

REEF-SUNSET UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 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

Lupe Chavez

Claudia Cazares (*attended virtually*)

Lilia Rizo (*attended virtually*)

Jesus Lopez, Student Board Member (*absent*)

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS/ACTIONS: Pursuant to review of claim #141100074 settlement authority is granted in the amount of \$58,145 with a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR JANUARY 20, 2022:

Motion by Barrera-Lopez 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. Sánchez recognized the Board for their service to RSUSD with a booklet of handmade notes by administration and flower arrangements provided by the AHS floral class.

PUBLIC COMMENT: An RSUSD employee expressed concerns regarding COVID leave time. She also commended Ms. Maldonado and Mr. Leal for their positive work ethic. An RSMS teacher congratulated and thanked the Board for their service. She expressed gratitude with the work Ms. Maldonado and Mr. Leal have done at RSMS. Finally, she suggested the fiscal department hold a virtual meeting to inform certificated staff how retro pay was calculated.

PRESENTATIONS:

A. Mrs. Soto, Family Engagement Program Activities - Showed a PowerPoint presentation on programs and classes provided by the Family Engagement Center and Adult School. They provided family night baskets for the district's McKinney Vento students. Ms. Soto also worked closely with the City of Avenal in the organization of COVID vaccine clinics for the community. She reported on her collaboration with Avenal State Prison staff who provided Angel Tree Toy donations to our students. Mrs. Soto shared that the center opened up the Community Closet program to help provide clothes to needy families. Lastly, she stated that the Adult Ed program partnered with Fresno State Parent University to offer classes to parents. At this point, AHS Student representative, Ruby Rivera gave a presentation on current and upcoming activities.

B. WKCTA/CSEA Representatives - None

STAFF/BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Board Members - Mrs. Rizo recognized staff for working with our students. Ms. Cazares welcomed everyone back. She recognized staff for working during these COVID difficult times.

- Mr. Chavez reported that he had been busy at the City helping the community and providing COVID vaccine clinics. Mr. Chavez reported that he visited some of the school sites to check on infrastructures. He thanked the AHS floral students for the beautiful flower arrangements and the administrators for their notes. Ms. Padilla expressed her gratitude for all staff that work with students. Feels our teachers are super heroes. She asked everyone to stay safe and healthy.
- B. Business, Mr. Luna - Reported that the Maintenance department worked hard to keep up with the needs of the transportation office as far as personnel coverage during the pandemic. Maintenance department was busy with electrical and plumbing issues at various sites. Mr. Luna reported that he met with a vendor to address roofing for the old high school gym. The district would like to replace the old roof. They will be testing for asbestos. They are working on formulating plans to see what facilities/projects should be addressed first. Mr. Luna reported that the Food Services department was experiencing staff shortages due to COVID issues. The shortage of food supplies with vendors had been impacting school menus. Mr. Luna reported that they have submitted an application for additional funds to help purchase new equipment for the school cafeterias. Mr. Luna reported that he attended the Governor's Budget workshop and heard good news for school districts. Schools will receive additional funding for CTE programs and COLA. He reported that the State was looking to alleviate funding and explore other methods of school funding other than by attendance. By May 2022, district's will have a better picture of how things will look for next school year.
- C. Superintendent, Mr. Sánchez – Reported that the boys varsity baseball field was looking good and invited the public to stop by. He recognized Mrs. Castro and Ms. Maldonado for helping the 2019-20 RSMS 8th grade class obtain approximately \$17,000 in ASB funds they raised but were unable to use due to COVID. The funds will follow that class which is now at AHS. Mr. Sánchez also recognized Volar Advisors for their \$2,000 donation for our students. He reported that he had been working with the Business department on obtaining funding for the turf field at RSMS, AHS and the possibility of securing a building for the KCES pool. Mr. Sánchez reported that he was working with union leadership on COVID leave concerns. He encouraged everyone to work with their union in regards to this. The District is asking staff to cooperate in getting COVID testing information in order to receive appropriate pay. Mr. Sánchez also reported that the district was interested in developing an Athletic/Activities Director position. Finally, Mrs. Carlson reported she was happy to be given the opportunity to be the new Executive Learning Director for RSUSD.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. Minutes of December 8 & 16, 2021
- B. Warrants
- C. Personnel Report
- D. Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints
- E. Approval of the 2020-21 School Accountability Report card (SARC) for the Six School Sites within Reef-Sunset Unified School District
- F. Request to Approve School Plans for Student Achievement (SPSA) and Budgets which Reflect the 2021-22 Preliminary Entitlements for 2021-22

