

**MT BALDY JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING - MINUTES
DECEMBER 10, 2015**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** 6:00 P.M. by Evan Chapman
MEMBERS PRESENT: Evan Chapman, Ron Thomas, Margaret Glick
MEMBERS ABSENT: None

MOTION – Thomas To Adopt December 10, 2015 Agenda.
 Second – Glick
 Carried – 3/0

MOTION – Glick To Approve November 19, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes
 Second – Chapman
 Carried – 3/0

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Ms. Hines-Bescoby expressed concerns that there was no mention of transporting students on the agenda. Board President Chapman said it was on the agenda under section on field trips. Board Member Thomas stated he would like more specifics. Board President Chapman said it had been duly noted. Mr. Kaissi stated his child had witnessed two adults engaged in an argument during the first and second grade P.E. class. Board President Chapman stated this was duly noted.

III. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:

MOTION – Thomas To nominate Ms. Margaret Glick as President of the Mt. Baldy Joint Elementary School District School Board.
 Second – Chapman
 Carried – 3/0

MOTION – Glick To nominate Mr. Evan Chapman as Clerk of the Mt. Baldy Joint Elementary School District School Board.
 Second – Thomas
 Carried – 3/0

Board Meetings are set as follows:

January 18, 2016	February 18, 2016	March 17, 2016	April 21, 2016
May 19, 2016	June 16, 2016	July – No meeting	August 18, 2016
September 15, 2016	October 20, 2016	November 17, 2016	December 15, 2016

Meetings start at 6:00 p.m. There are typically no meetings in July.

IV. BOARD DISCUSSION:

Budget

Ms. Patricia Trevino, Business Advisor from San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, gave the First Interim Report. Ms. Trevino explained the budget figures on the First Interim Report and the state of our budget as we move forward through coming years. Per Ms. Trevino, there are some one time funds we had received but will not be available in future years which is reflective on the Interim Report.

Board Member Thomas noted cuts to books and supplies in out years. He also questioned the District's mental health expenses both currently and the cuts in out years. Ms. Trevino explained that she and Superintendent Jashinsky are working with the Selpa for small district protection to offset some of this expense. She further explained that this report is reflective of a worst case scenario, and the Governor will sometimes release unexpected funding. For budgeting purposes it is best practice to be conservative.

JPA

A representative from the J.P.A. (Joint Powers of Authority), Alex Tennyson, gave a brief discussion on the J.P.A., and their role at our District. Ms. Tennyson explained that using personal cars to transport students was a very uncommon practice which the J.P.A. does not recommend. She indicated that best practice was using school buses. The only exception to use parent drivers would be in the event of an emergency, but not as a common practice.

Board Member Thomas stated that for about \$2.00 per child there could be additional insurance coverage provided. JPA indicated that they will need to look into this requested coverage. Board President Chapman raised concerns about not having vehicle safety checks for the condition of tires, brakes, etc., as well as drivers not being live scanned and approved. Board Member Thomas suggested having parent drivers bring in certification of vehicle inspection prior to each field trip.

Superintendent Jashinsky said it was her understanding from Dr. Karla Rhay, Administrator for the J.P.A., that while the J.P.A. carries our insurance, they will not cover us in the event of an accident involving parents driving children in private vehicles when driving under common practice. Ms. Jashinsky further explained that she had contacted several other districts including Rancho Cucamonga, Mountain View, Helendale, Upland and Central School District. All use buses exclusively, except Central who does use parent drivers with a waiver.

Board Member Glick stated she loved the field trips too, having had children here, and having worked here she has enjoyed the many trips the children had taken. But, at this time Ms. Glick felt comfortable asking that this practice be ceased until other options could be explored. Ms. Hines-Bescoby felt this would greatly impact junior high excursions. Board Member Thomas stated he wanted to have a written statement from J.P.A. stating they will not cover parents or the school driving students in private vehicles.

V. COMMUNICATION/INFORMATION/DISCUSSION:

Superintendent/Principal Report

Superintendent Jashinsky discussed the Biig Project, a state department funded project designed to help small school districts receive the band width needed to comply with state testing mandates, specifically SBAC testing. Verizon is the main carrier that is working with us in establishing the needed requirements. The project is finally moving forward and Verizon will be laying down the lines in January. Ms. Jashinsky was asked to secure a location on-site to house a main unit for the panel and additional circuit breakers needed for the project, which she was able to accomplish and is now working with K-2 teachers to clear the space needed to complete the project.

Superintendent Jashinsky further discussed the school website and her meeting with Alan McDonald, a parent and resident who had taken the lead on managing our website. Ms. Jashinsky and Mr. McDonald collaborated for several hours earlier in the week working on a website redesign and update. Mr. McDonald has completed the first stages of updating the look of the website and reorganizing information. Superintendent Jashinsky feels they have definitely made a big step in the right direction and wanted to thank Mr. Alan McDonald publically for all his hard work on the website.

Ms. Jashinsky reported that she has been working on enrollment and has several tours set up for the first week in January that may bring additional students to the school. Ms. Jashinsky and Mr. Thomas had discussed putting a banner on the fence informing the public of open enrollment.

Superintendent Jashinsky discussed how she had met with Chris Brookhart from the Mt. Baldy Fire Department and David Mix, a parent and resident of Mt. Baldy. Ms. Jashinsky expressed her gratitude to both men for taking their personal time to support her and the school in addressing the overall emergency needs. Ms. Jashinsky informed them that the fire department would be welcome to use the school should there be an emergency and will be furnishing a key for access. Mr. Mix, according to the Superintendent has stepped up and is looking at templates of both emergency and communication plans that the school may adopt in the future. Ms. Jashinsky has set a goal to begin all drills in January for emergency purposes.

Teacher Report

Ms. Colombo discussed the Step Up To Writing Seminar and how she has been trying the techniques in her classroom. Ms. Colombo showed work samples from the students using the new techniques learned at the seminar and how they worked with students. Ms. Colombo said the goal was to have all students from K-8 using the same format and strategy.

VI. ACTION ITEMS:

MOTION – Glick
Second - Chapman
Carried – 3/0

To approve the Mt. Baldy Joint School District First Interim Report with positive certification.

MOTION – Thomas
Second – Glick
Carried – 3/0

To approve the purchase of portable classroom from Mobile Modular for a price not to exceed \$25,000.00 and to authorize Sandra Jashinsky, Superintendent/Principal to sign and execute any and all documents relating to said purchase.

MOTION – Thomas
Second – Glick
Carried – 2/0
Chapman abstained

To approve batches 0098-0111.

MOTION – Glick
Second – Chapman
Carried – 3/0

Approve hiring Elvira Caliri, part time instructional aide not to exceed 15 hours per week.

MOTION – Glick
Second – Chapman
Carried – 3/0

Approve hiring Tricia Bulmer as part time long term hourly substitute for P.E.

MOTION – Glick
Second – Chapman
Carried – 3/0

Approve January 14, 2016 and February 1, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. as Special Board Meetings for the Board to discuss in open session Board Bylaw 9005(a).

VII. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

Adjourn to Closed Session: 8:00 p.m.

Return to Open Session: 10:15 p.m.

Call out of closed session items: None

VIII. MOTION – Chapman
Second – Glick
Carried – 3/0

To adjourn at 10:16