

Rescue Union School District
2390 Bass Lake Road, Rescue, California 95672

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 12, 2020 - 6:30 p.m. Open Session (Closed Session at 5:30 p.m.)

The Public’s health and well-being are the top priority for the Board of Trustees of the Rescue Union School District and you are urged to take all appropriate health safety precautions. To facilitate this process, this meeting of the Board was held 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.

ITEM	ITEM DESCRIPTION
CALL TO ORDER:	Board president called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.
ROLL CALL:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓Kim White, President ✓Stephanie Kent, Vice President ✓Tagg Neal, Clerk ✓Nancy Brownell, Member ✓Suzanna George, Member ✓Cheryl Olson, Superintendent and Board Secretary ✓Sean Martin, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services ✓Dave Scroggins, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction
PUBLIC COMMENT:	There were no comments concerning items on the Closed Session Agenda.
CLOSED SESSION:	The Board adjourned to closed session to discuss matters of personnel, security, negotiations, student discipline, litigation, or other matters as authorized by Government Code Sections 3549.1, 54956.9, 54956.8, 54957, and 54957.6 and Education Code Sections 35146 and 48918.
Conference with Labor Negotiator	Discussion with the District’s designated negotiators, Sean Martin and Dave Scroggins regarding directions and issues in negotiations with Rescue Union Federation of Teachers (RUFT), California School Employees Association (CSEA), Confidential Staff, and Administrative Management.
OPEN SESSION:	Convened open session via Zoom at 6:31 p.m..
Welcome	The Board president provided an introduction to Board meeting proceedings.
Flag Salute	Dave Scroggins, Assistant Superintendent led the flag salute.
1. Adoption of Agenda (Consideration for Action)	Trustee Neal moved and Trustee George seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed 5-0. Roll Call Vote Ayes: Trustee Neal, George, Brownell, Kent and White

STAFF RECOGNITION:	
2. ACSA Award Recipients (Presentation) Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction	The Board and staff honored ACSA Award Recipients: Amy Bohren – Student Services Administrator of the Year Samantha Schlesinger – Elementary Co-Administrator of the Year
3. Employee Retirement Recognition (Presentation) Superintendent	The Board and staff honored District retirees: Sue Belli Lisa Brinkley Patrick Cahill Craig Dyckma Leslie Halkett Laura Hendrix Janice Klee Darlene Thomason
REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION:	
Report from Closed Session	Board president reported no action taken in closed session.
4. Superintendent’s Report (Supplement)	<p>Superintendent Olson thanked our teachers for all they have done and continue to do to engage their students and meet their needs. She went on to say we are so grateful to and for our teachers and how they have worked so hard and in such a short amount of time to completely change how they teach. Although we know each teacher would rather be in their rooms with their students, but their spirit and attitudes have remained positive and supportive.</p> <p>Mrs. Olson reported that our families and administration and community reached out this week to honor and celebrate our teachers in many different ways for Teacher Appreciation Week! The third week of the month is set aside to honor our classified and confidential employees and we are equally grateful to and for them as well. They have been on the front lines, keeping our sites looking trimmed. The district office staff has kept the bills paid and the hiring done. Our instructional aides have worked closely with students to give individual attention and support. Office staff members have continued all their duties as we near the end of the year and look ahead to next year. Now our custodians are in the midst of deep cleaning, and our Food Services department continues to feed our families. We have truly amazing individuals in our Rescue family. Mrs. Olson told everyone that we will celebrate all our teachers and staff when we can all be together; we are looking forward to that day.</p> <p>At this point, Mrs. Olson introduced our new Student Services Director, Meghan Magee. She comes to us from Folsom Cordova School district where she served for the past several years as a special education coordinator. She has a deep love and passion for education and all students. She started her career as an elementary teacher. She went back to school to become a school psychologist and has had many top quality leadership opportunities through this role. She has worked closely with preschool through high school</p>

