

SOUHSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
4991 Southside Rd. Hollister, CA 95023
REGULAR MEETING: Wednesday, August 5th, 2020
ZOOM MEETING
MINUTES

ITEM I

a. Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm by Mr. Michael Ruth.

b. Roll Call:

Board Members Present:

- Michael Ruth
- Katie Evans
- Sarah Alford
- Laura Forth
- Carina Freeman

Board Members Absent:

c. Recess to Closed Session

Guests:

Tami Erickson

Shirley Murphy

Kristie Baptiste- Parent

Sarah Radon- Teacher

Suzanne Howard- Teacher

Suzie Yamanishi-Food Services

ITEM II

a. Roll Call

All Board Members Present

b. Pledge of Allegiance – was led by Mr. Schilling

c. Agenda – Mr. Schilling added an additional item to the agenda under officer's reports. He mentioned that 2 additional Special Meetings of the board are needed. This was added as item (e) under Superintendent/Principal reports.

d. Public Comments – Mrs. Yamanishi was the only person to make a public comment. She talked about the school lunch program for the upcoming year. She talked about the need to prepare lunches for pick up and that the box/bag lunch pick up would cover multiple meal days. She stated that last year Southside had 83 students on the free/reduced lunch program and hoped that this number would remain consistent.

ITEM III

a. Discussion/Action Items

Officers Report

1. Superintendent/Principal –

- a. Mr. Schilling gave the Board an update on Certificated staffing, saying that Southside was fully staffed going into this school year.
- b. Mr. Schilling informed the Board that due to the adjustments in the state budget Southside rescinded the layoff notices for two employees. He stated that specified work groups were protected by the new budget in the areas of transportation, food services, and custodial. As a result letters were sent to the two employees impacted by the layoff rescinding the layoff and offering that similar position to the employee for the upcoming year. He stated that he was not sure if the employees had accepted the positions back.
- c. Mr. Schilling informed the Board with an update from the San Benito County Public Health department. He stated that the director had given information about the positivity rates, person to person transmission, and the possibility of a community wide initiative that included county educators in promoting the wearing of face coverings in San Benito County.
- d. Mr. Schilling informed the Board that Open House (back to school night) has been postponed.
- e. Mr. Schilling provided a facility update about working with Mr. Sanchez on protocols and procedures for the cleaning and disinfecting of the school in preparation of the staff members being on campus.
- f. Mr. Schilling reminded the board that this is an evaluation year for the Superintendent position for the upcoming school year.
- g. Mr. Schilling asked the board to add two additional Special meeting of the board to the board meeting calendar. He gave specifics of what items needed to be discussed at the proposed meetings.

8/19 at 6:00pm

- a. The Con-App needed to be approved before 8/30
- b. MOU with the Southside Educators association was agreed upon and needed to be approved by the board.
- c. The instructional materials for Science needed to be approved as the current textbook are not adequate.

9/16 at 6:00pm

- a. A meeting is needed on 9/16 to approve the Southside School Learning continuity plan for the 2020-2021 school year. The plan needs to be presented on 9/2 and reviewed then reviewed and approved on 9/16.

2. Board Member Comments – NONE

3. Board President Comments – NONE

4. Parent Club – Mr. Schilling stated that Parent club authorized funds for teachers to use in their classrooms but other than that he did not have an update or meeting calendar.

ITEM IV – CONSENT ITEMS

These items are considered routine and may be enacted by the Board in one motion. There is no discussion on these items prior to the motion unless a specific item is removed from the consent list.

- a. Regular Board Meeting Minutes June 22nd, 2020 as presented. Mr. Ruth mentioned that the board has not approved the meeting minute for the board meetings on 5/29 and 6/4. Mr. Schilling will be checking into the issue.

Katie Evans made the motion to approve the Regular Board Minutes June 22nd, 2020 as presented and was seconded by Sarah Alford and carried the following vote: Yes – 5; No/Absent/Abstain – 0 Absent

ITEM V – DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- a. Modified Instructional Calendar for the 2020-2021 school year (ACTION)

Rationale: Due to the restrictions and directive placed upon LEA's by the Governor Newsom and the local San Benito Public Health department, limitations on in person instructional services at Southside school, Southside school will open on August 13th under a 100% distance learning format. Until such time as San Benito County meets the criteria to be removed from the California state monitoring list, Southside will remain in a 100% distance learning model. Criteria for returning students on campus for in-person instruction will be reviewed on a six-week review cycle.

Recommendation: That the board review and approve the modified instructional calendar for the 2020-2021 school year.

Discussion: The group participated in a discussion about the calendar and the possibility of moving to a hybrid model of instruction after the distance learning. Mr. Schilling stated that the first six weeks are dedicated to a model of 100% distance learning. During the first six weeks the reopening committee and the board will monitor the status of the county's positivity rates and removal from the state watch list. The reopening committee will discuss the hybrid model with the board at the September 2nd meeting.

Sarah Alford made the motion to approve the modified instructional calendar for 2020-2021 school year and was seconded by Carina Freeman and carried the following vote: Yes – 5; No/Absent/Abstain – 0 Absent

- b. Quarterly Investment of Funds report ending June 30th, 2020 (ACTION)

Rationale: The report and subsequent quarterly reports are required to go to the Board for review and acceptance and should be documented as an action item in the board minutes.

Recommend Motion: That the Board of Education review and accept the Quarterly

Investment of Funds Report ending June 30th, 2020

Sarah Alford made the motion to approve the Quarterly Investment of Funds Report ending June 30th, 2020 and was seconded by Carina Freeman and carried the following vote: Yes – 5; No/Absent/Abstain – 0 Absent

ITEM VI – CLOSING ITEMS

- a. Next Regular Board meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, August 19th, 2020 at 6:00pm**
- b. Adjournment – Laura Forth made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:43pm and it was seconded by Sarah Alford and carried by the following vote: Yes – 5; No/Absent/Abstain – 0 Absent

John Schilling, Superintendent/Principal
Southside School District

Michael Ruth, Board President
Southside School District, Board of Trustee