**MINUTES**

**Kings River Union School District**

**Special Board Meeting**

**January 19, 2021**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Dan Waldner, at 6:00 p.m. The members of the Board present were: Mrs. Avila, Dr. Fernandez, Mr. Jost, and Mrs. Marquez. The meeting was made available to the public via ZOOM and approximately 26 individuals joined on this platform; including, Mrs. Martin, Superintendent and Mrs. Wilkins, Vice Principal to represent the District.

**Approval of Agenda**

Dr. Fernandez made a motion to approve the Special Board Agenda for January 19, 2021. Mr. Jost seconded the motion; the motion passed, 5-0.

Ayes: Avila, Fernandez, Jost, Marquez, Waldner

Noes:

**Public Comments**

No comments were presented during public comments.

**Administrative**

*COVID-19 Information: Newly Released CDPH Guidance & Impact on KRUE*

Mrs. Martin reviewed the current approved school waiver that allowed Kings River Union to provide in-person learning for TK-5 students. She presented information on the California Department of Public Health COVID-19 and Re-Opening In-Person Instruction Framework & Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools in California, 2020-2021 School Year document released on January 14, 2021 that has the latest guidelines that the district will need to follow. An updated Covid School Plan will be presented to the Board on February 1, 2021 to meet all the updated guidance.

*Approval of the Revised 8th Grade Promotion Requirements to Promote Success and Equity for All Students during the COVID Pandemic*

Mrs. Martin reviewed the current 8th grade promotion requirements and the suggested changes, specifically to the GPA and attendance that would assist more eighth grade students in qualifying for participation in the promotion ceremony. Mrs. Martin also shared some historical data GPA and attendance data for this group of students. Several staff members and parents shared comments about this special group of young people and encouraging the board to be compassionate to the unique circumstances in which they are trying to learn. A motion to approve the revised 8th grade promotion requirements was made by Dr. Fernandez and was seconded by Mrs. Marquez. The motion carried, 5-0.

Ayes: Avila, Fernandez, Jost, Marquez, Waldner

Noes:

**Closed Session**

The Board entered closed session at 6:50 p.m. The Board returned to open session at 7:03 p.m. When the Board reconvened to open session, no action was taken.

**Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m. was made by Dr. Fernandez. Mrs. Marquez seconded the motion. The motion carried, 5-0.

Ayes: Avila, Fernandez, Jost, Marquez, Waldner

Noes:

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Secretary/Clerk of the Board Date

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