

Mark Twain Union Elementary School District  
**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA MINUTES**  
July 14, 2020

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Open Session: 5:30 P.M. / Closed Session 5:35 P.M. / Open Session 6:30 P.M.  
Location: District Boardroom / 981 Tuolumne, Angels Camp, CA 95222

**1. Open Session**

- 1.1 Call to order
- 1.2 Establishment of Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 6:38 p.m. and a quorum was established with all five (5) Board Members.

Motioned Carried: 5-Ayes (Bateman, Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Rollings)/0-Noes /0-Absent /0-Abstained

**2. Public Comment on Closed Session Items**

*This time is reserved for any person to address the Board on Closed Session Items.*

**3. Closed Session Items**

*The Board will recess to Closed Session to discuss and/or take action with respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session pursuant to:*

- 3.1 Conference with Labor Negotiator: Name of Agency Negotiator: Paula Wyant  
Employee Organization: Angels Camp Educators ACE/NEA (G.C. 54957.6)
- 3.2 Conference with Labor Negotiator: Name of Agency Negotiator: Paula Wyant  
Employee Organization: California School Employee Association Chapter 815 (G.C. 54957.6)
- 3.3 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
- 3.4 Personnel Assignment Order

Motion to accept Personnel Assignment Order made by Timothy Randall and seconded by Diane Bateman

Motioned Carried: 5-Ayes (Bateman, Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Rollings)/0-Noes /0-Absent /0-Abstained

**4. Open Session**

- 4.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 4.2 Roll Call: All board members present
- 4.3 Adopt Agenda July 14, 2020
- 4.4 Report of Action Taken in Closed Session

Motion to adopt the agenda as mentioned as made by Timothy Randall and seconded by Jenny Eltringham

Motioned Carried: 5-Ayes (Bateman, Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Rollings)/0-Noes /0-Absent /0-Abstained

**5. Public Comment**

*At this time, any person may address the Board on any Consent Agenda Item or any item not listed on the agenda which falls within the subject matter of the Board's jurisdiction. Pursuant to the Brown Act, during this period, the Board cannot consider issues or take action on items not listed on the agenda.*

**6. Information & Discussion Items**

- 6.1 Correspondence

Paula Wyant-Superintendent Paula Wyant presented the COVID-19 report and the plans the District is pursuing with the blended program for the 2020-21 school year. The District is continuing to work with the bargaining units and to create a MOU for a return to school. The District is looking at a blended model program for our students to attend school two days per week. The student body would attend either Tuesday/Thursday or Wednesday/Friday and the schedule would be a minimum day schedule. The students would be required to log in if he/she choose to be distant learning. In the afternoon, the teachers would be connecting with their students through Zoom, Google or other platforms that they choose for distance learning. Monday would consist of lesson planning for teachers and connecting with distant learning students in the morning. The afternoon would be a time for deep cleaning for the custodial staff before students come on campus on Tuesday. Ms. Wyant shared that parents can choose the whole distant learning option if that makes them feel more

comfortable, and student with Individual Learning Plans (IEP) will be re-visited to review if a different program needs to be created for those students. There will be a Town Hall meeting soon, dialers and mailers will be going out to families tomorrow to communicate the date of this meeting. Ms. Wyant shared that the staff will be following a new protocol as they are required to check in each day with a screening before work. Ms. Wyant shared that there may be another Board Meeting to discuss changing the school calendar. This is due to the need of training our staff at the beginning of the school year. The District is looking the move the start date from August 19<sup>th</sup> to August 24<sup>th</sup>, this would extend our calendar ending not on June 4<sup>th</sup>, but on June 9<sup>th</sup>.

Jenny Eltringham asked if an employee has to be quarantined, is that a two-week quarantine? Paula Wyant explained that it would be up to the Doctor that quarantines the employee. The employee would be asked to seek their Doctor for medical advice.

President Maggie Rollings extended a warm welcome to Superintendent Paula Wyant.

#### 6.2 Superintendents of Calaveras County- Youth Sports during COVID-19

Paula Wyant- Superintendent Paula Wyant shared that the Superintendents felt this is important as CIF was getting questions for sports. The District will need to refer to Public Health for direction as CIF represents the entire state and each area is a little different.

