

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

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, December 14, 2021 - 6:30 p.m. Open Session (closed session 5:30 p.m.)
Rescue District Office Board Room

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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>

ITEM	ITEM DESCRIPTION
CALL TO ORDER:	Board vice president called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
ROLL CALL:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓Nancy Brownell, President (joined the meeting later) ✓Michael Gordon, Vice President ✓Suzanna George, Clerk ✓Tagg Neal, Board Member (left the meeting after item 4) ✓Kim White, Board Member ✓Jim Shoemake, Superintendent and Board Secretary
PUBLIC COMMENT:	There were no public 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 Negotiations	Discussion with the District’s Superintendent and/or labor negotiators 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 in the Board Room.
Welcome	The Board vice president provided an introduction to Board meeting proceedings.
Flag Salute	Board member, Kim White led the flag salute.
1. Adoption of Agenda (Consideration for Action)	Trustee George moved and Trustee White seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed 4-0.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION:			
Report from Closed Session	The Board president reported no action taken in closed session.		
2. Superintendent's Report	<p>Superintendent Shoemake provided an overview of the “Bright Spots” over the past month for RUSD. This included our schools continuing to engage students by bring field trips experiences to our schools, honoring our El Dorado Hills Rotary, Student of the Year, sharing band performances, holiday celebrations/events and care packages to veterans. In addition, Mr. Shoemake shared that Project Green, led by Gina Johnston, was awarded a \$10,000.00 grant from the Latrobe Foundation.</p> <p>Mr. Shoemake also provided an update on COVID – related items. He shared that at least 15 counties have adopted the letter our County Superintendents sent to the Governor. We still have no response from the Governor and El Dorado County Superintendent, Dr. Manansala, has been asked to reach out to the Governor’s staff to express our frustration. Regarding the RUSD Proclamation, numerous school districts in the state have adopted our proclamation and we have received responses from Assemblyman, Kevin Kiley and Senator, Brian Dahle. Superintendent Shoemake provided additional information regarding the CDPH mask requirement, effective 12/15/21, for indoors in public places regardless of vaccination status. The mandate will not impact our schools as our students and teachers already are required to use masks indoors for K-12 settings, when students are present. This will however impact staff and visitors on our campuses who will not be required to wear a mask while indoors through January 15, 2022.</p>		
CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE			
Lake Forest Elementary School	Lake Forest principal Bruce Peters provide a site update. Lake Forest School honored Lisa Lawson, Psychologist and Anne Fegan, Health Office Nurse, as the recipients of the Difference Maker Award.		
PUBLIC COMMENTS:	<p>Public Comments were heard from:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="756 1339 1341 1453"> <tr> <td data-bbox="756 1339 997 1453">Becky Heieck, Community Member</td> <td data-bbox="997 1339 1341 1453">RE: Concerns about the landscaping in the neighborhood near Lake Forest and Marina Village Schools.</td> </tr> </table>	Becky Heieck, Community Member	RE: Concerns about the landscaping in the neighborhood near Lake Forest and Marina Village Schools.
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GENERAL:			
<p>3. Annual Organization Meeting - Board Officers Selection</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Consideration for Action)</p> <p>Superintendent</p>	<p>Each December the Board is required to nominate and approve its officers. EC 35143, BB 9100 Organization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BB 9121 - Select President - BB 9100 - Select Vice President - BB 9123 - Select Clerk - BB 9122 - Confirm Superintendent to serve as Secretary to the Board <p>Trustee Neal moved to nominate Michael Gordon for President and Trustee George seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.</p> <p>Trustee George moved to nominate Nancy Brownell for Vice President and Trustee Neal seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.</p>		

