

**Minutes of the  
SALIDA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
October 20, 2020  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**I. INITIAL MATTERS**

**A. Call to Order**

Dennis Thompson, President of the Board of Trustees, called the Meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. In attendance were Trustees: Linda Brughelli, Nanci E. Fox, Virginia Berry, Gary Dew and Superintendent, Twila Tosh.

**B. Closed Session**

At 5:01 p.m., the Board adjourned to Closed Session to discuss:

1. Conference with Labor Negotiators, Twila Tosh, Shawn Posey, and Jaime Towe, Regarding Negotiations with Salida Teachers' Association.
2. Conference with Labor Negotiators, Twila Tosh, Shawn Posey, and Jaime Towe, Regarding Negotiations with California School Employees Association, Chapter 786.
3. Conference with Labor Negotiators, Twila Tosh, Shawn Posey, and Jaime Towe, Regarding Negotiations with School Employees International Union, Local 521.

The Board reconvened at 6:03 p.m.

**C. Pledge of Allegiance**

**D. Period for Public Presentation and Correspondence**

In response to the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20 the SUSD Board Meetings are closed to the public until further notice. The physical meeting location was limited to Board of Trustees and selected senior administration to ensure recommended guidelines for social distancing were practiced. Members of the public were encouraged to listen to the meeting via phone conference and submit public comments via email or phone message.

1. The conference call was open to the public. No members of the public came forth or submitted comments prior to the meeting.

**E. Approval of Agenda and Order of Agenda**

The agenda and order of agenda were unanimously approved, on a motion by Virginia Berry, seconded by Nanci E. Fox.

**Roll Call:**

Virginia Berry – Aye  
Nanci E. Fox – Aye

Dennis Thompson – Aye  
Linda Brughelli – Aye

Gary Dew – Aye

Ayes     5                Noes        0                Abstain    0                Absent     0

**F. Approval of Consent Agenda**

On a motion by Linda Brughelli, seconded by Gary Dew, the following Consent Agenda items were unanimously approved/accepted.

**Roll Call:**

Virginia Berry – Aye  
Nanci E. Fox – Aye

Dennis Thompson – Aye  
Linda Brughelli – Aye

Gary Dew – Aye

Ayes     5                Noes        0                Abstain    0                Absent     0

1. Approve Minutes of September 8, 2020 Special Board Meeting
2. Approve Minutes of September 15, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
3. Consider Ratification of the Attached List of Employment, Job Changes, Leave Requests, Resignations and Terminations.
4. Ratify Contract for Deposit of Public Funds with Bank of the West for Salida Union School District and Sisk School Student Council Fund.
5. Ratify Agreement for Consultant Services between Salida Union School District and Sierra Vista Child & Family Services.

6. Consider Approval of Agreement for Special Contract Services with Stanislaus County Office of Education for Professional Training in Mathematics.
7. Consider Approval of Agreement for Special Contract Services with Stanislaus County Office of Education for Administrative Leadership Capacity and Guided Reading Support.
8. Consider Approval of Agreement with the Stanislaus County Office of Education to Permit Sixth Grade Students to Attend Foothill Horizons Outdoor Education Program – Virtual Sessions-Live.
9. Consider Approval of Agreement for Special Contract Services with Stanislaus County Office of Education for Implementation of Discovery Education Science Curriculum.
10. Consider Approval of Agreement for Consulting Services between Central California Art Association (CCAA) and Salida Union School District.
11. Consider Approval of Notice of Completion of Dena Boer HS/K Playground Concrete Replacement– Project #2021-04.
12. Consider Approval of Agreement for Footsteps2Brilliance Learning Platforms between Salida Union School District and Footsteps2Brilliance.
13. Ratify Agreement for Delegation of Activities between Salida Union School District and Stanislaus County Office of Education for Regional Head Start and Early Head Start Programs.
14. Consider Approval of the Head Start and Early Head Start Claims for the Month of July for the program year 2019-2020.
15. Consider Approval of the Early Head Start and Regional Head Start Monthly Program Summary for the month of July 2020.
16. Ratification of August 2020 Cal-Card Statement.
17. Ratification of August 2020 Cal-Card Purchase Logs.
18. Approval of Transfers Between Auditor Funds for the Month of October 2020.
19. Ratification of Warrants Drawn September 02, 2020 to October 09, 2020.

