

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Monday, March 25, 2013 (7:30 PM)

Board Members: Cheryl Hansen, Barbara Oaks, Linda Mayo, Lynne Dennler, and Brian Lawrence

Administrative Staff: Superintendent Steven Lawrence, Assistant Superintendents Julie Braun Martin, Rose Lock, General Counsel Gregory Rolen, and Chief Financial Officer Bryan Richards

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting of the Board of Education of the Mt. Diablo Unified School District was called to order by Cheryl Hansen at 6:03 p.m. in the Board room at the MDUSD Dent Center.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Linda Mayo, Board Member, said that in regards to Roberts Rules she strongly believes in the right of the chair to make motions and debate during discussions, but there is protocol of passing the gavel to the vice president when doing so. She also asked Ms. Hansen to forward to staff the recorded closed session read out from January 18 to help staff in preparing the minutes.

Ms. Hansen thanked Ms. Mayo for her interpretation Roberts Rules and stated that the chair is not required to literally pass the gavel to the vice president. Ms. Hansen asked staff to record all open sessions.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:09 p.m. in Room 6 at the Dent Center

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Open Session reconvened at 7:44 p.m. President Hansen led the Pledge of Allegiance and reported action taken in Closed Session. In Closed Session the Board discussed negotiations, voted to readmit one student and discussed student expulsions.

EXPULSION RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 Expulsion Recommendation - Student #13-13

Dennler moved, Oaks seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 that Student #13-13 be expelled from all schools of Mt. Diablo Unified School District and that Student #13-13 may apply for readmission after January 25, 2014. It is required that Student #13-13 participates in 20 hours of counseling to address impulse behavior, anger and peer relations; complete 30 hours of community service; attend California Offender Program Service (COPS) class on Anger and Property Damage; attend MDUSD's Anger Management Workshop; show evidence of a successful school experience with a minimum of "C" average in all classes; and pay for any damage to school property.

8.2 Expulsion Recommendation - Student #14-13

The expulsion hearing for Student #14-13 has been tabled and the Board will reconsider it at the Closed Session of the April 8, 2013 Board meeting.

8.3 Expulsion Recommendation - Student #15-13

Dennler moved, Mayo seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 that Student #15-13 be expelled from all schools of Mt. Diablo Unified School District and that Student #15-13 may apply for readmission after January 25, 2014. It is required that Student #15-13 participates in 20 hours of counseling to address decision making skills and fire safety, complete 30 hours of community service, attend California Offender Program Service (COPS) – Property Offender class, attend MDUSD's Teen Anger Management Workshop, report to local fire chief regarding Fire Prevention and show evidence of a successful school experience to include good attendance, no suspendible behavior infractions, maintain a minimum of C average, and earn 45 credits, prior to applying for readmission.

8.4 Expulsion Recommendation - Student #16-13

Mayo moved, Dennler seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 that Student #16-13 be expelled from all schools of Mt. Diablo Unified School District and that Student #16-13 may apply for readmission after March 25, 2014. It is

required that Student #16-13 participates in a minimum of 20 hours of individual counseling program designed to address substance abuse issues and decision making skills, complete 30 hours of community service; attend the California Offender Program Services (COPS) for Alcohol/Drug offenders; submit proof of negative drug test, attend MDUSD's Drug/Alcohol Workshop and show evidence of a successful school experience to include good attendance, no suspendible behavior infractions, maintain a minimum of a C average, and earn 60 credits, prior to applying for readmission.

8.5 Expulsion Recommendation - Student #18-13

Oaks moved, Mayo seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 that Student #18-13 be expelled from all schools of Mt. Diablo Unified School District and Student #18-13 may apply for readmission after January 24, 2014. It is required that Student #18-23 participates in 20 hours of counseling to address drugs/alcohol, anger, respect for authority, decision making skills and fire safety, completes 30 hours of community service, attends California Offender Program Service (COPS) – Property Offender class, attend MDUSD's Drug & Alcohol Workshop, report to local fire chief regarding Fire Prevention, pay for damages to school property and show evidence of a successful school experience to include good attendance, no suspendible behavior infractions, and maintain a minimum of C average, and earn 45 credits, prior to applying for readmission.

