

**SOUTHSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING, BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Wednesday October 7th, 2020  
4991 Southside Road, Hollister, CA 95023  
Zoom Meeting**

MEETING CONDUCTED ON ZOOM MEETING  
CLOSED SESSION - 6:00 OPEN SESSION - 6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. Call To Order: 6:00 p.m.
  - a. Roll Call
  - b. Comments from the Public – This is a time for the public to address the Board. (A maximum of 3 minutes will be allotted to each speaker.)
  - c. Recess to Closed Session
  
- II. Closed Session 6:00 p.m.

Notice is hereby given that a closed session of the Board will be held under the general provisions listed as follows:

- a. PERSONNEL - Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.5 and 54957.1
    - 1. Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Superintendent/Principal – Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code 54957
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- III. Regular Session 6:30
    - a. Report any action taken in closed session

- b. Roll Call

Present:  
Katie Evans  
Michael Ruth  
Sarah Alford  
Carina Freeman  
Laura Forth

-Absent:

- c. Pledge of Allegiance

d. Approval of the Agenda

e. Comments from the Public – This is a time for the public to address the Board. A maximum of 5 minutes will be allotted to each speaker.

IV. Discussion/Action Items

a. Officers' Reports

1. Superintendent/Principal

a. Student Pictures

b. Halloween Activities

c. San Benito County department of Education and Public Health

d. Internet connectivity at the migrant camp

2. Board Member Comments

3. Board President

4. Parent Club

V. 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 with edits September 2nd, 2020 as presented

b. Regular Board Meeting Minutes October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as presented

c. Warrants report dated 10/1/20-10/30/20 through date range, as presented

VI. Discussion/Action Items

a. Re-Opening of School for in-person instruction (DISCUSSION/ACTION)

Rationale: The status and rates of infection of the COVID-19 virus in San Benito county has been changed from “widespread” to “substantial” status based on the state designated criteria levels in the last three weeks. This change in status is from a level four, purple-most at risk, to a level three, red-substantial. Counties across our state are allowed to ease restrictions as they decrease on the state tiered rating levels of infection. By San Benito County being in red level 3, schools are allowed to open for modified in-person instruction. The Southside Board of trustees passed a resolution in September extending distance learning through January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Originally, Southside set a review criteria of evaluating the return of students on a six-week review cycle. The Southside re-opening

of school committee has met to discuss the options and possibility of in person instruction. The Southside staff has been asked to participate in an internal survey to explore in person instruction possibilities. Information will be presented and an open discussion with the board and will allow for questions and responses.

Recommendation: That the board participate in a discussion about the options available for in-person instruction.

Recommended Motion: N/A

Funding Source: NA

b. Academic Calendar Southside School 2022-2023 (ACTION)

Recommendation: The Board review the revised academic calendar for the 2022-2023 school year.

Recommended Motion: To approve the Southside School academic calendar for the 2022-2023 school year.

Rationale: The calendar has been reviewed by the staff and presented to the board. The academic calendar for Southside School for 2022-2023 reflects many of the same students breaks and off days from that of San Benito High School academic calendar for the 2022-2023 school year.

Budget Source: N/A

c. Authorize contract with *School Facility Consultants* for Funding Eligibility Services (ACTION)

Rationale: In order to protect the interests of the Southside School district and to explore the possibilities of new school construction in anticipation of future new home construction within the boundaries of the district, it is recommended that the district explore the funding sources for State School Facilities funds, Facility Modernization funds, New Construction funds and State Hardship funds to maximize the funding opportunities for Southside School. School Facility Consultant can provide the documentation required to pursue these funding sources and assist with the application process with the State of California. It is important that Southside School maximize the opportunities for school construction funding to mitigate impact of future home development and a possible new school construction project. It is recommended that the district enter into a contract for funding eligibility services with School Facility Consultants to conduct these services.

Recommendation: Authorize a contract with School Facility Consultants for funding eligibility and funding services for \$5,000.

Recommended Motion: Approve the proposed contract with School Facility Consultants services.

Funding Source: General fund

d. Collection of Developer fees, Resolution # 20.21.06 (ACTION)

Rationale: The San Benito County Building and Planning Department has been collecting Developer Fees on behalf of the rural school districts in San Benito County (Southside, Cienega, Jefferson, Bitterwater-Tully, Panoche, Willow Grove, Spring Grove) for many years. The San Benito County Building and Planning Department has notified the county office of education that they will no longer collect the fees on behalf of the rural school districts. Resolution 20.21.06 authorizes the San Benito County office of Education to collect the developer fees for the Southside Elementary School District. Passing resolution 20.21.06 would authorize the San Benito County Office of Education to collect fees on behalf of Southside School District for an administrative fee of one percent (1%). The San Benito County Building and Planning Department was charging an administrative fee of (3%) for developer fee collection administrative costs.

Recommendation: That the board discuss and approve resolution 20.21.06.

Recommended Motion: Approve resolution 20.21.06 for the collection of developer fees.

Fiscal impact: A (1%) administrative fee paid to the San Benito County office of Education based upon the fees collected.

e. Support of Authorization for Eligibility Determination and Funding Authorization to sign Application and Associated Documents, Resolution 20.21.07 (ACTION)

Rationale: If the Southside Elementary School District intends to file applications for funding under the School Facility Program and/or wishes to submit applications for eligibility determination and funding for programs including, but not limited to, modernization, new construction, facility hardship, seismic mitigation, career technical education. Resolution 20.21.07 provides that the Southside Elementary School District Board of Education is in support of necessary applications under the School Facility Program and authorizes the Superintendent to sign all documents and papers associated with the applications for funding.

Recommendation: That the board review and approve resolution 20.21.07

Recommended motion: That the board approve resolution 20.21.07 to authorize the Superintendent to sign all documents related to the applications for school facility funding.

VII. Closing Items

a. The next Regular Meeting of the Board is Tuesday December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6:30 pm.

b. Adjournment

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

Individuals wishing to address the Board on a non-agenda item may do so during the Comments from the Public. However, no action may be taken on an item, which is not on the agenda. The public is welcomed to address the Board on agenda items and may do so at the time it is presented. Guidelines for Comments from the Public will be as follows: A maximum of 5 minutes will be allotted to each speaker with a maximum of 20 minutes to a subject area.

No disruptive conduct will be permitted at any Southside School Board of Trustees meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS –

Individuals wishing to have an item appear on the agenda must submit the request in writing to the Superintendent/Principal two weeks prior to the regularly scheduled meeting. The Board President and Superintendent/President will determine what items will be included in the agendas. Regular meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month.

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and are acted on by the Board of Trustees as one motion. It is understood that the Administration recommends approval on all consent items. Each item on the Consent Agenda approved by the Board of Trustees shall be deemed to have been considered in full and adopted as recommended.

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