

SOUHSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
4991 Southside Rd. Hollister, CA 95023

REGULAR MEETING:
November 6, 2019

MINUTES

ITEM I

a. Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mr. Michael Ruth.

b. Roll Call:

Board Members Present:

- Michael Ruth
- Katie Evans
- Carina Freeman (6:40pm)
- Sarah Alford (6:40pm)
- Laura Forth

Board Members Absent:

Others Present:

Mrs. Howard – Southside Teacher
Shirley Murphy
Tami Erickson

c. The board ended closed session: at 6:59pm

d. Pledge of Allegiance - was led by Mr. Schilling.

e. Action taken in Closed session- Reported by Mr. Ruth, No Action Taken.

f. Agenda – Mr. Schilling stated that the copy of the minutes included in the original packet was an old version and the new version was replaced in the packet. Carina Freeman made a motion to approve the agenda and was seconded by Sarah Alford and carried the following vote: Yes – 5; No/Absent/Abstain

g. Public Comments – No Comments from the public.

h. Officers Reports

- Superintendent/Principal – Mr. Schilling informed the Board that the Halloween parade was a success and how impressed he was with all the student costumes and student participation. He acknowledged Mrs. Stephanie Skow for coordinating the event.

- Mr. Schilling informed the Board that the Key to Student Success Award winner had been selected but he wanted to wait until the presentation was made to the employee before making the announcement.
- Mr. Schilling informed the Board that he would send out a few dates for the mission vision meeting for a special meeting of the board. He said he would select a few dates in December and if one is not selected other dates would be suggested after the holiday.
- Mr. Schilling notified the Board that he is working with Lozano-Smith to finalize the developer fee study to be approved and publish to the public.
- Mr. Schilling informed the Board that the Governor of California recently passed Senate Bill 223 that authorizes districts to develop policy for the administration of cannabis on public school campuses. Questions were raised about the structure of the policy, who would administer the medication and the location on campus.
- Board Member Comments – There were no comments.
- Board President – There were no comments.
- Parent Club – No members present. Mr. Schilling said that the Dia De Los Muertos lunch was a big success. He said the students enjoyed the lunch very much and that the parent club provided the lunch for all students and staff at no charge.

ITEM II – CONSENT ITEMS

- a. Regular Board Meeting Minutes October 2, 2019 with corrections to item “D” as presented
- b. Warrants dated 10/1/19 – 10/31/19 through date range, with question on the “US Bank Equipment Finance” charge in two locations. as presented

Carina Freeman made a motion to approve the consent items and was seconded by Katie Evans and carried the following vote: Yes – 5; No/Absent/Abstain

ITEM III – DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

a. Certificated Contract: Salary Schedule revision (ACTION)

Recommendation: The current salary schedule for certificated employees contains numerous error in need of correction. In order to correct the calculations, changes were needed in the step and column figures. For some certificated employees the change in the new salary schedule will result in a slight increase in salary. For employees who might receive a loss in income due to the change to the new salary schedule, they would remain

on the old schedule until such time as it does not result in a loss of income to move to the new schedule.

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Education approve the new corrected certificated salary schedule for the 2019-2020 contract year retro-active to the first pay period.

Rationale: The pervious certificated salary schedule contain numerous calculation error needing correction

Sarah Alford made a motion to approve the 2019-2020 Certificated Salary Schedule and was seconded by Laura Forth and carried the following vote: Yes – 5; No/Absent/Abstain

b. 8th grade Activities and Behavior Policy & 5th-8th grade Extra Curriculum Activities Policy (ACTION)

Recommendation: That the Board of Education approve the 8th grade student activities and behavior policy to consider alignment with other local school districts. Secondly, that the board approve a similar document for all 5th-8th grade extracurricular activities.

Recommended Motion: Motion to approve the 8th grade Activities and Behavior Policy & 5th-8th grade Extra Curriculum Activities Policy.

Rationale: The board, administration, and staff have provided suggestions and input to develop the current proposal to include an increase in the GPA requirement of the 8th grade behavior and activities policy. Guidelines are necessary to clarify the behavior expectations for the 8th grade class and privileges associated with graduation and extra-curricular graduation activities. A second policy is suggested for student participation in all extracurricular activities (such as, drama, athletics, newspaper, yearbook).

