



# BUCKEYE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

## MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES BUCKEYE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### DISTRICT VISION STATEMENT

Working together with families, the community, and a highly qualified staff, the Buckeye Union School District ensures that each student masters the knowledge and skills needed to maximize his/her academic and personal success in a global society.

**Wednesday, June 24, 2020**

**Closed Session: 6:00 p.m.**

**Open Session – 7:00 p.m.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Brenda Hanson-Smith, Ph.D. convened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

**II. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**III. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

1. Superintendent Evaluation

**IV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AND FLAG SALUTE**

Brenda Hanson-Smith, Ph.D. reconvened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and led the Flag Salute.

**V. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**VI. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Brenda Hanson-Smith, Ph.D.

Gloria Silva

Kirk Seal

Jon Yoffie

**Not Present:** Winston Pingrey

**V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Jon Yoffie motioned to approve the agenda. Kirk Seal seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The following parents asked questions regarding distance learning: Jennifer Abbott and Alex Roddenbery. Melissa Keyzer, President, Buckeye Union Education Foundation wanted to thank the community for their support on their last campaign and looks forward to continuing to work with our community to continue to support our students..

**VII. REPORTS**

1. Reports and Requests by Board Members  
None
2. Superintendent's Report: David Roth, Ph.D.  
Superintendent David Roth reported that this is the time of year when things start to slow down, but that is not true this year. This has been an extremely busy year for staff and it is important that the community stays engaged now more than ever as we work through this situation. Superintendent Roth thanked all teachers, classified staff and his administrative team for their continued commitment. during these difficult times. He also thanked the many who sent letters into the Legislature and Governor's office regarding the distribution of dollars under the proposed budget.

**VIII. CONSENT AGENDA**

All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be enacted by the Board in one motion. There will be no discussion on these items prior to the time the Board votes on the motion unless members of the Board, staff, or public request specific items to be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Agenda. If items are pulled for discussion, a separate vote will occur on the item(s). The Superintendent and staff recommend approval of all Consent Agenda items.

1. Summary Report of Warrants
2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting/Public Hearings June 10, 2020
3. Personnel Update
4. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with Growing Healthy Children
5. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with Mary Gwaitney
6. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with It takes a Village
7. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with New Horizons Child & Family Services
8. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with School Steps

9. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract Sierra Child & Family Services
10. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with Vista Child Therapy
11. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with Placer Learning Center
12. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with Summit View
13. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with Capitol Academy
14. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with Northern California Prep
15. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with Point Quest
16. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with CCHAT
17. Approve 2020/2021 Master Contract with American River Speech
18. Approve 2020/2021 Contract with Big West Distribution
19. Approve 2020/2021 Contract with Francis Distributing
20. Approve 2020/2021 Contract with Mission Linen Supply
21. Approve 2020/2021 Contract with Gold Star Foods
22. Approve 2020/2021 Contract with Schoolworks

Gloria Silva motion to approve the consent agenda as presented and Kirk Seal seconded on the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

## **IX. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

### **1. Buckeye Union School District School Reopening Plan**

Superintendent David Roth provided the community with BUSD's School Reopening Plan. He shared an overview of the plan, which is also posted on the District website.

Superintendent David Roth addressed some of the specific questions or concerns submitted by parents and staff as follows:

1. Presuming there is no contrary guidance from the EDC Public Health we will reopen to all students five days per week, beginning August 12th. If things change and public health says that we need to reconsider our plan we will do so. We are all in a fluid environment.
2. We will strongly encourage all employees to wear PPE, increase sanitizing, face coverings on the bus, and restrict gatherings and public access on sites.
3. How did we arrive at this decision? The plans were discussed with employee groups, parents, leadership, and the Board. In addition, we had many discussions with the County Public Health Officer, and surveys with employees and the community. Moreover, we also reviewed key government agency documents, and have been monitoring the Covid-19 rates in our county.
4. Why won't the District require face coverings? We are awaiting a clear legal mandate. Wearing a face covering is strongly advised for most students/employees. The more we use preventative measures, the less likely we are to return to Distance Learning.
5. Why not implement a physical distance model? Physical Distancing would not be possible adhering to a strict 6 ft. standard.
6. What happens if the virus occurs on campus? We call Public Health. They assess and provide guidance for next steps.