Jenny Eltringham asked if the state says that we can open back up for sports, does the District have funding for sports. Paula Wyant and Roy Blair shared that sports are still in the budget; the stipends have been removed currently. As the year progresses, we can revisit those items.

#### 6.3 Information Black Creek Ranch Property

Paula Wyant- Ms. Wyant shared that there was a conversation that has been happening over time about this piece of property. There is an interest in someone possibly purchasing this property, as a District, we need to know how you would like to proceed. Jenny Eltringham asked if the District pays taxes on the property. Roy Blair shared that the District does not pay taxes on the property. Maggie Rollings shared that she was at the meeting with Julia Tidball, Arron Stafford and Sam Martinovich. This was just to see what the interest was in the property and then to bring the interest to the Board. Aaron Stafford shared the parcel is twenty (20) acres surrounded by 500 acres. Airola originally owned this property and then sold to the past owners who then sold it to Sam Martinovich. The property is a square in the middle of the property and close to Black Creek. Aaron shared that Sam is not interested in developing the property, he would like to continue to put cattle on the land. Bill Davis shared when Mr. Rick Brewer was Superintendent it was discussed to trade the property, but the decision to trade was made at that time. Maggie Rollings asked if there was interest in creating a committee in discussing the property. Aaron Stafford shared that there is not much property to purchase at this time in this area, so a trade may not be a feasible goal. Bill Davis shared that currently Sam is able to graze his cattle which is what Aaron shared would be the continued intent, so that right now there doesn't seem to be a need to be a change in ownership.

#### 6.4 Mark Twain Elementary School District Special Education Evaluation Final Report

Paula Wyant- Ms. Wyant shared this report was prepared by West End for our District. One point that was highlighted was that the staff is working hard and that there is a solid foundation to work from. This was sent to the site Principals for them to review. Ms. Wyant will be reviewing this report with Mr. Pogue and Mr. O'Geen before the beginning of the school year.

### 7. Consent Agenda Items

*All matters listed under Consent Agenda Items are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and voice vote.*

#### 7.1 Approval of Minutes for June 18, 2020

Motion to adopt the Consent agenda as mentioned made by Jenny Eltringham and seconded by Diane Bateman  
 Motioned Carried: 5-Ayes (Bateman, Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Rollings)/0-Noes /0-Absent /0-Abstained

**8. Review and Action Items**

8.1 Readopt Resolution 2019-20-029 In the Matter of Increasing Time to Position #95 Maintenance/Custodian due to clerical error in amount of hours per day  
Due to a clerical error, this resolution needed to be readopted  
Motion to adopt Resolution 2019-20-029 made by Timothy Randall and seconded by Kenal Morlan  
Motioned Carried: 5-Ayes (Bateman, Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Rollings)/0-Noes /0-Absent /0-Abstained

8.2 Adopt Resolution 2020-21-034 In the matter of elimination of one Special Education Paraeducator at Mark Twain Elementary (Position #111)

Motion to adopt Resolution 2020-21-034 made by Jenny Eltringham and seconded by Diane Bateman  
Motioned Carried: 5-Ayes (Bateman, Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Rollings)/0-Noes /0-Absent /0-Abstained

8.3 Adopt Resolution 2020-21-035 In the Matter of the Creation of one Special Education Interpreter-Hearing Impaired and Deaf Para Educator position  
Services are required for a student that may be attending Mark Twain Elementary School for the 2020-21 School Year.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2020-21-035 made by Diane Bateman and seconded by Kendal Morlan  
Motioned Carried: 5-Ayes (Bateman, Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Rollings)/0-Noes /0-Absent /0-Abstained

8.4 Adopt Resolution 2020-21-036 In the Matter of the Governing Board's Consideration and Adoption of Resolution 2019-20-036 Rescinding the Preliminary Layoff Notices Issued to Administrative and Certificated Employees of the Mark Twain Union Elementary School District as the Result of the Governing Board's Adoption of Resolution 2019-20-031 Pursuant to Education Code sections 44949, 44951, 44955, and 44955.5

Motion to adopt Resolution 2020-21-036 made by Jenny Eltringham and seconded by Timothy Randall  
Motioned Carried: 5-Ayes (Bateman, Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Rollings)/0-Noes /0-Absent /0-Abstained

