

Monday, February 8, 2021 - 5:00 pm

Virginia B. Causey Educational Center – Zoom 29143 Auberry Road, Prather, CA 93651

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

I. OPENING BUSINESS

- A. CALL PUBLIC SESSION TO ORDER
 - The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Mrs. Connie Schlaefer, Board President.
- **B. ROLL CALL:** Board Members: Connie Schlaefer, President; Wes Qualls, Vice President; Tom Mendenhall, Clerk; Cortney Burke; James Hoak; Jeremiah Gilbert; Ben Kimbler.
- C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Motion to adopt agenda: Kimbler: Second: Burke: 7/0
- D. IDENTIFY CLOSED SESSION TOPICS OF DISCUSSION
 - 1. Personnel
 - 2. Potential Litigation
 - 3. Negotiations
- E. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS: NONE
- F. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: 5:11 P.M.
- II. CLOSED SESSION 5:02 p.m.
 - **A.** Personnel Public Employee Discipline / Dismissal / Release / Complaint / Appointment / Employment (Government Code § 54957)
 - **B.** Potential Litigation (Government Code § 54956.9)
 - **C.** Employee Bargaining Group Negotiations (Government Code Section 54957.6)
- **III. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION** 6:04 p.m.
 - A. Adjourn Closed Session and Reconvene Open Session
 - B. Report Action Taken in Closed Session: NONE
 - C. Pledge of Allegiance: Cortney Burke led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. RECOGNITIONS
 - A. Macy Lloyd was recognized by the Board for her extraordinary accomplishments in the SUSD Ag program.
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD The following people spoke during public comment: Jason Phillips; Jim; Brett Bertoldi
- VI. COMMUNICATIONS
 - A. Reports
 - ASB President Eli Bristow
 - 2. Site Reports
 - a. Foothill Elementary School, Danielle Amundsen Principal
 - b. Sierra Junior/Senior High Schools, Sean Osterberg Principal
 - c. Alternative Education, Heather Wheeler, Ed.D. Director

- 3. Superintendent Report Alan Harris, Ph.D.
- 4. Department Reports
 - a. Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation Craig Barnes, Supervisor
 - 1. Board Member Facility Tours February 2, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m. February 9, 2021 @ 2:00 p.m.
 - b. Business Services Janelle Bryson, Chief Business Officer
 - 1. Monthly Budget Report
 - c. Education Services Teresa Page, Director
 - d. Curriculum and Instruction Tammy Montgomery, Director
- 5. Program Reports
 - a. LCAP (Tammy Montgomery)
 - b. Learning Loss (Montgomery)
 - 1. Foothill Elementary (Danielle Amundsen)
 - 2. Sierra JSHS (Sean Osterberg)
 - 3. Sierra Alternative Education (Heather Wheeler
- Sub-Committee Reports NONE
- B. Board Reflections
- VII. CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA: Motion to approve the Consent Calendar: Kimbler: Second: Mendenhall: 7/0

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. <u>ACTION ITEM: Approval of Science Textbooks for Grades 6-8.</u>

The *TCI:* Bring Science Alive textbook series provides for Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)-aligned curriculum in the areas of earth and space, life science and physical science. Teachers have utilized this curriculum in their classrooms under a temporary pilot-preview for 19-20 and 20-21 school years. Public review is available by appointment.

Motion to approve the adoption of the state approved science textbooks *TCI: Bring Science Alive* for Grades 6-8: Burke: Second: Qualls: 7/0

B. <u>ACTION ITEM</u>: Approval of the <u>Addition of The things They Carried to the 11th Grade English Foundational List</u>

The Board is asked to consider adding *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien to the 11th Grade English Foundational List. Community members have been asked to review the novel and provide feedback that will be available for Board Review prior to the February meeting. The attached document provides necessary details to support the request.

Motion to approve the addition of "The Things They Carried" to the 11th Grade English Foundational List: Mendenhall: Second: Burke: 7/0

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION ITEM: Including proposals for alternate school configurations in Long Range Facilities Master Plan discussion

Wes Qualls presented a proposal for brainstorming alternate configurations as part of the facilities workshops will be presented. He asked for staff time to gather information to make a proposal. It was decided that this will be presented again as a future agenda item.

X. ADVANCED PLANNING

- A. Governance Calendar
- **B.** Next Regular meeting date: February 8, 2021
- C. Next Special meeting date(s): Budget Workshop January 25, 2021 @ 4:30 p.m.
 - 1. January 13, 2021 @ 4:30 p.m. Board Governance Training (Garza)
 - 2. January 18, 2021 @ 4:30 p.m. Board Governance Training Zoom (CSBA Teri Vigil)
 - 3. February 22, 2021 @ 4:30 Facilities
- **D.** Requested Future Agenda Items:

5 Creative to be discussed at Budget Special Meeting on January 25, 2021. Staff time for alternate plans on District configurations in the Long Range Master Plan

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 p.m.	
Connie Schlaefer, President	Alan Harris, Ph.D., Superintendent
Tom Mendenhall, Clerk	