## II. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION AGENDA

- A. Quarterly Report on Williams Complaints, Subject Area of Complaints, and Resolution of Complaints
  1. There have been no complaints at this time.
- B. School Waiver Application Process for School Re-Opening
  1. The Salida Union School District Waiver was submitted to the County and approved on October 16, 2020. This Waiver allows for Kindergarten through 5th grade students to return to campus for in-person learning in phases. School Administrators contacted parents for their choice of distance or in-person learning and this information was used to create class rosters for grade levels returning and those choosing to stay on distance learning.  
  
Currently, our plan is to bring 1st and 2nd grade students back on October 26th. 3rd Grade would return on November 9th, followed by 4th Grade on November 30th. Kindergarten and 5th Grade would return after Winter Break. As long as the County remains in the red, our goal is to bring 4th Grade back as early as November 9th and Kindergarten and 5th Grade on November 30th. Superintendent asked the Board Members if they had interest in reopening Salida Middle School before Winter Break. After much discussion, the Board chose to bring back all grade levels prior to Winter Break. All Board Members were very complimentary of the teachers and staff and appreciate all of the hard work and dedication the staff has put in to educating our students during this time.
- C. Superintendent's Report
  1. Superintendent asked the Board for direction on having board meetings remain closed to the public or return to in-person board meetings. It was decided to remain closed to the public for safety reasons until further notice.
- D. Report of Meetings Attended by Board of Education Members
  1. Gary Dew reported how much he appreciates the Nutrition Department and the work they do in meeting the food needs of the students and community. He is very impressed with how well organized the department is and complimented staff on doing such a great job. He also complimented the Staff for how they are distributing curriculum to parents/students in a safe and effective manner. He stated that he has noticed that teachers have been early to work and leaving late. He appreciates the awesome job everyone has been doing.
- E. Items to be Placed on Future Board of Education Agenda.
  1. Linda Brughelli stated that in a post pandemic world of education, she would like a discussion about getting back to our roots, the purpose of elementary education, and what best gets us back to these goals. For many children,

school is a safe place and it is important that we be mindful of decisions we make along the way and that they are in concert with the purpose and goal.

Nanci E. Fox agreed stating we should also look at the Charter School as an online distance learning option. This would give families a choice in the future when all students do return for in-person learning.

Gary Dew stated that while it is important to be in the classroom, there are parents who will want that a distance learning model and we need to be prepared to provide it to them.

**III. PUBLIC HEARING/ACTION**

- A. Report of Action taken in Closed Session.
  - a. Nothing to report for closed session.
- B. Public Hearing of State Preschool and Head Start Distance Learning Expectations and Reopening Plan for 2020-2021.  
*Dennis Thompson opened the Public Hearing at 6:41 p.m. and invited the public to comment on State Preschool and Head Start Distance Learning Expectations and Reopening Plan for 2020-2021.*  
*Prior to closing the Public Hearing, there were technical difficulties with the public phone line. The conference call had to be restarted. There was no action or discussion during the time the phone line was down. The conference call was reinstated at 6:42 p.m..*  
*With no input from the public via telephone or email, Dennis Thompson closed the Public Hearing at 6:43 p.m.*

- C. Approval of State Preschool and Head Start Distance Learning Expectations and Reopening Plan for 2020-2021.  
On a motion by Gary Dew and seconded by Virginia Berry, the Board unanimously approved the State Preschool and Head Start Distance Learning Expectations and Reopening Plan for 2020-2021.

