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

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 9, 2021 - 6:30 p.m. Open Session (Closed Session at 5:00 p.m.)

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 you are urged to take all appropriate health safety precautions. To facilitate this process, the Board of Trustees, complying with social distancing guidelines, met in person and all audience participation 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 5:01 p.m.		
ROLL CALL:	✓Nancy Brownell, President ✓Michael Gordon, Vice President ✓Suzanna George, Clerk ✓Tagg Neal, Member ✓Kim White, 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: District Conference Room	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, Dave Scroggins and Sean Martin, regarding directions and issues in negotiations with Rescue Union Federation of Teachers (RUFT), California School Employees Association (CSEA), Confidential Staff, and Administrative Management.		
Public Employee Mid-Year Performance Evaluation	Superintendent		
OPEN SESSION:	Reconvened open session in the Board Room at 6:39 p.m.		
Welcome	The Board president provided an introduction to Board meeting proceedings.		

Flag Salute	Trustee Neal led the flag salute.			
Adoption of Agenda (Consideration for Action)	Trustee George moved and Trustee Neal seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed 5-0.			
STUDENT SUCCESS / RECOGNITION:				
Lakeview Elementary School	Lakeview school principal, Kathy Miracle provide a site update and presentation highlighting student successes. Lakeview honored Erin Sargent, library media coordinator and Laurisa Stuart, teacher as recipients of the Difference Maker Award.			
REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION:				
Report from Closed Session	Board president reported there was no action taken in closed session.			
2. Superintendent's Report (Supplement)	The Superintendent provided a report to the Board of Trustees on activities throughout the district. Superintendent Olson gave a heartfelt "thank you" from Cabinet to everyone in the Rescue Union School District. Mrs. Olson thanked our parents for becoming learning coaches while trying to navigate life, work, kids, school and health, and our students for participating in synchronous and asynchronous learning opportunities and remembering to adhere to our health and safety protocols. She thanked our teachers and staff for learning new ways to engage students and to support them while also navigating their own families, children, life and health. Mrs. Olson stated that every single person in our Rescue family has been stretched, challenged and thrown curveball after curveball, but through it all, RUSD has remained steadfast, positive and determined. It truly has taken each person in our collective family doing their part to make this year happen. Mrs. Olson concluded by saying that we look forward with confidence and excitement toward a bright tomorrow, and remain grateful for each of you for all you have done this year to consistently work with us as a team to bring our students back full time and successfully help our students learn despite the challenges. We cannot imagine having gone through this with any other group of people!			
PUBLIC COMMENTS:	Public comments: Laurisa Stuart Teacher/RUFT President	Provided a classroom update regarding an overview of how our teachers have worked to accommodate students returning to full time instruction and how instruction has changed.		
GENERAL:				
3. COVID Update	The Board received an update on our current COVID status.			
(Supplement) (Information Only) Superintendent	Superintendent Olson provided information on our COVID status/numbers since the last study session. She indicated that we are still working through some kinks such as long lunch lines and long lines for hand washing, and we continue to monitor the safety protocols for our staff and			

