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Board of Education Continues Superintendent Search

On February 9, 2012, the Board of Education, held a special Board meeting to get an update on the progress of the Superintendent Search by Dave Long & Associates.

On the advice of the search firm, the Board agreed to extend the application closing date for two additional weeks, from March 5, 2012 to March 19, 2012. This extension will allow ample time for the advertising and for additional candidates to apply for the position.

Board of Education Is Set to Name Member on or Before February 29

On February 2, 2012, the Board of Education, in light of the passing of Marcella Calderon, announced their intention to make a provisional appointment to fill the vacancy in lieu of conducting an election. The appointment will be through November 2014. The deadline for candidates to express their written interest in this position was Tuesday, February 21. The Board interviewed finalists for the provisional appointment at a special Board meeting Saturday, February 25. The Board intends to announce the Board member no later than Wednesday, February 29.



Treasurer Guillermo Sandoval (MHS) prepares for Budget report at Council.

MTA Elections Are in May

The nominations for the Executive Committee and State Council will close at the Council meeting on **Tuesday, April 24**. The meeting will begin at 3:30 p.m. at the MTA CC. Eligible members may be nominated in one of three ways: (1) complete the petition (available on montebelloteachers.org), (2) nomination on the floor of Council, or (3) via the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee can be contacted through the MTA office.

The members of the Nominating Committee are expected to be approved at Council February 28. More information regarding the offices can be found in the Bylaws. The MTA bylaws are available on our website at montebelloteachers.org.

Nominations are open for: Vice President, Secretary, Elementary Director, High School Director, Adult Education Director, and a CTA State Council Seat.

This Is A Good Time To Start Thinking About Transfers

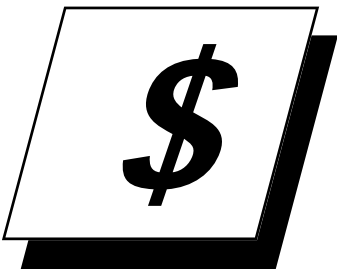
Voluntary Transfers - The deadline for voluntary transfers is **Thursday, April 15** (this year Monday, April 16.) Those wishing to volunteer to transfer from one site to another must submit an application to the Human Resources Department.

Assignments—Whenever possible, reassignments from one position to another at the same site are announced no later than **May 15**.

Involuntary Transfers - The District retains the responsibility to determine program needs and to establish the necessary staffing to implement the educational program. Primary consideration for voluntary transfers includes: credentialing requirements, experience in teaching specific subject areas, and teacher in-District seniority.

Those Bargaining Unit members that are involuntarily transferred because the current position is eliminated by the District have priority status over those who seek voluntary transfers.

Over, please...



February 27, 2012



**Revenue
Expense**

Report

The Revenue & Expense Committee was created in February 1995 to cooperatively examine the District's finances. The Committee is comprised of members each from MTA, CSEA, and MUSD.

MTA

- Lorraine Richards (MHS)
- Alma Orta (SUE)
- Ryan Rice (ATC)
- Guillermo Sandoval (MHS)
- Julian De La Torre, alt. (MTA)
- Kathy Schlotz (ex-officio)

REVENUE AND EXPENSE QUARTERLY REPORT

Revenues

The month of December 2011.....	\$21,182,172.14
The month of December 2010.....	\$37,820,240.09
Year to date this year	\$58,110,799.51
Year to date last year.....	\$88,057,379.12

Expenses

The month of December 2011.....	\$14,196,428.53
The month of December 2010.....	\$14,443,967.39
Year to date this year	\$59,703,490.90
Year to date last year.....	\$58,711,983.85

TOPICS OF INTEREST THIS QUARTER

Budget Status - Cheryl Plotkin & Kim Tran reported

Reserves - The ADA has dropped, MUSD will be required to have a 3% reserve for economic uncertainties instead of 2%. This equals to approximately \$2 million in additional funds for the required reserves .

State Budget Cuts - The potential of the cuts will cause an additional \$5 billion loss for the state. Cheryl Plotkin discussed the Governor's proposed budget for 2012-13. As the academic year continues MUSD expects to run out of money for June, July, and August and will be in the need of a TRAN low interest loan (.75% - 2% interest) from the County Office of Education for the end of the year. The money owed for July and August is delayed but the district is still expected to operate despite the deferrals.

Transitional Kindergarten - MUSD is planning but hesitant to spend money on transitional kindergarten, since the district is being told that we are not sure if the program will be paid.

Tax Proposal - If voters reject the tax proposal the State is looking at an additional \$5 billion cut next year. There's no funded COLA and no additional money. If the taxes do not pass it would be \$16 million instead of \$6 million in cuts next year.

Facilities Update - Don Yamagata

Don Yamagata reported that the SHS Pool is about 85% completed and on time for completion in May. The JGE project is nearly completed. Schools are beginning to use reclaimed water; MGE and LME are completed and the health department wants to be sure the lines are in complete operation.

ATC is completed and the lease-lease back agreement is completed.

Energy Report - Derrick Williams

The savings in energy has caused MUSD not to feel the price increase for energy. Derrick reported that a Recycling Program is in place at all sites. He will be going back to all schools to see how the programs are operating. School sites will benefit from their recycling program, since they will be able to keep the money at the site for the recyclables collected. There are cardboard boxes for recycling that have been centrally located around the school sites. Cans, bottles, shredded paper, and cardboard are the items that are being placed in the recycle dumpsters. Last year MUSD saved \$1.3 million in energy, the summer shutdowns of site offices and DO operations saved a total of \$203,000. Edison has given the district 2,000 motion detector power strips that will shut down electrical equipment not in use for 30 minutes.

Enrollment Projections - Angel Gallardo

MUSD is expected to lose about 650 students every year for the next several years. MUSD may lose up to 2,000 students in the next couple of years if the projections continue in the same pattern. Art Revueltas indicated that Kindergarten enrollment was at 3,000 in years past, it is now at 2,400.