

REEF-SUNSET UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF AUGUST 18, 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 5:30 p.m. and the Board convened to closed session. The meeting was reconvened to open session at 6:00 p.m. and Ms. Padilla led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lissette Padilla, President
Precilla Barrera-Lopez, Clerk
Claudia Cazares
Lupe Chavez
Lilia Rizo

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS/ACTIONS: The Board approved, pursuant to review of claim #210600011 settlement authority granted in the amount of \$55,000 with a vote of 4 - Ayes, 1- No.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR AUGUST 18, 2022:

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

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

Motion Carried

RECOGNITION:

Mr. Guerrero recognized the 2022-2023 longevity staff for their years of service to RSUSD with a pin.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A. Possible Adoption of Textbooks ‘TWIG Science - CA NGSS’ for RSUSD Students in Grades TK-5 from Publishers Twig Science:

Mrs. Carlson gave a brief report on the possible adoption of the textbooks. Hearing opened for comment at 6:07 p.m. A community member asked if the proposed curriculum would be utilized. There being no further comments, the hearing was closed at 6:08 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: A community member expressed concerns in regards to what she felt were discrepancies in timelines when posting promotions within on the personnel report. She also expressed the need for an additional part-time Student Support Coordinator at RSMS due to enrollment numbers.

PRESENTATIONS:

A. WKCTA Report - Mr. Silva, WKCTA President: Reported he was disappointed that the district did not hold the annual breakfast. He thanked Mr. Luna for his help in obtaining more affordable healthcare options.

B. CSEA Report, Elisha Vieira, CSEA President - None

STAFF/BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Board Members - Mrs. Rizo thanked all staff for their hard work in preparation for the new school year. Mr. Chavez welcomed everyone back and hopes we continue to work together. Ms. Cazares welcomed everyone back and reported that it was nice to see everyone’s positive posts in social media. Mrs. Barrera-Lopez welcomed everyone back and was happy to report that she attended the swimming pool at AHS as well as the softball games. Ms. Padilla welcomed everyone back and commended the high school counselors who attended the home of the family who lost the parent. She also thanked all the principals for sharing staff pictures; community members appreciate it.

- B. Business, Mr. Luna - Absent, however; Mr. Sanchez showed a PowerPoint presentation on Mr. Luna's behalf regarding the CTE project and discussed the project timeline. He suggested the district re-bid the project and restructure the plan; to possibly lower square footage in hopes to hold on to the \$3 million dollars. Mr. Chavez asked the district to look at other school districts to make comparisons as he expressed that he would not want to lose square footage.
- C. Personnel, Mr. Guerrero - Thanked all the longevity recipients for their years of service and welcomed all new staff. Finally, he reported on his visits to school sites where everyone seemed well organized during the first day of school.
- D. Curriculum, Mrs. Carlson - Welcomed everyone back. She reported that she collaborated with all the new teachers. She also reported that each site had 2 days of planning and collaboration. Mrs. Carlson reported that the district was able to provide backpacks and new shoes for some of our students through the McKinney-Vento program. She then presented Mrs. Bement, District Librarian who showed a PowerPoint presentation introducing all site library clerks. She also reviewed statistics for each site. Discussion was made on the need for additional help at the AES library.
- E. Superintendent, Mr. Sánchez – Reported that a lot of facility work was completed during the summer. He will be providing a newsletter to showcase those accomplishments. Mr. Sánchez was also happy to report a milestone in our district. Both gyms at AHS and RSMS have AC units that staff and students can enjoy during summer months. Mr. Sánchez reported that he was working on a plan to open pools on the weekends. He also reported that he was happy to showcase images of our students on the district board room wall. He reported on the upcoming joint City meeting scheduled for Wed. Sept 21st at 6pm to continue the conversation of shared space. Mr. Sánchez reported on the TES traffic congestion situation during drop-off / pick-up of students and shared that the district was working with APD for their assistance. He reported that the district had reached an agreement with Avenal Youth Football; fees will be waived for a year since they are restarting their organization with new leadership. Finally, he reported that he had been working with Mr. Luna to officially complete the RSUSD Ed. Foundation to raise funds for scholarships, field trips and supplies for our students. He asked for two board members to serve on the foundation. Ms. Padilla and Mrs. Barrera-Lopez volunteered.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. Minutes of June 16 & July 19, 2022
- B. Warrants
- C. Personnel Report
- D. Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints
- E. Avenal Adult School Courses for 2022-2023
- F. Request to Dispose of Obsolete Items
- G. Request to Approve Renewal for Follett School Solutions, LLC
- H. Request to Approve the Contract with Advanced Collaborative Solutions for Professional Services at Tamarack Elementary School
- I. Request to Approve Renewal for Document Tracking System (DTS)
- J. Request to Approve the RSUSD English Learner Master Plan
- K. Developer Fee Report for 2021-22

Motion by Barrera-Lopez seconded by Cazares to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

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

Motion Carried

ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Request to Approve the First Reading of the 8-Year Adoption for TWIG Science TK-5:

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

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

Motion Carried

B. Request to Approve Contract with Nancy Akhavan Consulting:

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

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

Motion Carried

C. Intent to Employ Teachers on a Short-Term Staff Permit (STSP):

Motion by Barrera-Lopez seconded by Cazares to approve the STSP as presented.

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

Motion Carried

D. Intent to Employ Michelle Horn for CTE Patient Pathway Teacher Grades 9-12 on a Certificate of Completion of Staff Development Waiver:

Motion by Barrera-Lopez seconded by Padilla to approve the intent for Michelle Horn as presented.

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

Motion Carried

E. Intent to Employ Elizabeth Corona for Student Support Coordinator Grades TK-5 on a Certificate of Completion of Staff Development Waiver:

Motion by Chavez seconded by Rizo to approve the intent for Elizabeth Corona as presented.

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

Motion Carried

F. Intent to Employ Gustavo Enriquez Fernandez for Dual Enrollment/CTE Teacher Grades 9-12 on a Certificate of Completion of Staff Development Waiver:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Padilla to approve the intent for Gustavo Enriquez Fernandez as presented.

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

Motion Carried

G. Adoption of Revised Board Policy 5030, Student Wellness:

Motion by Barrera-Lopez seconded by Padilla to approve the adoption as presented.

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

Motion Carried

H. Request to Approve Number Worlds Math Intervention Program Proposal:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Padilla to approve the request as presented.

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

Motion Carried

I. Adoption of Revised Board Policy 6146.1, High School Graduation Requirements:

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

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

Motion Carried

J. Request to Approve the 2022-23 Agreement for Legal Services between Dannis Woliver Kelley (DWK) Attorneys at Law and RSUSD:

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

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

Motion Carried

K. Request to Approve the Annual Contract Extension of the 2018 Facility Supply Services Contract:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Chavez to approve the annual contract extension as presented.

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

Motion Carried

L. First Reading of the New/Revised June 2022 Board Policies and Administrative Regulations:
Motion by Barrera-Lopez seconded by Padilla to approve the first reading as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Barrera-Lopez – Yes, Chavez – Yes, Rizo – Yes, Cazares – Yes
Motion Carried

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. Continuance of Board/Student Listening Tours - Ms. Padilla reported that she was pleased with the momentum of the Listening Tours and asked the Board if they would like to continue with them but add new components of students and staff. The board agreed to continue with the tours.
- B. Future Agenda Items - Discuss visiting other CTE buildings, active shooter update.
- C. Superintendent's Closing Remarks - Mr. Sánchez thanked everyone, especially those who were recognized for their years of service.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Secretary to the Board

Date