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

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 25, 2022 - 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 president called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
ROLL CALL:	 Michael Gordon, President Nancy Brownell, Vice President Suzanna George, Clerk Tagg Neal, Member Kim White, 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 Negotiator	Discussion with the District's Superintendent, Jim Shoemake and/or labor negotiators, Lisa Donaldson and Dustin Haley 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 at 6:35 p.m.
Welcome	The Board president provided an introduction to Board meeting proceedings.

Flag Salute	Board member, Kim White led the flag salute.
 Adoption of Agenda (Consideration for Action) 	Trustee White moved and Trustee George seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed 4-0.Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Trustee White, George, Brownell and Gordon
REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION:	
Report from Closed Session	The Board president reported no action taken in closed session.
2. Superintendent's Report	Superintendent Shoemake started by saying how inspiring it was to see the tremendous community support for Officer Lenehan and his family at the processional today. The route was modified to pass Pleasant Grove where his daughter attends school. Mr. Shoemake went on to comment about the "Bright Spots" in our District that included: kindergarten teachers celebrating the first 100 days, in school field trips with a dairy cow actually coming to the Lake Forest school, and our schools taking advantage of outside learning opportunities. He commented that our enrollment continues to increase and we are currently at 3590 students. The Superintendent provided an update on health and safety and reported that since January 2, 2022, 12% of our staff have tested positive for COVID with 29% in some form of isolation or quarantine protocol and we have continued to have a caring and competent adult in every room every day. During the month of January, the District provided drop in COVID testing for staff and their families and families received the at-home student COVID tests from the State on January 14, 2022. Additionally, Mr. Shoemake shared that the budget appears positive with more flexibility in how we report our ADA, a 5.33% COLA for next year, increased funds for mental health and Universal TK, however no relief for increased pension costs. Lastly, January is School Board Recognition Month and Superintendent Shoemake thanked the RUSD Board of Trustees. He stated that over the past year their leadership kept schools open while keeping staff/students safe, assisted with the successful recruitment and onboarding of new management, created a vision and funding that allows staff to be outside with students in a number of safe and comfortable settings, and advocated for staff, students and parental choice.
CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE:	
Rescue Elementary School	Rescue principal Todd McGinnis provided a site update. Rescue School honored Jenny Riley, Teacher and Jen Cate, Yard Supervisor as the recipients of the Difference Maker Award.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:	There were no public comments.
GENERAL:	
 3. Instructional Programs for 2022- 2023 (Supplement) (Information and Discussion) Superintendent 	The Superintendent presented to the Board a report on the outcome of the District's Instructional Program Survey for the 2022-2023 school year.
 4. Updated for Board Policy, Administrative Regulations and Board Bylaws (Supplement) (First Reading and Possible Consideration for Action) Superintendent 	Periodically, the Board reviews, revises and/or adopts Board Policies, Administrative Regulations and Board Bylaws. The following Board Policy and Administrative Regulation is provided for first reading and possible consideration for action. BP/AR 1312.3 REVISE Uniform Complaint Procedures Trustee Brownell moved and Trustee George seconded to approve the revisions as presented. The motion passed 4-0. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Trustee Brownell, George, White and Gordon
BUSINESS AND FACILITIES ITEMS:	These items are provided for Board information, discussion, and/or action.
 5. Auditor's Report Financial Statements for 2020-2021 (Supplement) Assistant Superintendent of Business Services (Consideration for Action) 	 Stephen Roatch Accountancy Corporation completed the financial audit for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Lisa Donaldson reviewed for the Board, the findings from the audit report. Trustee Brownell moved and Trustee White seconded to approve the Auditor's Report Financial Statement for 2020-2021. The motion passed 4-0. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Trustee George, Brownell, White and Gordon
 6. Board Reserves and Budget Guidelines (Supplement) (Consideration for Action) Assistant Superintendent of Business Services 	The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Budget Guidelines for 2022-2023. Trustee George moved and Trustee White seconded to approve the Board Reserves and Budget Guidelines for 2022-2023. The motion passed 4-0. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Trustee Brownell, George, White and Gordon

