

**CHATOM UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Chatom Cafeteria and Zoom Platform
DECEMBER 14, 2021**

Tuesday, December 14, 2021

Closed Session: 6:00 PM

Open Session: 7:00 PM

Any writings or documents that are public records and are provided to the Governing Board regarding an open session item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection in the District Office located at 7201 Clayton Road, Turlock, CA, during normal business hours.

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: 6:15 p.m.

1.1 Roll Call

Steve Soderstrom X, Karen Macedo X,
Anthony Avila X, Ryan Blount AB, 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 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))
- 2.2 Public Employees Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Non-re-election/Leaves of Absence/Resignation/Job Share
(Gov. Code 54954.5 (e) and Gov. Code 54957)
- 2.3 Negotiations with CUEA, CSEA & Management
- 2.4 Liability Claim/ Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: Government Code 54956.9 (e) (3)
Claimant: CSEA
- 2.5 Adjournment Back to Public Session
Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Anthony Avila
Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

3. OPEN SESSION: CALL TO ORDER

Time: 7:06 p.m.

- 3.1 Roll Call
Steve Soderstrom X, Karen Macedo X
Anthony Avila X, Ryan Blount AB, 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
- Authority was given to the Superintendent to hire time sensitive positions under the direction of the Board President or Board Representative
 - The Board accepted the resignation of employee #12-14-21-01
 - The Board voted unanimously to reject the claim of CSEA
- 3.4 Approval of Agenda
APPROVED
Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Anthony Avila
Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

4. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

4.1 Election of Officers

4.1.1 Board President

APPROVED Nomination of Karen Macedo
Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Steve Soderstrom
Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

4.1.2 Board Clerk

APPROVED Nomination of Rob Santos
Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Anthony Avila
Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

4.1.3 Trustee Representative

APPROVED Nomination of Anthony Avila
Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Karen Macedo
Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

4.1.4 Secretary to the Board

The Superintendent will continue to serve as
Secretary to the Board.

4.1.5 Verification of Signatures

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

5.1 Board Minutes

5.2 Fiscal Services – Warrants/Payroll

5.3 Declaration of Obsolete Items

5.4 Collection of Developer Fees (if any)

5.5 Renewal of School Services of California Contract

APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Anthony Avila
Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

6. PUBLIC COMMENT/RECOGNITION

6.1 Public Recognition

6.1.1 Community Support and Donations

- Local Warriors Club - Shopping trip for students in need at Mountain View
- Turlock Pentecost Association (TPA) – Shopping trip for students at Mountain View and Chatom Elementary
- Kiwanis Club – Shopping trip for students in need at Chatom Elementary

- Westside Ministries – Coat donation for students in need at Chatom Elementary and Mountain View
- Mitchell Community Church - “Angel Tree” gifts
- Gity Miller – Donation of four bicycles

Superintendent, Cherise Olvera, mentioned the list reflects donations received as of December 8, 2021. It does not include donations made after December 8th or donations received from anonymous donors. She added that the Turlock Rural Fire Department reached out to the District to support a family in need within the Chatom community.

She expressed that Chatom Union School District is very fortunate to have many organizations and community partnerships to support our staff and students. We appreciate all their support and thank all our donors including those who may not be listed.

7. INFORMATION

7.1 Calendar of Events

The calendar of events was presented, and Mrs. Olvera reminded everyone of the upcoming Chatom Christmas Program that is going to be held in the Chatom cafeteria on December 16 and 17 along with the Chatom Preschool students singing with Santa on December 17th.

7.2 Board Financial Summary Report

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

7.3 Program Reports

- Chatom Elementary School
 - Mrs. Cruz shared the fun activities that occurred in November which included a first-grade field trip to the Fresno Zoo and classroom programs. Mrs. Machado has been visiting classrooms to teach coping skills and working on perseverance as the monthly character trait. Mrs. Rangel has been running social groups to target social skill building. She also shared that Lori Mariano, the Project Coordinator for ELA/ELD from Stanislaus County Office of Education has been assisting the site with understanding the theory behind literacy acquisition.

- Mountain View Middle School
 - Mr. Lewis shared that Mountain View was completing the girls basketball and boys soccer season. The boys soccer team was undefeated throughout the season and tied their last game. He also reported that he has been meeting with students who are at-risk of meeting academic requirements for graduation. There has been a lot of improvement and he is happy that all the after-school programs are back in place which is also supporting students. They are preparing for a fun Reindeer Rally on Friday, December 17.

