

**2023-2024**  
**SOUTHERN KERN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
2601 Rosamond Blvd., Rosamond, CA 93560 (661) 256-5000

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**Wednesday,**  
**September 20, 2023**

**Meeting Location: 2601 Rosamond Blvd. Rosamond, CA**  
**Closed Session 5:00 p.m., Open Session 7:00 p.m.**

**Board of Trustees**

Robert Vincelette, President  
Sunni Hepburn, Vice President  
Mario Gutierrez, Clerk  
Dewine Moore, Member  
Adrienne Rendon, Member  
Madison Shemanski, Student Board Member

**Superintendent**

Barbara Gaines

SOUTHERN KERN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Closed Session: 5:00 p.m., Open Session 7:00 p.m.

Location: 2601 Rosamond Blvd., Conference Room, Rosamond, CA

I. Call to Order – (time)

1. Comments from the public pertaining to closed session items:

II. Closed Session

ACTION

MOTION: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon

SECOND: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon

VOTE: YEAS \_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_ ABSENT \_\_\_ ABSTAIN \_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

A. Expulsion Hearing for Student #02-23-24 5:00

B. Conference with Labor Negotiator; District Negotiator: Barbara Gaines, Robert Irving Employee Organization: California School Employee Association / Rosamond Teacher Association

C. Discussion of Student Matters: Education Code sections 35146 and 48918(c)

D. Public Employment: Certain Personnel Matters: Government Code § 54957.1(a)(5) DISCIPLINE/Dismissal/Employment/Release/Assignment/Reassignment/Complaint

1.) Unpaid LOA RS #3342

Any action taken in closed session will be reported publicly at the end of the closed session as required by Government Code Section 54954.5.

III. Reconvene into Open Session at: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME

ACTION

MOTION: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon, Shemenski

SECOND: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon, Shemenski

VOTE: YEAS \_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_ ABSENT \_\_\_ ABSTAIN \_\_\_

STUDENT \_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

IV. Action determined in closed session:

A. Student Expulsion Hearing #02-23-24 action for consideration of violation of the California Education Code section(s) 48900(b), 48900(h)

and in addition, \_\_\_ 48915(b)(1) states: that due to the nature of the violation other means of correction are not feasible or have repeatedly failed to bring about proper conduct,

AND/OR

and in addition, \_\_\_ 48915(b)(2) states: that due to the nature of the act, the presence of the pupil causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the pupil or others.

- Board Decision: \_\_\_ To not expel student \_\_\_ To not expel the student and allow the student to return to school with conditions. \_\_\_ To expel the student and then suspend the expulsion order with conditions. \_\_\_ To expel the student from all schools and programs of the district.

MOTION: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon

SECOND: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon

VOTE: YEAS \_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_ ABSENT \_\_\_ ABSTAIN \_\_\_

D. 1.) Unpaid LOA RS #3342

V. Procedural Issues: A recording of this meeting is being made and shall be kept for 30 days as a public record (as applicable).

A. Pledge of Allegiance led by: \_\_\_\_\_

B. Roll Call - Members Present:

\_\_\_ Robert Vincelette, President \_\_\_ Sunni Hepburn, Vice President \_\_\_ Mario Gutierrez, Clerk \_\_\_ Dewine Moore, Member \_\_\_ Adrienne Rendon, Member \_\_\_ Madison Shemenski, Student Member

C. Approve Agenda

ACTION

MOTION: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon, Shemenski

SECOND: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon, Shemenski

VOTE: YEAS \_\_\_ NAYS \_\_\_ ABSENT \_\_\_ ABSTAIN \_\_\_ STUDENT \_\_\_

**VI. Reports and Communications**

INFORMATIONAL

- A. RTA report: CSEA report:
- B. Student Board Member: *Shemenski*
- C. CBO Report: *Irving*
- D. Assistant Superintendent, Instruction and Curriculum: *Dr. Mendez*
- E. Assistant Superintendent, Special Education, Pupil Personnel: *Taylor*
- F. Associate Superintendent, Human Resources: *Hargus*
- G. Superintendent Report: *Gaines* August Attendance Recognition
- H. Board Member Communications:
- I. Sub-Committee Communications/Updates:

**Comments from the Public:** Members of the public may address the Board on any item within the jurisdiction of the Board by submitting presentation requests to the secretary or an email. Members of the public are strongly urged not to mention personnel by name and are reminded that they do not have immunity from legal action if personnel is named. The Board may limit each speaker to 3 minutes with a total of 20 minutes per topic.