	students. We had two positive case (one adult, one student) and are seeing quite a decrease in cases as well as in our quarantine and absences. Mrs. Olson went on to say however we do need to remember that coming back full time with more students in the classrooms, there could be higher numbers of students needing to be quarantined with any positive cases.
CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:	
4. School Calendar for 2021-2022 (Supplement) (Consideration for Action) Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction	The Calendar Committee under the guidance of the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction has prepared the recommended school calendar for the 2021-2022 school year for consideration of approval. Assistant Superintendent, Dave Scroggins thanked the Calendar Committee for their work and provided an overview of the recommended calendar for 2021-2022 which also includes two emergency school closure days. One change this year is with Veteran's day falling on a Thursday, there is potential for families to make this a four day weekend, affecting ADA. The recommendation, reflected on the calendar, is to make Friday March 12, a non-school day in place of January 3 as the last day of winter break. Mr. Scroggins stated that RUFT has ratified the calendar and we are awaiting a review from CSEA's field director in accordance with their 610 policy; however, we expect their recommendation will be to approve the calendar.
	Trustee George moved and Trustee Gordon seconded to approve the calendar as presented. The motion passed 5-0.
BUSINESS AND FACILITIES:	These items are provided for Board information, discussion, and/or action.
5. Second Interim Budget Report (Supplement)	The Board will receive a report on the District's Second Interim Report. District administration recommends approval of a positive certification for the Second Interim Budget Report.
(Consideration for Action) Assistant Superintendent of Business Services	Assistant Superintendent, Sean Martin provided and overview of the Second Interim Budget. The Fiscal Year 2020-21 2nd Interim Budget presents the budgetary goals of the Rescue Union School District. The District is projecting budget deficit in 20-21, a budget surplus in 21-22 and then an increasing deficit in 22-23. Although, the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Budget shows the District is able to meet its financial obligations for the current and two subsequent years; however, the District's reserves will be used to meet the budget shortfall. Trustee White moved and Trustee George seconded to approve the Second Interim Budget Report with a positive certification. The motion passed 5-0.
6. Contracts for Developer Fee Justification and Demographic Study	The Board will consider approval of the contracts for Developer Fee Justification and Demographic Study.
(Supplement) (Consideration for Action) Assistant Superintendent of Business Services	Assistant Superintendent, Sean Martin reported that RUSD last completed a demographic study in the 2017-18 school year, and last completed a developer fee justification study in June of 2017. The current approved rate for developer fee collection approved in 2020 is \$4.08, and the RUSD portion would be 61% = \$2.49 which would be an increase of \$0.37 per square foot.

	The demographic study data is used to help project enrollment for TK/K in future years for the district multi-year projection. It is vital that the most current data is used for this projection. Quotes for the developer fee and demographic studies were received and School Works provided the lowest cost, and has worked with Rescue USD in the past. Trustee Neal moved and Trustee Brownell seconded to approve the contracts for Developer Fee Justification and Demographic Study the motion passed 5-0.
CONSENT AGENDA: (Consideration for Action)	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. Trustee George moved and Trustee White seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed 5-0.
7. Board Meeting Minutes (Supplement)	Minutes of February 9, 2021 Regular Board meeting.
8. Board Meeting Minutes (Supplement)	Minutes of February 23, 2021 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 1/20/21 through 2/19/21.
10. District Purchase Orders (Supplement)	Purchase orders must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification. The supplemental reflects expenditures from 2/2/21 through 3/1/21.
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. Certificated Personnel	
Employment:	Moira Carpenter, temporary teaching assignment, (1.0 FTE), Rescue, effective 3/1/21 Loren Hines, temporary teaching assignment, (1.0 FTE), Lakeview, effective 2/18/21 Joy Hoffman, temporary teaching assignment, (1.0 FTE), Green Valley, effective 3/1/21 Dayna Jean-Crompton, temporary teaching assignment, (1.0 FTE), Jackson, effective 2/22/21 Paulina Roman, temporary teaching assignment, (1.0 FTE), Lake Forest effective 2/16/21 Julie Samrick, temporary teaching assignment, (1.0 FTE), Marina Village, effective 2/10/21

