

**CHATOM UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Chatom Library with Social Distancing Applied
and Virtual Zoom Platform
April 13, 2021**

Tuesday, April 13, 2021
Closed Session: 6:30 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.)

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Time 6:30p.m.

- 1.1 Roll Call
Steve Soderstrom X, Karen Macedo AB,
Anthony Avila X, Ryan Blount AB, Rob Santos X
- 1.2 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items

1.3 Adjourn to Closed Session

APPROVED

Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Rob Santos

Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

2. CLOSED SESSION

Board Member, Karen Macedo, arrived after adjournment for closed session.

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

2.1 Public Employee Appointment

2.1.1 Summer School

- K/1 Teacher
- 2/3 Teacher
- 4/5 Teacher
- 6/8 Teacher
- SDC/ Intervention Teacher
- Summer School Secretary

2.2 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: 7:10 p.m.

3.1 Roll Call

Steve Soderstrom _X_, Karen Macedo _X_,
Anthony Avila _X_, Ryan Blount _AB_, Rob Santos _X_

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

- K/1 Teacher- Beth Haile
- 2/3 Teacher-Alexandria Ochoa
- 4/5 Teacher/Principal-Alexandria Salas
- 6/8 Teacher-Morgan Ostrander
- SDC/ Intervention Teacher- Pending
- Summer School Secretary- Yajayra Hernandez

The Board gave the Superintendent authorization to hire para's and other positions as needed for summer school.

- 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)
- 4.5 Consider Contract Renewal for Stanislaus Partners in Education (SPIE)

Approval of Consent Calendar
APPROVED
Motion: Rob Santos Second: Anthony Avila
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

5. PUBLIC COMMENT/RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATION

6. INFORMATION

- 6.1 Calendar of Events
A correction was made to the calendar of events under the April PTC meeting date. The PTC meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 rather than April 13th.
- 6.2 Board Financial Summary Report and Review
District Business Manager, Kelly Machado reviewed the fund balances, beginning balances, income, expenditures and ending balances as of March 31, 2021. She noted that the cafeteria fund is in the black showing positive cash balance. She also stated that there are checks from the State incoming that will be deposited into the cafeteria fund that will increase the current balance.
- 6.3 Bond Continuing Disclosure Annual Report
Kelly reviewed the annual bond continuing disclosure report. The report discloses information about the current outstanding bonds within the District.
- 6.4 Program Reports:
Chatom Elementary School

Chatom Principal, Sara Cruz, reviewed her Board report that included current Chatom news. She stated that she continues to see tremendous growth in the Chatom students daily academically and by their overall happiness. She thanked teachers for doing a great job of making learning meaningful and fun. Although they are limited on certain school activities, students were still able to enjoy leprechaun traps, easter egg hunts, online game competitions, STEM activities and literacy projects in the month of March. Mrs. Cruz shared that Chatom is continuing to promote reading as much as possible. They held a “Books and Blankets” event where students had a chance to win a book and blanket if they turned in a summary of a book they have read. There were 239 entries for that event and each student received a bookmark for their participation. The virtual announcements for April highlight the monthly character trait focus of cooperation. The positive message is to practice good teamwork and to encourage students to work together towards a common goal. The virtual student of the month will continue until the end of the school year. Mrs. Cruz also shared that teachers have been collaborating on developing a plan of how to support each other during the R.I.S.E time with students.

Mountain View Middle School

Mr. Lewis reported on the ELPAC/CAASPP testing, stating that English learner students tested for ELPAC in March. Upon return from Spring Break students will be reviewing for the CAASPP test and then will begin Math and ELA. He spoke about the possible plans of 8th grade graduation. As the COVID numbers continue to decline and County/State guidelines restrictions continue to lift, Mt. View is tentatively planning a full graduation this year. The ceremony will be held outdoors. Mr. Lewis stated that there were initially 17 student’s ineligible to graduate, 9 of the students submitted projects that got them back on track as long as they pass 2nd semester. 8 of the remaining 17 students unfortunately did not accept the assistance and guidance that was being offered by staff. All parents/guardians of the 17 students have been kept in communication about the status of their child’s graduation. Those who will not be graduating will have to attend summer school in order to be promoted to high school. Mt. View raised a total of \$2,320 for outdoor education. The fundraising event

was to challenge the community to raise money to have Mr. Lewis voluntarily shave his beard and head. A winner was drawn to take the honor of shaving Mr. Lewis while he streamed it via zoom the day before spring break. He shared that a track meet was held for the first time since COVID and it was great to watch students participate in sports again.

Chatom State Preschool

Mrs. Nunes was absent from the Board meeting but included her report for the Board. Mrs. Olvera reported on behalf of the Preschool Director that preschool registrations will be held on Wednesday, April 28th and Wednesday, May 5th.

Chatom Union School District

Mrs. Olvera reviewed the enrollment update as of April 1st. She stated that there are a total of 578 students enrolled in the District. She also reviewed the COVID-19 update that includes positive cases and known contacts of cases since March 4, 2021. Mrs. Olvera and the Business Manager briefly spoke about the financial impact of the unemployment insurance rate that will increase from \$2,200 to \$54,000 due to the impact of the pandemic. Mrs. Olvera thanked the planning committee for attending and working together at an all-day workshop that was held on March 30, 2021. The planning workshop was to review the required 2017-2020 LCAP annual update and the 2020-2021 Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan Update. The committee also collaborated to give input on the development of the new 2021-2024 LCAP. Current goals and actions were reviewed to identify needs to support student learning loss due to the pandemic.

Mrs. Olvera updated the Board with State assessment information. She shared that assessments are scheduled to occur this spring but the details at the State level are still being finalized. The State Board of Education and the United States Department of Education have approved the use of local or interim assessments or the CAASPP to evaluate student learning progress. She explained that it is still uncertain if the California Accountability Waiver and California Science Test Waiver will be approved by the USDE. The waivers were submitted on April 6th. The State is allowing Districts the flexibility to use either the local assessment or the State assessment. Parents will be

communicated with regarding comparing tests results this year to the results from the tests last taken. Mrs. Olvera is looking into the possibility of opting not to test for science in the 5th and 8th grade class due to science not having been focused on with the social distancing protocols in place. The Board members suggested to keep the conversations going with families in the District regarding their child's tests. Results will help teachers navigate what they have grasped and what areas need further support for next year. Mrs. Olvera reviewed the Williams update and stated that we are in compliance with the State Williams Settlement for the quarter covering January, February, and March 2021.

7. ACTION

- 7.1 Consider Acceptance of 2019-2020 Audit
APPROVED
Motion: Rob Santos Second: Karen Macedo
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 7.2 Consider Approval of Interfund Transfers
APPROVED
Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Anthony Avila
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 7.3 Board Action to Implement Certificated Layoff – Resolution No. 04-13-21-01
APPROVED
Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Rob Santos
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 7.4 Consider Approval of 2021-2022 School Calendar
APPROVED
Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Anthony Avila
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 7.5 Consider Approval of Reopening Sports Outside of the Current Tier
The Board approved outdoor volleyball intermediately
APPROVED
Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Rob Santos
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 7.6 Consider Approval of Reopening Date for Transportation and After-School Childcare Program
The Board took action to keep transportation and the after-school childcare program as is for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year. The Board took action to fully open transportation on August 11th.

APPROVED

Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Rob Santos

Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

8.1 Consider Scheduling June Board Meetings for Tuesday, June 8 and June 22.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Time: 8:16p.m.

APPROVED

Motion: Rob Santos Second: Anthony Avila

Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0