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Minutes of
Madera County Board of Education
May 14, 2019

Present: Cathie Bustos, Nancy Prosperi, Alfred Soares, Jr., Grant Sturm, Joe Vived, Dr. Cecilia A. Massetti, Executive Secretary

Absent: Bobby Thatcher, Sara Wilkins

Also Present: Steve Carney, Jessica Drake, Dennis Lingo, Jennifer Pascale, Tricia Protzman

1.0 Call to Order
1.1 Flag Salute
Vice President Alfred Soares, Jr., called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m. followed by the flag salute.

2.0 Consideration of Minutes
2.1 Regular Meeting April 9, 2019
Nancy Prosperi moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Grant Sturm and carried by unanimous vote.

Ayes: Prosperi, Soares, Jr., Sturm, Vived
Noes: None
Abstain: Bustos
Absent: Thatcher, Wilkins

3.0 Adoption of Board Agenda
Nancy Prosperi moved to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Cathie Bustos and carried by unanimous vote.

Ayes: Bustos, Prosperi, Soares, Jr., Sturm, Vived
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Thatcher, Wilkins

4.0 Information
4.1 Public Comment
Vice President Soares, Jr., stated that this time is offered to members of the public wishing to address the Board on matters not listed on the agenda. Board members may listen to, but not discuss matters not on the agenda (G.C. 54954.2). No one came forward to address the Board.

4.2 Letters and Communications

4.2.1 Award of Excellence: Madera Unified School District Robotics Team

Dr. Massetti quoted an article from the Madera Tribune, citing MadTown Robotics as world champions. Coach Valmonte talked about the robot the students created that won them the world championship. The team captain, Roger Villagomez, explained the process of the competition. Teams are given six weeks to build their robot from scratch. The challenge changes every year. 4,000 teams from a number of countries battle for a spot at the world championship where six teams compete. This year's world event was held in Houston, Texas. The sponsoring non-profit company spends approximately $900 million to host the competition. Members from the winning team are often offered jobs by large technology based agencies like Qualcom. Team members received Award of Excellence certificates from the Board of Education.

Dr. Massetti provided information on the following:

- Copies of the Spring Fling edition of Educational News and Views along with the Spring issue were provided to the Board of Education.
- The CVEC dinner was held in Fresno on April 11th
- MCOE LIFE Games was held April 11th at the Madera District Fairgrounds. The event was coordinated by Scott Sweazy with a committee of teachers, instructional assistants, and support staff members.
- The Student Programs and Services Prom was held April 13th. An article from the Madera Tribune about the event was passed around.
- Sherman Thomas won the Math Tournament on April 12th in both the 7th and 8th grade categories.
- Dr. Massetti attended the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on May 2nd.
- The Madera County Farm Bureau held their annual scholarship event called, Cinco de Vino. Katie Linderholm, daughter of MCSOS employee Kim Linderholm was honored at the event with a scholarship. Katie is a Smittcamp scholarship recipient and will be attending CSU, Fresno in the fall.
- On May 7th, the Fresno Madera Farm Credit Association held their annual scholarship and stockholders' meeting.
- Dr. Massetti participated as a judge at the Fuller Elementary School Almond Blossom Festival on May 10th.
- Dr. Massetti read an e-mail from Coordinator Early Learning Programs Jacklyn Jones. Ms. Jones explained a preschool student with special needs has taken an interest in small objects that make sounds, such as keys. The student is particularly interested in the maintenance crew staff that come through with their large key rings making noise. Coordinator of Maintenance and Operations Antonio Olivera has connected with the student and recently presented the student with his own maintenance keyring full of keys no longer needed by MCSOS. The student was overjoyed. Ms. Jones wanted Dr. Massetti to know how grateful she is to work with staff members that go out of their way to make connections with students everyday.

- Spring Fling was held May 2nd. Distinguished Teacher honoree, Sandra Gostanian, sent Dr. Massetti a thank you card that she shared with the Board.
- Former MCSOS employee, Ann Collins who served for many years as the secretary to the Board, passed away recently. Her daughter Brooke Bohall is a current staff member. Services will be held this Friday at Jay's Chapel.

4.3 Non-School Sources
None

4.4 Madera County School Boards Association (MCSBA) Executive Committee Meeting Report
The Executive Committee will be meeting May 20th to discuss the budget for the 2019-2020 school year. The next general meeting will be held August 28th at Rivergold School. The topic will be on social media.

4.5 Communications Committee Report
Nancy Prosperi reported the Spring Fling was May 2nd. It was an enjoyable event. Tables were decorated to the camping theme. Raffle prizes were great. The food was terrific. It is an event all Board Members should attend.

4.6 Madera County Foundation Board Report
Cathie Bustos reported ArtsFest was held May 12th. 350 pieces of art were on display in the gallery. A number of students performed either in bands or smaller groups in the conference center. Steve Carney provided an art demonstration booth on wood carving. EECU donated basil seeds, which were used at the painted pots art booth.

4.7 Member Report(s)
None

<u>5.0 Information from the Superintendent and Staff</u>
5.1 Financial Report
Mr. Carney reported the ending general fund balance is $13,915,444.26, which compares favorably to last year for the same time-period by $8,485,556.23. The primary reason for this is that last year's fund balance property tax revenue was not recorded until May.

Unrestricted funds will increase by $742,740.36, which is an increase to the original budget due to receiving significant funds for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) work with districts. MCSOS may see an increase in MAA funds.

5.2 MCSOS' Report on Williams Complaints
Dr. Massetti reported no complaints have been received.

5.3 MCOE LIFE Games Presentation
Jessica Drake provided a PowerPoint presentation on the MCOE LIFE Games. Over 350 students participated in art and physical activities with the assistance of over 300

staff and community members. 100 students from Madera High, Madera South High, and Liberty High helped in running the games. The Madera Rotary Club cooked 800 hamburgers and hotdogs for students, staff, and volunteers.

