



# RESCUE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

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The district has taken the following steps to assist persons in offering public comment:

- 1. In Person Public Comment** - Public comment may be offered in person during the board meeting at the district office located at 2390 Bass Lake Road, Rescue, California.  
Note: Board Bylaw 9323 limits visitor comments to two (2) minutes per speaker, with no more than 30 minutes per topic. Time will be extended for any speaker who uses an interpreter. Please be aware that public comments, including your name, become part of the public record.
- 2. Written Public Comment** - Members of the public who are unable to attend and wish to address the Board can email their name, phone number, and a description of their topic/questions to the Superintendent’s Office, [cmason@rescueusd.org](mailto:cmason@rescueusd.org) and cc the RUSD Board President [mgordon@rescueusd.org](mailto:mgordon@rescueusd.org). All correspondence will be shared with the entire Board of Trustees and Superintendent.

The business to be considered at this board meeting is listed on the following agenda:

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**April 25, 2023**

**Closed Session 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.**

**Open Session starts at 6:30 p.m.**

**Note: The times of agendized items are approximate**

## 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.

The agenda packet for this public meeting, as well as agenda documents distributed less than 72 hours prior to this meeting, are available for review in the Rescue Union School District Office. A broadcast/recording is being made at the direction of the Board and may capture images and/or sounds of those attending the meeting.

NOTE: In addition to in person attendance, this meeting is being held by video and/or telephonic means and will be accessible to members of the public seeking to attend and to address the Board via the methods set forth above. Members of the public seeking to attend and address the Board who require reasonable accommodations to access the meeting, based on disability or other reasons, should contact the District Office at 530-677-4461 at least 48 hours in advance of this meeting to make arrangements for such reasonable accommodations.

**5:30 p.m.**

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Board president will call the meeting to order and take attendance.

Michael Gordon, President

Kim White, Vice President

Michelle Bebout, Clerk

Jamie Hunter, Member

Michael Flaherty, Member

Jim Shoemake, Superintendent and Board Secretary

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION TOPICS:**

Public Comment: This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board concerning items on the Closed Session Agenda. Board Bylaw 9323 limits visitor comments to two (2) minutes per speaker, with no more than 30 minutes per single topic.

### **CLOSED SESSION:**

The Board will adjourn 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.

- a. Collective Bargaining Matters: Discussion with District 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.
- b. Personnel Matters (Government Code section 54957)

- i. Public Employee Appointment, Employment, Evaluation of Performance (Government Code section 54957(b)(1)) Title: Certificated employee.
  1. Superintendent's 2022-2023 Performance Goals
  2. Superintendent's contract
- c. Student Discipline Discussion with District Superintendent Jim Shoemake, Assistant Superintendent Dustin Haley, and the site principal regarding the Stipulated Expulsion Agreement for Student 22-23A. Any action will be taken in open session. All appropriate precautions will be taken to preserve the confidentiality and legal rights of the student.
- d. Audit by Bureau of State Audits (Government Code section 54956.75)

**6:30 p.m.**

**RECONVENE OPEN SESSION:**

The Board will reconvene to open session in the Board Room.

The Board president will provide a welcome to our in-person and remote attendees and an introduction to Board meeting proceedings.

**FLAG SALUTE:**

The Board president will lead the flag salute.

**1. Adoption of Agenda**

This item is provided as an opportunity for trustees, through consensus, to resequence or table agenda topics. (Consideration for Action)

**6:40 p.m.**

**REPORTS & COMMUNICATION:**

**(Superintendent)**

**Closed Session Report** - The Board president will report any action taken in closed session.

**Superintendent's Report**

The Superintendent will provide a district related report with staff proclamations presented in the Consent Agenda. (Presentation)

**Administrative Professionals Week Proclamation**

Rescue Union School District recognizes April 23–29, 2023 as Administrative Professionals Week.

**School Bus Drivers Day Proclamation**

Rescue Union School District recognizes April 25, 2023 as School Bus Drivers Day.

**School Principals Day Proclamation**

Rescue Union School District recognizes May 1, 2023 as School Principals Day.

### **School Nutrition Employee Week Proclamation**

Rescue Union School District recognizes May 1-5, 2023 as School Nutrition Employee Week and May 5th as School Lunch Hero Day.

### **Certificated Employee Week Proclamation**

Rescue Union School District recognizes May 7-13, 2023 as Certificated Employee Week.

### **Celebrating Our Community Members / Celebrating Community Member Service**

RUSD alumna Kaitlyn Shedd will present a report on her Girl Scout Gold Award project at Lake Forest School. (Presentation)

### **Celebrating Excellence in our Schools**

Lakeview Elementary Principal, Kathy Miracle, will provide a site update. (Presentation)

### **7:30 p.m.**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**For items not on tonight's agenda:** This item is placed on the agenda for the purpose of providing members of the public and Bargaining Unit representatives the opportunity to address the Board on any item of business that does not appear on the formal agenda. Each speaker will have two (2) minutes to address the Board. The clock on the screen counts down the time. Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Board of Trustees is not allowed to comment on items that are not on the agenda. The Board is not ignoring your comments. All public input is of great value, but the Board is legally unable to respond to individual comments. The Superintendent can refer items to staff who can follow up with you.