	<p>Trustee Neal moved to nominate Suzanna George to serve as Clerk, and Trustee Brownell seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.</p> <p>Lastly, Trustee George moved to confirm Jim Shoemake, Superintendent as Secretary to the Board and Trustee Brownell seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.</p>
<p>4. Board Committee Representative Appointments/Community Organization Involvement</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Consideration for Action)</p> <p>Superintendent</p>	<p>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. The Board will consider committee appointments to the El Dorado County School Boards Association and the El Dorado Schools Financing Authority.</p> <p>Trustee George moved and Trustee Neal seconded to nominate Kim White as representative to both the El Dorado County School Boards Association and the El Dorado Schools Financing Authority. The motion passed 5-0.</p> <p>Trustee George moved and Trustee Gordon seconded to nominate Tagg Neal as the alternate for both the El Dorado County School Boards Association and the El Dorado Schools Financing Authority. The motion passed 5-0.</p>
<p>5. Certification of District Signatures</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Consideration for Action)</p> <p>Superintendent</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Trustee George moved and Trustee Brownell seconded to approve the Certification of District Signatures. The motion passed 4-0.</p> <p><i>(Trustee Neal was absent for the remainder of the meeting)</i></p>
<p>6. Adoption of Board Meeting Calendar</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Consideration for Action)</p> <p>Superintendent</p>	<p>Pursuant to Education Code 35140 the Board shall adopt a yearly calendar specifying the date, time and place of each regular meeting and Board protocol.</p> <p>Trustee White moved and Trustee George seconded to adopt the Board meeting calendar for 2022 and the tentative calendar for 2023. The motion passed 4-0.</p>
<p>7. Board Remuneration</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Consideration for Action)</p> <p>Superintendent</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Trustee George moved and Trustee White seconded to approve the implementation of the increase to board remuneration and BB 9250 reflecting the potential increase through 2025. The motion passed 4-0.</p>
PERSONNEL:	
<p>8. Openers for CSEA Negotiations 2021-2022 and 2022-2023</p>	<p>The Board is required to set a date for public comments on collective bargaining unit openers for the upcoming session. The Superintendent</p>

<p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Consideration for Action) Director of Curriculum and Instruction</p>	<p>recommends that California School Employees Association (CSEA) negotiation openers be put on the agenda for the January 25, 2022 regular Board meeting for public comment.</p> <p>Trustee Brownell moved and Trustee White seconded to set January 25, 2022 as the date for public comment on CSEA negotiation openers. The motion passed 4-0.</p>
<p>BUSINESS AND FACILITIES ITEMS</p>	
<p>9. First Interim Budget Report/Positive Certification</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Consideration for Action) Assistant Superintendent of Business Services</p>	<p>The Board is required by law to receive updated financial reports during the fiscal year. After reviewing the report, the Board will consider certification of the financial condition of the District. The Superintendent recommends approval of a positive certification for the 2021-2022 First Interim Report.</p> <p>Trustee Brownell moved and Trustee White seconded to approve the First Interim Budget Report with a positive certification. The motion passed 4-0.</p>
<p>10. Resolution #21-17 Authorizing the Participation in the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Carl Moyer CBC On-Road EDCAQMD Vehicle Replacement Project.</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Consideration for Action) Assistant Superintendent of Business Services</p>	<p>The Superintendent recommends the Board approve Resolution #21-17 authorizing the participation in the CARB Carl Moyer CBC on-road vehicle replacement project.</p> <p>Trustee Brownell moved and Trustee George seconded to approve Resolution #21-17 authorizing the participation in the CARB Carl Moyer CBC On-Road EDCAQMD vehicle replacement project. The motion passed 4-0.</p>
<p>CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION</p>	
<p>11. Educator Effectiveness Funding</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Consideration for Action) Director of Curriculum and Instruction</p>	<p>The Superintendent recommends the Board review and approve the proposed plan for Educator Effectiveness funding.</p> <p>Trustee George moved and Trustee Brownell seconded to approve the proposed plan for Educator Effectiveness funding. The motion passed 4-0.</p>
<p>12. Curriculum and Instruction Update</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Information Only) Director of Curriculum and Instruction</p>	<p>The Superintendent recommended the Board receive an update on the districtwide Curriculum and Instruction activities for the 2021-2022 school year.</p> <p>Dustin Haley, Director of Curriculum and Instruction provided an update for the Board.</p>
<p>13. Public Hearing – Surplus Instructional Materials</p> <p>(Supplement)</p>	<p>In compliance with BP 3270, the District will:</p>

