

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

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, June 8, 2021 - 6:30 p.m. Open Session (Closed Session at 5:30 p.m.)  
 Rescue District Office Board Room

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-20, which temporarily suspends provisions of the Brown Act relating to public meetings.

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, two options were provided for public participation, in-person attendance, following social distancing requirements and 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.

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>ITEM DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>CALL TO ORDER:</b>	Board president called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.
<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓Nancy Brownell, President</li> <li>✓Michael Gordon, Vice President</li> <li>✓Suzanna George, Clerk</li> <li>✓Tagg Neal, Member</li> <li>✓Kim White, Member</li> <li>✓Cheryl Olson, Superintendent and Board Secretary</li> <li>✓Sean Martin, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services</li> <li>✓Dave Scroggins, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction</li> </ul>
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT:</b>	Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board concerning items on the Closed Session Agenda.
<b>CLOSED SESSION: District Conference Room</b>	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.
Public Employee Appointment/Employment	Superintendent
<b>OPEN SESSION:</b>	Reconvened open session in the Board Room at 6:35 p.m.
Welcome	The Board president provide an introduction to Board meeting proceedings.
Flag Salute	The Board president, Nancy Brownell led the flag salute.
1. Adoption of Agenda  (Consideration for Action)	Trustee George moved and Trustee Gordon seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

<b>STAFF AND COMMUNITY MEMBER RECGONITIONS:</b>			
<p>2. El Dorado Hills Rotary Recognition for Employees of the Year</p> <p>(Presentation) Superintendent</p>	<p>The Board and staff honored our school nurses, Janie Grantham-Carlson, Jeanna Storment and Morgan Butler as the recipients of the El Dorado Hills Rotary Employees of the Year Award.</p> <p>Superintendent Olson stated that each June the El Dorado Hills Rotary Club honors an educator from each district within El Dorado Hills. Mrs. Olson went on to say that this year, she could not imagine choosing one teacher when every person worked so hard. We were given permission to honor all three of our nurses instead, for their tireless efforts and contributions during the COVID-19 pandemic.</p>		
<b>REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION:</b>			
Report from Closed Session	Board president reported no action taken in closed session.		
Superintendent's Report	<p>The Superintendent will provide an update on districtwide activities/services.</p> <p>Superintendent Olson and Assistant Superintendent Sean Martin recognized Difference Makers, Becky Diesner, Food Services and Luke Rodgers, Mechanic.</p>		
<b>PUBLIC COMMENTS:</b>	<p>Public comments will be heard from:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="691 1041 1443 1192"> <tr> <td data-bbox="691 1041 987 1192">Janie Granthum-Carlson School Nurse</td> <td data-bbox="987 1041 1443 1192">RE: Janie acknowledged and thanked Becky Diesner for her willingness to help in providing dietary accommodations for students with medical or allergy issues.</td> </tr> </table>	Janie Granthum-Carlson School Nurse	RE: Janie acknowledged and thanked Becky Diesner for her willingness to help in providing dietary accommodations for students with medical or allergy issues.
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<b>GENERAL</b>			
<p>3. Public Employee Contract Superintendent</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Consideration for Action) Board President</p>	<p>The Board consider approval of the Employment Agreement for District Superintendent, Jim Shoemake effective July 1, 2021.</p> <p>President Brownell announced the following information: Term of contract July 1,2021 to June 30 2024, compensation proposed to be awarded including a base salary of \$198,000.00 and a monthly auto/expense allowance of \$1,000.00 as well as the district's certificated management medical, dental, life and vision cap amount.</p> <p>Trustee Gordon moved and Trustee White seconded to approve the employment agreement for District Superintendent, Jim Shoemake. The motion passed 5-0.</p> <p>President, Brownell introduced the new RUSD Superintendent. Mr. Shoemake thanked everyone for this opportunity and for how well he has been received. He shared he has been in the San Juan District for 26 years and although it was very hard to leave, Rescue community is his home. He has lived here for 18 years, his sons attend Rescue schools and his wife Erin is a Kindergarten teacher at</p>		

