



## **RESCUE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 - 6:30 p.m. Open 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 all are urged to take all appropriate health safety precautions. To facilitate this process, there were two options to view and/or participate in this open session meeting in person or 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.

#### **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>

**CALL TO ORDER:** Board president called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

- ✓ Michael Gordon, President
- ✓ Kim White, Vice President
- ✓ Michelle Bebout, Clerk
- ✓ Jamie Hunter, Member
- ✓ Michael Flaherty, Member
- ✓ Jim Shoemake, Superintendent and Board Secretary

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

(Closed session agenda items only)

There were no 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 Boardroom at 6:35 p.m.

Welcome - The Board president provided an introduction to Board meeting proceedings.

Flag Salute - Board president led the flag salute.

1. Adoption of Agenda

(Consideration for Action)

Trustee White moved and Trustee Flaherty seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION:**

Report from Closed Session - Board president reported no action taken in closed session.

**Superintendent's Report** - The Superintendent provided a district related report and spoke about district bright spots, first naming Rene Buenrostro and Levi Cambridge as standout leaders who have been selected as 2024 Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) of the Year. Superintendent Shoemake mentioned student event highlights across RUSD such as Global Play Day celebrated at elementary sites and middle school music and dance performances. Also noted was the delivery of brand new electric buses to the Transportation Department, which were fully funded by a grant award and free to RUSD. Last mentioned were the Project Green team that was recognized recently by The El Dorado Hills Area Foundation for coordinating school gardens and outdoor spaces for each site, and all important community partners who sponsored the All Abilities Playground at Jackson Elementary, to be honored at the upcoming El Dorado County School Boards Association (EDCSBA) dinner on March 18th.

**Celebrating Excellence** - Rescue Elementary School Principal Todd McGinnis presented a site report with slideshow information and photos. School enrollment has increased in 2023-2024 and the staff is working together on goals to align grade level paces and curriculum sequencing and raise California Assessment of Student Progress and Performance (CAASPP) test scores. Rescue Elementary's PTC has many new volunteers and is putting on great fundraisers like Read-A-Thon and Jog-a-Thon for new library books and campus additions such as new water fountains, landscaping materials and a new shed. The school values community partners highly and especially enjoys visits from local law enforcement officers who read to classes, talk with students and show their police cars and firetrucks to anyone who is interested.

There were no public comments.

**CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:**

2. School Calendar for 2024-2025

(Consideration for Action)

The Calendar Committee, under the guidance of the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, prepared the recommended school calendar draft for 2024-2025. The draft calendar honored important Rescue USD dates, aligned with the El Dorado Union High School District 2024-2025 School Calendar. The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the school calendar for 2024-2025.

There were no public comments.

Trustee White moved and Trustee Hunter seconded to approve the RUSD School Calendar for 2024-2025. Motion passed 5-0.

3. Rescue Union School District Culture and Climate Survey Report

(Information Only)

The Superintendent recommended the Board receive information regarding the Rescue Union School District's results for the Culture and Climate Survey administered to students in grades 3-5 and 6-8. Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Dustin Haley provided the report.

There were no public comments.

4. Annual Mid-Year Reporting LCAP

(Information Only)

The Superintendent recommended the Board receive an update on the District's LCAP monitoring, the revision process and activities related to implementation of current LCAP goals. Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Dustin Haley provided the report.

There were no public comments.

**GENERAL:**

5. LCAP Goal 1 - Deep Dive

(Information Only)

The Superintendent recommended the Board receive an update on the District's LCAP Goal 1 with information on metrics and actions. Superintendent Shoemake presented a slideshow outlining LCAP Goal 1 which states the District will provide quality educational services, maximizing student achievement for individual students and groups utilizing curriculum, assessments and parent/student surveys and feedback.

There were no public comments.

**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 enacts all items. The Board President called for public comment on any of the items on the consent agenda. There were no public comments. Trustee White moved and Trustee Bebout seconded to pull item #7 on the Consent Agenda. Motion passed 5-0. Trustee White moved and Trustee Hunter seconded to approve item #7. Motion passed 4-0 with an abstention from Trustee Flaherty. Trustee Hunter moved and Trustee Bebout seconded to approve all remaining Consent Agenda items #6 and 8-21. Motion passed 5-0.

6. Board Meeting Minutes - Minutes of the Jan. 16, 2024 Regular Board Meeting (Materials Provided)
7. Study Session Minutes - Minutes of the Jan. 30, 2024 Board Study Session Meeting (Materials Provided)
8. 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 absence leaves. All positions listed are within current budget allocations (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 Jan. 1, 2024 - Jan. 31, 2023 (Materials Provided)
10. District Purchase Orders - Purchase orders must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification. The supplement reflects expenditures from Jan. 1, 2023 - Jan. 31, 2023 (Materials Provided)
11. Single Plans for Student Achievement (Materials Provided)
12. School Accountability Report Cards - Each school has updated their individual School Accountability Report Card (SARC). The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the 2022-2023 SARC for each RUSD school site, published in 2023-2024. (Materials Provided)
13. Safe School Plans (Materials Provided)
14. CADA Convention/Out-of-State Conference Request - MVMS (Materials Provided)
15. AB-181 White Paper Response - Serrano Property - Single Parcel  
AB181 Department of Real Estate Subdivision "White Paper" Response and Student Yield Impact analysis of a single parcel located at 353 El Greco Road in El Dorado Hills, CA. The District has established a .271 student yield factor per single-family unit. Accordingly, staff estimates the District can expect there will be .271 students generated from this subdivision parcel. (Materials Provided)
16. School Services of California Agreement Renewal (Materials Provided)
17. Library Surplus Report -PGMS (Materials Provided)
18. Classified Management Salary Schedule (Materials Provided)
19. Out-of-State Travel Conference Request - ISTE Summit (Materials Provided)
20. RUSD Annual Transportation Plan for 2024-2025 (Materials Provided)
21. Annual Contract Renewal Agreement with Steven Roatch Accountancy Corp. (Materials Provided)

**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:**

Trustee White moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

  
Michelle Bebout, Clerk

  
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Michael Gordon, President

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