REGULAR SESSION AGENDA
Monday, March 14, 2022
5:00 p.m. Public 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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**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 – Connie Schlaefer, Cortney Burke, Lauri King, Janet Bill, Jeremiah Gilbert, James Hoak, Ben Kimbler

C. Adopt Agenda

D. Pledge of Allegiance

II. RECOGNITIONS

A. Talent Show 1st Place Winners
   1. JHS – Luca Burchielli
   2. HS – Kim Glazebrook

III. 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.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Reports

1. ASB President – Emma Jensen
2. Superintendent Report – Jordan Reeves
3. Site Reports
   a. Foothill Elementary School, Danielle Amundsen – Principal
   b. Sierra Junior/Senior High Schools, Natalie Cozby – Principal
   c. Alternative Education, Stacey Thomure – Interim Principal
4. Department Reports
   a. Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation – Craig Barnes, Supervisor
   b. Business Services - Janelle Bryson, Chief Business Officer
      1. Monthly Budget Report
      2. Donations
      3. Emergency Connectivity
   c. Education Services – Teresa Page, Director
      1. Covid Update
   d. Curriculum and Instruction – Tammy Montgomery, Director

5. Program Reports
   a. Communications – Andrea Marjala, Activities Director
      1. Calendar Review (Highlights of March and April)

6. Sub-Committee Reports
   a. Native American Education Committee (NAEC)
   b. Health & Safety Committee

B. Board Reflections

V. 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 Minutes
      a. February 7, 2022 – Regular
      b. February 16, 2022 – Special

   3. Approval of Contracts – NONE

   4. Approval of School Accountability Report Cards (SARC’s)
      a. Foothill Elementary
      b. Sierra Junior High School
      c. Sierra High School
      d. Alternative Education

   5. Affirmation of the Title VIII – Public Law 102-382 Impact Aid Program – Indian Policies and Procedures (IPPs)
B. Certificated Personnel Items

1. Resignations/Retirements:
2. Terminations:
3. Employments:

The Governing Board is requested to ratify/approve the following:
   a) Replacement; Teacher; John Lutes; effective 3/7/2022.

C. Classified Personnel Items

1. Resignations/Retirements:

   The Governing Board is requested to ratify/approve the following:
   a) Resignation; Food Server; Lyndeena Utiger; effective 1/12/2022.
   b) Resignation; Instructional Aide II; Jana Keeley; effective 3/17/2022.
   c) Resignation; Behavior Aide; Rachel Chin; effective 3/23/22.

2. Terminations
3. Employments:

   The Governing Board is requested to ratify/approve the following:
   a) Replacement; Noon Time Assistant; Siraya Ramirez; effective 2/15/2022.
   b) Replacement; Native American Program Mentor; Cecilia Moreno, effective 3/1/2022

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. ACTION ITEM: A-G Improvement Grant

Sierra Unified has worked to develop a plan that will utilize state funding for work done toward improving A-G completion among graduating seniors of Sierra Unified. We are eligible to receive funding from the A-G Access Grant and the A-G Learning Loss Mitigation Grants. Approval of this plan by the governing board will be sought at the March 14, 2022 regularly scheduled board meeting.

The Board is recommended to approve the A-G Improvement Grant.

B. ACTION ITEM: Approval of Memorandum of Understanding showing Additional 15 days Prior to Superintendent’s Employment Agreement

This MOU is being requested to formalize the agreement with Jordan Reeves to compensate him to up to 15 days prior to the effective date of his Superintendent’s employment agreement, including lodging.

The Board is recommended to approve the MOU regarding the contract for Jordan Reeves.
VII. NEW BUSINESS


The State-required forms, along with various schedules representing analysis used in the development of the Second Interim Report, were provided in the Board packet and online. The Second Interim Report provides the Fresno County Office of Education with the current year and subsequent two years budget, based on current data, as required by law.

It is requested that the Board certify the fund report and narratives as presented and adopt a Positive Certification.

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: Approval of Corrective Action Plan for Audit Report 2020-2021 (Janelle Bryson)

Pursuant to Education Code 41020(i), a corrective action plan must be provided to the County Superintendent of Schools for any audit exceptions contained in the audit. There was one audit exception in the 2020-2021 Audit.

The Board is recommended to approve the Corrective Action Plan of the Audit Report for 2020-21

C. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: RFP 0294-22C

Sierra Unified School District receives funding from the E-Rate program for on-going internet-related services as well as one-time infrastructure projects. Through Infinity Communications, we applied for Category 2 funding for network switches and transceivers. We were awarded up $224,682, 85% covered by the grant. District will be required to pay 15%, $33,702. Infinity posted an RFP on our behalf. The chosen bidder's response is attached.

It is recommended that the board approve the chosen bidder, CDW, for RFP 0294-22C.1 Sierra Unified School District Network Electronics.

VIII. ADVANCED PLANNING

A. Governance Calendar

B. Next Regular meeting date: April 4, 2022 – 5:00 p.m.

C. Next Special meeting date(s): March 23, 2022 – Curriculum / CTE – 5:00 p.m.

D. Requested Future Agenda Items: Technology Plan Update
IX. CLOSED SESSION


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)

X. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

A. Adjourn Closed Session and Reconvene Open Session

B. Report Action Taken in Closed Session

XI. ADJOURNMENT