8.6 Stipulated Expulsion Agreement & Waiver of Student Expulsion Hearing and Agreement to Complete Readmission Plan for Student #17-13

Dennler moved Mayo seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Stipulated Expulsion Agreement & Waiver of Student Expulsion Hearing and Agreement to Complete Readmission Plan for Student #17-13. Student #17-13 may apply for readmission after January 24, 2014. It is required that Student #17-13 will be placed on probationary status, demonstrates attendance in excess of 85%, demonstrates satisfactory academic progress by passing all classes and turning in all assignments and satisfactorily completes all course work, participates in 20 hours of individual counseling to address habitual profanity/vulgarity, maintains appropriate behavior and demonstrates respect for school authority and the learning environment. Student #17-13 will have no further violations of Education Code 48900 - 48915, serves 30 hours of community service, remains off all MDUSD sites with the exception of his educational placement, Student #17-13 may not loiter within 1000 feet of any MDUSD site (this includes any location where an official school activity involving any MDUSD students, teams, clubs, or other groups are participating). Student #17-13 and parent are responsible for maintaining and providing documentation of completing the above requirements and that documentation must accompany their application to be reinstated as a regular student.

Please note change in order

RECOGNITIONS

The Board of Education recognized Teacher of the Year Nominees

The Board recognized Teacher of the Year Nominees: Carissa Sugden, El Monte Elementary; Shannon Prichard, Monte Gardens Elementary; Elisa Peters, Oak Grove Middle; Janet Gower, Ygnacio Valley High; Nicholas Sanchez, Shore Acres Elementary; Nina Pate, Woodside Elementary; and Virginia Hewgley, Valhalla Elementary.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Student representatives reported on recent and upcoming activities at their schools.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

15.1 Northgate High – United Nations Team

Northgate Principal, John McMorris shared highlights from Northgate High's United Nations Team's recent competition which took place in New York.

15.2 Concord High – Soccer Coach

Concord High Principal, Gary McAdam introduced Coach of the Year Alfonso Munoz. The Concord High Boy's Soccer team recently won the NCS championship.

CONSENT AGENDA

Public Comment

John Parker, addressing Item #14, stated that he objects to the lease/leaseback process. He believes the process is lacking.

Mayo moved, Dennler seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with the exception of Item #9 (pulled by Oaks), Item #13 (pulled by staff) and Item #14 (pulled by Hansen) thereby approving the following:

10.2 (Item #2) Minutes of the meeting of February 25, 2013

10.3 (Item #3) Recommended Action for Certificated Personnel

10.4 (Item #4) Request to decrease Full Time Equivalent (FTE) for the 2012-2013 school year

10.5 (Item #5) Student/Intern Teaching and Administrative Intern Agreement between Notre Dame De Namur University and Mt. Diablo Unified School District

This agreement is to provide teaching experience through student teaching for students of Notre Dame De Namur University. The University has one student teacher placed with Mt. Diablo Unified School District.

10.6 (Item #6) Recommended Action for Classified Personnel

10.7 (Item #7) Classified Personnel: Request to Increase/Decrease Positions

10.8 (Item #8) Classified Personnel: Resolution of Reduction or Discontinuance of Classified Employees (Classified Layoff) Resolution No. 12/13-36

Under state law, school districts are required to provide not less than 60 days-notice to classified employees of a layoff. The notice includes the effective date of the layoff, and the displacement and reemployment rights of the noticed employee. Resolution 12/13-36 lists the classified positions that are ending due to the expiration of funding. With the adoption of Resolution 36, the Assistant Superintendent of Personnel Services will be directed to send notices to affected classified employees informing them that their services will not be required for the 2013-14 school year. The resolution also adopts the criteria that Personnel Services will use to determine whether employees whose services are being eliminated have sufficient experience and qualifications to bump less senior employees. Finally, the resolution directs that layoff notices be sent to the appropriate classified employees in order to effectuate a reduction of the classified staff in an amount equal to the number of full-time equivalent positions listed on the resolution in accordance with Education Code.

10.9 (Item #10) Approve contract with Resource Development & Associates (RDA) for evaluation services for Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) grant evaluation for the 2012-2013 school year

Staff requests approval to enter a contract with Resource Development and Associates for evaluation services for the 2012-2013 school year for the Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) grant. RDA served as the evaluator for the TUPE grant for the previous three years. TUPE requires a comprehensive annual evaluation as part of the grant to measure program implementation and effectiveness.

