

REEF-SUNSET UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEE REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 21, 2019  
DISTRICT BOARD/STAFF DEVELOPMENT ROOM

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

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

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Lupe Chavez, President  
Lissette Padilla, Clerk  
Chris Collins  
Claudia Cazares(*arrived at 5:45pm*)  
Lilia Rizo  
Ivonne Pulido, Student Board Member

**CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS/ACTIONS:** The Board approved by a 4-1 vote the settlement agreement for employees # 20727 and # 49395.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 21, 2019:**

Motion by Collins seconded by Cazares to approve the agenda as amended. *Remove Action Item C and Added Action Item N*  
Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes  
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes  
*Motion Carried*

**STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION:**

Avenal High School Principal, Mr. Ruiz recognized AHS Counselor, Victoria Gornick with a plaque and flowers for being an exemplary staff member. Dr. East also recognized Ms. Gornick with a plant on behalf of the Board.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

- A. CSEA Initial Bargaining Openers for 2018-19:  
Dr. East explained that labor law requires the district hold a public hearing on CSEA's initial bargaining openers as required by Ed Code. Hearing opened for comment at 6:13 pm. There being no further comments, the hearing was closed 6:13 pm.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** The public expressed concerns regarding student and administration issues at AHS. Suggestions were made to the Board to restore the HR Manager position. Other concerns raised were in regards to the RSMS 7<sup>th</sup> grade class being too large.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

- A. Student Representatives- AHS student representative Emily Gamino gave an update on current and upcoming school activities.
- B. Building Fund Measure S and A Financial and Performance Audit Reports: Dr. East presented on behalf of Mr. Verdugo who was unable to attend. He reported the committee met on January 24, 2019. They elected officers and reviewed current capital facility projects within the district. Dr. East reviewed the audit report with the G.O. members. The report stated that the district complied

with all regulations under Prop 39. There was no financial activity for 2018 from the bond proceeds sold in June. The committee will meet again May 29, 2019.

- C. WKCTA/CSEA Representatives- Mrs. Wilkinson, CTA President reported that she conducted a climate survey she would like to present to the Board next month. Mrs. Wilkinson concurred that everyone would benefit from smaller class sizes. Tammy Ware, CSEA President reported that they came to a tentative agreement with the district. She thanked the teachers for their support. CSEA would like to work with teachers and district administration to address climate issues.

#### STAFF/BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Board Members- Mrs. Rizo reported she attended a training on how to better serve families. Ms. Cazares reported she was excited to participate in Read Across America. She also attended AHS basketball games. Mr. Collins reported he attended the blood drive held at AHS. Ms. Padilla challenged our high school students to apply for the WHC Scholarships. Mr. Chavez reported that AHS basketball season was almost over.
- B. Curriculum- Mr. Horn reported that the district will be testing students in April and May. He also reported on the Kagan Training held in Dallas, Texas and Las Vegas, Nevada. Mr. Horn gave a brief update on the CVELI visit held in Kingsburg.
- C. Superintendent – Dr. East reported that the main water line at AHS broke. The district will need to replace old infrastructure. He also reported that RSMS was entirely re-keyed. Dr. East congratulated West Hills College and Wonderful for submitting the CCAP. Both Avenal and Mendota High Schools will be part of the 4-year grant. They were awarded \$1.4 million dollars. This will support the Ag Tech Pathway. Dr. East reported he would like to hire the same grant writer to begin preparing an application for Prop 51 CTE Facilities grant funding. Dr. East recognized AHS for their preparation regarding the mid-cycle WASC review. He reported that Avenal Adult School will have their WASC visitation, March 6. Dr. East reported he met with Holloway Construction, a local company that specializes in steel construction. He discussed the possibility of a steel building for office facilities. Finally, Dr. East reported on the modernization plans that are being approved by the Department of Education and hardship-funding applications.

#### APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. Minutes of January 17 & 24, 2019
- B. Warrants
- C. Personnel Report
- D. Interdistrict Transfer Requests
- E. Request to Surplus/Dispose Two District Office Modular Buildings

Motion by Padilla seconded by Collins to approve the Consent Calendar as amended.

Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.

*Motion Carried*

#### ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Resolution 2019: 01, Investment Policy for Kings County Director of Finance:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Padilla to approve Resolution 2019: 01 as presented.

Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.

*Motion Carried*

- B. Resolution 2019: 02, Designating Senior Management Position:

Motion by Cazares seconded by Padilla to approve the Resolution 2019: 02 as presented.

Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes

Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.

*Motion Carried*

- C. Resolution 2019: 03, Non-Reelection of Probationary Certificated Employees: REMOVED
- D. Request to Approve the CSEA and its Kettleman Hills Chapter #332 Initial Bargaining Contract Openers for 2018-19:  
Motion by Cazares seconded by Collins to approve contract openers as presented.  
Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes  
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.  
*Motion Carried*
- E. Request to Approve the Agreement between SchoolWorks, Inc. and RSUSD – Consulting Services for State Modernization Application:  
Motion by Collins seconded by Padilla to approve the agreement as presented.  
Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes  
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.  
*Motion Carried*
- F. Request to Approve the Bid Award Contract to David A. Bush, Inc. for the Reef-Sunset Middle School Modernization Project Site Work:  
Motion by Padilla seconded by Cazares to approve the Bid Award Contract as presented.  
Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes  
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.  
*Motion Carried*
- G. Request to Approve the Bid Award Contract for the Re-Roofing Project Site Work at RSMS:  
Motion by Collins seconded by Rizo to approve the Bid Award to Fresno Roofing.  
Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes  
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.  
*Motion Carried*
- H. Request to Approve the Purchase of a Custom Classroom Building for Avenal Elementary School:  
Motion by Cazares seconded by Padilla to approve the purchase as presented.  
Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes  
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.  
*Motion Carried*
- I. Request to Approve the Purchase of Three School Buses:  
Motion by Cazares seconded by Padilla to approve the purchase of three school buses.  
Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes  
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.  
*Motion Carried*
- J. First Reading of the 2018-19 District Organizational Chart:  
Motion by Padilla seconded by Cazares to TABLE for next month.  
Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes  
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.  
*Motion Carried*
- K. First Reading of the District Calendar for 2019-20:  
Motion by Cazares seconded by Padilla to approve the first reading as presented.  
Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes  
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.  
*Motion Carried*

L. Adoption of Revised Administrative Regulation 3311, Bids:  
Motion by Cazares seconded by Padilla to approve the adoption as presented.  
Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes  
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.  
*Motion Carried*

M. Adoption of New/Revised December 2018 Board Policies and Administrative Regulations:  
Motion by Padilla seconded by Rizo to approve the adoption as presented.  
Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes  
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.  
*Motion Carried*

N. Request to Approve the Low-Performing Students Block Grant:  
Motion by Padilla seconded by Cazares to approve the grant as presented.  
Preferential Vote: Pulido - Yes  
Roll Call Vote: Padilla – Yes, Cazares – Yes, Collins – Yes, Chavez– Yes, Rizo – Yes.  
*Motion Carried*

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. Food Service: Dr. East reported he would like to terminate the Rev Foods contract. Discussion was made regarding hot lunch and packaged lunch. The Board would like to change the quality of the food served to our students. We will bring this item back and have Dee Clements, Food Director present.
- B. Swimming Program - RAP: Dr. East reported that the district has been running a yearly aquatics program, however, it's becoming difficult to do so. He invited Enrique Jimenez, RAP Director who reported he would be happy to take over the program. Legal counsel is helping with an MOU that will be presented next month.

#### REPORTS:

- A. Enrollment Report
- B. SRO Report
- D. Suspension Report

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

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Secretary to the Board