

Modoc County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Adopted Minutes
September 10, 2018

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Members of the Board met for a regular meeting in the conference room at the Modoc County Office of Education. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present

Jim Hays
Bucky Harris
Dixie Server
Sadie Camacho
Ben DuVal

Members Absent

MCOE Staff Members Present

Mike Martin
Misty Norby
Leslie Corder
Rhiannon Martin
Gail Eppler

Visitors Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

POSTING OF AGENDA

It was noted that the agenda had been properly posted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

1. PRESENTATION / REPORTS

Mike Martin introduced Rhiannon Martin, the newly hired Director of the MCOE Early Head Start program. It was pointed out that Rhiannon has 13 years of experience working in the program and came highly recommended for the position.

Following introduction, Rhiannon stated that she was grateful for the time she had to work under Lisa Reed, and appreciated being selected as the director. Her plans are to continue her weekly visits to Tulelake and to assist with the hiring and training of the new person who will fill the Health & Disability Specialist position within the program.

There are currently openings in the program, and staff has been busy recruiting eligible families to participate.

It was further reported that funding had been received for the installation of a new roof on the EHS building in Tulelake, as well as for the purchase of a new vehicle.

Misti Norby reported the following:

The beginning of the school year for both MCOE and the Surprise Valley JUSD had gone smoothly, though busy.

She has been working with the districts on MTSS the Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) and explained that each district is in different stages of implementation, and that there are designated teams at each site. A handout / graphic chart showing the different levels / tiers and goals and segments of MTSS was shared with the members of the board.

In addition, she has been spending time in Surprise Valley addressing various items and needs of the district.

Leslie Corder reported the following:

The MCOE books for 2017-18 should be closed by the end of the week (9-14-18).

The auditors are scheduled to make their last visit of the year on October 12th.

She will be meeting with department heads regarding staffing which will be reflected in the first interim budget report.

The need for 2 new vehicles is being discussed, and various options investigated.

The financial reports included in the agenda packet were explained to the members of the board.

Mike Martin reported the following:

The hiring of the new EHS Director has the possibility of creating a domino effect within the program. Mike indicated that the positions that come open will be looked at and evaluated as necessary.

Early enrollment figures were shared with the members of the board. These figures showed the following: Modoc Joint Unified School District – 882; Surprise Valley Jt. Unified School District 116; and Tulelake Basin Joint Unified 396. Mike pointed out that these numbers are likely to change, and in October there should be firmer numbers available.

He had visited the MCOE preschools and reported that there are 79 preschoolers enrolled in the program. The classes in Alturas are fully enrolled, there are 2 spots available in Tulelake, and the Surprise Valley program has seven slots available.

September is Attendance Awareness Month. To promote this awareness of the importance of good school attendance MCOE had submitted an article to the newspaper, has PSA's running periodically on the KCNO Radio station, and has a promotion slide in the slide show at the local theater. In additions, banners will be purchased for each of the schools for display.

Progress is being made in the Surprise Valley Jt. Unified School District with involved MCOE staff members providing support and working with the district to determine the decisions that need to be considered. Important options are being discussed and considered by the SVJUSD Board of Trustees with regard to declining enrollments, funding, etc. Members of the board will be kept informed regarding the many issues.

The Talk-Read-Sing campaign continues to evolve. Mike shared a book and magnet that is provided to each preschool and Early Head Start family as a reminder that Talking-Reading-Singing are important for the development of babies and young children.

A reminder that there are several book houses in various locations in Alturas was provided. These book houses contain books for children that can be taken home for the purposes of reading to children. Donations are always accepted.

2. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- Minutes – August 13, 2018
- Temporary County Certificates

A motion was made by Sadie Camacho, seconded by Ben DuVal and carried that the consent agenda be approved as presented. (Ayes: Hays, DuVal, Server, Camacho, Harris)

3. INFORMATION / NO ACTION

3.1 On-line Ethics Training available through FPPC

Updated information regarding an online Ethics training which is available through the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) was provided for the members of the board. Board members are required to complete this training every two years.

4. ACTION

4.1 Approval – Resolution #18-06 – Adopting the GANN Limit

A motion was made by Ben DuVal, seconded by Bucky Harris and carried that Resolution #18-06 be approved as included in the agenda packet. Leslie Corder provided information regarding the need for the adoption of this document. (Ayes: Hays, DuVal, Server, Camacho, Harris)

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

6. **BOARD TIME**

7. **NEXT MEETING DATE** October 8, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.
Modoc County Office of Education

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned
at
7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Mike Martin, Modoc County Superintendent of Schools
Ex-Officio Secretary to the Board.

Approved:

President, Modoc County Board of Education