10.10 (Item #11) Procurement and Installation of New Synthetic Track Surface for the Outdoor Athletic facility at Clayton Valley Charter High School

On September 10, 2012 the Board of Education approved a prioritized list of facility enhancement projects for Clayton Valley Charter High School. The construction of improvements to the site's athletic stadium complex were identified as high priority projects. Included in these stadium improvements was the removal and replacement of the old track surfacing. On October 29, 2012 staff issued a request for Proposals(RFP) for the removal and replacement of the synthetic track at Clayton Valley Charter High School through the California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) delivery method. Proposals were received on November 2, 2012 with the lowest bidder being Beynon Sports Surfaces, Inc. with a proposal of \$388,040.00. Staff is now requesting permission to execute the purchase and installation of new synthetic track at C.V.C.H.S. through Beynon Sports Surfaces, Inc. through State of California Multiple Award Schedule ("CMAS") contract number #4-12-78-0063A.

10.11 (Item #12) Authorize submission for the Contra Costa County Family and Children's Trust (FACT) grant to support the Crossroads Program

Staff requests permission to submit an application to Contra Costa County Family and Children's Trust (FACT) for the Contra Costa County FACT Grant in the amount of \$73,000 to provide support services for teen parents at Crossroads High School. MDUSD has been the recipient of the FACT grant since 2005. These funds will be used to encourage continued school enrollment, improve academic performance, and promote understanding of child development and the adoption of positive parenting practices. This grant supports student learning by providing a program that includes mentoring and tutoring, parenting and life skills education. Services will include reading support, math support, career exploration, counseling, and strengthening parenting skills. This is a one year renewable grant.

10.12 (Item #15) Final Change Order - for LLB #1594 for New Chemistry Classroom Construction at Mt. Diablo and Clayton Valley Charter High School

On August 20, 2012 the Board of Education awarded Two (2) Lease/Lease-back Agreements #1594 to Meehleis Modular Buildings, Inc. for \$3,598,892.00. Lease agreements constituted all tools, materials, equipment and labor necessary to construction new five (5) new chemistry classrooms at Clayton Valley and Mt. Diablo High School. As a result of value engineering and need to: 1) implement site requested post design addition of case-work and fume hood; 3) minor unforeseen utility, electric, mechanical and structural modifications; and 4) return of un-used contingency fund, staff is recommending a single, final DEDUCTIVE change order in the amount of (\$96,843.82). This single, final change order constitutes the return of approximately 89% of contingency and 0.31% contract changes and will result in a final contract value of \$3,502,048.18.

10.13 (Item #16) Notice of Completion for LLB #1594

Lease/Leaseback agreement #1594 was called to provide the Construction of New Chemistry Buildings at Clayton Valley Charter High School and Mt. Diablo High School. The lease/leaseback agreement was issued to Meehleis Module Buildings Inc., in the amount of \$1,623,526.00 for Clayton Valley Charter High School and \$1,975,366.00 for Mt. Diablo High School. The scope of work included, but was not limited to: site work, construction of new chemistry buildings. There was a deductive change order on this project in the amount of \$96,843.82. Work and services have been satisfactorily completed for a total expenditure of \$3,502,048.18.

10.14 (Item #17) Request Approval to Purchase (5) 2013 Ford F-150 Pickup Trucks

These are replacement vehicles for the District Maintenance Department. These five vehicles will be replacing #304 1988 Dodge Aries, 1987 Ford E 150 Van, 2008 Ford Ranger (to be transferred to District Security) and (2) 2000 Ford F-150 trucks (to be transferred to Maintenance Fleet) Staff recommends acquiring the vehicle though this "piggyback" contract between Downtown Ford Sales and the State of California. Included in the quotation is the pricing for all required options, vehicle fees and taxes

10.15 (Item #18) Request Approval to Purchase a 2013 Ford F350 One ton Flatbed truck

This is a replacement vehicle for the district graffiti Ford Ranger. This vehicle will be similar to the City of Concord graffiti truck. It will have the maintenance department steam cleaner mounted on the flatbed of the truck along with other removal items needed for efficient removal of graffiti. Staff recommends acquiring the vehicle through this "piggyback" contract between Wondries Fleet Group and the State of California. Included in the quotation is pricing for all required options, vehicle fees and taxes. Amount of vehicle \$26,842.65

10.16 (Item #19) Adoption of the German Honors course of study

A committee of high school and middle school World Language teachers and the World Language Coordinator from the SASS department went through a district process to revise and rename the German V Honors course of study and the German IV Honors course, combining both into German Honors. The German Honors course aligns with the Common Core State Standards and preparation for the new focus on the AP level course.