Daniel Torres, temporary teaching assignment, (1.0 FTE), Frontier, effective 2/25/21 Genevieve Andrews 100% LOA Leave of Absence (LOA): (For 2021-2022) Gretchen Belleci 100% LOA Monika Baker .20 LOA Jodi Laird .20 LOA Alyssa Pierce .20 LOA Stephanie Polnasek .80 LOA Jennifer White .60 LOA Jennifer Wooster .80 LOA Resignation: Lynnette Berry, Teacher, (1.0 FTE), Lake Forest, effective 5/28/21 James Carr, Teacher, (1.0 FTE), Pleasant Grove, effective 5/28/21 Melissa Heninger, Teacher, (1.0 FTE), Frontier, effective 3/26/21 Elizabeth Ulmer, Teacher, (1.0 FTE), Marina Village, 3/26/21 Retirement: Megan Alvarado Jackson 1.0 FTE **Temporary Assignments:** Kristi Blondino Lake Forest 1.0 FTE (Effective End Date 5/28/21) Kyle Burkhardt Pleasant Grove 1.0 FTE Moira Carpenter Rescue 1.0 FTE Amanda Crowley Marina Village .50 FTE Sara Dull Jackson 1.0 FTE Danielle DeSimoni Jackson/Lakeview 1.0 FTE Cara Diaz Lakeview 1.0 FTE Deborah Faleschini Jackson 1.0 FTE Green Valley Carla Gomann .2454 FTE James Greule Pleasant Grove 1.0 FTE Charisse Harris Pleasant Grove 1.0 FTE Gene Harris Marina Village 1.0 FTE Loren Hines Lakeview 1.0 FTE Joy Hoffman Green Valley 1.0 FTE Dayna Jean-Crompton Jackson 1.0 FTE Jennifer Kunkle Lakeview 1.0 FTE Matthew Lubic Marina Village .80 FTE Teresa Merrill Marina Village 1.0 FTE Kristen McKelvey Lake Forest .62 FTE Erin Metcalf Frontier 1.0 FTE Kristen Morones Rescue .3593 FTE Theresa Nichols Lakeview 1.0 FTE Kristen Petty Lakeview .5389 FTE Paulina Roman Lake Forest 1.0 FTE Traci Rudfelt Pleasant Grove 1.0 FTE Julie Samrick Marina Village 1.0 FTE Jackson Danielle Semlow 1.0 FTE Jennifer Smith Frontier 1.0 FTE

Heather Tittle

Daniel Torres

Amy Witte

1.0 FTE

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Pleasant Grove

Marina Village

Frontier

B. Classified Management			
Employment:	Kelli Hill, Behaviorist, (1.0 FTE), Student Support Services, effective 2/22/21		
C. Classified Personnel			
Employment:	Amy Burvant, Yard Supervisor, (.39 FTE), Lake Forest, effective 2/23/21 Christina Cortez, Districtwide Custodian, (1.0 FTE), Lakeview, effective 3/1/21 Alicia Diaz, Food Service Worker, (.38 FTE), Food Services, effective 3/1/21 Kate Hampton, Food Service Worker, (.38 FTE), Food Services, effective 3/1/21 Larissa Porter, Instructional Assistant – TK, (.13 FTE), Lakeview, effective 3/4/21 Kimberly Valdez, Instructional Assistant – SDC, (.72 FTE), Pleasant Grove, effective 2/16/21		
Leave of Absence (LOA):	Cathrine Carnes, Student Service Secretary, 100% LOA, Marina Village, effective 2/18/21		
Resignation:	William Blair, Yard Supervisor, (.31 FTE), Marina Village effective 3/5/21		
12. BB 9324 Minutes and Recordings (Supplement)	The Board will consider approval of the revised BB 9324 Minutes and Recordings.		
13. Investment Portfolio Report (Supplement)	The Board will receive written Investment Portfolio Reports form the El Dorado County Treasurer-Tax Collector for the quarter ending December 31, 2020		
14. School Plans (Supplement)	Each School Site Council develops and approves their Single Plan for Student Achievement. Single School Plans for all sites are presented to the Board for consideration of approval.		
15. Consolidated Application (Supplement)	The District applies for Federal Categorical Program Funding on a yearly basis. The Application for Funding for the 2020-2021 year is submitted to the Board for approval Board Policy allows staff to identify District property that is unusable, obsolete or is no longer needed by the District to be declared surplus so that disposal and/or sale can proceed. A list of surplus property items is provided as a supplement.		
16. Surplus Property (Supplement)			
ADJOURNMENT:	Trustee White moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m.		

Suzanna George, Clerk	Date	Nancy Brownell, President	Date