



RESCUE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 13, 2022 - 6:30 p.m. Open Session
Rescue District Office Board Room

The Public's health and well-being are the top priority for the Board of Trustees of the Rescue Union School District and all are urged to take all appropriate health safety precautions. To facilitate this process, there were two options to view and/or participate in this open session meeting in person or via Zoom.

DISTRICT MISSION

Rescue Union School District, in partnership with families and the community, is dedicated to the success of every student by providing a challenging, comprehensive and quality education in a safe environment in which all individuals are respected, valued, connected and supported.

PLEASE NOTE:

These are provided as summary minutes. The audio recording of the meeting is available for review at:
<http://www.rescueusd.org/School-Board/Agendas-Minutes/index.html>

CALL TO ORDER: Board president called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

- ✓ Michael Gordon, President
- ✓ Nancy Brownell, Vice President
- ✓ Suzanna George, Clerk
- ✓ Kim White, Member
- ✓ Michelle Bebout, Member
- ✓ Jim Shoemake, Superintendent and Board Secretary

OPEN SESSION:

Convened open session in the Board Room at 6:31 p.m.

Welcome - The Board president provided an introduction to Board meeting proceedings.

Flag Salute - Board president led the flag salute.

1. Adoption of Agenda

(Consideration for Action)

Trustee George moved and Trustee Brownell seconded to resequence the agenda, moving Item #2 into the place of Item #10. Motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION:

Superintendent's Report - The Superintendent presented a report on recent Bright Spots happening around the district, including the LTIS (Long-Term Independent Study) program in place for remote students, middle school robotics enrichment classes going well, CSBA's Annual Education Conference attended by all current RUSD Board Members, and a KCRA News Report on School Safety featuring Northern California districts with 100% interior-locking door systems and naming Rescue Union as one of eighteen such districts with this safety measure in place.

Recognition - The Board President presented Proclamations acknowledging Nancy Brownell's and Suzanna George's service as Trustees to the Board and District.

2. Oath of Office Administration

The Oath of Office was administered to Kim White, Michelle Bebout and Jamie Hunter, whose terms will expire on December 11, 2026.

There were no public comments.

Celebrating Excellence - The Board took a recess of approximately 30 minutes to allow new and retiring Trustees, their families and guests to be honored in the Boardroom.

GENERAL:

3. Annual Organization Meeting - Board Officer Selection

Each December the Board is required to nominate and approve its officers. EC 35143, BB 9100 Organization.

Board Bylaw 9121 - Select President

Trustee White moved and Trustee Bebout seconded nominating and approving Michael Gordon for Board President. The motion passed 4-0.

Board Bylaw 9100 - Select Vice President

Trustee Gordon moved and Trustee Bebout seconded nominating and approving Kim White for Board Vice President. The motion passed 4-0.

Board Bylaw 9123 - Select Clerk

Trustee Hunter moved and Trustee Gordon seconded nominating and approving Michelle Bebout for Board Clerk. The motion passed 4-0.

Board Bylaw 9122 - Confirm Superintendent to serve as Secretary to the Board

Trustee Gordon moved and Trustee White seconded to nominate and approve Superintendent Shoemake as Secretary to the Board. The motion passed 4-0.

There were no public comments.

4. Board Committee Representative Appointments

Each December, per Board Bylaws 9130 and 9140 the Board may appoint any of its members to serve as representatives on District Committees or advisory committees of other public agencies or organizations.

Trustee Gordon moved and Trustee Bebout seconded to nominate and approve Kim White as RUSD Representative to El Dorado County School Boards Association (EDCSBA). The motion passed 4-0.

5. Board Community Organization Involvement

Each December, per Board Bylaws 9130 and 9140 the Board may appoint any of its members to serve as representatives on District Committees or advisory committees of other public agencies or organizations.

Trustee White moved and Trustee Gordon seconded to nominate and approve Jamie Hunter as RUSD Representative to El Dorado Schools Financing Authority (EDSFA). The motion passed 4-0.

6. Certification of District Signatures

Pursuant to Education Code 35143, 42632, 42633 and Board Bylaw 9100, the District must certify the signatures of members of the governing board and verify signatures of the person or persons authorized to sign notices of employment, contracts and orders drawn on the funds of the District.

Trustee White moved and Trustee Bebout seconded to approve the Certification of District Signatures, as signed by all Board Members on the date of December 13, 2022. The motion passed 4-0.

7. Board Remuneration

On an annual basis the Board may increase the compensation of Board members beyond the limit delineated in Education Code 34120 in an amount not to exceed five (5) percent based on the present monthly rate of compensation. The Board will consider implementation of the increase and approval of Board Bylaw 9250 reflecting the potential increases through 2025.