CONSENT ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

11.1 (Item #9) Student Success Team Management System License Agreement between San Joaquin County Office of Education and Mt. Diablo Unified School District

On May 21, 2012 Board approved SST License Agreement between ACCELIFY LLC and Mt. Diablo Unified School District. In September, 2013 San Joaquin County Office of Education took over the SST program from ACCELIFY LLC. There is a cost savings of \$10,000 per year.

Dennler moved, Mayo seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 to approve the Student Success Team Management System License Agreement between San Joaquin County Office of Education and Mt. Diablo Unified School District as presented.

11.2 (Item #13) Contract Amendment: PHd Architects: Site Adaptive and Design Modifications Required to facilitate new classrooms and use of District Pre-Checked (PC) 1440 square foot design to meet Eagle Peak site needs

Pulled by staff. No action taken.

11.3 (Item #14) Award of Lease-Leaseback Agreement to Taber Construction, Inc. for Chemistry Classrooms 2013 at Concord/Nueva Vista and College Park High School

On January 17, 2013 the District issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) soliciting submissions from qualified firms interested in entering into a lease-leaseback agreement for the construction of District owned Pre-Checked (PC) chemistry classrooms at Concord and College Park High Schools to accommodate the 2010 Measure C – High School Enhancement Program. District solicited qualifications from 5 vendors and received 2 packages. As a result of the RFQ process staff is recommending that the District enter into a lease-leaseback agreement with Taber Construction, Inc. for a Guaranteed Project Cost of \$3,447,300.00 for the completion of all specified new construction per approved plans and specifications. The lease-leaseback project delivery method is authorized by California Education Code 17406, and authorizes the governing board, without advertising for bids, to enter into a lease with a builder for the purpose of construction, including remodeling and permanent improvements, upon property. Under a lease-leaseback, the District leases property under a "site lease" to a builder for \$1. That builder constructs the facility/completes the renovation and then leases the facility back to the District under a "facilities lease". The District makes "tenant improvement payments" during construction and "lease payments" after construction. Title to the facility vests in the District as lease payments are made. the District has the option to make an early, balloon payment to the builder to buy out the facilities lease. In addition, the District determines all plans and specifications and uses its own Architect of Record to submit the project to the Division of the State Architect (DSA) for approval.

Mayo moved, Dennler seconded, and the Board voted 4-1-0 (Hansen – no) to approve the award of lease-leaseback agreement with Taber Construction, Inc. as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jerry Okendo, shared his concern regarding bullying of his grandson

Esmeralda Okendo, said she is advocating on behalf of her grandson.

Greg Rolen, General Counsel and Kerri Mills, Assistant Superintendent Special Education and Pupil Services were asked to follow up on the issue.

Willie Mims, ECNAACP/BPA, said the Board needs to take a close look at the lease/leaseback system. He would also like the District to look at the expulsions to see if specific sub-groups are being targeted.

COMMUNICATIONS

Annie Nolen, CSEA, said that mandated reporters identities are to be kept confidential. She would also like to know why there is a deadline for signing up for the identity theft protection.

Ms. Hansen asked CFO Bryan Richards to send out information on the identity theft protection program.

Ernie DeTrinidad, DELAC, thanked the Board for approving the Master Plan development.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - continued

15.3 Bond Refinance Update

Jon Isom, Isom Advisors, made a presentation on the recent successful bond refunding.

15.4 School Safety Report

Superintendent Lawrence shared that he recently held meetings with principals and police chiefs. Police department representatives are beginning to do walk-throughs at the school sites to review safety plans.

15.5 Bay Point Attendance Boundary Process

Superintendent Lawrence updated the Board on the Bay Point Attendance Boundary process. Looking at overflow and growth issues continues.

Public Comment

Willie Mims, said he has concerns with a potential gerrymandering effect that could happen when boundaries are redrawn.

BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

16.1 Amended Contract for Assistant Superintendent, Student Achievement and School Support, for Board Action

The five district administrators' contracts that were on the March 11, 2013 agenda for public input and Board discussion are now on this agenda for action.

Public Comment

Rebecca Jensen, parent, urged the Board to be thoughtful and careful in the precedent being set and message being sent when taking action on the contracts.

