

**Bishop Unified School District  
Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting  
Regular Meeting • May 19, 2022 • 6:30 pm**

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Bishop Unified School District Office – 656 W. Pine Street, Bishop, CA 93514*

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER – 6:30 pm**

**2.0 FLAG SALUTE –** Led by Hai Wee Fredericks

**3.0 ADOPT the May 19, 2022 AGENDA –**

**4.0 ACTION:** A motion to approve was made by Virginia Figueroa, seconded by Steve Elia. None opposed, no abstention, and the motion carried by 5-0

**4.0 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.*

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- 4.1 We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to the teachers at Bishop Unified School District. A teacher's work is always challenging, but the difficulty of teaching during a two-year pandemic is almost incomprehensible. With a great deal of personal sacrifice, our teaching staff rose to the challenge and put their students' educational and emotional needs first. We see how much they have given and are grateful for their efforts.
- 4.2 Thank you to Karen Schwartz of Sage to Summit and Brian Cox of Lightspeed Outdoors for providing free sleeping bags to all 5th & 6th grade students in Inyo and Mono County, promoting accessibility and a love for the outdoors.
- 4.3 Thank you to Lara Andersen for 24 years of dedication, guidance and support to BUHS students. Ms. Andersen has supported the college and career readiness goals for a generation of Bishop graduates.
- 4.4 Thank you for your Years of Service:  
RETIREES  
Debra Conley  
Midge Milici  
Dr. Stephen Park  
Michele Torimaru

The BUSD Board of Trustees, and Superintendent, Katie Kolker Recognized Nicholas Poole, and Cody Guse' for their heroic efforts in helping save swimmers on Klondike Lake.

Board President, Kathy Zack mentioned Memorial Day recognized all those in the armed services who served our nation.

- 5.0 PUBLIC COMMENT - 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 -*

### **6.0 BOARD MEMBERS**

*This item is included to allow all Board members to report about various matters involving the District and/or to request any items for future agendas. There will be no Board discussion except to ask questions, and no action will be taken unless listed as a subsequent agenda item.*

- 6.1 Next Regular Board Meeting - Monday, June 13, 2022, at 6:30 pm, In-Person will be held in the Carl Lind Board Room and via Zoom Webinar/Teleconference
- 6.2 Next Special Board Meeting – Thursday, June 16, 2022, at 6:30 pm, In-Person will be held in the Carl Lind Board Room and via Zoom Webinar/Teleconference

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### **7.0 REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- 7.1 **ASB President Report – Abbey Gabriel** – Abbey shared the ASB's final activities are underway, there will be a senior send-off rally on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. ASB also held the second game of Senior Tag (by popular demand). ASB thanked the Board and Administration for allowing ASB to speak at the meetings and allowing them to have both a safe and fun year.
- 7.2 **BUHS Student Senate Report – Hai-Wee Fredericks** - Hai Wee shared that bathroom stalls are being fixed, and then they will be painted. They would like to create a memorial garden and Class of 2022 will donate a bench for the garden. The Student Senate thanked the Board for the opportunity to report during the Board Meetings.
- 7.3 **Administration Reports – (enclosures)**
- 7.3.1 **Dr. Gretchen Skrotzki/Garrett Carr, Bishop Elementary School** – Dr. Skrotzki shared they are wrapping up CAASPP testing for grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>. Inyo council arts will be hosting an Art Day for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades. Dr. Skrotzki also shared that the BES Native American Liaisons, Josie Rogers and Kellie Coleman did a great job organizing the Cultural/Heritage Day.
- 7.3.2 **Derek Moisant/Dr. Anthony Hughes, Home Street Middle School** – Dr. Tony Hughes shared that HSMS had a tie-dye shirt day today (students really enjoyed it), and they also just finished up their CAASPP testing. Shout out to Student, William Stow, he started a club to clean up the campus.
- 7.3.3 **Dave Kalk/Casey O'Neill, Bishop Union High School** – Mr. Kalk shared they are wrapping up CAASPP testing. Tomorrow is the Senior picnic, celebrating our seniors in many ways for powering through the past two years.
- 7.3.4 **Patrick Twomey, Alternative Education, (Palisade Glacier High School, Keith Bright, and Bishop Independent Study** – Mr. Towmey shared they will be holding their Graduation Ceremony on June 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am. He's very proud of the students and staff. The whole school will be taking a field trip to the Bristlecones.
- 7.3.5 **Elisabeth Gianopoulos, MTSS Coordinator – End of Year iReady Results, and MTSS Update** – Mrs. Gianopoulos's MTSS update included iReady EOY diagnostic has been completed at HSMS and BUHS, while BES is underway and she will provide results at the June Board Meeting. She shared the MTSS Committee will expand next year to include representation from the Dual Immersion and EL Programs.
- 7.4 **Katie Kolker, BUSD Superintendent**
- 7.4.1 **Staff Appreciation** – Superintendent Kokler shared all the great things happening at BUSD, the 5<sup>th</sup> grade held American Revolution Musical, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade had a Wax Museum, HSMS's Fishing Club, BUHS's Lady Bronco's Softball for the Win, BUHS Class of 2022, and BUSD PLC/Department Leaders!
- 7.4.2 **TK Expansion** – BUSD will be introducing three TK Classrooms, and project 15 students in each class to start. We are in the bidding process for new playground equipment. Four more classrooms have been approved by the state, but it will take a few years to get them.
- 7.4.3 **Summer School** – Summer School 2022 is scheduled for K-12<sup>th</sup> grades, K-5<sup>th</sup> will be starting June 13<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grades will start on June 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 7.4.4 **Ram Club! After School Program beginning August 2022** – The herd will be coming to BES, and there will be 6 classes total (TK/K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>). Pre-registration begins June 2022 for qualifying families (waitlist families will be contacted first come first serve basis).

