- Temporary County Certificates

A motion was made by Ben DuVal, seconded by Bucky Harris and carried that the consent agenda be approved. (Ayes: Hays, Camacho, DuVal, Server; Harris)

3. DISCUSSION / NO ACTION

3.1 Public Hearing – Recommendation – Future of Stronghold Court School, Canby, CA.

A Public Hearing and discussion was held regarding the future of the Stronghold Court School. It was explained that the appropriate 7-11 meeting had been held to discuss the closure of the school. Misti Norby explained that the purpose of the committee is to look at the facts and make the most appropriate determination. It was explained that the formal process of closing the school will be placed on the November meeting agenda in the form of a resolution. It was the unanimous recommendation of the 7-11 committee to close the facility.

Currently there are 9 students at the school, and it is expected that they will be down to 4 by November. Students are being sent back to the county from which they came.

In addition, it was pointed out that WMGH has not expressed interest in purchasing the building which currently houses the school.

An inventory of all items in the building is being completed.

4. ACTION

4.1 Approval - Board Stipend (5% increase of \$12.41 allowed by Education Code 1090(g) (From \$248.20 to 260.61 per month)

A motion was made by Bucky Harris, seconded by Dixie Server and carried that the increase in the board stipend be approved as presented. (Ayes: Hays, Harris, Camacho, DuVal, Server)

**4.2 Approval - Joint meeting with EHS for November, 2017
Change meeting location to Early Head Start Building**

Following discussion, a motion was made by Sadie Camacho, seconded by Bucky Harris and carried that the November 13th meeting of the Modoc County Board of Education be held as a joint meeting with Early Head Start. The Policy Council meeting will convene at 4:30 p.m., with the County Board meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m. and will be held at the Early Head Start building located at 901 N. East "A" St. here in Alturas. (Ayes: Hays, Harris, Camacho, DuVal, Server)

4.3 Approval – CAC Bylaw Revisions

It was moved by Dixie Server, seconded by Ben DuVal and carried that the revisions to the CAC Bylaws be approved as presented. (Copy on File)

5. CORRESPONDENCE

6. BOARD TIME

- 7. NEXT BOARD MEETING / TIME** November 13, 2017 - 5:00 p.m.
Modoc Early Head Start
Policy Council – 4:30 p.m.
County Board - 5:00 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Mike Martin, Modoc County Superintendent of Schools
Ex-Officio Secretary to the Board.

Approved:

President, Modoc County Board of Education