7. What is the back up plan? If the virus escalates and public health concurs we will move to another model of education.

Public Comment: The following parents, community members and staff shared their thoughts on the school reopening recommendations:

1. David Keyzer
2. Alex Roddenbery
3. Gary Hamilton
4. Liz Michington
5. Audrey Tate
6. Amanda Hansen
7. Angela Brown
8. Nicole Moulin
9. Jennifer Abbott
10. Dann Abbott
11. Amanda Taylor
12. Ester and John Dawson

Jon Yoffie commented that although he wants schools to open, he noted that we need to follow the mandate that the County gives us to protect public health. The Board is aware that parents, staff and the community in general are all nervous about the virus and also about the impacts of not having their children in school.

Gloria Silva commented that although she understands the need to move to full distance learning, she wants to be assured that this model is not a set in stone but rather continuously review for the opportunity to return to in-seat instruction. It is a fluid environment with rapidly changing conditions.

Brenda Hanson-Smith, Ph.D. thanked Dr. Roth and noted that this is a plan that is very fluid and commented that Dr. Roth should proceed..

Kirk Seal motioned to approve the reopening plan. Jon Yoffie seconded the motion. Motion approved. 4-0

## **2. Buckeye Union School District Distance Learning Plan**

Patty Randolph, Director of Curriculum and Instruction presented the School District Distance Learning Plan. Ms. Radnloph recognized that parents have questions and the need to continue to talk about the program beyond this meeting. The District will complete a FAQ for the parents and we will get that posted. We will make every effort to ensure that anyone who is interested in the program has an opportunity to ask questions.

Public Comment: The following parents, community members and staff shared their thoughts on the Distance Learning Plan.

1. Susan Waggoner
2. Bridget Branton

3. Chrissy Gaewsky
4. Alex Roddenbery
5. Holly Miller
6. Amanda Hansen
7. Liz Michington

Gloria Silva motioned to approve the district learning plan. Jon Yoffie seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

President Brenda Hanson-Smith, Ph.D. thanked Patricia Randolph for all her hard work.

### **3. COVID-19 Middle School Block Schedule Implementation**

Superintendent David Roth, Ph.D. introduced the implementation of the Block Schedule item and asked Principal Debbie Bowers to explain the benefits of the Block Schedule.

Public Comment: The following parents, community members and staff shared their comments on the proposed Middle School Block Schedule.

1. Chandra Miehe
2. Angela Brown
3. Jennifer Abbott

Jon Yoffie noted that he likes the idea of the block schedule Brenda Hanson-Smith, Ph.D. also noted her support for the block schedule and thanked all three Principals and three Vice Principals who worked together to get this done for the children.

Kirk Seal motioned to approve the COVID-19 Middle School Block Schedule Implementation. Gloria Silva seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

### **4. COVID-19 Operations Written Report for Buckeye Union School District**

David Roth, Ph.D. Superintendent said that the State required that we provide this plan instead of the LCAP plan that would normally be provided at this meeting. Since all three schools Covid -19 Operations Written report follow the same guidelines Brenda Hanson-Smith, Ph.D., requested that the Board approve all three at the same time.

Jon Yoffie motioned to approve the COVID 19 operation written report for all three schools districts as presented in Item Nos 4, 5 and 6. Gloria Silva seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

### **5. COVID-19 Operations Written Report for Valley View Charter Montessori**

Jon Yoffie motioned to approve the COVID 19 operation written report for all three schools districts as presented in Item Nos 4, 5 and 6. Gloria Silva seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

**6. COVID-19 Operations Written Report for Buckeye Mandarin Immersion Charter**

Jon Yoffie motioned to approve the COVID 19 operation written report for all three schools districts as presented in Item Nos 4, 5 and 6. Gloria Silva seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

**7. Adopt Resolution No. 20-18: Determination of Use of Education Protection Account Funds for 2020/2021**

Assistant Superintendent Jackie McHaney reported that every year BUSD must adopt the EPA funds, Prop 30 Resolution. Prop 30 requires that the District's Board make the EPA spending determinations in an open session at a public meeting and that no funds budgeted for use be for the salaries and benefits of administrators or any other administrative costs. The District has budgeted the use of its EPA funds solely for classroom instructional salaries. The District annually posts on its website an accounting of how much money was received and how that money is spent. Ms. McHaney presented the staff report and requested that the Board adopt Resolution 20-18

