

# Monday, June 15, 2020 - 5:30 pm

Virginia B. Causey Educational Center – Board Room / 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 5:30 pm by Mrs. Chrissy Falk, Board President.
- **B. ROLL CALL:** Board Members: Chrissy Falk, President; Tom Mendenhall, Vice President; Ron Eldridge, Clerk; Wes Qualls; Connie Schlaefer; Don Fowler
- C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Motion to adopt agenda: Eldridge: Second: Mendenhall: 6/0
- D. IDENTIFY CLOSED SESSION TOPICS OF DISCUSSION
  - 1. Personnel
  - 2. Potential Litigation
- **E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Don Fowler led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **II. RECOGNITIONS** Ara Keledjian, Director of Alternative and Extended Education was honored for 16 years of service to Sierra Unified. His accomplishments were countless and he will be missed beyond measure.
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD NONE

#### IV. ADJOURN TO PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Public Hearing was convened on the Matter of a <u>Waiver with the CDE</u> to have Extended School Year (ESY) Remotely this Year. ESY includes specialized instruction or related services that are part of a student's IEP and all school services that happen outside the regular school day.
  - Public Hearing opened for Input.
  - 2. Public Hearing adjourned on matter of the a Waiver with the CDE to have ESY remotely this year,
- B. Public Hearing convened on the Matter of the 2020-2021 Budget (Janelle Bryson)
  - Public Hearing opened for Input.
  - 2. Balances in Excess of Minimum Reserve Requirements as required by Ed. Code 42127(a)(2)(B) School districts must discuss and review at the public budget hearing annually the reasons for ending reserve balances in excess of the minimum required reserve.
  - 3. Public Hearing adjourned on matter of the 2020-2021 Budget

## V. RECONVENE SIERRA UNIFIED REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### VI. COMMUNICATIONS

#### A. Reports

- Superintendent Report Alan Harris, Ph.D.
- 2. Department Reports
  - Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation Craig Barnes, Supervisor
     Mr. Barnes updated the Board on the current issues with Facilities and Transportation.
  - b. Business Services Janelle Bryson, Assistant Superintendent
    - 1. Monthly Budget Report
  - c. Curriculum and Instruction <u>Plan for Reopening Schools</u> Tammy Montgomery, Director Principals from each site shared the Process & Planning for August 2020 School Opening
    - 1. Sierra Junior/Senior High School
    - 2. Foothill Elementary
    - 3. Alternative & Extended Education
    - 4. Facilities & Transportation

# 3. Program Reports

- Jon Hendrix, Athletic Director
   Mr. Hendrix gave an <u>Athletics</u> update to the Board on the 4 phased plan to bring athletics back.
- 4. Sub-Committee Reports NONE
- B. Board Reflections

The Board expressed their appreciation for the hard work being done by all to plan and inform during these times.

## VII. CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA

Motion to approve Consent Calendar Agenda: Mendenhall: Second: Schlaefer: 5/0

Board Member	In Favor	Opposed	Absent
Chrissy Falk			
Tom Mendenhall			
Ron Eldridge	Abstained		
Wes Qualls			
Connie Schlaefer			
Don Fowler			

#### VIII. OLD BUSINESS

## A. INFORMATION: SIM-PBK – Long Range Facility Planning

Mr. Jeff Berrios, SIM-PBK, gave an update to Board on the process taking place including focus groups for our long range planning. A draft is expected by August.

# B. DISCUSSION ITEM: Approval of the <u>LCAP Operations Written Report</u> (OWR)

The OWR is required to be placed before the Board for approval prior to July 1. The report is a documentation of actions taken by the school district to account for our response on to the COVID-19 school closure. It is required that we address an overall picture of what actions were taken, student populations (stipulated by LCAP), delivery of a high-quality distance learning plan, meal delivery and student supervision. District leadership, staff members and community members have contributed to the clarity and accuracy of this document.