PERSONNEL:	
 Public Hearing Proposals for CSEA Negotiations Openers for 2021- 2022 and 2022-2023 	To comply with Government Code 3547, the Board is holding a public hearing for comment prior to the adoption of CSEA Negotiation Openers in 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.
(Supplement)	OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: 8:10 p.m.
(Hearing) Director of Curriculum and Instruction	CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: 8:11 p.m. There were no public comments.
 Director of Special Education and Student Support Services (Supplement) 	The Superintendent is recommending the Board approve the reduction in contractual days for the Director of Special Education and Student Support Services.
(Consideration for Action) Superintendent	Trustee Brownell moved and Trustee White seconded to approve the revision to the contractual days for the Director of Special Education and Student Support Services. The motion passed 4-0.
	Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Trustee George, Brownell, White and Gordon
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 will enact all items.
	Trustee George moved and Trustee White seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed 4-0.
(Consideration for Action)	Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Trustee Brownell, George, White and Gordon
9. Board Meeting Minutes	Minutes of December 14, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.
(Supplement)	
10. Board Meeting Minutes	Minutes of January 11, 2022, Board Study Session.
(Supplement)	
11. 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 12/1/21 through 1/12/22.
12. District Purchase Orders (Supplement)	Purchase orders must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification. The supplement reflects expenditures from 12/1/21 through 1/14/22.
13. Williams Quarterly Report (Supplement)	Title 5, Chapter 5.1, Section 4600 requires school districts to report summarized data from the Uniform Complaint Process to the county superintendent quarterly.

14. 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:	Quanisha Turner, Psychologist, (1.0 FTE), District Office, effective 1/10/22
B. Certificated Personnel	
Resignation:	Georgina McBee, Teacher, (1.0 FTE), Marina Village, effective 1/21/22 Jeanna Storment, Nurse, (1.0 FTE), District Office, effective 1/31/22
C. Classified Personnel	
Employment:	 Harlee Busalacchi, Instructional Assistant, (.25 FTE), Lakeview, effective 12/8/21 Jeanice Chandler, Yard Supervisor and Instructional Assistant, RUSD substitute, Pleasant Grove, effective 1/5/22 Celeste Herrera, Yard Supervisor, RUSD substitute, Lake Forest, effective 12/13/21 Gennieve Hill, Health Office Nurse, (.75 FTE), Lake Forest, effective 1/18/22 Julian Lopez, Food Service Worker, (.31 FTE), Food Service, effective 12/9/21 Anita Ryan, Itinerant Independence Facilitator, (.27 FTE), Rescue, effective 1/11/22 Carrie Southerland, Yard Supervisor, (.53 FTE), Lakeview, effective 1/3/22 Carrie Southerland, Instructional Assistant, (.125 FTE), Lakeview, effective 1/3/22 Steven Sulgit, Technology Support Specialist, (1.0 FTE), Technology, effective 1/10/22
Leave of Absence (LOA):	Sabrene Neider, Yard Supervisor, 100% LOA, Lake Forest, effective 1/10/22
Promotion:	JoAnne Ruggeri, Food Service Cook, (1.0 FTE), Food Service, effective 1/3/22
Resignation:	 Morgan Aasen, Yard Supervisor, (.53 FTE), Lakeview, effective 10/17/21 Morgan Aasen, Instructional Assistant, (.25 FTE), Lakeview, effective 10/17/21 Rebekah Cracraft, Itinerant Independence Facilitator, (.75 FTE), Lake Forest, effective 1/11/22 Cheryl Graham, Instructional Assistant, (.78 FTE), Pleasant Grove, effective 12/17/21 Antone Hernandez III, Bus Driver, (.67 FTE), Transportation, effective 12/17/21

	Susan Malone, Yard Supervisor, (.49 FTE), Lakeview, effective 1/7/22 Shane McClellan, Yard Supervisor, (.38 FTE), Pleasant Grove, effective 1/5/22 Christina Noonan, Instructional Assistant, (.125 FTE), Lakeview, effective 12/9/21 Kristin Obregon, Grant Lead, (.50 FTE), Pleasant Grove, 12/16/21 JoAnne Ruggeri, Food Service Worker, (.38 FTE), Food Service,
Dismissal:	effective 12/17/21 Kenneth Salabert, Custodian, (.75 FTE), Lakeview & Jackson, effective 1/7/22 Wesley Younger III, Lead Custodian, (1.0 FTE), Pleasant Grove, effective 1/21/22
	Employee #3709, Custodian, (.50 FTE), effective 12/17/21
D. Confidential Personnel	
Resignation:	Nick Lampedecchio, Payroll Technician, Business Services, effective 1/14/22
15. Eagle Scout Project (Supplement)	The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Eagle Scout Project for Green Valley.
ADJOURNMENT:	Trustee White moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

Suzanna George, Clerk

Date

Michael Gordon, President

Date

Board Approved February 8, 2022