



MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

I. OPENING BUSINESS

A. CALL PUBLIC SESSION TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order through Zoom at 4:34 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 with amendment to minutes reflecting Mendenhall present: Qualls: Second: Fowler: 6/0

D. IDENTIFY CLOSED SESSION TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

1. *Personnel*
2. *Potential Litigation*

E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Chrissy Falk led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance following a moment of silence for the life Martin Kee, father of Connie Schlaefer.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – NONE

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Reports

1. Superintendent Report – Alan Harris, Ph.D.
The Site Principals reported on the current plans for the re-opening of schools. See links below for details. Final plans will be posted on the website www.sierrausd.org
 - a. Sierra @ Home Education (Dr. Wheeler)
 - b. [Plan for Reopening Schools](#)
 1. [Sierra Junior/Senior High School](#)
 2. [Foothill Elementary](#)
 3. [Alternative & Extended Education](#)
 4. [Facilities & Transportation](#)
 - c. [Draft of Parent Survey](#)
This will be set up to be a 1x response/family. Each school will have its own survey (same questions) to assist with ease of planning; if a family has students attending multiple sites they will be allowed to fill out 1 survey/site of attendance. A few suggestions for change have been submitted by staff: If state regulations require use of masks indoors will your educational option change? (y/n); Indicate your option: Sierra@Home SUSD core curriculum, Sierra@Home independent curriculum, other; How do you, as a parent, feel about your child returning to school?; How does your child feel about returning to school? (scaled response); Are you interested in social/emotional support, for your child, beyond the classroom?; What was your family's biggest challenge during the school closure? (comment). All comments coming in from parents will be considered by the staff. Eight parents were shown the document and they represent each of the school sites.

2. Department Reports

- a. Business Services – Janelle Bryson
Please see link below for budget report.
1. [Budget Report](#)
- b. Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation – Craig Barnes
Mr. Barnes updated the Board on the current issues with Facilities and Transportation.

B. Board Reflections

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

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA

Motion to approve Consent Calendar Agenda: Mendenhall: Second: Eldridge: 6/0

Board Member	In Favor	Opposed	Absent
Chrissy Falk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Tom Mendenhall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Ron Eldridge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Wes Qualls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Connie Schlaefer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Don Fowler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

V . OLD BUSINESS

A. ACTION ITEM: [Course Approval / Marketing and Business Leadership](#)

This course, Marketing and Business Leadership 1, is for the Sierra High School Leadership class in 2020-21 school year. It has been approved as an elective class by the UC A-G guidelines. The course description is as follows: This project-based course is designed to prepare students for entry-level positions in marketing, advertising, public relations and small business. This course provides students with an introduction to marketing and business leadership in the global economy. Emphasis will be placed on both oral and written communications, mathematical applications, problem-solving, critical thinking skills and employment literacy, as they relate to distribution, financing, marketing-information management, pricing, product/service management, promotion, entrepreneurship and selling. Students will be exposed to various careers within the marketing and business leadership field.

Motion to approve Marketing and Business Leadership Course: Fowler: Second: Schlaefer: 6/0

Board Member	In Favor	Opposed	Absent
Chrissy Falk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Tom Mendenhall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Ron Eldridge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Wes Qualls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Connie Schlaefer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Don Fowler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

B. ACTION ITEM: [Education Technology Joint Powers Authority](#)

The Education Technology Joint Powers Authority (Ed Tech JPA) aims to streamline procurement, provide competitive pricing, and secure favorable technology contracts for educational agencies and other eligible entities.

Motion to approve the Ed Tech JPA: Mendenhall: Second: Schlaefer: 6/0

Board Member	In Favor	Opposed	Absent
Chrissy Falk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Tom Mendenhall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Ron Eldridge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Wes Qualls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Connie Schlaefer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Don Fowler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: Approval of Interfund Transfers – [Resolution #01-20/21](#)

Education Code Section 42603 provides authorization for temporary interfund transfers, at the direction of the District’s Governing Board. In actual practice, these temporary transfers often need to happen on very short notice (e.g., needing a same-day cash transfer to cover an Accounts Payable run or Payroll). The County Office cannot process these without District Board approval.

Resolution #01-20/21 will be brought for action at the Regular Meeting on August 24, 2020.

B. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: Adoption of [Resolution #03-20/21 though #05-20/21](#), Board Authorization for Temporary Interfund Transfers

General to Deferred Maintenance \$100,000
 General to Capital Reserve \$50,000
 General to Cafeteria \$89,748

Motion to approve Resolution #03-20/21 though #05-20/21: Eldridge: Second: Mendenhall: 6/0

Board Member	In Favor	Opposed	Absent
Chrissy Falk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Tom Mendenhall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Ron Eldridge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Wes Qualls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Connie Schlaefer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Don Fowler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

C. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: [Nominations for the Fresno County Committee on School District Organization](#)

An election to fill two seats on the Fresno County Committee on School District Organization will be held at the Fresno County School Trustees Association’s general dinner meeting on Tuesday, October 20, 2020. There are two seats up for election: One representing District 4; One seat representing Open at Large. To participate in recommending qualified individuals to serve on this important committee, all completed Recommendation for Nomination and Biographical Sketch forms must be received at the County Office no later than August 6, 2020.

Motion to nominate Norman Saude for the Fresno County Committee on School District Organization: Fowler: Second: Mendenhall: 5/1

Board Member	In Favor	Opposed	Absent
Chrissy Falk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Tom Mendenhall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Ron Eldridge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Wes Qualls		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Connie Schlaefer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Don Fowler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

VII. ADVANCED PLANNING

A. [Governance Calendar](#)

B. Next Regular meeting date: August 10 @ 5:30 p.m. Changed to August 24, 2020 @ 5:30 p.m.

B. Next Special meeting date(s): August 10, 2020 @ 4:30 p.m.- Opening of schools
 September 28, 2020 @ 4:30 p.m. – Budget w/comparison

D. Requested Future Agenda Items:

VIII. 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)

IX. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

- A. Adjourn Closed Session and Reconvene Open Session
- B. Report Action Taken in Closed Session – NONE

X. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Chrissy Falk, President

Alan Harris, Ph.D., Superintendent

Ron Eldridge, Clerk