<p>(Hearing/ Consideration for Action) Director of Curriculum and Instruction</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hold a public hearing regarding the disposal of surplus instructional materials. The public notice has been posted for the appropriate 60-day period. <p>OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: 9:20 p.m.</p> <p>CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: 9:21 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider action to declare items on the attached list surplus and dispose of by donation, destruction, or sale. <p>There were no public comments.</p> <p>Trustee George moved and Trustee Brownell seconded to declare items on the attached list, surplus. The motion passed 4-0.</p>
<p>CONSENT AGENDA:</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 #14 pulled for separate vote.</p> <p>Trustee George moved and Trustee Brownell seconded to approve the balance of the Consent Agenda. The motion passed 4-0.</p>
<p>14. Board Meeting Minutes (Supplement)</p>	<p>Minutes of the October 12, 2021, Regular Board Meeting.</p> <p>Trustee White moved and Trustee Brownell seconded to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2021 Regular Board meeting. The motion passed 3-0 with one abstention.</p> <p>Ayes: Trustee White, Brownell and Gordon Abstentions: Trustee George Absent: Trustee Neal</p>
<p>15. Board Meeting Minutes (Supplement)</p>	<p>Minutes of the November 16, 2021, Regular Board Meeting.</p>
<p>16. District Expenditure Warrants (Supplement)</p>	<p>Warrants must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification. The supplement reflects expenditures from 10/29/21 through 11/23/21.</p>
<p>17. District Purchase Orders (Supplement)</p>	<p>Purchase orders must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification. The supplement reflects expenditures from 10/30/21 through 11/30/21.</p>
<p>18. Library Plan (Supplement)</p>	<p>The library plan is revised annually with the overall goal of developing literacy, critical thinking skills and to provide students with experiences that will enable them to be career and college ready as per the Local Control Accountability Plan.</p>
<p>19. Personnel (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 the need for additional</p>

	positions, resignations, or requests for leaves of absence. All positions listed are within current budget allocations.
A. Administrative Personnel Retirement:	Sally Luque, Psychologist, (1.0 FTE), District Office, effective 12/17/21
B. Classified Personnel Employment:	Teryon Allen, Bus Driver, (.75 FTE), Transportation, effective 12/6/21 Darcey Cobb, Yard Supervisor, (.38 FTE), Rescue, effective 12/2/21 Jordyn Cunningham, Yard Supervisor, (.38 FTE), Rescue, effective 11/17/21 Darlene Manclark, Yard Supervisor, (.04 FTE), Lakeview, effective 11/8/21 Noelia Rodriguez, Itinerant Independence Facilitator, (.75 FTE), Lake Forest, effective 11/17/21 Randy Staggs, Lead Maintenance Technician, (1.0 FTE), Maintenance and Operations, effective 11/16/21 Armida Vargas, Itinerant Independence Facilitator, (.75 FTE), Student Services, effective 12/6/21 Mariela Verdin, Itinerant Independence Facilitator, (.75 FTE), Green Valley, effective 12/3/21
Leave of Absence (LOA):	Heidi-Marie Danner, Yard Supervisor, 100% LOA, Lake Forest, effective 12/1/21 Jennifer Davis, Yard Supervisor, 100% LOA, Rescue, effective 11/5/21 Heather Heaslip, Yard Supervisor, 100% LOA, Rescue, effective 11/1/21
Resignation:	Morgan Aasen, Instructional Assistant, (.25 FTE), Lakeview, effective 10/15/21 Morgan Aasen, Yard Supervisor, (.53 FTE), Lakeview, effective 10/15/21 Becky Diesner, Food Service Worker II/Cook, (1.0 FTE), Food Service, effective 12/30/21 Jill Gabbard, Itinerant Independence Facilitator, (.20 FTE), Rescue, effective 12/17/21
Retirement:	Vera Pierce, Instructional Assistant, (.75 FTE), Pleasant Grove, effective 12/30/21
C. Confidential Employment:	Nick Lampedecchio, Payroll Technician, (1.0 FTE), Business Services, effective 11/29/21
20. Overnight Field Trip Pleasant Grove Disneyland Magic Music Days (Supplement)	The following trip to Disneyland has been approved by Instructional Services and is submitted to the Board for approval pending any unforeseen restrictions due to COVID-19. <u>Disneyland Magic Music Days</u> Pleasant Grove February 2-5, 2022
21. Donations	The Board and District appreciate and accept the following donations:

(Supplement)	Rescue Elementary School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Donation from PTC of \$4,770.27 to purchase Scholastic News for each classroom – Donation from PTC of \$8,000.00 to purchase books for the library
ADJOURNMENT:	Trustee White moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 p.m.

Suzanna George, Clerk

Date

Michael Gordon, President

Date

Board Approved January 25, 2022