**For items that are on tonight's agenda:** The Board President will invite public comment on agenda items as they are discussed.

### **7:40 p.m.**

#### **GENERAL:**

**(Superintendent)**

#### **2. Stipulated Expulsion Agreement - Student 22-23A**

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Stipulated Expulsion Agreement for Student 22-23A. (Materials provided)

1. Action

#### **3. Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Update and Two-Year Parent Survey Data**

The Superintendent recommends the Board receive information on the status of our LCAP presentation. This is Part One of a Two Part Presentation. Part Two will be shared at the May 9, 2023 Board Meeting. (Materials provided)

1. Presentation
2. Public comment
3. Discussion

**8:10 p.m.**

**CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION (Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction)**

**4. Science Curriculum Adoption**

Rescue Union elementary school teachers participated in an in-depth review of materials on the State Approved List. After piloting two programs and analyzing them for standards alignment, student engagement, and how well they promoted critical thinking and collaboration by consensus, the Twig Science program has been selected to best meet the needs of students. The Superintendent recommends adoption of the Twig Science program for grades K-5.

1. Presentation
2. Public comment

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING:

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING:

3. Discussion
4. Action

**8:30 p.m.**

**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. There will be no separate discussion of these items prior to the time the Board of Trustees votes on the motion unless Members of the Board, staff or public request specific items to be discussed or deleted from the consent agenda for separate action.

The Board President will call for public comment on any of the items on the consent agenda.

**Action:** The Superintendent recommends approval of the following consent agenda items:

5. Board Meeting Minutes- Minutes of the March 21, 2023 Regular Board Meeting (Materials provided)
6. Study Session Meeting Minutes - Minutes of the April 18, 2023 Study Session (Materials provided)
7. Human Resources-the District's long-range goal is to recruit a diverse, high quality staff with student focused goals and philosophies. Periodically, changes in staffing occur due to need for additional positions, resignations, or leaves of absence. All positions listed are within current budget allocations (Materials provided)
8. Williams Act Quarterly Report - The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Williams Act Quarterly Report for the period of 1/1/23 - 3/31/23 (Materials provided)
9. District Expenditure- 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 3/1/23 through 3/31/23 (Materials provided)
10. District Purchase Orders - Purchase orders must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification. The supplemental reflects expenditures from 3/1/23 through 3/31/23 (Materials provided)
11. Report of Surplus Materials - Tech Dept.
12. Administrative Professionals Week Proclamation - Rescue Union School District recognizes April 23–29, 2023 as Administrative Professionals Week.

13. School Bus Drivers Day Proclamation - Rescue Union School District recognizes April 25, 2023 as School Bus Drivers Day.
14. School Principals Day - Rescue Union School District recognizes May 1, 2023 as School Principals' Day.
15. School Nutrition Employee Week Proclamation - Rescue Union School District recognizes May 1-5, 2023 as School Nutrition Employee Week.
16. Certificated Employee Week Proclamation - Rescue Union School District recognizes May 7-13, 2023 as Certificated Employee Week.
17. Jackson Overnight Field Trip to Sierra Outdoor School - March 2024
18. Comcast Internet E-Rate Agreement
19. RUSD Food Services Pest Management Agreement
20. All Abilities Playground Contract - Jackson Elementary School Campus

### **CLOSED SESSION**

The Board may reconvene to closed session as authorized by Government Code Sections 3549.1, 54956.9, 54956.8, 54957, and 54957.6 and Education Code Sections 35146 and 48918.

### **OPEN SESSION**

Reconvene open session.

### **REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

The Board president will report any action taken in closed session.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

The next regular Board Meeting is scheduled May 9, 2023.

## **TENTATIVE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS 2022-2023**

### **MAY 9**

Recognition: California Day of the Teacher (May 10)

Classified School Employee Week (May 21-27)

Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Update (Part 2 of 2)

Solar Project Approval

### **May 23**

Study session

Closed Session

Personnel Matters (Government Code section 54957)

- i. Public Employee Appointment, Employment, Evaluation of Performance (Government Code section 54957(b)(1)) Title: Certificated employee.
  1. Superintendent's 2022-2023 Performance Goals
  2. Superintendent's contract

### **JUNE 13**

Public Hearing: Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)

Public Hearing: 2023-2024 Budget

### **JUNE 27**

Adoption of the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)

Adoption of the 2023-2024 Budget [Public Hearing 06/13/23]