



SIERRA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

Thursday, January 12, 2023, Regular Session
Closed Session Immediately Following
Reconvene in Public Session following Closed Session

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

ALL TIMES NOTED THROUGHOUT THE AGENDA ARE APPROXIMATE

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YOUR PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED AND APPRECIATED.**

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Documents provided to a majority of the Governing Board regarding an open session item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection in the Superintendent's Office located at 29143 Auberry Road, Prather, CA 93651 during normal business hours. In addition, such writings and documents will be posted on the District's website, www.sierrausd.org. These proceedings are recorded on podcast and are available for review on the District website.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 857 7752 8578

Passcode: 412410

PLEASE NOTE: In-person attendance will be open to the public. The meetings will continue to be broadcast on Zoom. Public comment may be made in person or by Zoom during the Public Comment period. Comment on agenda items may also be made in person prior to the board's discussion of that item. Questions or comments arising during the meeting may always be shared with the Superintendent at jreeves@sierrausd.org or the Board President cburke@sierrausd.org

Vision Statement

Our vision is to be an exemplary student-focused school district that is highly regarded for the competence and character of our students, the rich connection to our mountain community, and the excellence of our people, programs, and learning environment.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to inspire, engage, challenge, and support all students to reach their highest level of learning and personal development.

5:00 p.m.

I. OPENING BUSINESS

- A. Call Public Session to Order
- B. Roll Call – Cortney Burke, Ben Kimbler, James Hoak, Ginger Cardoza, Carolyn Capps, Wes Qualls, Connie Schlaefer
- C. Adopt Agenda
- D. Pledge of Allegiance

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

This section of each regular session is set aside for members of the public to comment on any item within the jurisdiction of the Board. Items will not be discussed or acted upon by the Board at this time. It is an opportunity for the public to be heard by the Board, but is not a forum for Q&A. For items appearing on the agenda, the public may comment during this period, or when the item is called for consideration by the Board. For an agenda item, the public may request to comment by raising their hand when the item is called, or after any staff presentation, but before board discussion or deliberation. Public comment will be limited to 3 minutes per person, 20 minutes per topic. Speakers may not pass their time to another person. All persons addressing the board should state their name for the record.

NOTE: Background information on Agenda Items is available at the Superintendent's Office and on the district website www.sierrausd.org for public review.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Reports
 - 1. ASB President – Macy Lloyd
 - 2. Superintendent Report
 - a. Superintendent Mid-Year Report
 - 3. Site Reports
 - a. Sierra Junior/Senior High Schools, Natalie Cozby – Principal
 - b. Foothill Elementary School, Danielle Amundsen – Principal
 - c. Alternative and Extended Education, Anthony Abrams – Coordinator

4. Program Reports – NONE
5. Department Reports
 - a. Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation – Craig Barnes, Supervisor
 1. 1A Projects Update
 - b. Business Services - Janelle Bryson, CBO
 1. Monthly Budget Report
 2. Audit Review
 - c. Education Services – Teresa Page, Director
 - d. Curriculum and Instruction – Tammy Montgomery, Director
 1. Dashboard Update (DLA)
6. Sub-Committee Reports
 - a. Discussion of Possible and Current Sub-Committees
 1. Native American
 2. Safe School
 3. Tech Plan
 4. Facilities

B. Board Reflections

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA

- A. Routine Business transactions, annual renewal of programs, bids, agreements, notices of public hearings, and proclamations:
 1. Approval of Warrants
 2. Approval of Donations – NONE
 3. Approval of Contracts - NONE
 4. Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints
 5. Approval of Site Plans
 - a. Foothill Elementary
 - b. Sierra Junior High School
 - c. Sierra High School

B. Certificated Personnel Items:

1. Resignations/Retirements:

The Governing Board is requested to ratify/approve the following:

a) Resignation; Teacher; Christian Zepeda; effective 12/17/2022.

C. Classified Personnel Items:

1. Resignations/Retirements:

The Governing Board is requested to ratify/approve the following:

a) Resignation; Bus Driver/Utility; Tom Penny; effective 1/3/2023.

b) Resignation; Behavior Aide; Emily Sommers; effective 1/1/2023.

V. OLD BUSINESS – NONE

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: Arts, Music, and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant

For the 2022–23 fiscal year, the sum of three billion five hundred sixty million eight hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$3,560,885,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Department of Education to establish the Arts, Music, and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant. The attached plan is proposed for the expenditure of the funds from 2022-23 through 2025-26. It is requested that the Board approve the attached plan.

The Board is requested to approve the Arts, Music and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant.

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: Approval of the Tentative Agreement for Collective Bargaining Negotiations between Sierra Unified School District (SUSD) and Sierra Unified Teachers Association (SUTA)

The Tentative Agreement entered into between SUSD and SUTA is contingent upon final approval by the SUSD Governing Board and ratification by Association Members.

The Board is requested to approve the Tentative Agreement between SUSD and SUTA.

C. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: Approval of Management Agreement

If the District agrees to a higher total compensation increase for any other bargaining unit, the District shall increase the total compensation for Management by the same percentage.

The Board is requested to approve the Tentative Agreement for Management.

VII. ADVANCED PLANNING

- A. Governance Calendar
- B. Next Regular meeting date: February 13, 2023 – 5:00 p.m.
- C. Next Special meeting date(s): February 9, 2023 – Board Training
- D. Requested Future Agenda Items:

VIII. CLOSED SESSION

- A. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Personnel - Public Employee Discipline / Dismissal / Release / Complaint / Appointment / Employment (Government Code § 54957)
- B. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Potential Litigation (Government Code § 54956.9)
- C. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Employee Bargaining Group Negotiations (Government Code Section 54957.6)
- D. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Contracts (Gov. Code 54956.8)4
- E. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Real Property Negotiations (§54956.8)
- F. DISCUSSION/ACTION: : Student Discipline (Education Code 35146)

IX. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

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

X. ADJOURNMENT