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION ITEM: SUSD Property

1. Sierra Elementary

2. Millerton

B. ACTION ITEM: Approval of <u>Waiver with the CDE</u> to have Extended School Year (ESY) Remotely this Year. ESY includes specialized instruction or related services that are part of a student's IEP and all school services that happen outside the regular school day.

Motion to approve the ESY waiver which has been reviewed and undergone Public Hearing: Schlaefer: Second: Mendenhall: 6/0

## C. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Regular July Board Meeting

The Board determined the format of the scheduled July 13, 2020 Board Meeting.

Motion to change the date and time of the regularly scheduled July meeting to July 20, 2020 @ 4:30 p.m. via ZOOM: Qualls: Second: Mendenhall: 6/0

D. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: Education Protection Account (EPA) Entitlement Spending Plan 2019-2020 Resolution No. 10-19/20

Added to the California State Budget in 2012-13 was a requirement that each LEA create an EPA set aside account. A total of 20% of the apportionment is to be maintained in the account. Pursuant to Article XIII, Section 36 of the California Constitution, LEA's are required to determine how the moneys received from the EPA are spent, in an open session of a public meeting. The language requires that funds shall not be used for the salaries and benefits of administrators or any other administrative costs. The total for 2019-2020 is \$182,182 which will be spent on teachers' salaries.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 10-19/20: Mendenhall: Second: Eldridge: 6/0

Board Member	In Favor	Opposed	Absent
Chrissy Falk			
Tom Mendenhall			
Ron Eldridge			
Wes Qualls			
Connie Schlaefer			
Don Fowler	Ø		

E. ACTION ITEM: Governing Board Member Election - Approval of "Resolution, Order of Election, and Specifications of the Election Order" - Resolution No. 11-19/20

Pursuant to California Education Code section 5322, a resolution must be adopted, executed, and filed with the County Superintendent no later than July 2, 2020.

Term Cycle	Multi-county Seat	Multi-county Seat	Multi-county Seat	Multi-county Seat	Term Cycle	Multi-county Seat
2016 – 2020	Connie Kee Schlaefer Elected: Full Term	Don Fowler Appt to fill vacancy	Chrissy Falk Elected: Full Term	Ron D. Eldridge Elected: Full Term	2018 – 2022	Vacant Short Term Seat

Motion to approve Resolution #11-19/20: Eldridge: Second: Qualls: 6/0

Board Member	In Favor	Opposed	Absent
Chrissy Falk			
Tom Mendenhall	$\square$		
Ron Eldridge			
Wes Qualls			
Connie Schlaefer			
Don Fowler			

#### X. ADVANCED PLANNING

- A. Governance Calendar
- **B.** Next Regular meeting date: July 13, 2020 @ 5:30 p.m.
- C. Next Special meeting date(s): June 29, 2020 @ 4:30 p.m. finalized plan for reopening
- **D**. Requested Future Agenda Items:

#### XI. CLOSED SESSION

- **A.** Personnel Public Employee Discipline / Dismissal / Release / Complaint / Appointment / Employment (Government Code § 54957)
  - 1. Superintendent's Evaluation
- **B.** Potential Litigation (Government Code § 54956.9)

# XII. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

- A. Adjourn Closed Session and Reconvene Open Session
- B. Report Action Taken in Closed Session

During the closed session, the Board voted to non-reelect certain probationalry certificated employees pursuant to Education Code section 44929.21 and authorized the District Superintendent or his designee to notify the probationary certificated employees of their non-reelection for the 2020-2021 school year by the following roll call vote.

Board Member	In Favor	Opposed	Absent
Chrissy Falk	$\overline{\mathbf{A}}$		
Tom Mendenhall			
Ron Eldridge			
Wes Qualls			
Connie Schlaefer			
Don Fowler	<b>4</b>		

XIII.	ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 p.m.			
	Chrissy Falk, President	Alan Harris, Ph.D., Superintendent		
	Ron Eldridge, Clerk			