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### 8.0 CONSENT AGENDA

*Items included on the consent agenda may be approved by a single vote of the Board; any items which warrant further discussion may be separated for discussion and/or approval.*

8.1 Approval, Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, April 21, 2022 (enclosure)

8.2 Approval, Resolution 21-22-07, Authorizing Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions (AB 361) (enclosure)

8.3 Approval, 2021/2022 Inter-District Transfers  
(Confidential Documents in District Office)

Student AFJ, 4th Grade / ESUSD to BUSD	new
Student AFK, 4th Grade / ESUSD to BUSD	new
Student AFL, Kindergarten / ESUSD to BUSD	new
Student AFM, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade / ESUSD to BUSD	new

Approval, 2022/2023 Inter-District Transfers  
(Confidential Documents in District Office)

Student AFN, 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade / BPUUSD to BUSD	new
Student AFO, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade / BUSD to RVESD	new
Student AFP, 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade / BPUUSD to BUSD	renewal
Student AFQ, Kindergarten / BUSD to RVESD	new
Student AFR, Kindergarten / BUSD to RVESD	new
Student AFS, 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade / ESUSD to BUSD	renewal
Student AFT, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade / BPUUSD to BUSD	new
Student AFU, 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade / BPUUSD to BUSD	new
Student AFV, 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade / BPUUSD to BUSD	new
Student AFW, 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade / ESUSD to BUSD	renewal
Student AFX, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade / BUSD to RVESD	new

8.4 Approval and Ratification, Routine Personnel Matters

#### Hires/Transfers/Others of Employment 2022-2022

Kellie McElroy / Certificated / BES / TK-5 School Psychologist / New Position  
Christina Nesbit / Certificated / BUHS / School Counselor-Social Worker / Replacing L. Andersen  
Wendy Rush / Certificated / BUHS / English Teacher / Replacing S. Winzenread  
Rachel Jensen / Certificated / BUHS / Science Teacher / Replacing S. Park  
Kelsea Althelm / Certificated / BES / 5<sup>th</sup> Grade (2-year Temp) Teacher / Replacing R. Rosen  
Kylee Birkhimer / Certificated / Transfer / 4<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Speech Language Pathologist to HSMS ELA/Drill  
Team-Color Guard Teacher / Replacing Owens and Van Nest  
Lee Cox / Classified / Transfer / BUHS Custodian to BES Aide III / New Position

#### RESIGNATION/CLOSE FILE/PROMOTION 2021-2022

Debra Conley / Classified / BES Aide / Retiring June 2022  
Midgie Milici / Classified Management / CBO / Retiring July 2022  
Stephen Park / Certificated / BUHS Science Teacher / Retiring June 2022  
Michele Torimaru / Certificated / BES Math Intervention Teacher / Retiring 2022  
Angela Owens / Certificated / HSMS Teacher / Resigning June 2022  
Lara Andersen / Certificated / BUHS Guidance Counselor / Resigning June 2022  
Garrett Carr / Certificated / BES Assistant Principal / Resigning June 2022

