



Fort Sage Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
September 14, 2022
Unapproved Minutes

- CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President Ryan Von Ins at 5:38 p.m.
- ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUOROM:** Pam Auld, Erinn Reed, and Ryan Von Ins were present.
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** Constance Jenkins.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** President Von Ins led those present.
- ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/
APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** MSCU (Auld/Reed) to approve agenda as presented.
- COMMUNICATIONS:**
- Herlong High School:** Superintendent Tomes reported that behavioral issues have come to light that are being addressed. Hiring a substitute/temporary teacher is being investigated to help with a tutoring/detention program. Football hasn't begun yet, games are being cancelled due to smoke. Helmets have been found but need to be delivered or picked up. Volleyball season is coming to a close. There is an immunization clinic this Friday for students who vaccines. Air quality has been very poor, but in order to close school with a waiver, an emergency would need to be declared by the governor. An all call was done this afternoon to let families know students could be picked up early if there were air quality concerns.
- Fort Sage Middle School/
Sierra Primary School:** Superintendent Tomes reported that teachers are doing a remarkable job with multiple grade levels in classrooms, but it is not without difficulty. There have been kicking and biting issues in the youngest grades and solutions are being looked at.
- Mt. Lassen Charter:** Director Magarrell reported that things are going well. Enrollment is at 146 students, up from 128 last year. The parent advisory council has begun meeting. Two parents attended the first meeting, with the hope of more in future. They want to meet monthly. Structured learning classes are being held two times a week, which students are enjoying, especially TK. An online Adulting 101 class is being offered for high school aged students. There are no High School students receiving services at the Susanville location per agreement with Lassen High School. Next week Get Focused Stay Focused will be attended in Santa Barbara.
- Adult Education/CTE:** Ms. Dieter reported that classes with Mr. Schaff are being held for the fall semester. CTE is approaching its busy season with upcoming conferences, meetings and competitions. The CTEIG grant application is due September 30th and K12SWP is due in October.
- WASC:** Ms. Dieter reported that the LCAP was discussed and reviewed in PLC, and is in preparation for our April WASC visit.
- CFT:** President Dieter reported the agreement will be on next month's board agenda.

Site Council:

Superintendent Tomes reported that site council has been meeting with enthusiasm. Last meeting was a review of the district Safety Plan. There wasn't a quorum but the plan was reviewed. Anita Hulseley added that it is very encouraging to have parents attending and getting excited about the school.

**INFORMATION ITEMS/
CORRESPONDENCE:**

Hillary Magarrell reported that the current board policy, stating it is at the discretion of the school to determine high school credit given for college units earned, should remain in place. Individual schools should include language about dual enrollment with details in their student handbooks. This was advice from our legal counsel.

**BOARD MEMBER
REPORTS:**

Erinn Reed said that she enjoyed attending Sierra Primary's back to school night. Ryan Von Ins reported that because no one filed Declaration of Candidacy papers with the County Clerk by the August 12th deadline, anyone wishing to serve on the board will need to complete an application to be considered for provisional appointment. There will be one open seat in area ½ (Doyle) and three open seats in area 3 (Herlong). Candidates should be reviewed at the October board meeting with seating in December, to serve until the November 2023 election.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT:**

Superintendent Tomes spoke about mechanical issues with the school bus. It has been towed to a repair shop in Reno for evaluation. Unfortunately there aren't any loner buses available currently. Jesse Hodson added that it has been a difficult time to get the parts that are needed to repair the bus.

Dr. Tomes and Bryan Young from LCOE have been working on the LCAP, with final revisions being submitted in the next few days. It will be an information item on a future agenda to share updates. Tomorrow there will be a meeting with Tom Jones, Bryan Young, and Patty Gunderson from LCOE, as well as the CA Collaborative for Educational Excellence. A plan of action will be developed for our Herlong schools. Roy Casey's contract is on this agenda. He comes highly recommended by Patty Gunderson, and would provide coaching for the Superintendent and staff. Ryan Von Ins asked about CSI monies that are expiring soon, and what the plan is to expend by the deadline.

**CONSENT AGENDA
ITEMS:**

MSCU (Reed/Auld) to approve Consent Agenda items as presented: August 17, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes; Warrant batches 7,8,9,10.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR SUFFICIENCY OF K-8 INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS:

MSCU (Auld/Reed) to open public hearing.

Discussion was held regarding current textbooks. Superintendent Tomes an inventory has been completed and needed items are being ordered. Hillary Magarrell said that NGSS curriculum options are listed online. Mt. Lassen Charter uses Dimensions. Dr. Tomes said that the high school is the site most in need of new curriculum. Ms. Dieter said that physical science is up to date, but Ag. Science and standard Biology will be ordered. Teachers at Sierra Primary chose new curriculum last year but it was not presented to the board for adoption.

MSCU (Auld/Reed) to close public hearing.

NEW BUSINESS:

ACTION ITEMS:

Sufficiency of Textbooks

Resolution 23-02:

MSCU (Auld/Reed) to approve the Sufficiency of Textbooks resolution.

Pam Auld: Aye Erinn Reed: Aye Ryan Von Ins: Aye Constance Jenkins: Absent

Gann Limit Resolution

23-01:

MSCU (Reed/Auld) to approve.

Pam Auld: Aye Erinn Reed: Aye Ryan Von Ins: Aye Constance Jenkins: Absent

Bliss-Williams 22-23 Contract

for Counseling Services:

MSCU (Auld/Reed) to approve.

Lassen High School Bus Lease

for the 22-23 Year:

MSCU (Reed/Auld). Some discussion was held regarding possible alternatives while the bus is down for repairs.

21-22 Unaudited Actuals:

MSCU (Auld/Reed) to approve.

Mt. Lassen Charter 9/30 Field

Trip to Beyond Van Gogh in

Reno:

MSCU (Reed/Auld) to approve.

Change SCCU High School

Student Body Account:

MSCU (Auld/Reed) to approve removing Michelle Beckett and adding Terri Laughlin and Jayde Dunn to the High School Student Body Fund Account at Sierra Central Credit Union.

EPI LLC Roy Casey

22-23 Service Proposal:

MSCU (Reed/Auld) to approve. Discussion was held regarding the nature of Mr. Casey's work and that services will be paid from CSI funds.

CLOSED SESSION:

Time in: 6:50 p.m. Gov. Code 54957 cf. 0450 Comprehensive Safety Plan

RECONVENE IN OPEN

SESSION:

Time: 7:14 p.m.

It was reported that action was taken in closed session to approve the Safety Plan.

MSCU (Reed/Auld) to approve.

Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.