### MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Tuesday, March 02, 2010 (6:00 PM)

Board Members: Paul Strange, Gary Eberhart, Richard Allen, Linda Mayo, and Sherry Whitmarsh Administrative Staff: Superintendent Steven Lawrence, Associate Superintendent Alan Young, Assistant Superintendents Gail Isserman, Rose Lock, Pete Pedersen, and General Counsel Gregory Rolen

#### CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting of the Board of Education of the Mt. Diablo Unified School District was called to order by Paul Strange at 5:30 p.m. in the Board room at the MDUSD Dent Center.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:30 p.m. in Room 6 at the Mt. Diablo Unified School District Dent Center.

#### **RECONVENE OPEN SESSION**

The Board returned to Open Session in the Multi Use Room at Monte Gardens Elementary School at 6:00 p.m. President Strange led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and reported the action taken in closed session.

#### **REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION**

In closed session the Board considered information and gave direction to staff regarding negotiations.

# <u>9.1 Opportunity for public response to Mt. Diablo School Psychologist Association's (MDSPA) and the Board's Successor Agreement proposals.</u>

At the February 23, 2010 meeting, Mt. Diablo School Psychologist Association (MDSPA) and the Board's Successor Agreement proposals were publicly presented. We are now presenting these proposals for public response.

Member (Richard Allen) Moved, Member (Linda Mayo) seconded and the Board voted 5-0-0 to approve as presented.

## 9.2 MGT Summary Report

On August 25, 2009, the Board of Education approved MGT of America, Inc. (MGT) to complete a study of District Special Education and Section 504 services. On March 2, 2010, consultants from MGT will present their findings regarding Special Education and Section 504 services. The report will also provide commendations, recommendations and the fiscal impact to the District.

Dr. Lawrence introduced Patty Davis and Mike Livovitch of MGT of America, Inc. who then gave a Power Point presentation summarizing their report.

In response to the report, Lorrie Davis, Community Advisory Committee president, read the following requests from the committee:

1. Accept recommendations from MGT, but do not implement the recommendations until a task force can be formed to reply to recommendations.

- 2. Exercise extreme caution in regard to those reductions that would directly affect students.
- 3. Request written response to CAC Committee concerns and questions.

4. Work with Dr. Browne and staff to determine which reductions would have least impact on students.

The following shared their opinions and concerns regarding the report:

Elisa Rosio; Janelle Adams, Susie Smario, Jeff Loutzeniser, and Dan Lindstrom, Adaptive Physical Education Specialists; Connie Cushing, Program Specialist; Dorothy Wiesenberger, parent; Dawn Winder, MIS Technician; Janese Treesize; Vern Wallace, Contra Costa County Mental Health; Anna Levine, Disability Rights Activists; Laurie Arbor, Speech Pathologist; Deb Heinzmann, parent/secretary School Linked Services; Naya Perez, parent; Denise Lambert, parent; Meg Berta, parent; D'Anne Weitzman, Special Education Teacher

The Board asked questions of the MGT representatives and district staff. They gave direction to staff to send the Community Advisory Committee questions and concerns to MGT for response. MGT will respond in writing to the CAC Committee. They will develop the timeline with Dr. Browne

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.