

**CHATOM UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
ROOM #32  
April 9, 2019**

Tuesday, April 9, 2019  
Closed Session: 6:00 p.m.  
Public Session: 7:00 p.m.

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**The Chatom Union School Board of Trustees welcomes you** to its meetings which are regularly scheduled on the second Tuesday of each month. Your interest is encouraged and appreciated. There are two procedures for public comment. They are:

Commenting on Items Not on the Agenda

California law prohibits the Board from taking action on any matter which is not on the posted agenda unless it is determined to be an emergency by the Board of Trustees. The audience may comment on items that are not on the agenda during the Public Comments section, only. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes maximum.

Commenting on Agenda Items

Procedures

1. Prior to the meeting, fill out a 3x5 agenda comment card. Wait for the Item to be announced.
2. Item Announced
3. Board Motion/ Second
4. Public Comment (3 minute maximum)
5. Close of Public Comments
6. Board Discussion
7. Board Vote

**Consent Calendar**

Items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and are acted on by the Board of Trustees in one motion. There is no discussion of these items before the vote unless a Board member, staff or public requests specific items be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar. It is understood that the administration recommends approval on all Consent Items. Each item approved by the Board shall be deemed to have been considered in full and adopted as recommended.)

**The District welcomes Spanish and other language speakers** to Board meetings. Anyone planning to attend and needing an interpreter should call (209) 664-8505, 24 hours in advance of the meeting, so arrangements can be made for an interpreter. *El Distrito da la bienvenida a las personas que hablan español a las juntas de la Mesa Directiva. Si planea asistir y necesita interpretación llame al (209) 664-8505, 24 horas antes de la junta, para poder hacer arreglos de interpretación.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Time: 6:10p.m.**

- 1.1 Roll Call  
Anthony Avila \_X\_, Steve Soderstrom \_X\_,  
Ryan Blount \_AB\_, Karen Macedo \_X\_, Rob Santos \_AB\_
- 1.2 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items

1.3 Adjourn to Closed Session

APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Karen Macedo

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

**2. CLOSED SESSION**

*Disclosure of Items Discussed in Closed Session (Gov. Code 54947.7)*

**3. OPEN SESSION: CALL TO ORDER**

**Time: 7:03p.m.**

3.1 Roll Call

Anthony Avila \_X\_, Steve Soderstrom \_X\_,  
Ryan Blount \_AB\_, Karen Macedo \_X\_, Rob Santos \_AB\_

3.2 Flag Salute

The flag salute was led by Board President, Anthony Avila.

3.3 Report from Closed Session

Public Employee Appointment:

- .75 Yard/Cafeteria Supervisor at Chatom- Still in Progress
- G.A.T.E Coordinator- Chanda Rowley

Summer School

- Summer School Secretary- Lisa Drake
- K/1 Teacher- Linda Aguiniga and Eloisa Dompe
- 2/3 Teacher- Kelly Redman
- 4/5 Teacher & Principal - Kelly Day
- 6/8 Teacher- Alex Salas
- SDC Intervention Teacher – Cathey Keegan and Caity Keegan

Employee Resignation

- The Board approved resignation of classified employee #04-09-19-01.

3.4 Approval of Agenda

APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Karen Macedo

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

4.1 Board Minutes

4.2 Fiscal Services – Warrants/Payroll

4.3 Declaration of Obsolete Items

4.4 Collection of Developer Fees (if any)

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR  
APPROVED

Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Steve Soderstrom

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT/RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATION**

Carrie Silva- Mountain View teacher, Mrs. Silva, spoke to the Board regarding her feelings on negotiations between CUEA and Chatom USD. She shared that she has been teaching with Chatom for the past 8 years. She originally taught at Chatom Elementary before moving over to Mt. View Middle School as one of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade teachers. She states that she really believes in the District and the community. Mrs. Silva shared with the Board that during her past attendance in board meetings she was informed that we continue to have negative numbers projected in our budget year after year continuously. However, she states that from what she sees, the ending balance grows from what is projected. In the past recent years the District let go of a Teacher yet the balance grew, the District ended the foundations class yet the balance grew and for a few years the Teachers worked without a revised contract and yet the balance grew. She communicated that teachers work hard and sacrifice a lot. CUEA is looking to get a good deal that is well deserved and is respectable to their job.

Laura Nance- CUEA President, Laura Nance spoke on the tentative continued negotiations between CUEA and Chatom USD. She stated that negotiations are tentatively taking place once more on April 30<sup>th</sup>. CUEA will not accept any deal without 2017-2018 being included. She asked if the District is going through declining enrollment and a declining deficit budget, what solutions are being discussed. She shared that she feels that the Teachers take whatever leftovers can be given year after year. She suggested reducing staff, cutting benefits for Board and Administration or consolidating schools into one campus.

**6. INFORMATION**

6.1 Calendar of Events

6.2 Board Financial Summary Report and Review

Business Manager, Kelly Machado reviewed the balance summary report that included beginning fund balance, income, expenditures, and ending balances for the month.

