

**SOUHSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**4991 Southside Rd. Hollister, CA 95023**  
**REGULAR MEETING: Wednesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
**By virtual attendance via ZOOM**

**MINUTES**

**ITEM I – Call to Order: 5:30pm**

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

**Roll Call:**

Board Members Present:

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

Board Members Absent:

Aaron Kaelin

- b.** Comments from public - NONE  
**c.** Recess to Closed Session

**ITEM II – Closed Session 5:30pm**

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 Letter”

**ITEM III**

- a.** Closed Session ended @6:00pm – The Board tentatively approved the Certificated “Sunshine Letter”

- b.** Roll Call – @6:01 p.m.

**Present:**

Michael Ruth  
Sarah Alford  
Katie Evans  
Laura Forth

**Absent:**

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 Katie Evans and carried the following vote: Yes – 4; No/Absent/Abstain – 1  
**e.** **Comments from the public** – No Comments from the Public.

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

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

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

- a.** Mr. Schilling informed the Board that 99% of the road work in front of the school has been completed. There is more work being done before arriving to the school. There is a private road being constructed to Ridgemark and we might have temporary closures. He will keep the community updated.
  - b.** Mr. Schilling informed the Board that Southside has had COVID cases in all grade levels upon returning from the Christmas break. There are 3 classifications:
    1. Contracted from a family member at home.
    2. Student testing Positive coming out of holiday break.
    3. Students testing Positive on campus after the holiday break.There have been no known hospitalization or extreme cases of severe illness
  - c.** Mr. Schilling informed the Board that our second water filling station arrived, and it was damaged. It's been returned and the new station should arrive soon.
  - d.** Mr. Schilling informed the Board that the Governor has issued an Executive Order AB 361 postponing in-person Board meetings until 3/31/22
  - e.** Mr. Schilling spoke about the Omicron virus indicating that its three times more infectious than the Delta virus and coming at fast pace. He spoke on the SBC statistics. These statistics can be viewed on the SBC Public Health Department website.
- 2.** Board Member comments – None
  - 3.** President Comments – None
  - 4.** Parent Club—Kyle Waterman, Parent Club President informed the Board that they held a meeting on 1/12/22. The VI She dance has been postponed until March. The Parent Club will also hold another fundraiser that begins February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022

## **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 December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021, as presented
- b.** Warrants report dated 12/1/21 – 12/17/21 through date range, as presented

Katie Evans made the motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021, with the correction in ITEM V changing the motion name of Sarah Alford to Katie Evans, and warrants report dated 12/1/21 -12/17/21 and was seconded by Sarah Alford and carried the following vote: Yes –4; No/Absent/Abstain –

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## **ITEM VI – DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

### **a. Draft School Accountability Report Card (SARC) (ACTION)**

**Rationale:** Since November 1988, state law has required all public schools receiving state funding to prepare and distribute a SARC. A similar requirement is also contained in the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act. The purpose of the report card is to provide parents and the community with important information about the school. The SARC is an effective way for the school to report on its progress in achieving goals. The public may also use a SARC to evaluate and compare schools on a variety of indicators.

**Recommendation:** The board approve the SARC prepared by the Superintendent for Southside School reflecting the 2020-2021 school year.

The Board asked for clarification on ITEM VI – a. A special meeting will be held before 2/1/22 for approval.

### **b. Draft Southside School Comprehensive School Safety Plan (CSSP) (DISCUSSION)**

**Rationale:** California *Education Code (EC)* Section 32281(a) requires every kindergarten through grade twelve school, public and public charter, including community and court schools, to develop and maintain a Comprehensive School Safety Plan designed to address campus risks, prepare for emergencies, and create a safe, secure learning environment for students and school personnel. The California Constitution guarantees California children the right to attend public schools that are safe, secure, and peaceful. The CDE, public school districts, county offices of education (COEs), and schools and their personnel are responsible for creating learning environments that are safe and secure. First responders, community partners, and families play an essential role, as well. Schools must be prepared to respond to emergencies including natural and man-made hazards and strive to prevent violence and behavior issues that undermine safety and security. CSSPs include strategies aimed at the prevention of, and education about, potential incidents involving crime and violence on the school campus and aspects of social, emotional, and physical safety for both youth and adults.

**Recommendation:** The board review and discuss the draft school safety plan for edits and revisions. The board will need to review and approve the final plan at the February meeting of the board.

\*The Board reviewed and discussed the CSSP. Will have an approval in February.

### **c. Vaccination Mandate for children ages 5-114 years of age (DISCUSSION)**

**Rationale:** This is the opportunity for the board and the Superintendent to engage in a public discussion about the latest updates on the possible requirement for children ages 5-11 to be mandated by the state of California to receive a COVID vaccination. The Brown act does not allow of a closed session discussion of the board and the Superintendent on a topic such as this. This is not an open discussion with the public and is limited to participants of the board and school administration.

**Notes: This topic will remain on the agenda for discussion and Mr. Schilling will give updated information as he receives it.**

**VII. Closing Items**

- a. The next Regular Meeting of the Board is Wednesday February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, at 6:00 pm.
- b. Adjournment

Laura Forth made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 pm and was seconded by Sarah Alford and carried the following vote: Yes –4; No/Absent/Abstain – 1

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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