



SIERRA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

SPECIAL AGENDA

Monday, September 28, 2020 – 4:30 p.m.
Virginia B. Causey Educational Center
29143 Auberry Road, Prather, CA 93651

ALL TIMES NOTED THROUGHOUT THE AGENDA ARE APPROXIMATE

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Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84412308814>

STRATEGIC GOALS

- Goal 1: Ensure and Maximize Student Achievement
- Goal 2: Provide Diverse Education Options to Meet the Needs of Each Student
- Goal 3: Optimize, Pursue and Allocate Resources to Accomplish Strategic Goals
- Goal 4: Recruit, Retain and Maintain a High Quality Workforce
- Goal 5: Ensure a Safe, Healthy, Positive and Structured 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.

4:30 p.m.

I. OPENING BUSINESS

- A. Call Public Session to Order
- B. Roll Call –Chrissy Falk, Tom Mendenhall, Ron Eldridge, Wes Qualls, Connie Schlaefel, Don Fowler
- 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, but not appearing on the agenda. Items presented under public comment may not be discussed or acted upon by the Board at this time. For items appearing on the agenda, the public is invited to comment at the time the item is called for consideration by the Board. Any person addressing the Board under public comment will be limited to a 3 minute presentation to ensure that all interested parties have an opportunity to speak. Also, all persons addressing the Board must 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. Site Reports
 - a. [Sierra Junior/Senior High Schools, Sean Osterberg – Principal](#)
 - b. Foothill Elementary School, Danielle Amundsen – Principal
 - c. Alternative and Extended Education, Heather Wheeler, Ed.D. – Director
2. Department Reports
 - a. Facilities, Maintenance and Transportation – Craig Barnes, Supervisor
 - b. Business Services - Janelle Bryson, Assistant Superintendent
 1. [Budget Report](#)
 2. [First Month Enrollment](#)
 3. [Property Liability Claims / Workers Compensation Claims](#)
3. Superintendent Report - Alan Harris, Ph.D.
4. Program Reports
 - a. WASC Updates
 1. Sandy Bluffs Alternative Education
 2. Sierra@Home
 3. Sierra Junior/Senior High School
 - b. Education Services – Teresa Page, Director
 1. Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) during Creek Fire
 - c. [Curriculum and Instruction – Tammy Montgomery, Director](#)
 1. [Attendance](#)
5. Sub-Committee Reports
 1. [Return to School Plan Draft – Jon Hendrix](#)

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 Minutes](#)
 3. [Approval of Donations – 2019-2020](#)
 4. Approval of Contracts – NONE
 5. Approval of a Variable Term Waiver Request to Employee Substitute Teachers on a 30-Day Substitute CBEST Waiver for the 2020-21 School Year.

V. 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.

VI. RECONVENE SIERRA UNIFIED SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: The [2019-2020 District Unaudited Actual Financial Statements and the 2020-2021 Revised District Budget](#) will be presented and reviewed for your approval. Included will be summary and detail information for all District funds. (Janelle 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.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: [Resolution # 06/20-21 - 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: [Emergency Contract without Bidding–Resolution #09-20/21](#)

The Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act was adopted in 1983 to promote uniformity of the cost of accounting standards and bidding procedures on construction work performed or contracted by public entities in the state.

For the purposes of the Public Contract Code, “emergency” is defined at Section 1102 as “a sudden, unexpected occurrence that poses a clear and imminent danger, requiring immediate action to prevent or mitigate the loss or impairment of life, health, property, or essential public services.” The Act sets forth in Section 22035(a) how a governing body would proceed in the case of emergency repairs or replacements. This section states, “In cases of emergency when repair or replacements are necessary, the governing body may proceed at once to replace or repair any public facility without adopting plans, specifications, strain sheets, or working details, or giving notice for bids to let contracts. The work may be done by day labor under the direction of the governing body, by contractor, or by a combination of the two.”

The Board must adopt a resolution within 7 days of entrance into an emergency contract, or at its next regularly scheduled meeting which shall be no more than 14 days after the action was taken.

IX. ADVANCED PLANNING

- A. [Governance Calendar](#)
- B. Next Regular meeting date: October 19, 2020
- C. Next Special meeting date(s):
- D. Requested Future Agenda Items:

X. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Personnel - Public Employee Discipline / Dismissal / Release / Complaint / Appointment / Employment (Government Code § 54957)
- B. Potential Litigation (Government Code § 54956.9)
- C. Employee Bargaining Group Negotiations (Government Code Section 54957.6)

XI. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

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

XII. ADJOURNMENT