

**CHATOM UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Room #37 & Outdoors with Social Distancing Applied
and Zoom Platform
May 11, 2021**

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Closed Session: 6:00 p.m.

Public Session: 6:30 p.m.

(Public can obtain access to the Zoom meeting by contacting the District Office at 209-664-8505 or online at chatom.k12.ca.us)

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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.)

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1. CALL TO ORDER

6:00p.m.

1.1

Roll Call

Steve Soderstrom X, Karen Macedo X,

Anthony Avila X, Ryan Blount X, Rob Santos AB

1.2 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items

1.3 Adjourn to Closed Session

APPROVED

Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Karen Macedo

Vote: Ayes Noes 0 Abstentions 0

2. CLOSED SESSION

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

2.1 Public Employee Appointment

(Gov. Code 54957 and 54954.5 (e))

2.1.1 Summer School SDC/Intervention Teacher

2.1.2 Long-Term Substitute 2021-2022 Fourth Grade

2.1.3 Request Authority for the Superintendent to Hire
Time Sensitive Positions Under the Direction of the
Board President or Board Representative

2.2 Public Employees Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Non- re-
election/Leaves of Absence/Resignation/Retirements
And Resolution Regarding Reduction or Discontinuance of
Source (Gov. Code 44949 (e) and Gov. Code 44955)

2.3 Negotiations

2.4 Adjournment Back to Public Session

3. OPEN SESSION: CALL TO ORDER

Time 6:36p.m.

3.1 Roll Call

Steve Soderstrom X, Karen Macedo X,
Anthony Avila X, Ryan Blount X, Rob Santos AB

3.2 Flag Salute

The flag salute was led by Board President, Steve
Soderstrom.

3.3 Report from Closed Session

Public Employee Appointment

- Summer School SDC/Intervention Teacher- Brett Tyler
- Long-Term Substitute 2021-2022 Fourth Grade- Marissa Vasquez
- The Board gave the Superintendent authority to hire time sensitive positions under the direction of the Board President or Board Representative

3.4 Approval of Agenda

APPROVED

Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Karen Macedo

Vote: Ayes 4 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)

APPROVED

Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Ryan Blount

Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

5. PUBLIC COMMENT/RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATION

5.1 2020-21 Staff Recognition

Cherise shared with the Board that this unprecedented year was a tough year for everyone. She stated that everyone should be celebrated for all their hard work due to situations surrounding COVID-19. It was nice to be able to finally come together as a staff and community in an outdoor Board Meeting to recognize staff members.

- Stanislaus County Employees Making a Difference Award – Isela Rosales
Mrs. Olvera shared that Isela was recognized at the County level for the Employees Making a Difference Award. She is a part of the transportation department and is also a yard/cafeteria supervisor. This year during her reassignment due to COVID-19, Isela was very helpful and hands-on with the different duties that she held at Chatom Elementary. Mrs. Olvera shared that she appreciates how Isela cares for all the students she encounters.
- Classified Employee of the Year – Bill Brasil
Mrs. Olvera stated that it was an honor to recognize Bill Brasil as Classified Employee of the Year. Bill is a valuable asset to Mountain View Middle School and the District. He is a very caring, committed, and dedicated employee. Bill had recently left on leave early last year and returned in July. On occasion, he allows students at Mountain View to help him out with his duties. The students enjoy assisting while Bill shares stories and teaches them skills. He is very well-rounded and liked by all at both campuses.
- Teacher of the Year – Kelly Moak
Mrs. Olvera shared that Kelly Moak is a 7th grade teacher at Mountain View. Mrs. Olvera recognized how Mrs. Moak is always focused on student needs and is

very dedicated to her 7th grade team. Mrs. Moak and Mrs. Hack work very closely together as a dynamic duo. Kelly goes above and beyond to assist students. In addition to providing academic support, she also worked hard to make the difficult COVID situation a little easier by planning fun virtual activities to help keep students engaged. Mrs. Olvera expressed her appreciation for Mrs. Moak going above and beyond for her students. The District and students are fortunate to have a teacher like Kelly.

5.2 2020-2021 Staff Retirement

- Vitalina Bettencourt (CUSD 2006-2021)
Vitalina was recognized for her many years of service to the district as a positive and dedicated employee. She has always been professional, kind, and a pleasure to have in the kitchen. She is extremely helpful, talented, and well-liked by staff and students.
- Lucinda Aguiar (CUSD 1995-2021)
Lucinda retired in December of 2020 and is being recognized along with our other retirees. Mrs. Olvera described Lucinda as a one-women wonder. Lucinda took the time to make connections with the students at Mountain View in addition to her regular duties. The Food Service Department will feel the loss of two great employees but wish them well with their retirement.
- Cecilia Santos (CUSD 1994-2021)
Cecilia provided service to the District for 27 years. She has many skills which enable her to take on any task that is given to her. She is dependable, resourceful, and knowledgeable. Cecilia was the first person to welcome students to school at Chatom Elementary each morning during her morning yard supervision position. In the normal school years, you would find Cecilia working at both sites, but this year she has been a big help to the Mountain View site during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Board President, Steve Soderstrom, thanked all the staff that were recognized for their hard work and dedication to the students and the District.

