MODOC JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Trustees

Regular Board Meeting
December 13, 2022
Closed Session: 5:00 p.m.
Open Session: 6:00 p.m.
District Office Board Room
906 W 4th Street, Alturas, CA 96101

MINUTES

A full, recorded transcript of the regular board meeting is available upon request. Contact the District Office (530) 233-7201.

Call to Order by Fernand Larranaga at 5:00 p.m. closed session and at 6:06 p.m. open session.

Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance:

Fernand Larranga, President	**Present**
Karen Hays, Vice President	**Present**
Ruth Ann Criner, Clerk	**Present**
Don Mason, Member	**Present**
Monica Widby, Member	**Present**
Tom O'Malley, Superintendent	**Present**
Student Representative	**Present**

Pledge of Allegiance led by Karen Hays

Approval of Agenda Karen Hays/Don Mason Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

Public Comments on Closed Session Agenda:
No public comments were made on items that were on the closed session agenda.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board will now adjourn to Closed Session to discuss:

1. **Personnel - Public Employee Employment:**
   - **1.1. Resignations/Retirements/Releases**
     - 1.1.1. Classified Staff
     - 1.1.2. Classified Staff
     - 1.1.3. JV Wrestling Coach

1.1.4. Classified Staff
1.1.5. Classified Staff
1.1.6. Classified Staff
1.1.7. MHS Cross Country Coach
1.1.8. MHS Head Track Coach
1.1.9. MMS Cross Country Coach
1.1.10. MMS Assistant Track Coach

1.2. Recommendations for Approval:

1.2.1. Varsity Wrestling Coach
1.2.2. Varsity Softball Coach
1.2.3. Ratify Classified Staff
1.2.4. Ratify Classified Substitute
1.2.5. JV Wrestling Coach
1.2.6. Classified Substitute
1.2.7. Classified Staff
1.2.8. Classified Substitute
1.2.9. Certificated Substitute
1.2.10. MMS Boys Basketball Coach

1.3. Government Code § 54957:

1.3.1. Public Employee Performance Evaluation: (Various Certificated and Classified employees);

2. Negotiations: Conference with labor negotiator pursuant to [Government Code § 54957.6]: Agency Negotiator: Tom O'Malley; Employee Organization: Modoc Teachers Association.

3. Negotiations: Conference with labor negotiator pursuant to [Government Code § 54957.6]: Agency Negotiator: Tom O'Malley; Employee Organization: Teamsters Local 137.

OPEN SESSION

Reporting of Closed Session Items:

1. Personnel - Public Employee Employment:

1.1. Resignations/Retirements/Releases

1.1.1.	Classified Staff	Karen Hays/Don Mason	Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0
1.1.2.	Classified Staff	Karen Hays/Don Mason	Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0
1.1.3.	JV Wrestling Coach	Karen Hays/Don Mason	Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0
1.1.4.	Classified Staff	Karen Hays/Don Mason	Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.1.5. Classified Staff — Karen Hays/Don Mason — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.1.6. Classified Staff — Karen Hays/Don Mason — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.1.7. MHS Cross Country Coach — Karen Hays/Don Mason — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.1.8. MHS Head Track Coach — Karen Hays/Don Mason — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.1.9. MMS Cross Country Coach — Karen Hays/Don Mason — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.1.10. MHS Assistant Track Coach — Karen Hays/Don Mason — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.2. Recommendations for Approval:

1.2.1. Varsity Wrestling Coach — Monica Widby/Ruth Ann Criner — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.2.2. Varsity Softball Coach — Monica Widby/Ruth Ann Criner — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.2.3. Ratify Classified Staff — Monica Widby/Ruth Ann Criner — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.2.4. Ratify Classified Substitute — Monica Widby/Ruth Ann Criner — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.2.5. JV Wrestling Coach — Monica Widby/Ruth Ann Criner — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.2.6. Classified Substitute — Monica Widby/Ruth Ann Criner — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.2.7. Classified Staff — Monica Widby/Ruth Ann Criner — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.2.8. Classified Substitute — Monica Widby/Ruth Ann Criner — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.2.9. Certificated Substitute — Monica Widby/Ruth Ann Criner — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.2.10. MMS Boys Basketball Coach — Monica Widby/Ruth Ann Criner — Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Hays, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1.3. Government Code § 54957:

1.3.1. Public Employee Performance Evaluation: (Various Certificated and Classified employees); ***No Reportable Action***

2. **Negotiations:** Conference with labor negotiator pursuant to [Government Code § 54957.6]: Agency Negotiator: Tom O'Malley; Employee Organization: Modoc Teachers Association. ***No Reportable Action***

3. **Negotiations:** Conference with labor negotiator pursuant to [Government Code § 54957.6]: Agency Negotiator: Tom O'Malley; Employee Organization: Teamsters Local 137. ***No Reportable Action***

ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Installation and seating of New Board

Secretary of the Board, Tom O'Malley, will administer the Oath of Office to the board members-elect:

I, Ruth Ann Criner, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

I, Shaun Wood, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

Election of Officers

Annually the Board of Education must elect officers to serve as President, Vice-President, and Clerk of the Board until the next Organizational Meeting. The Secretary of the Board will conduct the election of the President. The Chair will be returned to the President of the Board to continue with the election of the officers.