Dennler moved, Hansen seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 approval of amended Contract for Assistant Superintendent, Student Achievement and School Support.

16.2 Amended Contract for Assistant Superintendent, Personnel, for Board Action

The five district administrators' contracts that were on the March 11, 2013 agenda for public input and Board discussion are now on this agenda for action.

Dennler moved, Oaks seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 approval of Amended Contract for Assistant Superintendent, Personnel.

16.3 Amended Contract for Chief Financial Officer for Board Action

The five district administrators' contracts that were on the March 11, 2013 agenda for public input and Board discussion are now on this agenda for action.

Mayo moved, Dennler seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 approval of Amended Contract for Chief Financial Officer.

16.4 Amended Contract for General Counsel for Board Action

The five district administrators' contracts that were on the March 11, 2013 agenda for public input and Board discussion are now on this agenda for action.

Public Comment

Jack Weir, resident and former member of the bond oversight committee, urged the Board to reject the contract for General Counsel.

Wendy Lack said she believes this a defining moment for this Board and more importantly a pivotal time for the future of the district.

John Parker shared his belief that all five of these actions are inappropriate because the action was taken last year by the Board.

Associate General Counsel, Deborah Cooksey reminded the Board that it was exceeding the motion originally made by Mr. Lawrence at the January meeting ,that the contracts would be taken out to independent counsel for ministerial clean up.

Mayo moved, Dennler seconded and the Board voted 3-2-0 (Oaks and Hansen – no) to approve Amended Contract for General Counsel as presented.

16.5 Amended Contract for Superintendent for Board Action

The five district administrators' contracts that were on the March 11, 2013 agenda for public input and Board discussion are now on this agenda for action.

Ron LaCour, parent, said he supports Dr. Lawrence and his staff and has seen great improvement in education in the District in the last few years. He challenged the Board to do what is legally correct.

Kent Caldwell, resident, said that notable accomplishments have been made during Dr. Lawrence's tenure as Superintendent. He said the Board had already approved the contracts and the superintendent should continue in his position as approved last year.

Jack Weir said the contract matter is flawed and not transparent. Also, that the Board has the power and authority to make a decision as to whether or not to approve this contract.

Willie Mims said he has respect for President Hansen for doing things prior Boards haven't done. He also stated that this event is being looked and he is concerned that if the superintendent is not rehired, no one would want to come to the district for fear that the same thing could happen to them.

Dennler moved, Mayo seconded, and the Board voted 3-2-0 (Oaks and Hansen – no) approval of Amended Contract for Superintendent.

16.6 Appointment of Construction Manager II for Measure C

Interviews have been conducted and a candidate has been selected to fill the position of Construction Manager II for Measure C.

Public Comment

John Parker said he objects to adding another Measure C staff member as it is not being efficient.

Dennler moved, Oaks seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 to appoint Charlie Beigarten to the position of Construction Manager II for Measure C

16.7 Update on Mandated Reporting Policy and Protocol (carried over from March 11, 2013 meeting)

District staff will report on the following: 1. What is the district's current practice and protocol regarding mandated reporting? 2. Who gets mandated training, what is the training, and how often does this occur? 3. Are there any changes to the district's mandated reporting process and training that are being discussed, and what changes will be implemented in the future?

General Counsel, Greg Rolan, shared the timeline for training of and notifications to staff regarding mandated reporting.

MEETING EXTENSION

Hansen moved, Oaks seconded, and the Board voted 4-1-0 (Dennler – no) to extend the meeting until 11:45 p.m.

16.8 Strategic Plan – Follow-Up and Next Steps

As a follow-up to our February 23, 2013 Board Retreat, the Board will meet to complete discussion of the Strategic Plan and take action, as necessary, on suggested revisions and modifications.

Hansen moved, Oaks seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 to have a follow-up meeting on Tuesday, April 16, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

16.9 Technology Advisory Committee

This will return at the April 8, 2013 Board meeting.

