

Mother Lode Union School District

Minutes

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES



Regular Meeting

Mother Lode Union School District/MERC Center via Zoom

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

03:45 PM

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Mother Lode Union School District is the successful education of every student.

TO ACCOMPLISH OUR MISSION

We strive to nurture a partnership with student, staff, parent and the community.

We are committed to meeting the educational needs of each student while providing a safe, respectful, and connected school experience and environment.

We are dedicated to advancing each student's academic achievement while developing a life-long love of learning, building personal responsibility, enhancing the use of problem solving skills, and the ability to learn independently.

We provide all employees with the resources necessary to perform their function, while maintaining a fiscally responsible organization.

We employ competent, committed, and caring staff who believe in respect for others, teamwork, continuous self-improvement, and that all students can learn and be successful.

MEETING NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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Details

Board Members: Cathy Wilson
Al Priestley
Janet VanderLinden
Glen Sellers
Chuck Wolfe

Other Attendees: Curtis Wilson

Regular Board Meeting 01-12-2022

Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/j/97665866621>

1. 4:00 PM - CALL TO ORDER

1.1 The Board President will call the meeting to order

Discussion:

Board President Cathy Wilson called the meeting to order at 4:01pm.

1.2 Roll Call

Discussion:

All Board members present. Cathy Wilson, Janet VanderLinden, Glen Sellers in person at MERC. Chuck Wolfe and Al Priestley via Zoom.

1.3 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Item(s)

Statement:

No Public Comments submitted

2. CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

2.1 G.C. Section 54957 Public Employee Employment

Motion:

Approve Employment for:

Raymond Sarlatte, Executive Secretary/Personnel, District Office, effective 12-1-2021

Meghan Magee, Assistant Principal/Director Student Support Services, Herbert Green, effective 1-6-2022

Motion By: Cathy Wilson

Second By: Janet VanderLinden

Yeas: Chuck Wolfe, Al Priestley, Janet VanderLinden, Glen Sellers, Cathy Wilson

Results: Motion Passed

2.2 G.C. Section 54957 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

Motion:

Approve Resignation for:

Todd Smith, PE Teacher, Herbert Green, effective 1-7-2022

Motion By: Cathy Wilson

Second By: Janet VanderLinden

Yeas: Janet VanderLinden, Cathy Wilson, Glen Sellers, Chuck Wolfe, Al Priestley

Results: Motion Passed

3. REGULAR MEETING

3.1 The Board will reconvene to Open Session

Discussion:

Meeting reconvened to Open Session at 5:08 pm.

3.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Statement:

3.3 Roll Call

Discussion:

All Board Members present either in the MERC or via Zoom.

3.4 ACTION: Disclosure of Action taken, if any, in Closed Session

Statement:

3.5 ACTION: Amend current Agenda

Motion:

Amend agenda to include opportunity to hear reposts/updates from Student Body Representative - Josselyn Diaz, MLTA and CSEA representatives.

Motion By: Janet VanderLinden

Second By: Glen Sellers

Yeas: Cathy Wilson, Glen Sellers, Al Priestley, Chuck Wolfe, Janet VanderLinden

Results: Motion Passed

4. Public Comment

4.1 Public Comment:

Discussion:

No public comments were made.

5. COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Continue to build parent, staff and community awareness, understanding, confidence and trust in the Mother Lode Union School District.

5.1 Information: Herbert Green & Indian Creek Updates

Discussion:

As submitted

5.2 Information: Superintendent Curtis Wilson

Discussion:

Superintendent Wilson extended his thanks to all Staff for the level of support seen District-wide in helping each other get through the trying COVID-times. Further, it was exciting to see the support for retired teachers helping with the Indian Creek Holiday Program.

Superintendent Wilson provided feedback on the iReady program and made suggestion that we move the administering of iReady to occur before the Winter Break next year.

5.3 Information: Board of Trustees

Discussion:

Board President Cathy Wilson is continuing to work with Wendy Frederickson of EDCOE to set up a Board Training session.

Board EDCSBA Representative Janet VanderLinden provided a brief update on the upcoming EDCSBA events for 2022.

5.4 Information: Student Body Representative - Josselyn Diaz

Discussion:

Ms. Diaz provided an update of the December Crafts/Food/Games event and upcoming events in February and March. Announced that Basketball and Wrestling teams are doing well this season.

5.5 Information: MLTA Representatives

Discussion:

MLTA Representatives Brown and Skejlbred read a letter of concern for 2nd Grade Teacher Tiffany Presgrave how could not attend the meeting. Letter touched on concern about replacing vacant aide positions and viability of EL program being entirely computer based.

MLTA also expressed concern of being down a few PE Teachers at Herbert Green and safety concerns to keep kids in school.

5.6 Information: CSEA Representatives

Discussion:

CSEA Representative Ashley Bose expressed CSEA's concerns with regards to Safety with COVID. She requested that COVID-19 guidelines be provided in print for staff. She inquired to the employment status of a Health Clerk to handle the COVID-19 data tracking.

6. SETTING DIRECTION:

7. STUDENT LEARNING AND ACHIEVEMENT

Provide and exceptional educational program by offering rigorous academic classes and a variety of enrichment opportunities for all children. Provide a safety net to ensure that all children are successful, without compromising the breadth of the program. Incorporate character education lessons with clear goals and natural consequences into every aspect of the school community.

7.1 Enrollment Summary 2021-2022

Discussion:

As submitted

7.2 Report: Class Size Averages

Discussion:

As submitted

7.3 DISCUSSION/ACTION: Proposed use of assigned Emergency Closure Make Up Day - April 29, 2022

Motion:

To assign Friday, April 29, 2022 as a Make up day for the December 14, 2021 school closure day due to snow-related issues and safety concerns.

Motion By: Glen Sellers

Second By: Janet VanderLinden

Yeas: Glen Sellers, Cathy Wilson, Chuck Wolfe, Al Priestley, Janet VanderLinden

Results: Motion Passed

7.4 DISCUSSION/ACTION: Review 2022-2023 School Calendar options and Approve one

Discussion:

This item was tabled to the February 2022 Regular Board Meeting

8. FINANCE/FACILITIES

8.1 Information: Auditor Report - Measure C Bond Building Fund (Presented by Michelle Hanson C.P.A.)

Statement:

As submitted

8.2 Information: Auditor Report - Annual Financial Audit 2020-2021 (Presented by Michelle Hanson C.P.A.)

Statement:

As submitted

9. CONSENT ITEMS - ACTION ITEMS:

9.1 Superintendent requests approval of 9.2 - 9.4

Motion:

Approve Items 9.2 - 9.4

Motion By: Janet VanderLinden

Second By: Glen Sellers

Yeas: Al Priestley, Chuck Wolfe, Janet VanderLinden, Cathy Wilson, Glen Sellers

Results: Motion Passed

9.2 Warrants

Statement:

9.3 Board Minutes 12-08-2021

Statement:

9.4 Board Minutes 12-15-2021

Statement:

10. GOVERNANCE TEAM ISSUES SESSION

10.1 The next Regular Board Meeting will be on February 9, 2022 at 4:00 pm (Closed) and 5:00pm (Open) via Zoom and socially distance in the MERC Center

Statement:

11. ADJOURNMENT:

11.1 Meeting Adjourned

Discussion:

Meeting adjourned at 6:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cathy Wilson".

Cathy Wilson, Board President
2/9/2022