**Roll Call:**

Virginia Berry – Aye		Dennis Thompson – Aye		Gary Dew – Aye			
Nanci E. Fox – Aye		Linda Brughelli – Aye					
Ayes	<u>5</u>	Noes	<u>0</u>	Abstain	<u>0</u>	Absent	<u>0</u>

- D. Approval of Verification of Closure of Early Learning and Childcare Programs on a Local Education Agency Campus and Notification of Closure Due to a Public Health Order.  
On a motion by Nanci E. Fox and seconded by Linda Brughelli, the Board unanimously approved the Verification of Closure of Early Learning and Childcare Programs on a Local Education Agency Campus and Notification of Closure Due to a Public Health Order.

**Roll Call:**

Virginia Berry – Aye		Dennis Thompson – Aye		Gary Dew – Aye			
Nanci E. Fox – Aye		Linda Brughelli – Aye					
Ayes	<u>5</u>	Noes	<u>0</u>	Abstain	<u>0</u>	Absent	<u>0</u>

- E. Consider Approval of Resolution 2021-06, Agreement with the Community Care Licensing for the Purpose of Applying for a License for the Early Head Start Program at Modesto Junior College for sixteen children (16) to provide child care and development services.  
On a motion by Gary Dew and seconded by Virginia Berry, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 2021-06, Agreement with the Community Care Licensing for the Purpose of Applying for a License for the Early Head Start Program at Modesto Junior College for sixteen children (16) to provide child care and development services.

**Roll Call:**

Virginia Berry – Aye		Dennis Thompson – Aye		Gary Dew – Aye			
Nanci E. Fox – Aye		Linda Brughelli – Aye					
Ayes	<u>5</u>	Noes	<u>0</u>	Abstain	<u>0</u>	Absent	<u>0</u>

- F. Consider Approval of Resolution 2021-07, Award of Contract for Immediate Procurement of Goods and Services to Foster Safer Learning and Teaching Environment During Covid-19 Pandemic; Futility of Bidding.  
On a motion by Virginia Berry and seconded by Nanci E. Fox, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 2021-07, Award of Contract for Immediate Procurement of Goods and Services to Foster Safer Learning and Teaching Environment During Covid-19 Pandemic; Futility of Bidding.

**Roll Call:**

Virginia Berry – Aye  
 Nanci E. Fox – Aye  
 Ayes 5 Noes 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0

Dennis Thompson – Aye  
 Linda Brughelli – Aye

Gary Dew – Aye

- G. Consider Approval of Resolution 2021-08 Temporary Amendment to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation Related to Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement During the 2020-2021 School Year.

On a motion by Linda Brughelli and seconded by Gary Dew, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 2021-08 Temporary Amendment to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation Related to Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement During the 2020-2021 School Year.

**Roll Call:**

Virginia Berry – Aye  
 Nanci E. Fox – Aye  
 Ayes 5 Noes 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0

Dennis Thompson – Aye  
 Linda Brughelli – Aye

Gary Dew – Aye

**IV. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned 6:51 p.m.

Attested by:

Twila Tosh  
 Superintendent  
 Secretary to the Board

**RATIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT AND EMPLOYMENT CHANGES**

**October 2020**

Name	Site	Status	Job Title	Effective Date
Petr Kier	SK/MP	Hire	Computer Technician I	9/21/2020
Domarina Beitsayad	SES- CDP	Hire	Head Start Associate Teacher	9/28/2020
Janice Moore	DO	Hire	Account Technician II (Confidential)	10/12/2020
Cordelia Yates, Ed D	SMS	Position/Site Change	Asst. Principal to Learning Director @ Sisk	10/5/2020
# 36018	31	Probationary Release	AD011	10/7/2020

*DB = Dena Boer, SES = Salida Elementary, SK = Sisk Elementary, MP = Mildred Perkins, SMS = Salida Middle, IC=Independence Charter, MFC = Marilyn Frakes, MOT = Maintenance Operations Transportation, DO = District Office, DW=District Wide, CK = Central Kitchen, FS = Food Service, CDP = Child Development Program*