A. *<u>Election of the President</u>*
NOMINATION OF PRESIDENT

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT Fernand Larranaga was nominated Ruth Ann Criner/ Don Mason
Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Wood, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

Member, Fernand Larranaga, was officially seated as President of the Governing Board.

B. *<u>Election of the Vice-President</u>*
NOMINATION OF VICE-PRESIDENT

ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT Ruth Ann Criner was nominated Monica Widby/ Don Mason Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Wood, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

Member , Ruth Ann Criner, was officially seated as Vice-President of the Governing Board.

C. *Election of the Clerk*

NOMINATION OF CLERK

ELECTION OF CLERK Monica Widby was nominated Ruth Ann Criner/ Shaun Wood Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Wood, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

Member, Monica Widby, was officially seated as Clerk of the Governing Board.

D. *Appointment of the Secretary to the Board*

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY Tom O'Malley was nominated Don Mason/Ruth Ann Criner Yes:5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Wood, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

Tom O'Malley was officially seated as Secretary to the Governing Board.

Reports

1. Student Representatives
    - Linda Plumlee and Natalie Bunker reported that the Fall Sports Banquet was a success and thanked the Boosters for putting it on. Basketball season is happening now. The student section at the games is loud and proud. There will be Christmas themed cheer routines at Block M. Wrestling took 1st in their home tournament. Block M is this weekend. The high school will have a rally this week. They told us about the Spirit Week dress up day. They announced the royalty for each class. The King and Queen will be crowned at half time of the Varsity game on Friday night. Student leadership thanked Karen for her years of service to the district.
2. Site Principals
    - Beckie Lewis, Principal of Alturas Elementary School, reported that the kids are excited for Christmas. It's been a crazy week. Mrs. Ashley had her baby last week. The music concerts are going on this week and Santa's Secret workshop will be Thursday. The book fair sold $4,000 worth of books. The STEM lab looks great. We have new kids moving to Modoc. We have lots of kids in 3rd grade without prior education due to COVID virtual learning.
    - Matt McCandless, Principal of Modoc Middle School, reported that the 8th grade girls basketball team took 1st place in the home tournament. The 7th grade girls took 2nd place. The MMS band played in the district band concert. MAP testing is happening

this week. They will use the results for adjusting Power Mornings. PLCs are reviewing PBIS strategies. They will be offering an AVID refresher for staff.
    - Kristen Budmark, Assistant Principal of Modoc High School, discussed their mission statement. She showed a video of a staff dance at the pep rally. Block M will have a Spirit Award.
    - Brian Norby, Principal of Modoc High School, also talked about their mission statement and how old it was. He passed out the MHS vision. He explained the vision to the board. The next step is how to teach and live the vision. He has an amazing staff at MHS.
3. Superintendent's Report
    - Tom O'Malley reported that we may have a new Geothermal client. The new mill is interested in heating their kiln with the Geothermal. This will increase usage. Heating the schools is our priority so he is investigating if it is possible to do both. The pump needs to come out of AL-1 at the high school because water is corroding the pipes. It is still open because we thought we might need an injection well. The cost to kill the well will be $50,000. He will come back in January with a plan. State Line still only has 3 students. If we do not get 5 by Friday, we will suspend operations. He will have a reopening plan in January. MCOE is researching Science and Social Science curriculum. He would like a community review committee for it. He is working on quotes for upcoming purchases. He gave the board a kitchen update. MMS would be a remodel for the kitchen. AES and MHS kitchens would trigger more red tape. They would need sprinklers in the entire structure. 24 teachers are interested in the Engage Coaching program. Tom wants are teachers to be healthy. We could have 2 personal trainers work with our teachers on health and nutrition. He discussed the SPED cost sharing pool and how it works. He will have more information next month to help decide if we should stay in or get out. He is looking at some properties for new hires to land before they find a permanent place to live.
4. Board Reports
    - Shaun Wood had a great time at the Wrestling Tournament. He would like to visit the schools.
    - Monica Widby went to the basketball games. The band sounded great and the kids were excited. She visited MMS and went to the band concert.
    - Don Mason is going the the 4th grade concert tomorrow. He commended everyone for keeping schools open during COVID.
    - Ruth Ann Criner watched the concert online.
    - Fernand Larranaga will be doing site visits after Christmas.
5. Katie Copp, president of MTA, talked about the STEM class and how much kids love it. They did a gingerbread house design. She talked about the various projects each class did in STEM. MTA will be meeting soon to decide what to negotiate.
6. No Teamsters report.
7. Doug Waterman, Director of Maintenance and Transportation Supervisor, reported that his staff will be here over the holiday. He went to Susanville to drive an electric bus. The heaters will be a problem. They do not work well and shorten the range if used. If the

temperature is below 40 degrees it's hard to keep the windshield clear and the bus warn. He is still waiting on the diesel bus we ordered because it is on back order.