	<p>Lake Forest Elementary School. He went on to say he has seen firsthand the importance that Rescue Union plays with our families and community. Superintendent Shoemake stated, the opportunity to lead, learn and contribute in his community in a district that has given so much to his family was simply an opportunity he had to pursue. He noted that leading a school district requires many complex issues to be addressed and he is confident in his ability to do that and to bring people together in a trusting and collaborative environment that values people and creates solutions together. He stated he is committed to working with each person to ensure that our vision, purpose and mission is reflected daily in our words, in our actions. He ended by thanking everyone for his incredible opportunity and stated he can't wait to start contributing in Rescue.</p> <p>County Superintendent, Ed Manansala congratulated and welcomed Superintendent Shoemake. He went on to say that it has been a privilege to work with the RUSD Board through this process, and a privilege to work with Superintendent Olson, Assistant Superintendent, Dave Scroggins and Assistant Superintendent Sean Martin. Dr. Manansala stated that Rescue District has lead exceptionally well, not only locally in El Dorado County but also in the State of California. He shared that to him what is so impressionable, is just the heart. It is one thing to be exceptional in practice and another just to have the heart of the community. Dr. Manansala ended with words that Mrs. Olson had shared amongst the Superintendents, that when we look back at the last 15 months we can say we have kept the students at the center of our decisions. He concluded by thanking his team Amy Andersen and Wendy Frederickson for their support and stated partnership is something we embrace not only now but in the summer, fall and years ahead.</p> <p>The Board welcomed Superintendent Shoemake to the District and thanked El Dorado County Office of Education for their expertise and guidance through the superintendent search process.</p>
<p>4. District Technology Report (Supplement)  (Information) Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction</p>	<p>The Board received a year-end report of all the projects, challenges, accomplishments and support provided by the technology department.</p> <p>IT Director, Larry Garcia provided a report on technology services over the past year. This included information on work tickets received and completed, as well as services established/provided during the COVID pandemic. Chromebooks were deployed to all our students, (1:1 TK-8), hotspots were provided in partnership with Verizon to accommodate families with financial or location constraints and tech support was available to all teachers, students and families as our new protocols for distance and hybrid learning evolved. Mr. Garcia stated he was very proud of what his team was able to accomplish this year and looks forward to continuing to do everything possible for our students and staff.</p>
<p>5. Public Hearing – Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)  (Supplement)</p>	<p>The governing board of a school district shall hold at least one public hearing to solicit the recommendations and comments from</p>

<p>(Hearing) Superintendent</p>	<p>the public regarding the specific actions and expenditures proposed to be included in the Local Control Accountability Plan.</p> <p>Superintendent Olson provided an overview of the LCAP stating that this an opportunity for the community and Board to provide public comment on our plan. Mrs. Olson shared information regarding our demographics, 2019 state test data (most current due to COVID) stakeholder engagement, aspects of the plan influenced by stakeholder input and reviewed our three goals.</p> <p>OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: 7:53 p.m.</p> <p>CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: 7:54 p.m.</p> <p>There were no public comments</p>
<p><b>BUSINESS AND FACILITIES:</b></p>	
<p>6. Public Hearing – Proposed Budget 2021-2022</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Hearing) Assistant Superintendent of Business Services</p>	<p>Each year the governing board of each school district shall hold a public hearing on the budget to be adopted for the subsequent fiscal year.</p> <p>Assistant Superintendent, Sean Martin, provided an overview of the proposed budget for 2021-2022. Although, the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget shows the District is able to meet its financial obligations for the current and two subsequent years, the district’s reserves will be used to meet the budget shortfall.</p> <p>OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: 8:37 p.m.</p> <p>CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: 8:38 p.m.</p> <p>There were no public comments</p>
<p>7. Statement of Reasons for Assigned and Unassigned Reserves Above the State Recommended Minimum Level</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Discussion Only) Assistant Superintendent of Business Services</p>	<p>The Board reviewed and discussed Statement of Reasons for Assigned and Unassigned Reserves Above the State Recommended Minimum Level. Per Education Code Section 42127(a)(2)(B) school districts are required to include this statement with the presentation of the adopted budget.</p>
<p>8. Education Protection Account (EPA) Funds 2020-2021 and 2021-2022</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Consideration for Action) Assistant Superintendent of Business Services</p>	<p>Revenues from Proposition 30, The Schools and Local Public Safety Protection Act of 2021, are deposited into a state account called Education Protection Account (EPA). Proposition 30 requires that the use of EPA funds be determined by the governing Board.</p> <p>Trustee George moved and Trustee Neal seconded to approve the Education Protection Account (EPA) funds. The motion passed 5-0.</p>