Kirk Seal motioned to Adopt Resolution No. 20-18: Determination of Use of Education Protection Account Funds for 2020/2021. Gloria Silva seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

**8. 2020/2021 Budget Adoption**

Assistant Superintendent Jackie McHaney reported that the Governor has made materially different recommendations for the 2020-2021 State Budget relative to public education. As a result, the planned reductions and personnel actions associated with the reductions does not need to proceed forward at this time. Ms. McHaney requested that the Board adopt the 2020-2021 Budget as presented, knowing that a new budget will be prepared for the 45-day Material Revision Budget Adoption in August.

Kirk Seal motioned to approve the budget as presented. Jon Yoffie seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

**9. Approve Material Revision to the Cottonwood School Charter Petition**

Jackie McHaney, Asst. Superintendent reported that at the last meeting we held the public hearing regarding The Cottonwood School's request for a material revision to change the location of their school site. Specifically, the revision is to approve The Cottonwood School to allow their charter to permanently house its program at 7006 Rossmore Ln, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762, to revise its enrollment projections and to make the other changes noted.

Gloria Silva motioned to approve the Material Revision to the Cottonwood School Charter Petition. Kirk Seal seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0

**10. Adopt Resolution No. 20-19: Apportioning the Special Tax as Provided Therein for the Buckeye Union School District Community Facilities District No. 2007-1 (Valley View)**

Assistant Superintendent Jackie McHaney advised the Board that the District, as administrator of the Valley View CFD No. 2007-1, is required to prepare the annual tax roll to be submitted to the El Dorado County Controller by August 31, 2020. The Special tax levy and apportioning the special tax requires the adoption of Resolution No. 20-20.

Jon Yoffie motioned to adopt Adopt Resolution No. 20-19: Apportioning the Special Tax as Provided Therein for the Buckeye Union School District Community Facilities District No. 2007-1 (Valley View). Gloria Silva seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

**11. Authorization to Accept Bids and Enter into Contract with the Lowest Responsible and Responsive Bidder for the Valley View Charter Montessori Rental Classroom and Associated Sitework Project**

Assistant Superintendent Jackie McHaney said that the Board authorized staff to post bidding for documents for the Valley View Charter Montessori Rental Classroom. On June 23, 2020 bids were received, and the lowest responsive and responsible bidder was determined by the BUSD staff to be Abide Builders with a total bid of \$310,000.00.

Jon Yoffie motioned to approved the Authorization to Accept Bids and Enter into Contract with the Lowest Responsible and Responsive Bidder for the Valley View Charter Montessori Rental Classroom and Associated Sitework Project . Gloria Silva seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

**12. Statement of School Availability**

Assistant Superintendent Jackie McHaney presented the Statement of School Availability which is an annual requirement. Ms McHaney said that legislation required that the District provide developers information regarding the availability of classroom seats. Ms. McHaney requested that the Board adopt the Statement of School Availability as presented.

Kirk Seal Motioned to approve the Statement of School Availability..Jon Yoffie seconded the motion. The Motion Carried 4-0.

**13. First Reading of the Following California School Boards Association (CSBA) recommended Administrative Regulations (AR)**

**AR5125.1 Release of Directory Information**

Superintendent David Roth asked the Board to approve the First Reading of the California School Boards Association recommended AR5125.1 Release of Directory Information.

Kirk Seal motioned to approve the California School Boards Association (CSBA) recommended Administrative Regulations (AR) AR5125.1 Release of Directory Information. Jon Yoffie seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

**X. NEXT MEETING**

- There are no meetings scheduled in July 2020
- Wednesday, August 12, 2020 VIA Zoom or T.B.A.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Kirk Seal motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. Jon Yoffie seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

Approval Date: 9-16-2020

By: Gloria Silva / Barbara Smith PhD  
Gloria Silva, Clerk

By: [Signature]  
David Roth, Ph.D., Secretary

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