

Bishop Unified School District

SCHOOL BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Set Direction**
- 2. Establish the Structure**
- 3. Demonstrate Support**
- 4. Ensure Accountability**
- 5. Demonstrate Community Leadership**

Mission Statement

The Bishop Unified School Governance Team, as representatives of our community, is committed to providing the best education to all students ensuring they reach their full potential.

Governance Team Priorities 2017-2018

- 1. Raise academic performance levels K-12 and maintain a balanced curriculum**
- 2. Support and monitor annual academic growth through regular review of LCAP metric and assessment data**
- 3. Ensure positive student engagement, morale and school connectedness**
- 4. Provide safe and secure campuses**
- 5. Recruit, retain and value a dedicated teaching staff**
- 6. Maintain fiscal solvency**

Addressing the Board

There are many different ways individuals may choose to address the Board. Those who wish to request an agenda item may do so by submitting the request in writing, along with supporting documents and information, to the Superintendent at least eight school days prior to a scheduled meeting date. Those wishing to address items on the agenda may do so when recognized by the Board President near the beginning of the meeting or when the President requests public comments when the item is being considered. For matters not on the agenda, there is an opportunity for individuals to address the Board when the Board President requests comments from the public near the beginning of the meeting. The Board shall not take action on such items at that meeting.

Bishop Unified School District
Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting
Regular Meeting • January 18, 2018 • 6:30 pm
Carl Lind Board Room – Bishop Union High School

Individuals who require special accommodations, including, but not limited to an American Sign Language interpreter, accessible seating or documentation in accessible formats, should contact the Superintendent or designee at least two days before the meeting.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend Board meetings and address the Board concerning any item on the agenda within the Board's jurisdiction. A person wishing to be heard by the Board shall first be recognized by the President and shall then proceed to comment as briefly as the subject permits. (BB 9323)

*Any materials required by law to be made available to the public prior to a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the District can be inspected at the following address during normal business hours:
Bishop Unified School District Office – 301 N Fowler Street, Bishop, CA 93514*

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

After determining that a quorum was present, the January 18, 2018 meeting of the BUSD Board of Trustees was called to order by President Trina Orrill at 6:33pm.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES PRESENT: Kathy Zack, Trina Orrill, Josh Nicholson , Steve Elia and Taylor Ludwick.
Absent – ASB President Erika Ellis.

2.0 FLAG SALUTE

Flag salute was led by Joshua Nicholson

3.0 RECOGNITION

The Board likes to take this time each month to recognize and say thank you to those among our student body, community and staff who have “gone the extra mile” for our students and/or the schools in our district.

Taylor Ludwick announced that a former Bishop High School Graduate, Melody Lawrence, has been accepted at UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine.

4.0 PUBLIC

Concerning Items of Interest not Addressed on the Formal Agenda:

This time is set aside at each meeting for members of the audience to speak to the Board regarding questions or issues not on the agenda. No action may be taken, but items may be placed on a future agenda.

5.0 Reports and Presentations

5.1 ASB President Report – Erika Ellis

5.2 Administration Reports (enclosures)

5.2.1 Heather Carr/Dr.Gretchen Skrotzki, Bishop Elementary School Principal

Josh Nicholson asked about feedback from teachers in regards to the Peer Teaching program. HC said most are really enjoying it and finding it useful. A few are still not comfortable with having their peers in their classroom.

Taylor Ludwick – how is the 5th grade team doing in regards to their concerns last year over class sizes. HC said they are doing great, students are well behaved and doing well. TL – what is the status of the enrichment programs? HC – so far we have a running club and there will be more to come in the near future.

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- 5.2.2 **Patrick Twomey/Derek Moisant, Home Street Middle School Principal**
DM – school climate is still low key after the Winter Break. Recent Wild Iris presentation low attendance was disappointing.
Josh Nicholson asked whatever happened to the idea of reconfiguring the parking in front of HSMS. BS – lost momentum and dropped. Will revisit.
- 5.2.3 **Katie Kolker, Palisade Glacier High School Principal**
KK – WASC report is finished. The WASC committee will be on campus February 5th. The size of PGHS is unusually small for an alternative education school.
- 5.2.4 **Randy Cook/Dave Kalk, Bishop Union High School Principal**
RC recognized recent discipline issues on the boys soccer team. The athletic committee took action and removed players involved. RC and others have notice a huge improvement in the other athletes attitudes and performance. DK stated the action taken set the tone for all sport teams. RC – Don Rowan is doing a great job with ASB. He has made changes and is working on leadership curriculum. Teachers Candice Tonseth, Sasha Green and Angela Owens are helping with ASB and are good leaders.
Taylor Ludwick asked the status of the Plasma Cutter. RC – still in the works, having issues with dig alert. Should be resolved soon.
Josh Nicholson commented that just watching the boys soccer team in recent pre-game warm ups showed good discipline.
Question directed at Stacy Van Nest (Athletic Director) why no JV Soccer? She explained other schools in our league do not have JV teams to compete against. A JV Girls basketball team didn't exist this year due to low numbers.

