

Modoc County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Adopted Minutes
October 8, 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
Ben DuVal

Members Absent

Sadie Camacho

MCOE Staff Members Present

Mike Martin
Leslie Corder
Rhiannon Martin
De Funk
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**

Rhiannon Martin (EHS) reported the following:

During the past month, a Family Support Worker position for the program had been filled, and the current self-assessment is being completed.

She has been visiting the Tulelake program once per week, (as her schedule permits), and pointed out that she will also be having the new FSW, who is bilingual, visit the area as well. Weekly staff meetings and Policy Council meetings are continuing. It was noted that often times the video conferencing option is utilized which allows greater participation.

De Funk reported the following:

The First 5 grant funding for the Imagination Library is ongoing. De explained that in this program, children 0- 5 receive an age appropriate book monthly until the age of 5. Flyers and information is distributed through the Early Head Start program, and other parent groups. In addition, the Talk Read Sing initiative continues to grow.

A State Review had been completed for the preschool food program, and it was noted that there were no areas that were out of compliance.

She has been working with Kindergarten teachers with regard to Kindergarten / Preschool Assessment and addressing the gaps for those students who do not attend preschools.

Jennifer Jaeger had been working in the schools in the Life Skills classes and provided information for Modoc and Tulelake students.

The “Every 15 Minutes” program will be held April 29 and 30, 2019.

Leslie Corder reported the following:

The MCOE books for 2017-18 are closed, and all necessary reports have been filed as required. It was reported that financially the year ended better than anticipated, largely in part to an education code change in the funding for State Aid.

The Audits have been completed, and the audit reports should be received by the December board meeting.

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

Mike Martin reported the following:

He had been asked and accepted a position to sit on the Small School Districts Association Executive Board. It was explained that this is a unique opportunity to bring ideas from the northern small counties. Several items of importance to the group were discussed at a recent meeting of SSDA. Those items included: Special Education Funding; Substitute Teacher limitations (General Ed: 30 Days / Special Ed. 20 Days); and Secure Rural Schools. Mike pointed out that Kermith Walters (Siskiyou Co. Superintendent) provided information concerning the strong potential of a sponsored bill which would set up a TRUST in which interest would be used to fund the Secure Rural Schools. Kermith stated that this is the most viable option, and perhaps a long-term fix. Addition information will be provided as it is received.

Another matter of discussion at the SSDA meeting was regarding Board and Superintendent Policies. Mike pointed out that a bulk of these policies are driven by law, and the talk among the group was: 1) does it make sense to have the policy; 2) if you do not have the policy, the law dictates the action; and, if you have the policy and don't follow it, it can cause issues. Following this explanation, Mike proposed to the members of the board, that in the future as updates are received, that we keep only the MANDATED policies, and that those policies that are not MANDATED be reviewed to determine actual necessity. If it is determined that they are not necessary and not MANDATED, they can be deleted. The other option is to continue as we have been doing, and update all policies on hand.

2. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- Minutes – Sept. 10, 2018
- Temporary County Certificate

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

3. INFORMATION / NO ACTION

4. ACTION

4.1 Approval – Board Stipend (5% increase of 13.03 allowed by Education Code Section 1090(g) (From \$260.61 to \$273.64 per month)

A motion was made by Bucky Harris, seconded by Dixie Server and carried that the increase in the board stipend be approved as presented. (Ayes: Hays, Harris, DuVal, Server; Absent: Camacho)

**4.2 Approval - Joint meeting with EHS for November 13, 2018
Change meeting location to Early Head Start Building**

Following discussion, a motion was made by Dixie Server, seconded by Ben DuVal and carried that the November 13th meeting of the Modoc County Board of Education be held as a joint meeting with Early Head Start. The Policy Council meeting will convene at 4:30 p.m., with the County Board meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Early Head Start building located at 901 N. East "A" St., Alturas (Ayes: Hays, Harris, DuVal, Server; Absent: Camacho)

4.3 Approval – 2018-2019 MCOE Differentiated Assistance & LCAP Support Plan

Following explanation by Mike Martin, the 2018-2019 Differentiated Assistance & LCAP Support Plan for MCOE was approved with a motion being made by Ben DuVal, seconded by Bucky Harris and carried. (Ayes: Hays, Harris, DuVal, Server; Absent: Camacho)

5. CORRESPONDENCE

6. BOARD TIME

7. NEXT MEETING DATE November 13, 2018 - 5:00 p.m.
Modoc County Office of Education

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

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

Approved:

President, Modoc County Board of Education