

**CHATOM UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Chatom Elementary Room #32 and Zoom Platform
November 14, 2023**

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Closed Session: 6:00 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)

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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: 6:10 p.m.

1.1 Roll Call

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anthony Avila | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alison Carvalho |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Karen Macedo | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Soderstrom |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rob Santos | |

1.2 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items

- 1.3 Adjourn to Closed Session
APPROVED
Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Steve Soderstrom
Vote Ayes 5 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

2. **CLOSED SESSION**

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

Mrs. Machado, Business Manager, was invited to attend Closed Session in order to provide financial information on closed session agenda items.

- 2.1 Public Employee Appointment
(Gov. Code 54957 and 54954.5 (e))
 2.1.1 Bilingual Para-Educator (2.75 hours)
 2.1.2 Yard/Cafeteria Supervisor (1 hour)
- 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 Employment: Transportation Supervisor/ Custodial/ Grounds
- 2.4 Negotiations
- 2.5 Adjournment Back to Public Session
APPROVED
Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Alison Carvalho
Vote Ayes 5 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

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

Time: 7:19 p.m.

- 3.1 Roll Call
 Anthony Avila Alison Carvalho
 Karen Macedo Steve Soderstrom
 Rob Santos
- 3.2 Flag Salute
- 3.3 Report from Closed Session
The Board gave Superintendent Olvera the authority to hire a 2.75 hours Bilingual Para-Educator and a 1 hour Yard/ Cafeteria Supervisor.
- 3.4 Approval of Agenda
Amended to move action item 7.6 before 7.1
APPROVED
Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Anthony Avila

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
Mountain View Bizhub 458
- 4.4 Collection of Developer Fees (if any)
APPROVED
Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Anthony Avila
Vote Ayes 5 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

5. PUBLIC COMMENT/RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATION

- 5.1 Donation of Items Valued at \$4,056.77 from Amazon
- 5.2 Receipt of \$2,500 Grant for After-School Cooking Class from Stanislaus Partners in Education (SPIE) written by Bernadette Cruz and Alexandria Salas

6. INFORMATION

- 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 Program Reports:
 - Chatom Elementary School:
Chatom Principal, Sara Cruz, shared that the month of October had a lot of fun events for which they had a lot of parent volunteers. She shared that the annual PTC Halloween Carnival, as well as the first Family Literacy Night, were a success. She also shared that Chatom had a fun filled Red Ribbon week during which students had fun dressing up. Mrs. Cruz also shared that Chatom had a Gold and a Silver Medalist at the Stanislaus County Spelling Bee.
 - Mountain View Middle School:
Mountain View Principal, Lauren Lanum, shared that tutoring and intervention have been set in place and now includes a morning session. She also shared that 71 students had perfect attendance last month. Mrs. Lanum then went on to share that Red Ribbon week as well as their Halloween Dance were both a success.

- Chatom State Preschool:
Preschool Director, Sandra Nunes, shared that there are currently 23 students in the a.m. class and 21 students in the p.m. class. She shared that October was a busy month during which parent conferences were held and she was able to meet with all but two parents.
- Chatom Union School District:
Superintendent, Cherise Olvera, shared that a Procurement Food Audit will begin on December 1st. Mrs. Olvera also provided a facility update and shared that the Mountain View Middle School restroom renovation as well as the cafeteria water restoration project have been completed. She also shared that the Mountain View Track construction has commenced and is ahead of schedule. Landscaping is scheduled to begin December 1st. The original completion date was December 25th. Mrs. Olvera also shared that the Halloween Carnival was a big success and extended a special thank you to PTC, the Ways and Means Committee, and the many volunteers that made the event possible.

6.4 Zero-Emission Infrastructure Grant Update Regarding 400-AMP and 600-AMP Panels

Mrs. Olvera shared the possibility of moving from a 600-amp transformer down to a 400-amp transformer due to lack of availability. The 600-amp panel would allow for future growth, but the District was informed by Turlock Irrigation District (TID) that supplies for a 600-amp panel were “extremely low” and the projected lead time was 18 to 24 months to get a 600-amp panel. The discussion was to look into the availability of a 400-amp transformer. A representative from Acme Electric informed the Board that he had recently been told that 400-amp panels had the same approximate lead time as the 600-amp panels. The Board gave direction to continue to pursue the 600-amp panel or to list the project on the December agenda for further discussion if needed.

7. ACTION

7.1 Consider Nominations to CSBA’s Delegate Assembly
Action item died due to lack of motion.

7.2 Consider Approval of California State Preschool Program Continued Funding Application for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 and Resolution #11-14-23-01

APPROVED

Motion: Anthony Avila Second: Karen Macedo
Vote Ayes 5 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

7.3 Consider Approval of Contract with School Food Solutions
APPROVED

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

7.4 Consider Approval of Revised Chatom Union Food Service
Procurement Process, Procedures and Code of Conduct
APPROVED

Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Steve Soderstrom
Vote Ayes 5 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

7.5 Consider Selection of a Board SubCommittee for Process of
Filling a Board Vacancy by Appointment

Dr. Rob Santos requested the action item be tabled and
brought back at the December Board Meeting.

7.6 Consider Approval of State Water Grant Funding
Amendment and Direction to Move Forward with
Advertisement for Bids
APPROVED

Motion: Steve Soderstrom Second: Karen Macedo
Vote Ayes 5 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

9. ADJOURNMENT

Time: 8:17 p.m.

APPROVED

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