8.5 Approval, First Year Probationary Contract, Alyssa Riggins, 100% FTE, BES First Grade Teacher for the 2022-2023 school year

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- 8.6 Approval, First Year Probationary Contract, Christina Nesbit, 100% FTE, BUHS Counselor/Social Worker for the 2022-2023 school year
- 8.7 Approval, First Year Probationary Contract, Kellie McElroy, 100% FTE, BES TK-5 School Psychologist for the 2022-2023 school year
- 8.8 Approval, First Year Probationary Contract, Kylee Birkhimer, 100% FTE, HSMS ELA, Drill Team & Color Guard Teacher for the 2022-2023 school year
- 8.9 Approval, Bishop Elementary Assistant Principal Job Description (enclosure)
- 8.10 Approval, Administrative Certificated Contracts for 2022-2023
  - 8.10.1 Dr. Gretchen Skrotzki / Principal / Bishop Elementary School
  - 8.10.2 Derek Moisant / Principal / Home Street Middle School
  - 8.10.3 Dr. Anthony Hughes / Assistant Principal / Home Street Middle School
  - 8.10.4 David Kalk / Principal / Bishop Union High School
  - 8.10.5 Casey O'Neill / Assistant Principal / Bishop Union High School
  - 8.10.6 Patrick Twomey / Principal / Alternative Education (Palisade Glacier High School, Keith Bright School, and Bishop Independent Study)
- 8.11 Approval, Dates for Summer School Session
  - BES: June 13 – July 6, 2022 (16 days)
  - HSMS and BUHS: June 15 – July 8, 2022 (16 days)
- 8.12 Approval, Dates for Extended Year School: (for students with disabilities) K-12, June 15-29 (10 days), and August 1-12 (10 days)

**ACTION:** A motion to approve was made by Dr. Claudia Moya-Tanner, seconded by Virginia Figueroa. None opposed, no abstention, and the motion carried by 5-0

### 9.0 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL ITEMS:

- 9.1 Discussion/Approval, 2022-2023 School Calendar Amendment (enclosure) – The district is proposing two additional minimum days for TK-12. All instructional minutes are still being met, and Mondays will be PLC/early release days.

**ACTION:** A motion to approve was made by Steve Elia, seconded by Dr. Taylor Ludwick. None opposed, no abstention, and the motion carried by 5-0

### 10.0 CLOSED SESSION

- 10.1 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: Katie Kolker, Superintendent.

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- 10.2 Approval, BUHS Senior Beaded Caps (enclosures)
- 10.3 Liability Claims (confidential enclosures)
  - 10.3.01 Claimant: Morley – Agency Claimed Against BUSD, #21-22-24
  - 10.3.02 Claimant: Morley – Agency Claimed Against BUSD, #21-22-25
  - 10.3.03 Claimant: Morley – Agency Claimed Against BUSD, #21-22-26
  - 10.3.04 Claimant: Veenker – Agency Claimed Against BUSD, #21-22-27
- 10.4 Suspended Stipulated Expulsion Agreement for Student “21-22-D” (enclosure)
- 10.5 Discuss Progress Towards Superintendent Goals

**11.0 RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

**11.1 Report out of Closed Session**

**ACTION:** A motion to approve item 10.2 was made by Dr. Claudia Moya-Tanner, seconded by Kathy Zack. None opposed, no abstention, and the motion carried by 5-0

**ACTION:** A motion to reject item 10.3 was made by Kathy Zack, seconded by Steve Elia. None opposed, no abstention, and the motion carried by 5-0

**ACTION:** A motion to approve item 10.4 was made by Dr. Claudia Moya-Tanner, seconded by Virginia Figueroa. None opposed, no abstention, and the motion carried by 5-0

**12.0 ADJOURNMENT – 9:00 pm**

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Kathy Zack, President

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Date

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Steve Elia, Clerk

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Date

Respectfully Submitted by:  
Marnie Casteel  
BUSD Administrative Assistant

# **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 2021-2022**

- 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, assessment and California School Dashboard 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.