

**OFFICIAL MINUTES FOR A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MOUNTAIN OAKS GOVERNING BOARD**

150 Old Oak Road, P.O. Box 1209, San Andreas, CA 95249

Tuesday, February 15, 2011, 5:00 pm

MISSION: to support the learning, growth and development of the Mountain Oaks community and the community at large.

BOARD GOALS for 2010-11:

1. Develop a rubric to assess online learning opportunities and programs compatible with our model.
2. Retain WASC accreditation and compliance.
3. Use multiple measures for data assessment.
4. Institute lead teacher system for satellite resource centers.

Action may be taken on any item on the agenda.

OPEN SESSION

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by Frank Meyer 7:10 pm

2. **ROLL CALL:**

Members: Frank Meyer, Bob Dean (absent), Christine Linder, Kate Leiga, Nannette Stomberg.

Non-voting members: Kathy Northington, Joshua Hurtado (alternate Youth Rep.)

Admin: Anne Colman, Jacqueline Dennis

Staff: Jean Hutton, Kathie Ramirez

Visitors: Marilyn Krause, Mark Gebhardt

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

3.1 Approval of agenda

3.2 Approval of minutes of January 18, 2011 meeting.

3.3 Approval of Fiscal Policies for Mountain Oaks School

3.4 Approval of eliminating Fund 31 in School Support Fund

3.5 Approval of Mountain Oaks School Organizational Chart

Motion:

A motion was made to approve the agenda, the minutes of January 18, 2011 with one spelling correction, the Fiscal Policies subject to Nannette Stomberg's recommended changes, the elimination of Fund 31 in School Support Fund and the organizational chart – Made by Kate Leiga, seconded by Nannette Stomberg - Passed unanimously.

4. **COMMENTS BY VISITORS – None**

5. **COMMENTS BY STAFF**

5.1 Review outcome of ACLU lawsuit – Letter from Byron Smith (CCOE attorney), letter from Governor Schwarzenegger and letter from Orange County Department of Education. We now have guidelines to follow regarding student fees.

5.2 WASC visit schedule and report (Anne)

Board members are welcome to meet with the WASC Committee as fits their individual schedules.

5.3 STAR Testing – Discussed incentives to test and test well. A positive attitude and encouragement from the teacher administering the test makes a big impact on the overall outcome. Possible incentives: Breakfast available the morning of the test; coupons for snack shack; candy; toys; prize for jumping a band in STAR test results; answering questions at library and being added to drawing.

5.4 Time of Governing Board Meeting – Time will remain 5-7 pm with dinner available at 4:45 pm.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

6.1 Resignation of Marilyn Krause – Marilyn was presented with a card, orchid and a Starbuck's gift card for her service and dedication to Mountain Oaks School.

6.2 Articles from PineTree.net

6.3 Letter to CCBE from Claudia Davis regarding 2011-12 Governor's budget proposal

The 2011-2012 budget will be prepared with 4% (ADA decrease) and 10% (ADA decrease and elimination of temporary state tax increases) budget cuts to clearly show possible budget impacts

for next year.

7. PRESENTATIONS

7.1 Student report - Katie Peeples/Josh Hurtado

Joshua Hurtado – Spirit week has been very positive. This week is also kindness week.

This Friday's basketball game is against Tioga which is like our homecoming game. Joshua is selling green and yellow tie-dye shirts for \$15.00 each, for Spirit Week.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Review Governing Board election (Anne)

Another committee member has agreed to run for Governing Board, Mary Louise Nixon. Mary Louise no longer works for our CPA, Cathy Castillo, so there is no conflict of interest. The election must take place by March 16, 2011. The election will be announced with an all call and an e-mail push with a Survey Monkey ballot to vote. E-mail recipients will receive the candidate applications along with a ballot at the bottom of the page. Survey Monkey votes will be anonymous and will be pushed to the e-mail addresses registered with the school. Families without e-mail will be able to pick up a paper ballot from their site secretary. There will be a Board Development Meeting on March 9, 2011.

9. NEW BUSINESS - None

10. REPORTS AND INFORMATION

10.1 Superintendent's Report – Kathy Northington

The Mountain Oaks Annual Retreat was a great event with a lot of good information. The sewer project is moving forward and a pump has been acquired. Work is delayed due to rain, but will resume once the rain stops.

10.2 School Support Fund Monthly Financial Report

The money in the CHP Scholarship fund is for Katie Bosch. Full time student status has been verified and a check is being sent to Katie.

The Finance Committee approved eliminating Fund 31 (Special Event Financial Aid) and the money will be moved to Fund 91 (Unrestricted).

10.3 Fund 9 Monthly Financial Report

The reserve fund is shrinking. The goal is to have 10% or more in reserve. The 2011-2012 Budget will be based on a conservative number of 350 students with a 4% and 10% budget cuts detailed.

10.4 Student Population Report – Admissions (Anne)

The student population is currently at 372 students. Mountain Oaks School has become more discerning about the proper match of a student to a mentor teacher.

11. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS

11.1 Mountain Oaks School is looking to have WASC accreditation for two years. The WASC

Visiting Committee will leave a Power Point Presentation after their visit for the Mountain Oaks community to view.

11.2 Discussion about setting up a meeting with Claudia Davis to present to the Governing Board

about understanding the budget and understanding the relationship between Mountain Oaks School and the Calaveras County Office of Education.

12. ADVANCE PLANNING

12.1 Next regular Board meeting Tuesday, March 15, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

13. ADJOURNMENT by Frank Meyer at 7:00 pm

Signed: _____ Dated: _____
Kathleen Leiga, Governing Board Secretary

Respectfully submitted,
Kathryn Ramirez