8.5 Adoption of the Parent/Student Handbook for 2020-21  
Paula Wyant expressed her gratitude for the assistance on the Handbook with Kendall Morlan and Jeff Airola and Josh O'Geen regarding the Grading Policy. There are two grammatical errors to fix, one is the Principal for Mark Twain to change to Gary Pogue and the second is on the PBIS page to make "yourself" and "your self" consistent on the page. Kendall Morlan shared that the grading scale is in the student information system and is consistent. Chrisi Miro asked about the absences in the handbook. What is stated in the handbook is not necessarily what aligns with Education Code. Specifically, the seven absences that is stated in the handbook is not what Education Code says for an absence but should be 10% of an absence. Paula Wyant expressed that this was not changed from previous years and she will look into this piece. The handbook will be approved as it is stated currently, but will be revised at a later date, if needed regarding the attendance procedures.

Motion to adopt the Parent/Student Handbook for 2020-21 made by Kendall Morlan and seconded by Timothy Randall  
Motioned Carried: 5-Ayes (Bateman, Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Rollings)/0-Noes /0-Absent /0-Abstained

**Board to Consider First Readings/Adoption Minor/Major Board Policy Revisions, New Board Policies, Administrative Regulations, Exhibits and Board Bylaws**

8.6 Revised BP 4151 (b), 5251, and 4351- Employee Compensation

Motion to adopt BP 4151 (b), 5251, and 4351 made by Jenny Eltringham and seconded by Timothy Randall  
Motioned Carried: 5-Ayes (Bateman, Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Rollings)/0-Noes /0-Absent /0-Abstained

**9. Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting**

August 13, 2020, in the District Board Room at 981 Tuolumne Ave, Angels Camp, CA 95222

Special Board Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.  
981 Tuolumne Ave, Angels Camp, Ca 95222

**Questions from Google Meet attendance:**

1. There was a question on bus transportation from a parent on line- Paula Wyant shared that there will be transportation, it may be on a staggered schedule on those days, but continued as schedule. There will be limited passengers according to the guidelines. There need to be enough drivers and enough runs to get the students to and from school.
2. Will costs go up for the bus?- Paula Wyant answered no.
3. Kendall Morlan asked when we can push information out to parents- Paula Wyant shared that we hope to hold a Town Hall Meeting and to push out information through email as well. This plan allows our District to go either go full distance learning or full school days depending on what we are told to do from the Public Health Department.
4. Can you share anything about food service during the start of school during COVID-19?- Paula Wyant shared that the student would be taking an additional meal on the day they would not be attending school. The meals would be more on the grab and go type of meal. The meals will be provided on the days the students are on campus along with the days they are home. The District has been told not to use the cafeteria, we are working on a plan to stagger lunch for students to eat lunch in their classrooms. Bill Davis and his crew have a large task of keeping our campuses clean. We must create a plan to help our custodial staff as well.
5. Will the students have free play/recess?- no. Paula Wyant shared that equipment can not be used as it can not be properly cleaned or sanitized in between students. We will be working on creative ways for the students to get breaks from the classroom and get some activity throughout the day.
6. Will masks be required?- Yes
7. Kendall Morlan asked if teachers could get shields- Paula Wyant shared that the District has 191 face shields. Bill Davis shared that the District has picked up supplies from the County Office of Education such as gloves, face shields, and masks.
8. Will parent volunteers be limited?- Paula Wyant shared that we will have to limit our volunteers at the beginning, but will have to look at how to incorporate our parents.
9. Will masks be provided by the school?- Yes

**10. Adjourn**

Board President, Maggie Rolling called for the meeting to be adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Motion to adjourn made by Timothy Randall and seconded by Diane Bateman

Motioned Carried: 5-Ayes (Bateman, Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Rollings)/0-Noes /0-Absent /0-Abstained

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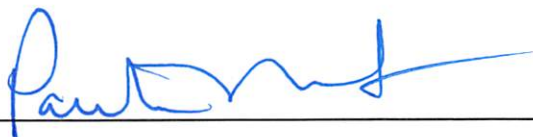
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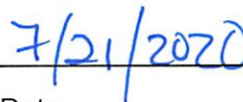
Maggie Rollings, Board President



Date



Paula Wyant, Superintendent



Date