

**CHATOM UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
Chatom Cafeteria or Outdoor Alternative by Cafeteria  
Weather Permitting and Zoom Platform  
November 9, 2021**

Tuesday, November 9, 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)*

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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**

**Time: 6:15 p.m.**

- 1.1 Roll Call  
Steve Soderstrom AB, Karen Macedo X,  
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: Anthony Avila Second: Rob Santos

Vote: Ayes 3 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 Confidential Secretary

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: 6:31 P.M.**

3.1 Roll Call

Steve Soderstrom \_\_AB\_\_, Karen Macedo \_\_X\_\_,

Anthony Avila \_\_X\_\_, Ryan Blount \_\_AB\_\_, Rob Santos \_\_X\_\_

3.2 Flag Salute

The flag salute was led by Board Clerk, Karen Macedo.

3.3 Report from Closed Session

Public Employee Appointment

- Confidential Secretary – Lorena Nevarez

3.4 Approval of Agenda

APPROVED

Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Rob Santos

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)

Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Rob Santos  
Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

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

There was no public comment. Mrs. Olvera announced at the beginning of the meeting that the next meeting would be held inside the cafeteria or also online via ZOOM.

**6. INFORMATION**

6.1 Calendar of Events

The calendar of events was presented. It was shared that the Thanksgiving luncheon would not occur this year, but the District is already planning and preparing for the upcoming Christmas program.

6.2 Board Financial Summary Report

Business Manager, Kelly Machado, went over fund balances, income, expenditures, and ending balances.

6.3 Educator Effectiveness Block Grant (EEBG) Plan

Mrs. Olvera presented the Educator Effectiveness Grant Plan. The District will use the funds on items listed in EdCode 41480 (b) with input and will provide future updates to the plan. She explained how the funds will be used to provide professional learning for teachers, administrators, paraprofessionals who work with pupils, and classified staff that interact with pupils.

6.4 Program Reports:

- Chatom Elementary School
  - Mrs. Cruz shared that the PTC carnival was a success. There were lots of smiles, children laughing, alumni helping, and outstanding booths decorated by individual classrooms. The students sold over 34,000 raffle tickets. She also thanked the PTC, donors, and staff for making the event possible. She also talked about the Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten fieldtrip to the R.A.M. Pumpkin Patch and the first-grade field trip to the Fresno Chaffee Zoo. She shared that October was a very fun and busy month. Students had a fun-filled week of dressing up to promote being drug-free during Red Ribbon Week. They also had an opportunity to buy “Spook-O-Grams” and celebrated the recognition of students at the Student Awards Assembly. The character trait for the month was “self-control”. She also shared that Chatom Elementary will be receiving

ten Smartboards to support the After-school program.

- Mountain View Middle School
  - Mr. Lewis also shared that October was a busy month. He thanked PTC for a very successful and fun carnival. He reported that there were many Mountain View students who volunteered at the carnival along with past alumni. He also reported that the new evening parent conference schedule was more successful. They had 50% of parents attend conferences as opposed to 40% the prior year. Progress reports for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter will be mailed out on Monday, November 15. Mr. Lewis will be meeting with at-risk students to set up interventions and support to help students improve their grades prior to the end of the quarter which is December 17. Mr. Lewis also shared that girls basketball and boys soccer were occurring. Mountain View had a fun day on Friday, October 28. The day included a rally, perfect attendance celebration, summit day activities, and ended with a dance.
- Chatom State Preschool
  - Mrs. Nunes reported that there are 23 students currently enrolled in the morning class and there are 19 enrolled in the afternoon class. She reported that they had a great turn out for parent conferences. The next parent conference will be held in April.
- Chatom Union School District
  - Mrs. Olvera reported that there were 573 students enrolled as of November 2, 2021. She also provided a COVID-19 report representing the period of October 6, 2021-November 3, 2021. The report included 10 positive cases, 6 nonexposure cases and 15 known contacts. She provided an update on the on-site rapid antigen testing. She stated that the staff testing was going well and that many families have taken advantage of the on-site testing to keep their child(ren) in school utilizing the modified quarantine schedule. Since the start of on-site testing on October 18, 2021, there have been five positive cases which resulted in only four students being quarantined. Mrs. Olvera also extended a special thank you to the Chatom PTC, and Ways and Means Committee for all their hard work in planning and organizing this year's carnival. It was great to see so many of our families come together and share their

appreciation and gratitude to participate in the special event. A thank you was also extended to all of the staff, volunteers and donors who also helped to make the event so successful.

**7. ACTION**

- 7.1 Consider Reaffirming Findings of Resolution #10-12-21-01 for Use of Virtual Meetings

APPROVED

Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Rob Santos

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

- 7.2 Consider Nominations to CSBA's Delegate Assembly

DENIED

No action was taken due to lack of motion to nominate anyone to the CSBA's Delegate Assembly.

- 7.3 Consider Approval of Revised Job Description for Confidential Secretary

APPROVED

Motion: Rob Santos Second: Anthony Avila

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

**8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION**

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

**Time: 6:54**

Motion: Rob Santos Second: Anthony Avila

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0