The board discussed the portion of the 5th – 8th grade policy and asked Mr. Schilling to change the language of the “hardship” language and to bring the policy back to the board at the next meeting for approval.

Carina Freeman made a motion to approve the 8th grade Activities and Behavior policy and was seconded by Laura Forth and carried the following vote: Yes – 5; No/Absent/Abstain

c. Student Dress Code Policy 2019 Draft (Action)

Recommendation: That the Board of Education approve the student dress code policy to update the policy to include current language and eliminate obsolete terminology

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Education approve the student dress code policy

Rationale: The district is obligated to review, and update student policies as needed. The current dress code policy requires updating.

Katie Evans made a motion to approve the student dress code policy and it was seconded by Sarah Alford and carried the following vote: Yes – 5; No/Absent/Abstain

**c. Southside School District Annual Organizational Meeting date 12/11/19
(ACTION)**

Recommendation: The Board of Education approve the date of 12/11/19 as the date for the Southside School district annual organizational meeting. The annual organizational meeting must be set with sufficient time to allow for the clerk of the board to provide at least fifteen (15) day written notice of the meeting to all board members. The governing board must also notify the county superintendent of schools of the annual organizational meeting's date and time. Additionally, at the organizational meeting, a President, Clerk, and a representative to the annual meeting of the school district Board of Trustee representative to the County Committee on School District Organization should also be chosen.

Recommended Motion: Approve 12/11/19 as the date for the annual Southside School District Organizational meeting.

Rationale: Education code 35143 requires the governing board of each school district hold an annual organizational meeting prior to the close of each calendar year.

Katie Evans made a motion to approve 12/11/19 as the date for the Southside School District Organizational meeting and it was seconded by Sarah Alford and carried the following vote: Yes – 5; No/Absent/Abstain

d. Contract with Wonder Woofs, K-9 Narcotics Search Unit (ACTION)

Recommendation: Wonder Woofs is a privately-owned company that works with schools and families to discreetly conduct drug, alcohol and gun powder detection services. Wonder woofs also provides age appropriate drug awareness assemblies for K-12 students.

Rationale: Provide students with empowerment to take a stand against alcohol, drugs and vaping.

Recommended Motion: Approve the contract with Wonder Woofs for the 2019-2020 school year.

The board discussed the impact of having the dog on campus and how students might react to a dog who might alert on a backpack. The board asked for more information

about the program and the intent of the presentation. Mr. Schilling asked if it would be helpful to invite the presenter to the next meeting to help clarify some questions about the presentation and program. The board asked for more information as well as the cost before approval. Mr. Schilling will invite the presenter to the next board meeting.

e. Contract with A & N Plumbing Inc. (ACTION)

Recommendation: The backflow pump on the Southside school water tank has developed a substantial leak. The backflow pump is the original pump installed with the tank many years ago and needs replacement. The contract with A & N Plumbing would be to remove the existing 3” backflow device and replace it with one of the same type. The contract would include all labor and materials required. The cost of the removal, replacement, and labor would be \$4,847.79

Recommended Motion: Approve the contract with A & N Plumbing to replace the backflow device.

Rationale: The pump needs replacement due to a significant leak.

Budget Source: Deferred Maintenance: \$4,847.79

Mr. Schilling stated that this is a problem and that the plumber needed special certification to do this work. Mr. Ruth said that in his neighborhood they used a company called Ty-nan to do this and that the price seemed similar. The board asked if that district inquired with other contractors and Mr. Schilling said only with Maggoria brothers who did not carry the required certification. Mrs. Forth stated that her husband has worked with this contractor before and that they are recommended.

Sarah Alford made a motion to approve the contract with A & N Plumbing and it was seconded by Laura Forth and carried the following vote: Yes – 5; No/Absent/Abstain

ITEM V – CLOSING ITEMS

- a. Next Regular Board meeting scheduled for **December 11th, 2019 at 7:00pm.**
- b. Adjournment – Sarah Alford made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51pm and it was seconded by Laura Forth and carried by the following vote: Yes – 5; No/Absent/Abstain

John Schilling, Superintendent/Principal
Southside School District

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