16.10 Explore the potential multi-year lease of KVHS non-commercial FM Radio license: would not interfere with District's right to provide KVHS programming via an internet-only-stream

Provide staff direction on whether to continue to explore options to generate income from KVHS, possibly by a multi-year lease of the station's non-commercial broadcast license. In doing so, the District can: (a) continue to digitally operate KVHS as an internet-only station; (b) control the digital programming content; and (c) offer classes to students on a digital broadcasting. Maintaining the ability to broadcast in a digital format and being able to offer instruction to students of digital broadcasting provides possibly more value to students than our current radio program of traditional broadcast over the airwaves because of the growth of digital media. Leasing the license lease would not include the radio studio or any of the equipment, most of which belongs to the County Office of Education. If the Board authorizes staff to pursue the possible lease of the station, approve staff's request to issue a Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") and to select for a communications company to represent the district in locating and negotiating a lease of KVHS's non-commercial license. The Company selected must specialize in this the lease and/or sale of non-commercial radio and television stations and be able to negotiate with all types of potential non-commercial tenants regardless of programming.

Melissa Wilson, Tom Wilson and Patrick deWerk spoke in support of KVHS.

Mayo moved, Dennler seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 to grant permission to go out for an RFQ to locate a consultant that would advise the District on leasing the station.

16.11 Public presentation of District's Initial Proposal for a Successors Agreement with Mt. Diablo Education Association (MDEA) 2013-2016

By law, school districts are required to "sunshine" collective bargaining proposals in an open session of the Board. Proposals from Mt. Diablo Education Association (MDEA) and Mt. Diablo Unified School District. Submitted as an information item this will be returned at a later meeting for action.

16.12 Public presentation of the Successor Agreement Proposal for California State Employees Association (CSEA) to the District

By law, school districts are required to "sunshine" collective bargaining proposals in an open session of the Board. Proposal from California State Employees Association (CSEA). Submitted as an information item this will be returned at a later meeting for action.

16.13 Procurement and Installation of Surveillance License Upgrades with Three Year Maintenance Agreement for 950 Cameras

On September 22, 2009 the Board of Education approved the procurement and installation of surveillance servers and cameras. The software currently used has reached its end of life for support and requires an upgrade in order to maintain support. Staff is now requesting permission to purchase and install these approved upgrades through Decotech Systems through State of California Multiple Award Schedule ("CMAS") contracts, the 2013 California PEPPM (Pennsylvania Education Purchasing Program for Microcomputers) as follows: CMAS #3-10-70-1602M: \$22,050 (installation) California PEPPM: \$78,600 (upgrade license for 950 cameras) The total cost of the procurements is \$100,650.

This will be brought back to the April 8 Board meeting.

16.14 Update on the Board's Response to the Public Records Act Request of the Contra Costa Times/Dan Borenstein

President Hansen gave an update on the follow-up that has occurred since the Board's Open Session meeting on March 11, 2013 to discuss this Public Records Act request. This will be brought back for continued discussion at a subsequent meeting

16.15 Graduation Requirements Update

The Superintendent will report on progress of the district's review of graduation requirements for Mt. Diablo USD students and the Board's priority of increasing those requirements. This report will include: • Committee membership – Who is on the committee? • Report on process used – How often has the committee met? What information have they considered? • Preliminary findings and progress on recommendation(s) MDUSD graduation

requirements were reduced on March 9, 2010 as follows: 1. Math requirement was dropped from 3 years (30 credits) to 2 years (20 credits). 2. Total number of credits needed for graduation from a comprehensive high school was reduced from 230 credits to 200 credits. 3. Total number of credits needed for graduation from an alternative/adult education high school was reduced to 180 credits.

Will be brought back to the April 8 meeting

16.16 Title I Policy MDUSD Proposed BP/AR 6171

LEAs who accept Title I funds are expected to develop policies regarding comparability, parent involvement, program evaluation, assessment, and the revision process of the LEA plan. Board Policy 6171 describes the coordination of these general categorical assurances to ensure that students from economically disadvantaged families are provided coordinated support. These restricted categorical funds are to provide supplemental services that reinforce the core curriculum and assist students in attaining proficiency on state academic standards and assessments. This item was originally brought for information on June 14, 2011 and was to be returned for action the following meeting. Due to staff turnover this did not occur. At that time, district staff and all Title I Schoolsite Councils had reviewed the proposed board policy and were provided the opportunity for input.

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 11:45 p.m. in honor of Carolyn Stuckey.

CLOSED SESSION

19.1 Public Employees Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened Open Session at 12:39 a.m.

Ms. Hansen reported that in Closed Session the Board set up two additional Closed Session meetings. The first Closed Session is scheduled for Wednesday March 2. The topic of that meeting will be employee discipline, dismissal, release. The second Closed Session will be held on March 28 and the topic for that meeting will be negotiations.

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 a.m.