<p><b>CONSENT AGENDA:</b></p> <p>(Consideration for Action)</p>	<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 # 9 pulled for separate vote</p> <p>Trustee Gordon moved and Trustee George seconded to approve the balance of the Consent Agenda. The motion passed 5-0.</p>
<p>9. Board Meeting Minutes</p> <p>(Supplement)</p>	<p>Minutes of May 11, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.</p> <p>Trustee Gordon moved and Trustee White seconded to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2021 Regular Board meeting. The motion passed 4-0 with one abstention.</p> <p>Ayes: Trustee White, Neal, Gordon and Brownell Abstentions: Trustee George</p>
<p>10. Board Special Meeting Minutes</p> <p>(Supplement)</p>	<p>Minutes of May 19, 2021 Special Board Meeting</p>
<p>11. Board Meeting Minutes</p> <p>(Supplement)</p>	<p>Minutes of May 25, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.</p>
<p>12. Board Special Meeting Minutes</p> <p>(Supplement)</p>	<p>Minutes of May 26, 2021 Special Board Meeting.</p>
<p>13. Board Special Meeting Minutes</p> <p>(Supplement)</p>	<p>Minutes of May 27, 2021 Special Board Meeting.</p>
<p>14. District Expenditure Warrants</p> <p>(Supplement)</p>	<p>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 4/28/21 through 5/12/21.</p>
<p>15. District Purchase Orders</p>	<p>Purchase orders must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification. The supplemental reflects expenditures from 5/4/21 through 5/31/21.</p>
<p>16. Personnel</p> <p>(Supplement)</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>A. Classified Personnel</p> <p>Employment:</p>	<p>Ashley Davis, Instructional Assistant – Summer Program, (.08 FTE), Lake Forest, effective 6/8/21 Glen Farrington, Custodian, (.25 FTE), Rescue, effective 8/2/21 Allison Patton, Instructional Assistant – Summer Program, (.04 FTE), Marina Village, effective 6/8/21</p>

<p>Resignation:</p> <p>Retirement:</p> <p>Termination:</p>	<p>G Rivera Zaragoza, Custodian, (.25 FTE), Marina Village, effective 8/2/21</p> <p>Christy Spitz, Instructional Assistant – Summer Program, (.08 FTE), Marina Village, effective 6/8/21</p> <p>Madison Wills, Instructional Assistant – Summer Program, (.08 FTE), Marina Village, effective 6/8/21</p> <p>Janet Barnard, Instructional Assistant LVN/RN, (.78 FTE), Pleasant Grove, effective 5/31/21</p> <p>Angelica Gutierrez, Yard Supervisor, (.49 FTE), Lakeview, effective 5/20/21</p> <p>Debbie Joyce, Instructional Assistant, (.19 FTE), Rescue, effective 5/31/21</p> <p>Melanie McGinnis, Itinerant Independence Facilitator, (.75 FTE), Lake Forest, effective 5/31/21</p> <p>Katherine Monier, Bus Driver, (.63 FTE), Transportation, effective 5/31/21</p> <p>G Rivera Zaragoza, Custodian, (.25 FTE), District Office, effective 7/30/21</p> <p>Teri Del Rio, Yard Supervisor, (.47 FTE), Rescue, effective 5/31/21</p> <p>Employee #3800, Bus Driver, (.77 FTE), Transportation, effective 5/28/21</p>
<p>17. Library Services MOU – RUSD and the El Dorado County Office of Education (Supplement)</p>	<p>The District has identified the El Dorado County Office of Education as the entity that will provide general oversight of school library services. Administration recommends approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).</p>
<p>18. AB181 White Paper Response (Summer Brook) (Supplement)</p>	<p>AB181 Department of Real Estate Subdivision “White Paper” Response and Student Yield Impact analysis of Summer Brook. The District has established a .357 student yield factor per single family unit. Accordingly, staff estimates the District can expect there will be 10.35 students generated from this subdivision.</p>
<p><b>ADJOURNMENT:</b></p>	<p>Trustee White moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 p.m.</p>

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Suzanna George, Clerk

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Nancy Brownell, President

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*Board Approved August 10, 2021*