



SIERRA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

Monday, September 12, 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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Meeting ID: 863 6670 8681 Passcode: 769435

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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

NONE

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 – Macy Lloyd
 - 2. Superintendent Report
 - a. Attendance
 - b. Covid Protocols
 - c. Resource Officer
 - 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. Department Reports
 - a. Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation – Craig Barnes, Supervisor
 1. ESSER Update / Schneider
 - b. Business Services - Janelle Bryson, CBO
 1. Budget Report
 2. First Month Enrollment
 3. Property Liability / Workers Compensation
 - c. Special Education – Teresa Page, Director
 - d. Curriculum and Instruction – Tammy Montgomery, Director
5. Program Reports – NONE
6. Sub-Committee Reports – NONE

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
 3. Approval of Donations
 4. Approval of Contracts
 5. Approval of a Variable Term Waiver Request to Employee Substitute Teachers on a 30-Day Substitute CBEST Waiver for the 2022-23 School Year.
 6. Approval of 2022-2023 Overnight Field Trips
 7. Approval of 2022-2023 ASB Clubs
 8. Approval of 2022-2023 Out of State Professional Development
 8. Approval of the Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Programs 2021-2022 – Part Two. The Consolidated Application is used by the California Department of Education to distribute categorical funds from various State and Federal programs to County offices, school districts, and charter schools throughout California.

B. Certificated Personnel Items

1. Resignations/Retirements:

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

- a) Resignation; Teacher on Special Assignment; Ashely Armstrong; effective 9/15/2022.

2. Terminations: NONE

3. Employments:

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

- a) Temporary Position; Academic Intervention Specialist; Lori Petrosso; effective 8/11/2022.
- b) Replacement; Teacher; Valerie Priest; effective 8/11/2022.
- c) Replacement; Teacher; Amy Alkire; effective 8/11/2022.

C. Classified Personnel Items

1. Resignations/Retirements:

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

- a) Resignation; Behavior Aide; Dietrich Lusse; effective 6/10/2022.
- b) Retirement; Instructional Aide I; Cindy Hughes; effective 9/17/2022.
- c) Resignation; Noon Time Assistant; Siraya Ramirez; effective 9/6/2022.
- d) Retirement; Bus Driver/Maintenance; Steve Hastie; effective 11/19/2022.

2. Terminations: NONE

3. Employments:

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

- a) Temporary Position; Instructional Aide I; Monika Williamson; effective 8/16/2022.
- b) New Position; Behavior Aide; Tenisha Ramirez; effective 8/16/2022.
- c) New Position; Behavior Aide; Amiee Clark; effective 8/18/2022.
- d) New Position; Behavior Aide; Judah Mayes; effective 8/18/2022.
- e) New Position; Behavior Aide; Maria Vega; effective 8/31/2022.
- f) Replacement; Behavior Aide; Siraya Ramirez; effective 9/6/2022.
- g) Replacement; Behavior Aide; Stephanie Petrie; effective 9/6/2022.
- h) New Position; School Resource Officer; Thomas Hyde; effective 9/7/2022.

VI. ADJOURN TO PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Convene Public Hearing pertaining to the matter of determining sufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials in accordance with the Williams Act. (Janelle Bryson)

- 1. Open Public Hearing for Input.
- 2. Adjourn Public Hearing pertaining to the Williams Act.

VII. RECONVENE SIERRA UNIFIED REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

NONE

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: Resolution #07-22/23 - Williams Act (Janelle Bryson)

Pertaining to the matter of determining sufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials in accordance with the Williams Act.

The Board is requested to consider and approve the Resolution as written.

- B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: Resolution # 08/22-23: District Appropriation Limits / Gann Limit – (Janelle Bryson)

The Gann Amendment of 1979 established maximum appropriation limitations for school districts. Each year, the district must establish a Gann limit for the previous fiscal year and a projected Gann limit for the current year.

The Board is requested to consider and approve the Resolution as written.

- C. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: The 2021-2022 District Unaudited Actual Financial Statements and the 2021-2022 Revised District Budget will be presented and reviewed for your approval. Included will be summary and detail information for all District funds. (Bryson)

It is recommended that the reports be reviewed, certified, and approved by the Board of Trustees. Following approval the reports will be filed with Fresno County Office of Education.

- D. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: State Center Adult Education Consortium Executive Board

Approval of Anthony Abrams to serve as the official Sierra Unified School District Representative on the State Center Adult Education Consortium Executive Board. Approval of Janelle Bryson to serve as the official Sierra Unified School District Alternate on the State Center Adult Education Consortium Executive Board.

The Board is requested to approve the recommendations for State Center Adult Education Consortium Board Executive Board.

- E. ACTION ITEM: Board Self-Evaluation (Schlaefer)

Per Board Bylaw 9400, the Board performed an annual self-evaluation in August, 2022 through CSBA.

The Board will review, discuss, and approve the CSBA self-evaluation results.

IX. ADVANCED PLANNING

- A. Governance Calendar
- B. Next Regular meeting date: October 10, 2022 – 5:00 p.m.
- C. Next Special meeting date(s):
- D. Requested Future Agenda Items:

X. CLOSED SESSION

- A. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Personnel - Public Employee Discipline / Dismissal / Release / Complaint / Appointment / Employment (Government Code § 54957)
 - 1. Salary Comparisons
- 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)

XI. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

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

XII. ADJOURNMENT