

REEF-SUNSET UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 2022  
DISTRICT BOARD/STAFF DEVELOPMENT ROOM

A regular meeting of the Reef-Sunset Unified School District Board of Trustees was held on this date in the Board/Staff development room located at 205 N. Park Ave., Avenal, CA 93204 and live streamed via the district website.

Ms. Padilla, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m. and the Board convened to closed session. The meeting was reconvened to open session at 6:04 p.m. and Ms. Padilla led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Lisette Padilla, President  
Precilla Barrera-Lopez, Clerk (*absent*)  
Lupe Chavez  
Claudia Cazares  
Lilia Rizo  
Jesus Lopez, Student Board Member

**CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS/ACTIONS: Student Discipline (EC 35146):** Approval of expulsion for RSMS Case No. 2021/22: 09 along with recommendations was moved by Chavez seconded by Cazares and adopted unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR APRIL 21, 2022:** *Revised Consent Calendar Item C - Personnel Report, to add under Certificated New Hire/Change; Silvia Maldonado, AHS Principal effective 7/1/22. Under the Certificated Resignation/Retirement/Termination section, added Georgina Freitas, TES Teacher and Daniel Moreno, RSMS Teacher, effective 6/3/22.*

Motion by Chavez seconded by Cazares to approve the agenda as amended.

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Yes, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** An RSMS teacher expressed concerns regarding the promotion and retention policy. Another RSMS teacher expressed concerns with the understanding that classified staff are not getting compensated for attending the Google classroom training. Another RSMS teacher asked the Board to listen to the public's concerns and asked them to consider board items before approving them. A community member expressed concerns regarding an administrator's work load and asked the district to provide more mental health services for students.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

- A. Student Representatives - AHS student representative Maria Estrada reported on current and upcoming school activities.
- B. College & Career Team - Mrs. Deaver, Ms. Enriquez and Ms. Gornick showed a PowerPoint presentation on College and Career Readiness and reviewed data and goals for students. They also reported that they conducted campus tours at Corcoran and Woodlake.
- C. WKCTA Report - Mr. Silva, CTA President - None
- D. CSEA Report - Mrs. Vieira, CSEA President - None

**STAFF/BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. Board Members - Jesus reported that he met with RSMS, TES staff and talked to some students to obtain a report for the Student Advisory Council. He will present his report next month. Mrs. Rizo reported that she attended the board Listening Tour with Ms. Cazares at KCES - March 23. She reported that parents participated in the discussion and provided feedback. Mr. Chavez expressed he was glad to hold the board meeting in a normal setting. He also reported that he

- attended a Latino leaders workshop on water conservation. He also attended the ‘Kissing of the Pig at AHS’ event. Mr. Chavez expressed that he listens to stakeholders and takes notes. Ms. Cazares reported that she also attended the Listening Tour at KCES. She felt the listening tour is the perfect opportunity to have staff come and talk to them and express their concerns. She stated she is available should people want to contact her. Finally, Ms. Cazares gave a brief update on Sober grad. Ms. Padilla deferred her time to Jesus who reported that he had committed to UCLA.
- B. Human Resources: Mr. Guerrero gave an update on the classified Google training. He thanked those who participated.
  - C. Business: Mr. Luna reported that the Business department provided the Preschool, TK, Kinder grant to the State in hopes that the district obtains funding. He was working on securing funding for the CTE project. Mr. Luna reported that the fiscal year audit would be forthcoming. He also reported that the MOT department would have the Kinder project at AES completed by mid-May. The AHS Home Ec classroom that caught on fire would be cleaned next week. The district may have portable classrooms to expand the high school. Mr. Luna reported that the energy modernization would start with the installation of solar panels. Finally, he reported that the Cafeteria department would move forward with some of the seating at AHS with shades and benches.
  - D. Curriculum: Mrs. Carlson reported that the district would be providing in-person Customer Service training for staff on May 11-12. The CAASP testing window would commence next week and continue until the end of May. CDE posted the award list for the CTE Incentive grant and AHS was granted funding. Mrs. Carlson also reported that the district submitted a grant application for the Community Schools grants for AHS and KCES to help the district focus and improve integrated services, family engagement activities. Mrs. Carlson also reported that the district was planning for a robust Summer School this year. Letters were mailed out to elementary, middle and high school parents. Finally, she reported that the district was extending the time for Summer School to include enrichment and engaging activities.
  - E. Superintendent: Mr. Sánchez reported on the mandatory Summer School letters that were mailed to parents. He also reported on the Kings County / Secretary of State - California Voter’s Choice Act that will give voters more voting opportunities. He then introduced Ms. Soto who reported on the Family Engagement Center activities. Mr. Sánchez also reported on the official launch of the new district logo that will be brought next month for board approval. He congratulated the AHS FFA team for their “Kissing the Pig” event. Finally, he reported that the District was looking at purchasing a charter bus so that we can provide transportation for field trips.

#### APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. Minutes of March 17, 2022
- B. Warrants
- C. Personnel Report
- D. Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints – (3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter)
- E. Request to Approve the Renewal of GoalBook Toolkit for 2022-23
- F. Request to Approve the School Attendance Review Board Agreement for 2022-23
- G. Request to Approve the Contract for Consultant Services
- H. Milton O. Wilen Award Nominees

Motion by Cazares seconded by Rizo to approve the Consent Calendar as amended. *Revised Consent Calendar Item C - Personnel Report. Also removed Consent Calendar Item G to be acted on as a separate item.*

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez – No, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

- G. Request to Approve the Contract for Consultant Services:

Motion by Chavez seconded by Padilla to approve the contract as presented.

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Yes, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

ACTION ITEMS:

A. Intent to Employ Teacher on a Provisional Internship Permit (PIP) - Laura Contreras:  
Motion by Cazares seconded by Chavez to approve the PIP as presented.

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Yes, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

B. Request to Approve the Superintendent Contract for the Term of July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2026:  
Motion by Chavez seconded by Rizo to approve the Superintendent contract as presented.

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Yes, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

C. Request to Approve Sirous Rassouli - Inspector of Record for Avenal High CTE, Modernization  
& Fire Alarm Projects:

Motion by Rizo seconded by Cazares to approve Sirous Rassouli as Inspector of Record as presented.

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Yes, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

D. Resolution 2022: 11, Commitment of Fund Balance:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Chavez to approve Resolution 2022: 11 as presented.

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Yes, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

E. Resolution 2022: 12, Commitment of Funds for Cashflows:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Chavez to approve Resolution 2022: 12 as presented.

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Yes, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

F. Request to Approve the Renaissance Professional Services Agreement for 2022-23:

Motion by Chavez seconded by Cazares to approve the agreement as presented.

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Yes, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

G. Request to Approve the West Ed Proposal for Review of Special Education Programs and  
Services:

Motion by Chavez seconded by Cazares to approve the proposal as presented.

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Yes, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

H. Request to Approve the A-G Completion Improvement Grant:

Motion by Chavez seconded by Rizo to approve the grant as presented.

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Yes, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

I. Request to Approve the Advanced Collaborative Solutions Professional Learning Contract for 2022-23:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Chavez to approve the professional learning contract as presented.

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Yes, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

J. 2022 CSBA Delegate Assembly Run-off Elections:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Padilla to nominate Teresa Carlos-Contreras as the 2022 CSBA Delegate for Subregion 10-C:

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Abstain, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

K. First Reading of New/Revised March 2022 Board Policies and Administrative Regulations:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Padilla to approve the first reading as presented.

Preferential Vote: Jesus - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Chavez –Yes, Cazares – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Absent, Padilla – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Future Agenda Items - Promotion/Retention policy update. Status update on asbestos at AHS. Report regarding salary comparison for 5.75 hour aides vs. 6 hour aides.

B. Superintendent Closing Comments - Mr. Sánchez thanked the Board for their confidence and support. He expressed his love for the community and commitment to the district. He was honored to be part of the team. He reported that the district had a good plan to change low scores; understanding change is difficult. He expressed he was available to meet with anyone who had concerns and reminded the public that the Board decides what and when and the Superintendent's job is the how. Finally, Mr. Sánchez asked for a moment of silence for the passing of Mrs. Olga Alanis Barrera.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Secretary to the Board

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Date