Terry Ryland from School Business Consulting reviewed the current budget situation in light of available funds for

negotiations. She discussed the scope of her review and the Districts enrollment trend amongst other funds. She reviewed special educations costs and its' increase despite the declining enrollment. According to the District budget, Special Education averages at 16% increase per year. The increase in costs between years can range between 3% and 35%. Mrs. Ryland reviewed the STRS and PERS rates including the 2019-2020 Governor's proposed budget financial relief. PERS cost analysis show that the District contribution to PERS almost triple between 2014 and 2025. STRS costs also almost triple by 2014-2025. She reviewed the state budget assumptions reflected in the current year budget and MYP (Multiple Year Projections). She discussed revenues vs. expenditures and showed that revenues are budgeted greater than last year, even after an increase in contributions to restricted programs, however, expenditures continue to increase for benefits, LCAP services and capital equipment. Mrs. Ryland went into detail to review the MYP and reserves. Planned deficit spending requires healthy reserves to cover future shortfalls. She stated that in a small district, it only takes a few changes to materially impact the budget. A surprise in enrollment, special education, state revenues and condition of facilities must be handled from the savings account. She examined the 2<sup>nd</sup> interim MYP general fund only and presented a sample MYP with 2% salary increase and budget reductions to the Board.

### 6.3 Program Reports:

#### Chatom Elementary School

Mrs. Rowley reported on the recent events that occurred at Chatom Elementary. In March the students participated in Ag day and Jog-A-Thon, which they were able to fund raise \$8,000. Mrs. Rowley shared the upcoming field trips that are going to be taken by students from Chatom. On May 6<sup>th</sup> the TK class will be visiting the Hilmar Cheese Factory, on May 9<sup>th</sup> Kindergarten will be attending Mickey's Grove playground and the Children's Museum in Stockton and May 13<sup>th</sup> the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class will be out at Casa de Fruta and Monterey Bay Aquarium. She also added that the 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade class will be attending Mariposa and Yosemite Valley on May 14<sup>th</sup>. On May 15<sup>th</sup> a few students will be taken to LaMo for lunch, and May 16<sup>th</sup> the 1<sup>st</sup> graders will be going to the Fresno Chaffee Zoo.

Mt. View Middle School

Mr. Lewis reviewed his report to the Board. He shared that students were test prepping in March for the April CAASP test starting April 1<sup>st</sup> and ending April 17<sup>th</sup>. Students have been taking the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) in Language Arts and Math. 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will also be taking the Science Test (CAST). On March 18<sup>th</sup> Turlock High School registration took place at Mt. View. Students who needed to make-up the day had an opportunity to register on March 28<sup>th</sup>. THS counselors came out to assist with the registration, class selection and students were able to ask any questions about the next four years of school. The Mt. View track team received new uniforms thanks to a \$500 grant from the Portuguese Fraternal Society of America (PFSA) and from the generosity of an anonymous donor. He also shared that Mt. View received a new sign that the student body purchased with the help of a donation from Matt and Candace Gonsalves of Rustic Metal Designs. Mr. Lewis reviewed the upcoming events for Mt. View that includes the 8<sup>th</sup> graders attending the Levi Stadium Field Trip on May 7<sup>th</sup>. The class will participate in a guided Levi Stadium tour and museum STEM hands-on activities. The field trip was awarded as a grant thanks to Mt. View Teacher, Mrs. Silva. On May 10<sup>th</sup>, Mt. View will have renaissance day which entails different personnel going to campus dressed up in renaissance attire, teaching students about the renaissance era and making arts and crafts with students.

#### Chatom State Preschool

Mrs. Nunes shared that Preschool just held their monthly parent meeting that included a tour of a fire truck. The volunteered visit was made possible by one of the preschool parents, Mr. Cornish. She reported that parent teacher conferences also took place the day of the parent meeting. Each parent had a set appointment to meet with their child's teacher to review the student's development throughout the year. Mrs. Nunes shared that Preschool will be hosting their annual Egg Hunt on April 17<sup>th</sup> between two designated times for both the morning and afternoon class. She also brought back information that was requested from the Board during the last meeting that included the breakdown of students in the District and out of the District that attend Preschool. Mrs. Nunes reported that of the 48 students enrolled in Preschool, 19 students are from

outside our District of which 13 will be TK/K eligible and only 6 have submitted an interdistrict to attend Chatom so far. Of the 48 current students, 16 will be returning to preschool and 19 in District students will be TK/K eligible. She reminded the public that Preschool Registration Day is May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Preschool has 42 appointments for registration and anticipate getting more inquiries in May and during summer.

#### Chatom Union School District

Mrs. Olvera reviewed the current District enrollment that is at 598. She shared that she had applied for a Behavior Health Consultation Grant with Stanislaus County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) back in January of this year. She recently received notification on March 26<sup>th</sup> that there was a tie for the winners between our District and another. Mrs. Olvera will be attending a meeting to discuss the next steps and reassess how the grant can be split between the two. She also reviewed the Saturday School report to the Board. Both Mt. View and Chatom hosted Saturday School in March on two different dates. Saturday School consisted of a four hour day, lunch and no bus transportation. Mrs. Olvera presented on the breakdown of expenses of each school site and ADA collection by grade span and funding factors. She shared that the total ADA revenue gained from Saturday School from both sites came out to \$7,667.86 minus the expenses at \$3,755.99 calculated a total of \$3,911.87.

### 7. ACTION

- 7.1 Consider Approval of Stanislaus County Office of Education Master Agreement

APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Karen Macedo

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

- 7.2 Consider Approval of Resolution #04-09-19-01 Board Action to Implement Certificated Layoff

APPROVED

Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Steve Soderstrom

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

### 8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

- 8.1 Consider Scheduling June Board Meetings for Tuesday, June 11 & 25

### 9. ADJOURNMENT

**Time: 8:40p.m.**

APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Karen Macedo

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0