

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

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 – 5:30 P.M. CLOSED SESSION  
**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.

**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>

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<b>CALL TO ORDER:</b>	The Board president called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.																																																		
<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓Michael Gordon, President</li> <li>✓Nancy Brownell, Vice President</li> <li>✓Suzanna George, Clerk</li> <li>✓Tagg Neal, Member</li> <li>✓Kim White, Member</li> <li>✓Jim Shoemake, Superintendent and Board Secretary</li> </ul>																																																		
<b>PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Closed session agenda items only)</b>	<p>Public comments were heard from the following parents, students and community members expressing opposition to the California mask mandates and COVID-19 restrictions. Each speaker was allotted 2 minutes for comments.</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tbody> <tr><td>William &amp; Lacy Sullivan</td><td>Parents</td></tr> <tr><td>Alyssa Brady</td><td>Student</td></tr> <tr><td>Laura Brady</td><td>Parent</td></tr> <tr><td>Carrie Brass</td><td>Parent</td></tr> <tr><td>Abby Brass</td><td>Student</td></tr> <tr><td>Brandon Brass</td><td>Student</td></tr> <tr><td>Chris Snyder</td><td>Parent</td></tr> <tr><td>Kaitlyn Hendrix</td><td>Student</td></tr> <tr><td>Monica Hendrix</td><td>Parent</td></tr> <tr><td>Paul Dessert</td><td>Parent</td></tr> <tr><td>Tyler Dessert</td><td>Student</td></tr> <tr><td>Brooklyn Frank</td><td>Student</td></tr> <tr><td>Andi McKinney</td><td>Parent</td></tr> <tr><td>Simon Huber</td><td>Parent</td></tr> <tr><td>Gabriella Duran</td><td>Student</td></tr> <tr><td>Jake Slockbower</td><td>Student</td></tr> <tr><td>Erin Slockbower</td><td>Parent</td></tr> <tr><td>Isaac Dixon</td><td>Parent</td></tr> <tr><td>Tevi Hardy</td><td>Parent</td></tr> <tr><td>Jenny McLaughlin</td><td>Parent</td></tr> <tr><td>Jen Winter</td><td>Community Member</td></tr> <tr><td>Brandy Kollenborn</td><td>Parent</td></tr> <tr><td>Noah Kollenborn</td><td>Student</td></tr> <tr><td>Ashton Kollenborn</td><td>Student</td></tr> <tr><td>Logan, Kollenborn</td><td>Student</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	William & Lacy Sullivan	Parents	Alyssa Brady	Student	Laura Brady	Parent	Carrie Brass	Parent	Abby Brass	Student	Brandon Brass	Student	Chris Snyder	Parent	Kaitlyn Hendrix	Student	Monica Hendrix	Parent	Paul Dessert	Parent	Tyler Dessert	Student	Brooklyn Frank	Student	Andi McKinney	Parent	Simon Huber	Parent	Gabriella Duran	Student	Jake Slockbower	Student	Erin Slockbower	Parent	Isaac Dixon	Parent	Tevi Hardy	Parent	Jenny McLaughlin	Parent	Jen Winter	Community Member	Brandy Kollenborn	Parent	Noah Kollenborn	Student	Ashton Kollenborn	Student	Logan, Kollenborn	Student
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<b>CLOSED SESSION:</b>	The Board adjourned to closed session at 7:30 p.m. 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 Negotiators	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.																								
Conference with Legal Counsel Representative -Anticipated Litigation Regarding Mask Optional Policies	Anticipated litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) [Number of Potential Cases: Multiple]																								
<b>OPEN SESSION:</b>	Reconvened open session at 10:55 p.m.																								
<b>REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION:</b>	<i>The Board president reported:</i> The Board is directing the Superintendent to communicate to families regarding the revision of exclusionary practices and protocols for masking enforcement.																								
<b>ADJOURMENT:</b>	Trustee White moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:56 p.m.																								

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Suzanna George, Clerk

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Michael Gordon, President,

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*Board Approved March 8, 2022*