

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

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BOARD STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, August 25, 2020 – 5:30 P.M.
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. To facilitate this process, 2 options were offered: Via Zoom and in person attendance following social distancing guidelines.

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.

ITEM	ITEM DESCRIPTION
CALL TO ORDER:	Board president called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.
ROLL CALL:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓Kim White, President ✓Stephanie Kent, Vice President ✓Tagg Neal, Clerk ✓Nancy Brownell, Member ✓Suzanna George, Member ✓Cheryl Olson, Superintendent and Board Secretary ✓Sean Marin, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services ✓Dave Scroggins, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction
OPEN SESSION:	
Welcome	The Board president provided an introduction to the Board Study Session format.
1. Adoption of Agenda (Consideration for Action)	Trustee Kent moved and Trustee Neal seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed 5-0.
PUBLIC COMMENTS:	There were no public comments.
GENERAL:	
2. COVID Update (Supplement) (Information Only) Superintendent	<p>The Board received information regarding the reopening of schools with the COVID 19 mitigations.</p> <p>Superintendent Olson provided an overview on the opening of school. She reported on operations stating she could not be more proud or happy with how we have started the year operationally. The reopening committee, custodians, sites, departments, teachers, staff and parents all worked to develop, create and refine systems and protocols to keep students and staff safe. Our students are wearing their masks, keeping them on, bringing their own water bottles, social distancing, washing their hands often and following directions. The young children are remaining in their spaces, keeping their snacks separate, using their own materials and the list goes on.</p> <p>She went on to say that our teachers, staff and custodians are doing a great job working together to make sure we are continually disinfecting throughout the day with our hypochlorous disinfectant – spraying high touch surfaces, desks, chairs, handrails, door knobs, etc. Additionally, our M&O team changed out all the air filters and put in MERV-13 filters which capture 90% of the particulates and Sean ordered air</p>

	<p>purifiers for every space that currently has students. The plexiglass barriers are in place at TK-1 grade tables and teachers/aides have them too. Recess has worked out well and students are lining up while social distancing. Our families have supported this too, by encouraging their children to wear masks and follow all the safety precautions. Parents are staying out of the classrooms and wearing masks if they do need to come on campus. Mrs. Olson said we are grateful for everyone working together.</p> <p>The Superintendent also reported on our academic programs. She stated how very proud we are of our teachers who are working around the clock to learn the new platforms, materials and how to effectively navigate them. The hybrid students are thrilled to be back! Numerous parents have shared that they haven't seen their children this happy in months. It is an adjustment to get used to the shorter days for teachers, they have to move fast and determine what online work the students will do for the other half of the day, answer questions, be available for help, grade papers and plan for the next day. They are truly working non-stop.</p> <p>The Frontier program has 800 students enrolled. Teachers are learning to navigate Fuel Ed and how to link other lessons and materials to the program. One huge hurdle has been the teacher and student materials have not been delivered on time, many are still waiting to receive them and that has been very frustrating. In addition, our amazing tech team has had to take over the rostering and course configurations, because our folks are faster these pieces are almost complete. Superintendent Olson thanked Amy Bohren and Michelle Winberg for their countless hours as well as the entire tech team and teachers. Our Frontier families are eager and very enthusiastic to support their children in this rigorous online program.</p> <p>Lastly, Superintendent Olson reported that on Sunday evening we had a Lakeview student who tested positive for COVID-19. We immediately contacted Public Health for direction. It was determined that we could quarantine just the 11-member cohort. Because we have such extensive protocols in place, the public health was very impressed and basically left it up to us whether or not to quarantine. We felt it was more important to be extra cautious. The students and teacher can return on September 2. Currently, we have a substitute in the AM cohort with the students and the regular teacher is zooming with the students and leading a class via Zoom. Parents and staff have been wonderful and everyone is determined to follow protocols. The teacher was able to get tested through the county today. Mrs. Olson congratulated Lakeview staff for how well they have handled the situation. One of our counselors is available to talk with classes about the situation as well as give added support to our students in case they are feeling anxious. Mrs. Olson stated our teachers, administrators, staff and families are truly working together to allow us to be available for in person instruction successfully. We are a giant team determined to do all we can to mitigate risk. Each person is doing his/her part to socially distance, disinfect, wear masks, wash hands often and follow other appropriate protocols.</p>
<p>3. California School Boards Association (CSBA) Annual Education Conference</p> <p>(Supplement)</p> <p>(Discussion)</p> <p>Superintendent</p>	<p>The Board discussed the CSBA Annual Education Conference virtual attendance as it relates to the election of new Board members and current District budgetary developments.</p> <p>After discussion, the Board decided to attend the conference. The benefits it provides as well as the option to now participate virtually at a reduced rate made it worthwhile. Potential new members will be registered for the Orientation for New Trustees workshop, Superintendent Olson will participate in this session with new members as well. District staff will complete the</p>

	registration process for virtual attendance at the CSBA Annual Education Conference.						
4. Board Policy (Supplement) (Second Reading and Possible Consideration for Action) (Superintendent)	<p>The Board reviews and/or adopts Board Policy. The following policies are presented for second reading and possible consideration for action.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>BP 0470</td> <td>COVID-19 Mitigation Plan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BP 4113.5 4213.5 4313.5</td> <td>Working Remotely</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BP 6157</td> <td>Distance Learning</td> </tr> </table> <p>The Board reviewed and discussed the policies listed. Trustee Brownell moved and Trustee George seconded to approve the above listed policies with designated changes. The motion passed 5-0.</p>	BP 0470	COVID-19 Mitigation Plan	BP 4113.5 4213.5 4313.5	Working Remotely	BP 6157	Distance Learning
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BUSINESS & FACILITES							
5. Consolidated Application (Supplement) (Consideration for Action)	<p>The Board considered approval of the Consolidated Application submitted August 15, 2020.</p> <p>Trustee George moved and Trustee Brownell seconded to approve the Consolidated Application. The motion passed 5-0.</p>						
ADJOURNMENT:	Trustee Kent move to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m. and Trustee Neal seconded the motion.						

Tagg Neal, Clerk

Date

Kim White, President

Date

Board Approved September 8, 2020