	<p>students, she is well versed in the tenet of PBIS, SEL practices, Bridges Out of Poverty, effective co-teaching models, and many other important things, all to support students with disabilities, families and staff.</p> <p>Mrs. Olson shared how much we will miss Laura Hendrix as she retires in June, and we will be eternally grateful for Laura and her wisdom and leadership, but we look forward to welcoming Meghan to our team and are confident that she will move our district forward and help us effectively meet student needs for the years to come.</p>
PUBLIC COMMENTS:	There were no public comments.
GENERAL:	
5. COVID-19 Update (Supplement) (Information and Discussion) Superintendent	<p>The Board received information regarding our status and plans for the future as our schools continue to be closed due to COVID-19 restrictions.</p> <p>This will be a standing item on Regular Board Meeting Agendas.</p>
CONSENT AGENDA: (Consideration for Action)	<p>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 will enact all items.</p> <p>Item #7 pulled for separate vote.</p> <p>Trustee Kent moved and Trustee Neal seconded to approve the balance of the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed 5-0.</p> <p>Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Trustee Kent, Neal, Brownell, George and White</p>
6. Board Meeting Minutes (Supplement)	Minutes of April 14, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.
7. Board Meeting Minutes (Supplement)	<p>Minutes of the April 16, 2020 Special Meeting.</p> <p>Trustee Brownell moved and Trustee George seconded to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2020 Special Meeting. The motion passed 4-0 with 1 abstention.</p> <p>Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Trustee Brownell, George, Neal, White Abstention: Trustee Kent</p>
8. Board Meeting Minutes (Supplement)	Minutes of April 28, 2020 Study Session.
9. District Expenditure Warrants (Supplement)	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 4/9/20 through 5/1/20.

10. District Purchase Orders	Purchase orders must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification. The supplement reflects expenditures from 4/4/20 through 5/4/20.
11. Personnel (Supplement)	Rescue Union School District's long-range goal is to recruit a diverse, high quality staff whose goals and philosophies are student focused. Periodically, changes in staffing occur due to need for additional positions, resignations, or requests for leaves of absence. All positions listed are within current budget allocations.
A. Administrative Personnel Employment:	Meghan Magee, Director, Student Support Services, (1.0 FTE), District Office, effective 7/1/20
B. Certificated Personnel Retirement:	Leslie Halkett, Teacher, (1.0 FTE), Pleasant Grove, effective 6/30/20
C. Classified Personnel Leave of Absence (LOA): Resignation: Retirement:	Joan Pulling, School Secretary, (LOA 12 days), Rescue, effective 7/1/20 Christina Clemons, Instructional Assistant, (.14 FTE), Jackson, effective 4/2/20 Melissa Heinemann, Instructional Assistant, (.13 FTE), Lake Forest, effective 5/29/20 Melissa Heinemann, Yard Supervisor, (.39 FTE), Lake Forest, effective 5/29/20 Susanna Belli, School Secretary, (1.0 FTE), Lake Forest, effective 5/1/20 Darlene Thomason, Food Service Worker, (.63 FTE), Food Service, effective 5/29/20
12. Attendance Report – P2 (Supplement)	Local Control funding is based on the average daily attendance (ADA). The state requires districts to submit an attendance report that discloses the district's average daily attendance for all full school months through April 15, 2020. This P-2 report showed a total ADA of \$3490.30.
13. Resolution #20-06 GASB 54 Policy Change (Supplement)	The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Standard 54, changing the requirements for how the fund balances are displayed. The Board adopted a policy implementing this standard in June 2011 requiring an annual review. The Board will consider approval of Resolution #20-06 revising fund balance policies.
14. Resolution #20-07 Budget Revisions and Transfers (Supplement)	The Board will consider Resolution #20-07 Budget Revisions and Transfers in accordance with the provisions of Section 42601 of the Education Code, authorizing budget transfers and revisions to the current year budget as necessary to permit payments of the obligations incurred during the 2019-2020 school year.

15. Agreement for Legal Services (Supplement)	The District desires to retain and engage the law firm of Fagen Friedman & Fulfroost LLP to perform legal consulting services on the District's behalf.
16. Investment Portfolio Report Quarter ended March 31, 2020 (Supplement)	The Board will receive a written Investment Portfolio Report from the El Dorado County Treasurer / Tax Collector for the quarter ending March 31, 2020.
CLOSED SESSION:	Trustee George moved to adjourn the Open Session and return to Closed Session at 7:26 p.m.
OPEN SESSION:	Reconvene open session at 8:14 p.m.
REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION:	The Board president reported no action taken in closed session.
ADJOURNMENT:	The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Tagg Neal, Clerk

Date

Kim White, President

Date

Board Approved June 9, 2020