

**CHATOM UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
Chatom Room #32 and Zoom Platform  
May 9, 2023**

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Closed Session: 5:00 p.m.

Public Session: 7:00 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)

Board Member Trustee attending via zoom will be located at the following:

Karen Macedo - 4424 Silva Road, Turlock, CA 95380

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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: 5:19 p.m.**

1.1 Roll Call

Anthony Avila	<u>  X  </u>	Alison Carvalho	<u>  X  </u>
Karen Macedo	<u>  X  </u>	Steve Soderstrom	<u>  X  </u>
Rob Santos	<u>  X  </u>		

- 1.2 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items
- 1.3 Adjourn to Closed Session  
APPROVED  
Motion: Steve Soderstrom                      Second: Alison Carvalho  
Vote Ayes 5                      Noes 0                      Abstentions 0  
Time: 5:20 p.m.

**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 Bilingual Para-Educator 5.75 hours
  - 2.1.2 Para-Educator 6.5 hours
  - 2.1.3 Para-Educator 5.75 hours
  - 2.1.4 Middle School Principal
  - 2.1.5 Elementary 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher
  - 2.1.6 Summer School Kindergarten/1<sup>st</sup> Teacher
  - 2.1.7 Summer Bus Driver
  - 2.1.8 Summer School/ELOP Para-Educators 4.5 hours
  - 2.1.9 (2) SFSP Food Service Workers
  - 2.1.10 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)
  - 2.2.1 Resignation of Employee 05-09-23-01
  - 2.2.2 Resignation of Employee 05-09-23-02
  
- 2.3 Liability Claim: Claim of S. Camden against the Chatom Union School District (Gov. Code 54956.95)
  
- 2.4 Negotiations
  
- 2.5 Employment: Principal
  
- 2.6 Adjournment Back to Public Session

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

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

- 3.1 Roll Call  
Anthony Avila   X                        Alison Carvalho   X    
Karen Macedo   X                        Steve Soderstrom   X    
Rob Santos   X
  
- 3.2 Flag Salute led by Board President Rob Santos

3.3 Report from Closed Session

3.4 Approval of Agenda

APPROVED

Motion: Anthony Avila

Second: Alison Carvalho

Vote Ayes 5 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 Renewal of Aeries Student Information System Contract

4.6 Consider Renewal of StanWait Program with Stanislaus County Office of Education for Chatom State Preschool

4.7 Consider Renewal of Worker’s Compensation Annual Certification Pursuant to Education Code 42141 (c)  
APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom

Second: Anthony Avila

Vote Ayes 5 Noes 0

Abstentions 0

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

5.1 2022-23 Staff Recognition

- Stanislaus County Employees Making a Difference Award – Sandy Williamson
- Classified Employee of the Year – Daniel Jimenez-Soto
- Teacher of the Year – Jennifer Hack
- Retirement – Barry Burdick (CUSD 1988-2023)

#### **6. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**

6.1 Calendar of Events

Mrs. Olvera reviewed the calendar of events.

6.2 Board Financial Summary Report

Business Manager, Kelly Machado, reviewed the financial summary report.

6.3 Communication from Stanislaus County

Office of Education Regarding Second Interim Report

Mrs. Olvera reviewed the letter sent by the Stanislaus County Office of Education in regard to the Second Interim Report.

6.4 Status of Bus 1 (1998 Blue Bird)

Mrs. Olvera gave an update on Bus 1, which is no longer used by the District. The Board gave Mrs. Olvera direction to post information on the bus following EdCode requirements and to bring back the highest bid to the Board in June.

6.5 Program Reports:

Chatom Elementary School

Chatom Principal, Sara Cruz, shared that the month of April was packed full of events and special guests. The month started with a Superhero themed Jog-a-Thon which allowed students the opportunity to earn a shirt, mask, and cape. Students were also able to cool down with a popsicle after. Families were very excited to be a part of the Jog-a-Thon event. Chatom also held its annual Easter Egg Hunt with the help of many parent volunteers. In addition, Chatom held a Fly-it Day, during which students were able to fly kites, launch bottle rockets, and engage in other fun activities that revolved around “flying”. As for special guests, Chatom hosted Science Alliance which presented science experiments to students and sent them off to start statewide testing. Science Alliance will also be returning for Family Science Night on May 10<sup>th</sup>. Chatom also hosted KAT Country 103 and the Chatom families loved hearing their students on the radio discussing honesty and optimism. Honesty was the character trait focus for the Month of April.

