

SOUHSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
4991 Southside Rd. Hollister, CA 95023
REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, December 15, 2020
By virtual attendance via ZOOM

MINUTES

ITEM I – Call to Order: 6:00pm

- a. Meeting called to order** at 6:00pm by Mr. Michael Ruth

Roll Call:

Board Members Present:

Board Members Absent:

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

- b. Comments from public** - NONE

- c. OATH OF OFFICE:** Mr. Schilling administered the oath of office for board member Laura Forth.

- d. Recess to Closed Session**

ITEM II – Closed Session 6:00pm

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 Codes 54954.5 and 54957.1
 - 1. Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Superintendent/Principal
 - Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code 545957

ITEM III

- a. Closed Session ended @6:30pm – NO ACTION TAKEN – Regular Session began @6:30pm.**

- b. Roll Call –**

Present:

Absent:

Michael Ruth
Sarah Alford
Katie Evans
Laura Forth

- c. Pledge of Allegiance** -Was led by Mr. Schilling

- d. Approval of the Agenda** – Laura Forth made the motion to approve the Agenda and was seconded by Sarah Alford and carried the following vote: Yes – 4; No/Absent/Abstain – 0

- 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. – **NO COMMENTS from the Public.**

ITEM IV. – DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

a. Officers' Report

1. Superintendent/Principal –

- a.** Mr. Schilling presented student, Rosalie Rovella an award from FOOTSTEPS to BRILLIANCE for reading over 39,000 words (highest at Southside School).
- b.** Mr. Schilling informed the Board that with the recent rise in COVID cases in the county Southside had decided to cancel all in-person student programs. San Benito County continues to be in the purple tier. Case count is higher than it was in March and numbers keep climbing.
- c.** Mr. Schilling informed the Board that San Benito County will be receiving some COVID vaccines and those will go to the core facilities not the public. That will come later. He also informed the Board that a new bill has been introduced. It is the AB 10 – Re-opening Schools. It would require schools to reopen March 1st if there is no health order requiring them to remain closed.
- d.** Mr. Schilling informed the Board that the High School held a parent information meeting the 1st week of December and our 8th graders along with their parents have completed their High School scheduling.
- e.** Mr. Schilling discussed with the Board the AB schedule when we can have the in-person instruction. It would be a morning and afternoon session.

2. Board Member comments – NONE

- 3. President Comments –** Congratulated Mrs. Laura Forth on her swearing in and 2 years of service on the Board.
- 4. Parent Club—**Mr. Schilling informed the Board the Parent Club has some holiday activities planned for each classroom.

ITEM 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 November 4th, 2020 as presented
- b. Warrants report dated 11/2/20-11/30/20 through date range, as presented

Sarah Alford made the motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated 11/4/2020 as presented and the Warrants report dated 11/2/20-11/30/20 through date range, as presented and it was seconded by Katie Evans and carried the following vote: Yes -4; No/Absent/Abstain – 0 Absent

ITEM VI – DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

**a. First Interim Financial Report (ACTION) San Benito County Office of Education
Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, Shannon Hansen**

Rationale: Local educational agencies (LEAs) are required to file two reports during the fiscal year (interim reports) on the status of the LEAs financial health. The first interim report is due December 15th for the period ending October 31. The second interim report is due March 17th for the period ending January 31st. County Superintendents are to report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the state Controller the certification for all districts in their county within 75 days after the close of the reporting period. The interim reports must include a certification of whether the LEA is able to meet its financial obligations. The certifications are classified as positive, qualified, or negative. A positive certification is assigned when the district will meet its financial obligations for the current and two subsequent fiscal years. A qualified certification is assigned when the district may not meet its financial obligations for the current or two subsequent fiscal years. A negative certification is assigned when a district will be unable to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the current year or for the subsequent fiscal year. In addition, the Superintendent of Public Instruction may reclassify the certification of any county office of education or reclassify a certification based upon an appeal of a school district in accordance with the above standards.

Recommended Motion: The Board of Education review and approve the First Interim Financial report.

Katie Evans made the motion to approve the First Interim Financial report and it was seconded by Sarah Alford and carried the following vote: Yes-4; No/Absent/Abstain – 0 Absent

b. Approval of the Southside School District Board of Trustee organizational structure (ACTION)

Recommendation: Per education code 35143 the district is required to hold an annual organization meeting to determine, a President, a clerk, and a representative to the annual meeting of the school district board of trustee representatives to the County Committee on School District Organization
Recommended Motion: That the Board of Education determine and approve the organizational structure of the board for the 2020-2021 school year for the positions of:

President: Michael Ruth

Vice President: Sarah Alford

Clerk: Katie Evans

County office representative: Laura Forth

Sarah Alford made the motion to approve the School District Board of Trustee organizational structure and it was seconded by Katie Evans and carried the following vote: Yes-4;
No/Absent/Abstain - 0

c. LCFF Budget Overview for Parents (ACTION)

Rationale: California Education Code section 52064.1 requires all school districts to develop the LCFF Budget Overview for Parents in conjunction with the LCAP by July 1 of each year. For the 2020–2021 school year, Senate Bill 98 added Education Code section 43509, which changed the adoption date for the Budget Overview for Parents to on or before December 15, 2020, in conjunction with the LEA’s first interim budget report.

Recommended Motion: Approve the 2020 Southside Budget overview for parents.

Laura Forth made the motion to approve the LCFF Budget overview for parents and it was seconded by Sarah Alford and carried the following vote: Yes -4; No/Absent/Abstain – 0 Absent

d. Employee and Student Board Policy for Pregnant Parenting Lactation Accommodations (ACTION)

Rationale: Under California Labor Code sections 1030-1033, all California employers, including schools, are required to provide specific lactation accommodations to employees. Board Policy 4033a complies with California’s laws related to employee lactation accommodation. Secondly, Board Policy 5146, a model pregnant and parenting student policy that meets the requirements of California’s AB 302, which went into effect in 2016 and requires schools to provide reasonable lactation accommodations for students that are breastfeeding. In order to comply with California Labor code, it is recommended that Southside adopt both Board Policies related to employee and student parenting and lactation accommodations.

Recommended motion: That the board review and approve Board Policies 4033a and 5146 to meet California Labor code sections 1030-1033.

Sarah Alford made the motion to accept the Employee and Student Board Policy for Pregnant Parenting Lactation accommodations and it was seconded by Laura Forth and carried the following vote: Yes -4; No/Absent/Abstain – 0 Absent

e. Quarterly Investment of Funds report ending September 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.

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Education review and accept the Quarterly Investment of Funds Report ending September 30th, 2020.

Katie Evans made the motion to accept the Quarterly Investment of Funds report ending September 30th, 2020 and it was seconded by Sarah Alford and carried the following vote: Yes-4; No/Absent/Abstain -0 Absent

VII. Closing Items

- a.** Next Regular Board meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, January 13th, 2021 at 6:30pm.**
- b.** Adjournment – Sarah Alford made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:26pm and it was seconded by Laura Forth and carried by the following vote: Yes – 4; No/Absent/Abstain – 0 Absent

John Schilling, Superintendent/Principal
Southside School District

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