Motion by Chavez seconded by Cazares to approve the Consent Calendar as amended. *Revised Consent Calendar Item A - Minutes on agenda to read December 8 & 16, 2021.*

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

ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Approval of Trustee Area Boundary Map in Accordance with Education Code 5019.5 and the 2020 Census:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Barrera-Lopez to approve Trustee Area Boundary Map B as presented.

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

B. Resolution 2022: 01, 2021-22 Budget Revisions - 1st Interim:

Motion by Chavez seconded by Rizo to approve Resolution 2022: 01 as presented.

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

Motion Carried

C. Resolution 2022: 02, Investment Policy for Kings County Director of Finance:

Motion by Barrera-Lopez seconded by Padilla to approve Resolution 2022: 02 as presented.

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

Motion Carried

D. Resolution 2022: 03, Implementing Prequalification of Construction Contractors:

Motion by Rizo seconded by Chavez to approve Resolution 2022: 03 as presented.

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

Motion Carried

E. Request to Approve the Agreement with Colbi Technologies, Inc.:

Motion by Barrera-Lopez seconded by Chavez to approve the agreement as presented.

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

Motion Carried

F. Approval of Classification and Compensation Study from CPS HR Consulting:

Motion by Barrera-Lopez seconded by Rizo to approve the study from CPS HR Consulting as presented.

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

Motion Carried

G. Approval of Job Description for Business Services Technician:

Motion by Chavez seconded by Rizo to approve the job description as presented.

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

Motion Carried

H. Request to Approve the MOU's with KCOE for English Language Arts Unit Development and English Language Development Training for Sunrise High School for 2021-2023:

Motion by Chavez seconded by Rizo to approve the MOU's with KCOE as presented.

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

Motion Carried

I. Request to Approve the Purchase of AERIES Communications:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Barrera-Lopez to approve the purchase of AERIES communications as presented.

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

Motion Carried

J. Request to Approve the Updated/Refined District Logo:

Motion by Chavez seconded by Cazares to approve the updated/refined district logo # 1 as presented.

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

Motion Carried

K. First Reading of the New/Revised December 2021 Board Policies and Administrative Regulations:

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

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

Motion Carried

INFORMATION / REPORTS:

- A. EideBailly Audit Governance Planning Letter
- B. Enrollment Report

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. Districtwide Athletic Director- Mr. Sánchez reported that the district was crafting an Athletic/Activities Director position. The plan is to bring this new person in at the end of this school year or beginning of the next.
- B. City/District Shared Space & Option B - Mr. Sanchez reported on the previous Plan B where the Board discussed the district office could possibly be located on the AHS parking lot. He shared a summary provided by Mangini architects explaining the new district office space/ City civic center and timelines.
- C. Future Agenda Items - Schedule listening tours with no more than two board members at a time. Explore the idea of e-sports.
- D. Superintendent's Closing Remarks - Mr. Sánchez thanked RSUSD employees for their hard work during this busy COVID season. He mentioned that our district was doing better than others in terms of vaccination rates. He encouraged everyone to get vaccinated and boosted. Finally, he expressed he was pleased with the working partnerships with CTA and CSEA Presidents Silva and Vieira.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Secretary to the Board

Date