Trustee White moved and Trustee Hunter seconded to approve the annual increase through December 2025. The motion passed 4-0.

8. Trustee Resignation

Under Education Code Section 5091 (a), when a vacancy occurs four or more months before the end of a Board member's term, the Board has 60 days from the date of the vacancy to either order a special election or make a provisional appointment.

The Board President asked for public comment, no public comments were made. Trustee White moved and Trustee Hunter seconded to approve the Provisional Appointment process. The motion passed 4-0.

9. CSBA Delegate Nomination

The Superintendent recommended the Board of Trustees nominate Jessica Rodgers for CSBA Delegate Assembly. Trustee White moved and Trustee Bebout seconded the nomination for J. Rodgers. The motion passed 4-0.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

10. Openers for CSEA Negotiations

The Board is required to set a date for public comment on collective bargaining unit openers for the upcoming season. The Superintendent recommends that California School Employees Association negotiation openers be put on the agenda for the January 24, 2023 regular Board meeting for public comment. Trustee Bebout moved and Trustee White seconded to approve the recommendation. The motion passed 4-0.

11. Openers for RUFT Negotiations

The Board is required to set a date for public comment on collective bargaining unit openers for the upcoming season. The Superintendent recommends that Rescue Union Federation of Teachers (RUFT) negotiation openers be put on the agenda for the January 24, 2023 regular Board meeting for public comment. Trustee White moved and Trustee Hunter seconded to approve the recommendation. The motion passed 4-0.

BUSINESS AND FACILITIES:

12. First Interim Budget Report/Positive Certification

The Board is required by law to receive updated financial reports during the fiscal year. After reviewing the report, the Board considered certification of the financial condition of the District. The Superintendent recommended approval of a positive certification for the 2022-2023 First Interim Report. The Board President invited public comment. There were no public comments. Trustee White moved and Trustee Bebout seconded to approve the report. The motion passed 4-0.

13. Registered Behavior Technician

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the Job Description and Classified Salary Schedule for Registered Behavior Technician (RBT). This is a new position that is being funded from Special Education funds. The addition of this position was proposed and supported at the Rescue Special Education Board Study on October 14, 2022. California School Employees Association (CSEA) leadership is aware it is on tonight's agenda and has signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

There were no public comments. Trustee White moved and Trustee Bebout seconded to approve the Job Description and Classified Salary Schedule for Registered Behavior Technician (RBT). The motion passed 4-0.

14. Resolution #22-15 Authorizing Participation in the EDC Air Quality Management District AB 923 Bus Replacement Grant

The Superintendent recommended the Board of Trustees approve this resolution authorizing participation in the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Carl Moyer Program AB 923 school bus replacement project. There were no public comments. Trustee White moved and Trustee Bebout seconded to approve the resolution authorizing the participation in the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Carl Moyer Program AB 923 school bus replacement project. The motion passed 4-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine or sufficiently supported by prior or accompanying reference materials and information as to not require additional discussion. A motion as referenced below enacts all items.

The Board President called for public comment on the consent agenda. There were no public comments. Trustee White moved and Trustee Bebout seconded to pull Consent Items 15-16 for separate vote. The motion passed 4-0.

Trustee White moved and Trustee Bebout seconded to approve the balance of the Consent Agenda. The motion passed 4-0.

Trustee White moved and Trustee Bebout seconded to approve Item 15, the Sept. 13, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. The motion passed 3-0 with 1 abstention. (Trustee Hunter)

Trustee White moved and Trustee Bebout seconded to approve Item 16, the Nov. 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. The motion passed 3-0 with 1 abstention. (Trustee Hunter)

15. Board Meeting Minutes- Minutes of the Sept. 13, 2022 Regular Board Meeting (Materials provided)

16. Board Meeting Minutes- Minutes of the Nov. 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting (Materials provided)

17. Human Resources-the District's long-range goal is to recruit a diverse, high quality staff with student focused goals and philosophies. Periodically, changes in staffing occur due to need for additional positions, resignations, or leaves of absence. All positions listed are within current budget allocations (Materials provided)

18. District Expenditure- Warrants must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification.

Detailed warrant order listings are available at the District Office. The supplement reflects expenditures from 11/1/22 through 11/30/22 (Materials provided)

19. District Purchase Orders - Purchase orders must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification.

The supplemental reflects expenditures from 11/1/22 through 11/30/22 (Materials provided)


20. Report of Surplus Equipment (Materials provided)

21. 2022-2023 Demographic Study by SchoolWorks, Inc.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee White moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 p.m.


Michelle Bebout, Clerk _____
Date 1/24/23


Michael Gordon, President _____
Date 1-24-2023