Public Comments on Items on and not on the Agenda:
Under this item, the public is invited to address the Board regarding items that are and not on tonight's agenda. Speakers are limited to three (3) minutes each. The Board is not allowed under the law to take action on matters that are not listed on the agenda. ***No Public Comments***

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda, if approved, will be recorded in the minutes as if each item had been acted upon individually. Requests by members of the Board to have any item taken off the consent agenda for discussion will be honored without debate. Requests by the public to have an item taken off the consent agenda will be considered prior to the Board taking action.

Motion That all consent items be approved as recommended by the superintendent
Alternative Motion That consent items with the exception of (*name items*) be approved as recommended by the superintendent

Approval of Consent Agenda Don Mason/Ruth Ann Criner Yes: 5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Wood, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

1. Administration

1.1. Approve Minutes

1.1.1. Regular Board Meeting November 8, 2022 **(Pages 1-7)**

1.1.2. Approve Contract for Tuition Students 2022-2023 between Lake County School District, #7 and Modoc Joint Unified School District **(Pages 8-9)**

2. Budget and Finance

2.1. Approve Approve warrants to be paid from the following **(Pages 10-14)**

2.1.1. Checks dated 11/1/22 - 11/30/22
General Fund in the amount of $151,082.32
Adult Education Fund in the amount of $6,235.33
Cafeteria Fund in the amount of $36,809.64
Special Reserve Capital Outlay in the amount of $13,489.21
Warrant/Pass Through in the amount of $149,260.80

DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA

1. Approve Resolution No. FY 22.23.8 Commending Karen Hays **(Page 15)**

Ruth Ann Criner/Monica Widby Yes: 5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Wood, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

2. Authorized Agents/Representatives/Calendar

a. Tom O'Malley as authorized agent for Modoc Joint Unified School District, Modoc County, California, to serve as the District's authorized agent to local, state and federal programs and as authorized agent for building projects, programs, and financial data; and the Clerk of projects, programs and financial data; and the Clerk of projects, programs, and financial data; and the Clerk of the Governing Board, Tom O'Malley, as authorized agent for Modoc Joint Unified School District in the absence of the Superintendent.

Ruth Ann Criner/Don Mason Yes: 5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Wood, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

b. Approve calendar of Board Meeting dates and times for 2023. **(Page 16)**

Don Mason/Shaun Wood Yes: 5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Wood, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

3. Approve Resolution No. FY 22.23.9 Increase of Master Card Credit Limit **(Pages 17-18)**

Monica Widby/Shaun Wood Yes: 5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Wood, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

4. Approve 2022 / 2023 First Interim Report **(Insert)**

Shaun Wood/Don Mason Yes: 5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Wood, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

5. Approve the Purchase of a New School Bus **(Pages 19-32)**

Ruth Ann Criner/Shaun Wood Yes: 5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Wood, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

6. Approve the final reading of the Board Policies **(Insert)**
   a. BP 4118 / AR 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action
   b. BP 4119.1/4219.1/4319.1 - Civil and Legal Rights
   c. BP 4140/4240/4340 - Bargaining Units
   d. AR 4161.2/4261.2/4361.2 - Personal Leaves
   e. AR 4161.5/4261.5/4361.5 Military Leave
   f. BP 4216 - Probationary / Permanent Status
   g. BP 4218 / AR 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action
   h. BP 4218.1 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action (Merit System)
   i. BP 6146.1 / AR6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements
   j. BP 6158 / AR 6158 - Independent Study
   k. BP 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services
   l. BP 6178 / AR 6178 - Career Technical Education
   m. BP 6200 / AR 6200 - Adult Education
   n. BP 7110 - Facilities Master Plan
   o. BP 7150 / AR 7150 - Site Selection and Development
   p. BB 9100 - Organization

Don Mason/Monica Widby Yes: 5 (Criner, Widby, Larranaga, Wood, Mason) No: 0 Abstain: 0

DISCUSSION

1. School Calendar **(Pages 33-36)**

INFORMATION

1. Associated Student Body Report for September 30 and October 31, 2022 **(Pages 37-38)**
2. Monthly Food Service Report for October 2022 **(Page 39)**

Board Member Request(s) for Items on the Next Regular Meeting

1. Bus Purchase

Next Regular Board Meeting:
January 10, 2023 (Pending Board Approval)
5:00 p.m. Closed Session
6:00 p.m. Open Session

Adjournment: 7:51