5.3 Barry Simpson, BUSD Superintendent

- 5.3.1 **Attendance / Enrollment**
Enrollment remains strong at 1963. Attendance is a little low at 93% and we haven't experienced the peak of flu season yet. Adding 1% would add over \$100,000 to our budget.
- 5.3.2 **Governor's Budget Proposals**
This will be Governor Brown's final budget and it is expected that he will get the vast majority of his proposals. Proposals include 3.1 billion in ongoing money to school districts which fully funds LCFF 2 years ahead of schedule. KZ made note that this sounds good to the public but they need to understand that this only results in reaching what has been determined to be a necessary minimum funding level and in no way sufficiently funds our schools. This still leaves us well below average in the nation for school funding. If we were funded at the average it would be transformative for our program.
BS – in addition, there will be 1.8 billion in one-time money given to schools. This means approximately \$295 dollars per student or over \$500,000. Nothing in the budget addresses the PERS/STRS increases which are a big concern.
- 5.3.3 **LCAP Survey**
Rough draft for parent survey is ready for review. Our goal is to increase the number of parents who take the survey. Will have computers available in school offices where parents can conveniently access and take the survey.
- 5.3.4 **Federal Program Monitoring**
All documents have been uploaded and we should know their "findings" next month.
- 5.3.5 **Title I**
An inquiry was made about Title 1 and the Blue Ribbon School Distinction. Information was distributed to the board members explaining what it takes to qualify.
- 5.3.6 **Other**

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- 7.8 Approval, Home Street Middle School Drill Team/Color Guard Competition/ March 16-17, Temescal High School (enclosure)
- 7.9 Approval, WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges) Self-Study for Palisade Glacier High School (enclosure)
- 7.10 Approval, Bishop Union High School, Fashion Design New York City Trip (enclosure)

ACTION: A motion to approve was made by J. Nicholson, seconded by K. Zack. None opposed, no abstentions and the motion carried 5-0

8.0 ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 8.1 Approval, Resolution 17-18-04, Calling for Full and Fair Funding of California's Public Schools (enclosure)

ACTION: A motion to approve was made by K. Zack, seconded by S. Elia. None opposed, no abstentions and the motion carried 5-0

- 8.2 Approval, Revised Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educator (enclosure)

ACTION: A motion to approve was made by S. Elia, seconded by T. Ludwick. None opposed, no abstentions and the motion carried 5-0

- 8.3 Approval, Revised/New Policies/Regulations/Exhibits/Bylaws; December (enclosure)

BP/AR 0420.4 (BP/AR revised)	Charter School Authorization
BP 1325 (BP revised)	Advertising and Promotion
BP 3100 (BP revised)	Budget
BP/E 3515.7	Firearms on School Grounds
(BP revised; E(1) E(2)deleted	
BP/AR 3517	Facilities Inspection
(BP deleted/AR added)	
BP 4119.21/4219.21/4319.21	Professional Standards
(BP revised)	

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AR 4144/4244/4344 (AR revised)	Complaints
BP/AR 4200 (BP/AR revised)	Classified Personnel
BP 5144 (BP revised)	Discipline
BP/AR 5144.1 (BP/AR revised)	Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process
AR 5148.2 (AR revised)	Before/After School Programs
BP 6146.1 (BP revised)	High School Graduation Requirements
BP/AR/E 6162.52 (BP/AR/E(1)/E(2) deleted)	High School Exit Examination
BB 9150 (BB revised)	Student Board Members

ACTION: A motion to approve was made by S. Elia, seconded by T. Ludwick. One opposed (J. Nicholson), no abstentions and the motion carried 4-1

8.4 Approval, 2018-2019 School Year Calendar (enclosure-Exhibit A,B,C)

ACTION: A motion to approve Draft #1 (exhibit A) was made by S. Elia , seconded by J. Nicholson. Three opposed (K. Zack, T. Orrill, T. Ludwick) , no abstentions and the motion died 2-3

ACTION: A motion to approve Draft #2 (exhibit B) was made by T. Ludwick, seconded by K. Zack. Two opposed (J. Nicholson and S. Elia) no abstentions and the motion carried 3-2

Discussion from S. Elia and J. Nicholson explaining that we made a commitment to staff that the week in February would be consistent year to year. K. Zack made reference to parent survey indicating majority didn't want a week off in February. She also explained that having a week off in February sometimes interfered with testing. Draft #2 allows for three(3) 4-day weekends in place of the week off in February (i.e. President's Holiday, Easter Holiday, Memorial Day Holiday) and Spring Break to take place the last week of March.

8.5 Approval, Memorandum of Understanding with Northern Inyo Hospital Regarding the School Based Health Clinic (enclosure)

ACTION: A motion to approve was made by K. Zack, seconded by S. Elia. One opposed (J. Nicholson), no abstentions and the motion carried 4-1.

9.0 CLOSED SESSION – 7:29 p.m.

9.1 Conference with District Labor Negotiator (Government Code Section 54957.6) Bishop Unified School District's Teachers' Association (CTA/BTA) and Bishop Unified School District's Classified Bargaining Unit (CSEA) District Negotiator: Barry Simpson, Superintendent

9.2 The Superintendent has requested a Closed Session to Discuss Student Discipline Matters. (Education Code 48900)

9.2.1 Stipulation and Agreement for Immediate Expulsion of Student "17-18-H". (enclosure)

ACTION: Item 9.2.1 was approved and carried 5-0

9.3 Personnel Matters (Government Code 54957)

10.0 RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

10.1 Report out of closed session

Special Board meeting for student expulsion hearing referenced in item 9.2 will take place on February 2nd in the District Office conference room at 9:00 a.m.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT – 7:45 p.m.

Trina Orrill, President

Date

Kathy Zack, Clerk

Date

Respectfully Submitted by:
Kristin Carr
BUSD Administrative Assistant