- Chatom State Preschool
 - Mrs. Nunes reported that there is still space available in the afternoon preschool class. She is continuing to work with the Stanislaus County Office of Education on the Preschool Inclusive Grant. The preschool is preparing for singing with Santa on Friday, December 17. They will have a tent set up outside for their special program.

- Chatom Union School District
 - Mrs. Olvera gave a COVID-19 data update. She reported that from November 4, 2021- December 8, 2021, there were zero positive cases on site and four non exposure cases. There were ten known contacts and one non exposure known contact. She reported that implementing the optional on-site testing for students has really decreased the number of students who have had to quarantine. She also informed the Board that the District completed a CHP and Fire inspection.
 - She congratulated Nancy Souza for being selected to represent the Chatom Union School District at the Stanislaus County Employees Making a Difference Ceremony on January 19th. Nancy was nominated as part of the Health and Student Services division for her commitment to students, parents and community of the District, and assistance with COVID-19 tracking, tracing and testing.

8. ACTION

8.1 Consider Reaffirming Findings of Resolution #10-12-21-01 for use of Virtual Meetings

The Board reaffirmed the need to continue virtual meetings due to COVID-19.

APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Anthony Avila

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

8.2 Consider Approval of Educator Effectiveness Block Grant (EEBG) Plan

The EEBG was first presented at the November 9, 2021, Board Meeting. The plan was brought back to the Board for further discussion and consideration of approval.

APPROVED

Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Steve Soderstrom

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

8.3 Consider Approval of Agreement for Special Contract Services with Stanislaus County Office of Education (SCOE) for Literacy Instruction Training

The Board approved the MOU between the Chatom Union School District and the Stanislaus County Office of Education for literacy instruction training by Lori Mariano.

APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Anthony Avila

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

8.4 Consider Approval of California State Preschool Program Continued Funding Application Fiscal Year 2022-2023

The Board approved the California State Preschool Program Continued Funding Application Fiscal Year 2022-2023 prepared by the Preschool Director, Sandra Nunes.

APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Anthony Avila

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

8.5 Consider Approval of Chatom Union School District Instructional Calendar for 2022-2023

The Superintendent presented the proposed 2022-2023 instructional calendar. She explained the differences between the Chatom proposed calendar and the adopted Turlock Unified School District calendar. She informed the Board that the presented calendar was supported unanimously by the calendar committee which consists of certificated, classified and administration representation. The Board approved the proposed calendar.

APPROVED

Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Steve Soderstrom

Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

- 8.6 Consider Approval of Custodial-Groundskeeping Job Description and Salary Schedule
A new job description for Custodian/Groundskeeper was ratified by CSEA and presented to the Board. The job description was approved as amended. The amendment included adding the word related to read, “perform other related duties as assigned.”
APPROVED
Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Anthony Avila
Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 8.7 Consider Approval to Authorize the Hiring of Short-Term Employee Pursuant to Education Code Section 45103 (d) (2) in the Position of Yard/Cafeteria Supervisor Beginning on December 15, 2021, and Ending on May 27, 2022 for 1 Hour a Day
Resolution #12-14-21-01 was approved to hire a short-term Yard/Cafeteria Supervisor for 1 hour/day from December 15, 2021- May 27, 2022, due to COVID-19.
APPROVED
Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Steve Soderstrom
Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 8.8 Consider Approval of Revised Classified Salary Changes Effective January 1, 2022, to Reflect New California Minimum Wage
Mrs. Olvera shared that effective January 1, 2022, California’s minimum wage will increase to \$15.00 an hour. A revised salary schedule was approved to reflect an increase to \$15.00 to the impacted classifications.
APPROVED
Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Anthony Avila
Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 8.9 Consider Approval of Consent to Move Forward with the California Schools Healthy Air, Plumbing, and Efficiency Program (CalSHAPE)/ AB 841
The Board gave consent to move forward with the Cal SHAPE/ AB841 grant application with LifeWings. If awarded the program will provide funding for the reasonable costs of HVAC assessment, general maintenance and adjustment, filter replacement, and carbon dioxide monitor installation, including certain repairs, replacements, and other improvements to HVAC systems.
APPROVED
Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Anthony Avila
Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

- 8.10 Consider Approval of 2021 - 2022 First Interim Report
Business Manager, Kelly Machado, presented the 2021-2022 First Interim Report. Her presentation included financial updates on District funds, historical enrollment, budget assumptions, general fund revenues & expenditures, reserve fund, special education contributions, and multi-year projections.
APPROVED
Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Anthony Avila
Vote: Ayes 3 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

9. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

10. ADJOURNMENT

Time: 8:23 p.m.