

MONTE RIO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
20700 FOOTHILL DRIVE  
MONTE RIO, CA 95462

**REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, October 19, 2017**  
**6:00 P.M.**  
**Monte Rio School Library**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**Establish Quorum:**

Roger Collins, President  
Agnese Daniel  
Mary Cowan Baker  
Kris Thurman  
Jesse Stearn

Absent: Agnese Daniel

Others present: Ross Bickford, Onie Garcia, Marcia Gorsuch, Teresa Raef, Vanessa Alexander

*The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by President Collins*

**II. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

At this time, the public may address the Board on any item not listed on the agenda. Presentations are limited to five minutes per person per topic. When addressing the board, please state your name and your position (i.e.: teacher, parent, concerned citizen, etc.). It should be noted that the board will not respond to presentations. Public may address the Board on any item listed on the agenda at the time the matter is taken up by the Board.

*None*

**III. REPORTS AND ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Monte Rio Teachers' Association – Vanessa Alexander reported that things were not normal in the classrooms because of the fires, that she and Teresa Raef opened the gym on the Wednesday the school was closed because of the fires, for students to come and play, and it is the start of contract negotiating season.
- B. CSEA/Classified/Para-educators - None
- C. School Site Council - None
- D. Parent Organization - None
- E. Trustees' Reports – Trustee Thurman reported the school received \$13,000 from the Monte Rio Variety Show. President Collins commented on how proud he was of the staff members who opened up the school during the fire crisis.
- F. Superintendent's Report – Superintendent Bickford reported on a great turnout at the Walk and Roll to school event, on Amy Stearn and Sumer Withers volunteering to staff the office on October 12, on getting a bus from West County Transportation to use when three of our buses were down at the same time, and on the Preschool leaky roof that will be repaired by North Bay Roofing and Gutters.

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G. Principal’s Report – Vanessa Alexander read a report from Principal Myers which included information on the CAASP changes webinar, parent conferences the week of October 2, school reopening on October 12 after the fires, and postponement of the Middle School dance which was scheduled for October 20.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEM**

The following items are considered routine and non-controversial. The Board will consider approving the items as a block.

- A. Minutes of the Regular September 14, 2017 Meeting
- B. Agenda for the Regular October 19, 2017 Meeting
- C. WARRANTS
- D. CORRESPONDENCE/PUBLICATIONS
  - 1. October **TIGER TALES**
  - 2. Thank you letter to Alisa Manaro
  - 3. Thank you letter to Russian River Sisters
  - 4. Letter from Sister Scarlet Billow of Russian River Sisters
  - 5. Thank you email to Chad Barksdale, Executive Director, West County Transportation Agency
  - 6. Letter from Judy Thompson, of the SCOE Business Offices re: the 2017-18 Adopted Budget
- E. DONATIONS
  - 1. \$8 from Alisa Manaro
  - 2. \$1200 from Norman Grib to be equally divided among six teachers
  - 3. \$120 from Russian River Sisters
- F. Surplus Equipment/Obsolete Equipment/Furniture

***Motion by Trustee Baker, second by Trustee Stearn to approve the consent agenda, 4-0.***

**G. ATTENDANCE REPORT**

Monte Rio Union School District Enrollment  
2017-2018

	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Transitional Kinder	0	0	0								
Kindergarten	10	11	11								
First	13	12	12								
Second	11	11	11								
Third	9	9	8								
Fourth	9	9	9								
Fifth	14	14	14								
Sixth	12	13	12								
Seventh	5	7	7								
Eighth	5	4	4								
2017-18 Totals	88	90	88								
2016-17	88	87	90	90	92	94	92	93	98	98	98

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2015-16	87	84	84	84	84	86	84	84	86	85	85
2014-15	89	88	89	90	94	93	91	91	90	87	82
2013-14	93	97	94	95	98	98	95	95	94	94	93
2012-13	87	86	91	92	96	96	96	96	96	96	96
2011-12	82	82	78	78	79	78	77	80	81	81	81
2010-11	91	91	91	91	91	91	90	89	87	87	87

**V. GENERAL**

**A. APPROVAL OF INTER-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUEST ACTION ITEM**

The Board will consider any Inter-District Transfer requests. There are no Inter-District requests for the past month.

*None*

**VI. BUSINESS**

**A. ELECTION OF BOARD CLERK ACTION ITEM**

The Board needs to elect a Clerk to the Board

*Motion by Trustee Thurman, second by Jesse Stearn, to nominate Mary Cowan Baker as Clerk of the Board, 3-0.*

**B. APPROVE WILLIAMS QUARTERLY REPORT ACTION ITEM**

The Board is asked to approve the Williams Quarter Report for the period ending September 30, 2017. No claims were received by the District for this quarter.

*Motion by Trustee Thurman, second by Trustee Baker to approve the Williams Quarterly Report, 4-0.*

**C. REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE INITIAL COLLECTIVE BARGAINING PROPOSAL, DATED OCTOBER 13, 2017, FROM THE MONTE RIO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICTS TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION TO THE MONTE RIO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM**

*Motion by Trustee Thurman, second by Trustee Baker to review and accept the initial collective bargaining proposal from MRTA, 4-0.*

**D. DISCUSS/APPROVE DISTRICT'S INITIAL COLLECTIVE BARGAINING PROPOSAL, DATED OCTOBER 19, 2017, TO THE MONTE RIO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM**

*Motion by Trustee Thurman, second by Trustee Baker to discuss/approve the District's collective bargaining proposal to MRTA, 4-0.*

**VII. CLOSED SESSION @ 7:39 p.m.**

With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 54957

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- A. Personnel
- B. Negotiations

**VIII. OPEN SESSION @7:43 p.m.**

Action taken during closed session will be announced at this time

**IX. FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS**

The next Board meeting will be on November 16, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Monte Rio School Music Room.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

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Respectfully Submitted:

Attested:

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Ross Bickford  
Superintendent

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Roger Collins  
Board President