

**SOUHSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**4991 Southside Rd. Hollister, CA 95023**  
**REGULAR MEETING: Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
**By virtual attendance via ZOOM**

**MINUTES**

**ITEM I – Call to Order: 5:33pm**

- a. Meeting called to order** at 5:30pm by Mr. Michael Ruth

**Roll Call:**

Board Members Present:

- Michael Ruth
- Katie Evans
  
- Laura Forth

Board Members Absent:

- Sarah Alford
  
- Aaron Kaelin

- b. Comments from public - NONE**

- c. Recess to Closed Session:**

**ITEM II – Closed Session 5:34pm**

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 54957 & 54957.6(a)  
1. Conference with Labor Negotiator – Certificated “Sunshine Letters”

**ITEM III**

- a. Closed Session ended @6:01pm – NO ACTION TAKEN**

- b. Roll Call – @6:03 p.m.**

**Present:**

Michael Ruth

Katie Evans

Laura Forth

**Absent:**

Sarah Alford

Aaron Kaelin

- 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 Katherine Evans and carried the following vote: Yes – 3; No/Absent/Abstain – 0**

- e. **Comments from the public – None**

#### **ITEM IV. – DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**

##### **a. Officers' Report**

###### **1. Superintendent/Principal –**

- a. Mr. Schilling provided an update on the Southside Road project. Today the concrete barriers were moved to the side of the road to allow for two-way traffic. This is a big step forward, possibly indicating completion of the project.
- b. Mr. Schilling spoke to the Board regarding restarting Bulldog athletics. He said the school has two teams, Flag Football and Volleyball and that students are proud to wear the uniforms on campus.
- c. Mr. Schilling informed the Board that the installation of the new interactive board was taking place that night and the new interactive board will be installed in all classrooms.
- d. Mr. Schilling spoke to the Board about Child Find. A process that is in place to identify students that are struggling or that may need special services. A question was raised about why this was a topic of discussion and Mr. Schilling said that this was an informational item for the board to inform the community that Southside has a system in place to identify and support students.
- e. Mr. Schilling informed the Board that legally we must have AED defibrillators on campus. We have purchased 2 units that will be funded through our safety dollars. One will be placed in the cafeteria and the other in the main office. He said that the school is waiting on the training of the units before they are installed.

###### **2. Board Member comments – None**

- 3. **President Comments –** Mr. Ruth asked for an update on COVID at the school. Mr. Schilling talked about how cases were dealt with, communication with families about quarantine. Communication with classes and the county health department. Lastly, about mask wearing and protocols being used on campus.
- 4. **Parent Club—**Kyle Waterman, Parent Club President asked if the zoom link for the meetings was provided to the public and if the board members checked their school email accounts. She then informed the Board that the parent club was meeting with Mr. Schilling to discuss the Halloween parade, and that the next parent club meeting was on 10/13 at 6:30pm. She also mentioned that the Debrito Apple fundraiser was a huge success and that parent club celebrated 9/11 to recognize fallen heroes. Mrs. Waterman stated that parent club membership was up with many new members and that the new parents wanted to arrange for field trips this year.

#### **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 September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 as presented
- b. Warrants report dated 8/1/21-8/31/21 through date range, as presented
- c. Warrants report dated 9/1/21-9/30/21 through date range, as presented

Laura Forth made the motion to approve the consent items, and was seconded by Katherine Evans and carried the following vote: Yes –3; No/Absent/Abstain – 0

**ITEM VI – DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**a. Sufficiency of Instructional Materials Resolution # 21.22.07 (ACTION)**

**Rationale:** Per Education Code Section 60119, the governing board will hold a public hearing regarding the sufficiency or insufficiency of instructional materials

**Recommended Motion:** That the Board of Education approve resolution No. 21.22.07 regarding the sufficiency of instructional materials for the 2021-2022 school year.

Katherine Evans made the motion to approve resolution No. 21.22.07 regarding the sufficiency of instructional materials for the 2021-2022 school year and was seconded by Laura Forth and carried the following vote: Yes –3; No/Absent/Abstain – 0

**b. Assembly bill AB130 Independent Study Board Policy 6158 and the Southside Independent Study Master Agreement (ACTION)**

**Rationale:** On July 9th, the California Legislature approved Assembly Bill (AB)130 which addresses an expanded independent study option for the 2021/2022 school year only. Families should be aware that this option is not the same as the distance learning option offered during the last school year. For the 2021-2022 school year, schools are required to offer an independent study option to be made available to students whose health would be put at risk by in-person instruction, as determined by their parent or guardian. Independent Study provides instruction based on the state-adopted content standards by certificated teachers. There are specific requirements for instructional time that may include both synchronous and asynchronous work. These expectations will also be outlined in the students’ written Learning Agreement, which must be signed prior to enrollment in an independent study program. Board policy BP 6158 and the master learning agreement establishes the guideline for offering the independent study program.

**Recommended Motion:** Approve BP 6158 and the Southside Independent Study Master agreement.

Laura Forth made the motion to approve BP 6158 and the Southside Independent Study Master agreement. and was seconded by Katherine Evans and carried the following vote: Yes –3; No/Absent/Abstain – 0

**c. Contract with Mission Water Company for the installation of water bottle filling stations (ACTION)**

**Rationale:** Southside has been attempting to install water filling station for several years and pursuing grant funding for the project has not been successful. Funding has been the major obstacle. Now with current restrictions to the use of public water fountains, Southside has asked for bottled water donations and has purchased over 30 cases since the summer school. Water stations are a long-term solution to students access to water. The work will encompass the removal of the old free standing water fountain and replace it with a wall mount unit. A second unit will be installed on the wall next to the cafeteria entrance on the playground side.

**Recommended Motion:** Approve the contract with Mission Water Company for the installation of water filling stations on campus.

Katherine Evans made the motion to Approve the contract with Mission Water Company for the installation of water filling stations on campus and it was seconded by Laura Forth and carried the following vote: Yes – 3; No/Absent – 0

**VII. Closing Items**

- a. The next Regular Meeting of the Board is Wednesday November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, at 6:00 pm. Mrs. Evans found a typo in the agenda and alerted the board that the meeting was on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and not on the 4<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Adjournment

Laura Forth made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 pm and was seconded by Katherine Evans and carried the following vote: Yes –3; No/Absent/Abstain – 0

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John Schilling, Superintendent/Principal  
Southside School District

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