6. INFORMATION

6.1 Calendar of Events

6.2 Board Financial Summary Report

Business Manager, Kelly Machado reported on the fund beginning balances, income, expenditures, and ending balances. She stated that all funds show positive. The Food

Service Director submitted claims for the cafeteria funds, and it is operating with no loans.

6.3 Program Reports:

Chatom Union School District

Mrs. Olvera thanked Daniel Jimenez-Soto for setting up the technology equipment that was needed for the Board meeting to invite those who were not able to attend in person, to attend via zoom. Mrs. Olvera reviewed the District enrollment as of May 3, 2021. The District total enrollment is 579 compared to last month in April that was at 578. She also reviewed the COVID-19 update to the Board. She stated that there have been no positive cases between families or staff for the months of March, April and early May. There have only been known contacts. Mrs. Olvera thanked all the coaches, volunteers and staff members who assisted with the track meet that Mountain View hosted. She shared that it was a great success for our team and the visiting athletes. An update on the Mountain View outdoor project was also given. The project was presented in March and is still in progress. Meetings were held with staff and community members that are involved with the project to discuss the plans. It was shared that the exterior fence has been removed and the curb is in place, but the landscaping that will act as a barrier is still in progress. Cherise provided the Board with an E-rate update. On April 28, 2021, the District was notified that the 2021-2022 E-rate application for Category 1- Internet and Data Transport services was fully funded at a 90% rate. She also shared that Sara and Steve have done a great job in completing the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) at both sites. The testing began at Mt. View on April 19 and at Chatom on April 26.

Chatom Elementary School

Mrs. Cruz shared that during the month of May there is a lot of celebrating to do both for students and staff. It is a time to reflect on the school year and get ready for the next. She also shared that in getting steps closer to normalcy, we offered the spring book fair in the library and the play structure was re-opened for students during their scheduled recess. Virtual morning announcements are still being shared. For the month of May, the character trait focused on was "Problem Solver". This reminds students to persevere through challenging problems

and that we should identify the problem but give our power and energy to solutions. Mrs. Cruz thanked our Technology Support, Daniel, and staff for a great job in encouraging students to try their best. She reported that teachers are collaborating on their virtual open house presentation and end-of-year activities. Since the traditional in-person open house is currently not offered due to COVID, the virtual version will give a glimpse into the classrooms, highlight classroom activities, include pictures, and send a positive message to families.

Mountain View Middle School

Mr. Lewis reported that the ELPAC/CAASPP testing were completed. For the last day of school, 8th grade students will be celebrating the end of the year by taking a trip to Boomers in Modesto. 6th and 7th grade students will be participating in an outdoor Warrior Olympics. He shared that there are several students who will be presented awards at Mt. View's graduation ceremony. A unique and accomplishing situation that has not happened before is that 5 students will be honored as valedictorians. Each of the students maintained a 4.0 throughout their entire 8th grade year. Mr. Lewis informed the Board that the graduation ceremony will be held on Thursday, May 27th at 6:30 p.m. Families are invited to celebrate in person or they can view it live streamed. As of May 24th, 57 students of the 8th grade class are on track to walk the ceremony. The number is anticipated to change with continuous intervention and support that is being provided to the students who have been struggling. For professional development, teachers have been working on planning for next year and closing out the current year.

Chatom State Preschool

Mrs. Nunes reported that registration for next year went great. As of now the AM class is completely full but the PM class is not. The office is still receiving inquiries and they anticipate getting families to apply during the summer. She shared that they have a few fun activities scheduled for the students for the last days of school. One of the exciting events that the students love is the animal show. Domestic and exotic animals are shown to students but for this event parents will not be allowed to stay. Graduation will occur as a drive thru. The students will be given a shirt, gown and cap to take home. They will have

the opportunity to take a photo with the staff one at a time. She also reported that the second conferences will be held on May 12th and May 19th. Conferences will be held through zoom or telephone. Mrs. Nunes also reviewed the program's desired results parent survey. This survey is completed annually by the parents in regard to the overall satisfaction of the preschool program. She stated that the survey results showed that parents were mostly satisfied. This is also an opportunity to apply program changes and implement improvements on areas.

7. ACTION

- 7.1 Consider Approval of Banks and Company Photography for Photo Services at Mountain View Middle School and Chatom Elementary
APPROVED
Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Karen Macedo
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 7.2 Consider Approval of Summer Job Descriptions for Food Service Site Monitor, Food Service Site Supervisor and Food Service Worker I
APPROVED
Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Ryan Blount
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 7.3 Consider Approval of Temporary Revision to Graduation Award Requirements for the 2021-2022 School Year
APPROVED
Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Karen Macedo
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 7.4 Consider Approval of Roof Bids for Mountain View Classrooms 1 & 2
APPROVED
Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Karen Macedo
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 7.5 Consider Approval of Expanded Learning Opportunity Grant Plan
APPROVED
Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Ryan Blount
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 7.6 Consider District Proposal for Negotiations with Chatom Union Educators Association (CUEA) – CTA and California

School Employees Association (CSEA) and Its Chatom
Chapter #585

APPROVED

Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Karen Macedo

Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

7.7 Consider Receipt of Chatom Union Educators Association
(CUEA) Initial Public Sunshine Proposal

APPROVED

Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Karen Macedo

Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

9. ADJOURNMENT

Time: 7:33 p.m.

APPROVED

Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Ryan Blount

Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0