Mt. View Middle School

Mountain View Principal, Steve Lewis, shared that they held a Medieval Renaissance Day on campus for 7<sup>th</sup> grade students this year. Students were able to participate in a variety of activities which included doll making. All of the students seemed to be very excited to participate in this activity. They also had a Knight exhibit in the gym which really engaged the students. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade class hosted a tri-tip and fry fundraiser which was very successful. The funds raised will be going towards the 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Great America on May 19<sup>th</sup>. All Mountain View students completed CAASPP testing as of May 5<sup>th</sup>. The Mountain View Graduation Ceremony will be taking place on Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Chatom State Preschool

Preschool Director, Sandra Nunes, shared that the last Parent meeting took place on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. She also shared that on Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> preschoolers would be visiting Dora in transportation and have the opportunity to learn about the bus

and sit in the bus. Sandra also shared out about end of the year activities which includes an Animal Show on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. There will also be an end of the year celebration which will include face painting and balloon twisting.

#### Chatom Union School District

Superintendent, Cherise Olvera, shared that the week of Spring Break was a busy but very productive week. She shared that six new water fountains were installed, six classroom windows were tinted at Chatom Elementary, a keypad lock was installed on the District gate, pre-bid job walks were held at Mountain View, and striping was added to the Preschool playground. Mrs. Olvera also gave a very special thank you to SCOE for the renovation installations in the District Office, tables for the Professional Learning Room, and items for the Board Room.

### **7. ACTION**

7.1 Consider Approval of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Notice of Exemption, Citing a Class I (Section 15301) “Existing Facilities” Categorical Exemption for the Mountain View School Well Replacement Project

APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom	Second: Alison Carvalho
Vote Ayes 5	Noes 0
	Abstentions 0

7.2 Consider Approval of Mountain View Paint Bids for Gymnasium and Classroom Doors

APPROVED

Motion: Anthony Avila	Second: Steve Soderstrom
Vote Ayes 5	Noes 0
	Abstentions 0

7.3 Consider Approval of Bid Selection for Construction Services for Mountain View Restroom Renovations

APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom	Second: Alison Carvalho
Vote Ayes 5	Noes 0
	Abstentions 0

7.4 Consider Approval of Preschool Ramp Bids

APPROVED

Motion: Anthony Avila	Second: Steve Soderstrom
Vote Ayes 5	Noes 0
	Abstentions 0

7.5 Consider Approval of 2023-2024 Stanislaus County Office of Education School Attendance Review Board (SARB) Contract

APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom	Second: Alison Carvalho
Vote Ayes 5	Noes 0
	Abstentions 0

7.6 Consider Approval of 2023-2024 Annual Statement of Declaration of Need  
APPROVED  
Motion: Anthony Avila                      Second: Steve Soderstrom  
Vote Ayes 5                      Noes 0                      Abstentions 0

7.7 Consider Approval of 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 Salary Schedules to Reflect Changes from Negotiations and New Positions  
APPROVED  
Motion: Steve Soderstrom                      Second: Anthony Avila  
Vote Ayes 5                      Noes 0                      Abstentions 0

7.8 Consider District Proposal for Negotiations with Chatom Union Educator's Association  
APPROVED  
Motion: Steve Soderstrom                      Second: Anthony Avila  
Vote Ayes 5                      Noes 0                      Abstentions 0

**8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION**

**9. RETURN TO CLOSED SESSION FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION/ACTION ON AGENDA ITEM 2.5 ABOVE IF NECESSARY**

Motion to go back to closed session.  
APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom                      Second: Anthony Avila  
Vote Ayes 5                      Noes 0                      Abstentions 0

Adjournment Back to Public Session  
Time : 8:23 p.m.

APPROVED  
Motion: Anthony Avila                      Second: Alison Carvalho  
Vote Ayes 5                      Noes 0                      Abstentions 0

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**Time: 8:25 p.m.**

**APPROVED**

Motion: Anthony Avila                      Second: Steve Soderstrom  
Vote Ayes 5                      Noes 0                      Abstentions 0