



# SIERRA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

## SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Monday, August 23, 2021 – Closed Session 4:30 p.m.

Public Session 5:00 p.m.

Virginia B. Causey Educational Center - Zoom

29143 Auberry Road, Prather, CA 93651

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Meeting ID: 833 5658 4890 Passcode: 436823

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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.

4:30 p.m.

I. OPENING BUSINESS

- A. Call Public Session to Order
- B. Roll Call – Connie Schlaefter, Courtney Burke, Lauri King, Janet Bill, Jeremiah Gilbert, James Hoak, Ben Kimbler
- C. Adopt Agenda
- D. Pledge of Allegiance
- E. Identify Closed Session Topics
- F. **OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:**  
Persons wishing to address the governing board on any closed session item may do so at this time. The Board may limit comments to no more than 3 minutes pursuant to Board policy. Speakers are requested to state their name and address, and to address their comments to the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees is governed by the Brown Act and may briefly respond to public comments but take no action except on items scheduled on the agenda. Adjourn to Closed Session
- G. Adjourn to Closed Session

II. CLOSED SESSION

- A. **DISCUSSION ITEM:** Public Employee Appointment/Discussion – Position: Superintendent (Government Code Section 54957)
- B. **DISCUSSION ITEM:** Public Employee Appointment/Discussion – Position: Interim Superintendent (Government Code Section 54957)

III. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

- A. Report Action Taken in Closed Session

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

This section of each special session is set aside for members of the public to comment on any item on the agenda. Items presented under public comment may not be discussed or acted upon by the Board at this time. The public is invited to comment now or 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](http://www.sierrausd.org) for public review.*

- V. **RECOGNITION:** Dr. Alan Harris, Superintendent

- VI. ACTION ITEM: Formal Acceptance of Superintendent Resignation
- VII. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: Approval of Services Agreement Contract with Leadership Associates to Conduct a Superintendent Search
- VIII. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: Approval of Services Contract with RPH Consulting to Provide Advisement Services.
- IX. DISCUSSION ITEM: Superintendent Search Process – Leadership Associates search firm advisors to discuss the following:
1. Timeline for the search
  2. Board input regarding desired qualities and characteristics of new superintendent
  3. Board recommendation regarding community and staff groups to participate in input sessions with Leadership Associates consults
  4. Discussion of online survey
- X. ADVANCED PLANNING
- A. Governance Calendar
  - B. Next Regular meeting date: September 13, 2021 @ 5:00 p.m.
  - C. Next Special meeting date(s):
  - D. Requested Future Agenda Items:
- XI. ADJOURNMENT