

**CHATOM UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Chatom Elementary Room #32 and Virtual Zoom Platform
February 11, 2025**

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

Closed Session: 6:30 p.m.

Public Session: 7:00 p.m.

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

Anthony Avila - 4918 Christofferson Road, Turlock, CA 95380

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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

6:45 pm

1.1 Roll Call

- ☐ Anthony Avila
- ☒ Karen Macedo
- ☒ Rob Santos

- ☒ Alison Carvalho
- ☒ Steve Soderstrom

1.2 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items

1.3 Adjourn to Closed Session

APPROVED

Motion: Rob Santos Second: Karen Macedo

Vote Ayes 4 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 Paraeducator (After School 1.5 hours)

The Board also granted authorization for the Superintendent to hire certificated staffing for 8th grade Language Arts/History and .80 FTE Itinerant Speech Therapist

APPROVED

Motion: Rob Santos Second: Alison Carvalho

Vote Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

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 02-11-25-01

2.2.2 Resignation of Employee 02-11-25-02

APPROVED

Motion: Alison Carvalho Second: Rob Santos

Vote Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

2.3 Negotiations

2.4 Adjournment Back to Public Session

APPROVED

Motion: Rob Santos Second: Steve Soderstrom

Vote Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

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

7:10 pm

3.1 Roll Call

☐ Anthony Avila

☒ Alison Carvalho

☒ Karen Macedo

☒ Steve Soderstrom

☒ Rob Santos

3.2 Flag Salute led by Steve Soderstrom

3.3 Report from Closed Session

The Board approved Lucia DaSilva for Chatom's After School Paraeducator position. They also granted authorization for the Superintendent to hire certificated staffing for 8th grade Language Arts/History Teacher and

.80 FTE Itinerant Speech Therapist under the direction of the Board President or Representative. Lastly, the Board approved the resignation of employees 02-11-25-01 and 02-11-25-02.

3.4 Approval of Agenda

APPROVED

Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Alison Carvalho

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

APPROVED

Motion: Rob Santos Second: Alison Carvalho

Vote Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

5. PUBLIC COMMENT/RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATION

6. INFORMATION

6.1 Calendar of Events

Superintendent, Cherise Olvera, reviewed the Calendar of Events.

6.2 Board Financial Summary Report

Business Manager, Kelly Machado, reviewed the Board Financial Summary Report.

6.3 Communication from Stanislaus County Office of Education Regarding Review of the Chatom Union School District 2024-2025 First Interim

6.4 Program Reports:

Chatom Elementary School Principal, Sara Cruz, shared that January was a busy month with learning about the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr., celebrating 100 Days of School, and Family Math Night. She shared that the month's focus was on leadership and how students can be positive role models. Mrs. Cruz also shared that there is still a great focus on attendance and 151 students were present and on time for the whole month. She ended by sharing that Kinder Registration, ELPAC Testing & Alumni Night will be taking place in February.

Mountain View Middle School Principal, Lauren Lanum, shared that Boys' Basketball & Girls' Soccer is up and running. She shared that January was also a busy month during which students were able to take a trip to watch Charlotte's Web play at CSU Stanislaus, and also had the opportunity to participate in the 2nd Quarter Summit Day. Mrs. Lanum ended by sharing that students are excited for the dance that is taking place on Friday, as well as Career Day which will take place next month.

Chatom Union School District Superintendent, Cherise Olvera, shared that Bertina Bettencourt, one of Chatom's Food Service Workers, was selected to represent our District at the Stanislaus County Employees Making a Difference Award Ceremony. Bertina was then selected as the winner for Stanislaus County and will now move forward to represent the County and District at the State level. Mrs. Olvera shared that it was a pleasure being present at the award ceremony to watch Bertina receive her award. Mrs. Olvera also provided a transportation update during which she explained that grant reimbursement claim packets have been submitted to the San Joaquin Valley Air District so that the District can be reimbursed for the two new buses and the four charging stations.

- 6.5 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-Year Report
Mrs. Olvera presented a mid-year LCAP report providing an update on the LCAP goals, actions and budget that have been completed or are in progress as of February 1, 2025. The report also included data updates for those metrics which are already available from various sources.

7. ACTION

- 7.1 Consider Approval of 2025 Ballot for CSBA Delegate Assembly
The Board voted for both candidates listed on the ballot.
APPROVED
Motion: Karen Macedo Second: Alison Carvalho
Vote Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 7.2 Consider Approval of Resolution #02-11-25-01 for Declaration of an Emergency Situation at Chatom Elementary School
APPROVED
Motion: Rob Santos Second: Alison Carvalho
Vote Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0
- 7.3 Consider Approval of Revised Safety Plan
Superintendent, Cherise Olvera, and Mountain View Principal, Lauren Lanum, reviewed the Revised Safety Plan.

APPROVED

Motion: Rob Santos Second: Alison Carvalho

Vote Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

9. ADJOURNMENT

7:36 pm

APPROVED

Motion: Rob Santos Second: Alison Carvalho

Vote Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstentions 0