6.0 Old Business
None

7.0 Closed Session
None

8.0 New Business
8.1 Consideration Issuance of Temporary County Certificates
Tricia Protzman asked the Board to ratify the issuance of Temporary County Certificates (TCCs) from April 1-30, 2019. TCCs are issued in order to authorize the individual to work while the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing reviews his/her waiver request, emergency permit, initial and/or renewal credential application packet.

Cathie Bustos moved to ratify the Issuance of Temporary County Certificates, seconded by Joe Vived and carried by unanimous vote.

Ayes: Bustos, Prosperi, Soares, Jr., Sturm, Vived
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Thatcher, Wilkins

8.2 Consideration Disposition of Surplus/Obsolete Equipment
Mr. Carney provided the Board with a list of equipment declared obsolete. Items included were laptops, a desktop, and a monitor.

Joe Vived moved to approve the list of surplus/obsolete equipment, seconded by Nancy Prosperi and carried by unanimous vote.

Ayes: Bustos, Prosperi, Soares, Jr., Sturm, Vived
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Thatcher, Wilkins

8.3 Consideration of Investment Performance Statement
Mr. Carney explained interest rates are higher than they have been previously. The current effective rate of return in 1.92%, which is favorable to the rate last year of 1.49%.

Vice President Soares, Jr., asked what has been the highest rate of return. Mr. Carney stated that when he started in his current position, the rate of return was 0.2% and that the rate of return offered this year is the best he has seen.

Grant Sturm moved to approve the Investment Performance Statement as presented seconded by Cathie Bustos and carried by unanimous vote.

Ayes: Bustos, Prosperi, Soares, Jr., Sturm, Vived
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Thatcher, Wilkins

8.4 Consideration Request for Allowance of Attendance Due to Emergency Conditions

Ms. Drake stated MCSOS closed programs in the Yosemite High School District area on February 5, 2019 due to impassable snow covered roads. An attendance allowance is being requested through the California Department of Education.

Nancy Prosperi moved to approve the Request for Allowance of Attendance to Emergency Conditions, seconded by Joe Vived and carried by unanimous vote.

Ayes: Bustos, Prosperi, Soares, Jr., Sturm, Vived
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Thatcher, Wilkins

8.5 Consideration Resolution No. 7, Education Protection Act

Mr. Carney explained that the Education Protection Act (EPA) act passed in 2012. It passed when funds were poor. It ended 2017 and Prop 55 was passed to eventually take over for Prop 30. Annually, the EPA must be taken to the Board of Education for review and must explain how the funds will be allocated. Mr. Carney noted, these are not additional funds. If MCSOS receives $1 of entitlement and receives $0.60 from taxes, the state will only fund $0.40.

Mr. Vived asked if the funds must be spend on salaries and benefits. Mr. Carney stated the money cannot be spent on administrative salaries. It has to be a direct expense to classrooms. Teacher and aide salaries can be covered with these funds. Mr. Vived asked who decides how the money is allocated. Mr. Carney said Business reviews what is allowable for coverage through EPA and decides what to pay.

Vice President Soares, Jr., asked about the governor's budget. Mr. Carney stated Capital Advisors will be at the conference center on May 28th. They provide a good explanation of the governor's budget. Dr. Massetti will forward a link for interested Board of Education members to register.

Joe Vived moved to approve Resolution Number 7, 2019-2020 Education Protection Act, seconded by Nancy Prosperi and carried by unanimous vote.

Ayes: Bustos, Prosperi, Soares, Jr., Sturm, Vived
Noes: None

Abstain: None
Absent: Thatcher, Wilkins

8.6 Consideration Adoption of 2019-2020 School Calendar
Ms. Drake stated Madera Unified School District (MUSD) changed their calendar for the 2019-2020 school year. MCSOS calendars for Gould and the Career and Alternative Education programs have been adjusted to coordinate with MUSD.

8.6.1 Pioneer Technical Center/Madera County Independent Academy
8.6.2 Gould Educational Center, MUSD Area, and Liberty High (SDC)

Nancy Prosperi moved to accept the 2019-2020 School Calendars for PTC/MCIA and Gould Educational Center, MUSD Area, and Liberty High (SDC), seconded by Joe Vived and carried by unanimous vote.

Ayes: Bustos, Prosperi, Soares, Jr., Sturm, Vived
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Thatcher, Wilkins

9.0 Other
Mr. Vived asked about the progress of PTC's accreditation and CSI. Dr. Massetti said the LCAPs are coming and MCSOS will have two additional areas to address because of CSI. The plan is in the development stage. Mr. Carney will bring information from CAES on the progress of the accreditation. Assessment was an area of concern and MCSOS has purchased a program called iReady to help in that area.

9.1 Consideration Excusing Member from Absence at a Meeting for Purposes of Member Participation in Conference(s)
Per Board Bylaw 9350, a member may be excluded from a meeting to attend conferences or due to special circumstances as long as they have met an attendance requirement of 75% of the preceding 12 months of board meetings including special meetings.

Nancy Prosperi moved to excuse Bobby Thatcher and Sara Wilkins, seconded by Cathie Bustos and carried by unanimous vote.

Ayes: Bustos, Prosperi, Soares, Jr., Sturm, Vived
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Thatcher, Wilkins

10.0 Adjournment
Nancy Prosperi moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Cathie Bustos and carried by unanimous vote.

Ayes: Bustos, Prosperi, Soares, Jr., Sturm, Vived

Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Thatcher, Wilkins

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cecilia A. Massetti, Ed.D.
Executive Secretary

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