

REEF-SUNSET UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF AUGUST 17, 2017  
BOARD/STAFF DEVELOPMENT ROOM

A regular meeting of the Reef-Sunset Unified School District Board of Trustees was held on this date in the Reef-Sunset Unified School District Board Room located at 205 N. Park Ave., Avenal, CA 93204.

Mr. Jimenez, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The Board convened to closed session. The meeting was reconvened to open session at 6:05 p.m. and Mr. Jimenez led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Enrique Jimenez, Board President

Claudia Cazares, Board Clerk

Chris Collins(*absent*)

Lupe Chavez

Lilia Rizo

**CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS/ACTIONS/WELCOME:** The Board approved a settlement agreement for employee #20580.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Mrs. DeLaPaz, RSMS teacher expressed concerns regarding RAP program payments and school site funding. Kaylin Valenciano, RSMS student reported on current and upcoming school activities.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR AUGUST 17, 2017:**

Motion by Cazares seconded by Chavez to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Jimenez – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Absent, Chavez – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

**PRESENTATIONS:**

- A. Indoor Environmental Services (IES) – Energy Solutions: Dr. Eddie Jordan, showed a PowerPoint presentation on energy solutions and financing options for solar projects at KCES and AHS.
- B. CSEA/WKCTA Representatives: None

**STAFF/BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. Board Members- Ms. Cazares welcomed everyone and reported she was looking forward to another school year. Mr. Jimenez congratulated RSMS for the manner in which they welcomed their students.
- B. Mrs. Cutillo- Absent, however, Dr. East reported that the business department was busy closing their financial books and preparing for the 2017-18 school year.
- C. Mr. Horn- Welcomed all new teachers. He reported on the August 14<sup>th</sup> professional development day where workshops were held at various school sites for teachers. Mr. Horn also reported that the first day of school went smoothly at all sites. Finally, he reported that the state would release SBAC scores soon and stated that the district scores had decreased in both Math and ELA.
- D. Dr. East- Introduced Mr. Brady, new RSMS teacher. Dr. East expressed appreciation to RSUSD staff for welcoming students to their classes. He reported that the district received the LCSSP, mental health grant and plan to use the funds for our LMFT salary

and other online support programs to assist our high needs students. Dr. East also reported that the district received a one-year waiver for 6<sup>th</sup> grade attendance at SCDS from the State Board of Education. The district will submit another application to receive an indefinite term for the waiver. Avenal High School will be working with the Young Men's Initiative (YMI) out of Tulare County to set up a cohort of high school aged young men. Dr. East informed the board that the district is moving forward with the application for state bond money for modernization. The district has worked with our architect to identify projects for each school site. It will take at least two years to receive funding awards for the projects. He reported that the plans are good for only five years with the state. Dr. East reminded the Board that the projects are for state funds, not local bond funds. Those funds will be available in 2021 according to the district's 'no tax increase' Measure S campaign. Finally, Dr. East informed the Board about the CSBA conference in San Diego to be held November 30 – December 2.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. Minutes of June 15 and August 8, 2017
- B. Warrants
- C. Personnel Report
- D. Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints
- E. Developer Fee Report for 2017/18
- F. Request to Approve the 2017-18 AG Career Technical Education Incentive Grant
- G. Avenal Adult School Courses for 2017-18

Motion by Cazares seconded by Chavez to approve the consent calendar as amended. *Removed Consent Calendar Item B - Warrants to be discussed/voted on separately.*

Roll Call Vote: Jimenez – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Absent, Chavez – Yes, Rizo – Yes  
*Motion Carried*

B. Warrants:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Chavez to approve the warrants as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Jimenez – Abstain, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Absent, Chavez – Yes, Rizo – Yes  
*Motion Carried*

ACTION ITEMS:

A. Request to Approve the Suicide Prevention Plan:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Rizo to approve the plan as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Jimenez – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Absent, Chavez – Yes, Rizo – Yes  
*Motion Carried*

B. Request to Approve the 2017-18 Agreement for Legal Services between RSUSD and Lozano Smith Attorneys at Law:

Motion by Chavez seconded by Cazares to approve the agreement as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Jimenez – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Absent, Chavez – Yes, Rizo – Yes  
*Motion Carried*

C. Discuss and Approve the Superintendent Employment Agreement: *The contract contains the following material terms: 1. The term of the contract is from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2020 2. Dr. East's annual base salary \$164,403. This is Step 3 on the Superintendent salary schedule. 3. The Superintendent is entitled to receive the same contribution toward health and welfare benefits as the most generous benefit received by other employees. 4. The Superintendent will have a 220 work-day positive work year calendar. 5. In the*

*event the Board decides to terminate the contract without a cause, the Superintendent will be entitled to compensation equaling his base salary for 12 months or the remaining term of his contract, whatever is less. He will be entitled to continued benefits.*

Motion by Chavez seconded by Cazares to approve the superintendent agreement as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Jimenez – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Absent, Chavez – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

D. Adoption of New Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 3230, Federal Grant Funds:

Motion by Chavez seconded by Cazares to approve the adoption as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Jimenez – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Absent, Chavez – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

E. Adoption of Revised Board Policy/Administrative Regulation, 5141.52, Suicide Prevention:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Chavez to approve the adoption as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Jimenez – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Absent, Chavez – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

F. First Reading of the New/Revised March 2017 Board Policies and Administrative Regulations:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Rizo to approve the first reading as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Jimenez – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Absent, Chavez – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

G. First Reading of the New/Revised July 2017 Board Policies and Administrative Regulations:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Rizo to approve the first reading as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Jimenez – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Absent, Chavez – Yes, Rizo – Yes

*Motion Carried*

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Board Recognition of Students: The Board and principals discussed various student recognition ideas. After much discussion it was decided that Dr. East would draft a schedule of participating schools, but let the principals come up with the criteria for student board recognitions.

B. Future Agenda Items: IES contract, KCES field update, Young Men's Initiative presentation.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

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Secretary to the Board