**VII. Consent Items A-K**

ACTION

MOTION: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon, Shemenski	SECOND: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon,
VOTE: YEAS ___ NAYS ___ ABSENT ___ ABSTAIN ___ STUDENT ___	Shemenski

- A. Approve Minutes May 3, 2023; May 4, 2023; May 9, 2023
- B. Ratify Payroll September MIDA \$188,164.80, September MIDB \$1,547.65
- C. Approve Purchase Orders 240365-240392, Pay Vouchers 240237-240276
- D. Approve RHECC Cadet Corp Training & Experience to visit the U.S.S. Midway San Diego October 6-7
- E. Approve PacWest Air Filter Quotes 137180-137185 & 137187 – \$14,585.84
- F. Approve AV Fair Association Standard Agreement #SV23-20 RHECC Boys Soccer Team Parking Attendants
- G. Approve AV Fair Association Standard Agreement #SV23-27 RHECC Volleyball Team Parking Attendants
- H. Approve AV Fair Association Standard Agreement #SV23-28 RHECC Girls Soccer Team Gate Attendants
- I. Approve RHECC National FFA Convention Indianapolis, Indiana October 31-November 4 – \$8,000
- J. Approve Earth Systems Change Order No. 1 to Original Agreement PAL-22-12-003 – \$120,212
- K. Approve Soliant Health, LLC Terms of Teleservices Assignment VocoVision SLP Sandy Dorsey – \$125,000

**VIII. General**

- A. Second Reading and Review of Tropico Middle School Tardy Policy – *Gaines* INFORMATIONAL
- B. Approve Resolution #23-24-04 Biennial Adoption of a Conflict of Interest Code – *Gaines* ACTION

The Board of Trustees revised BB9270 on September 21, 2022, with no changes in accordance with the Political Reform Act of 1974.

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- C. Approve the Revised 2023-2024 Annual School Calendar – *Hargus* ACTION  
Elimination of four minimum days October 11, 2023; November 1, 2023; December 6, 2023; and April 24, 2024 to ensure that each school site meets state required instructional minutes.

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**IX. Curriculum and Instruction**

**A.** Williams Settlement requires each school in the district to have sufficient textbooks, eBooks or instructional materials, or both, that are aligned to the content standards adopted pursuant to Section 60605 for i, ii, iii, iv. – *Dr. Mendez* **INFORMATIONAL**

Recess Business Meeting/**Open** Public Hearing: Time \_\_\_\_\_

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Public Hearing Comments:

**Close** Public Hearing/**Reconvene** into Regular Session: Time \_\_\_\_\_

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**B.** Approve Resolution #23-24-03 Regarding Sufficiency of Instructional Materials for 2023-2024 – *Dr. Mendez* **ACTION**

Sufficient textbooks or instructional materials means, “each pupil, including English Learners, has a standard aligned textbook or instructional materials, or both, to use in class and to take home.” This specifically applies to four subject areas: reading/language arts, mathematics, science, and history-social science. *EC* Section 60119(c)(1)

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**C.** Review Updates to 2022-2023 Universal PreKindergarten (UPK) Planning and Implementation Program Report – *Dr. Mendez* **INFORMATIONAL**

**X. Business and Operations**

**A.** Consider Approval to Apply for the 2023-2024 California Department of Education District Consolidated Application and Reporting System for Categorical Funding of State and Federal Programs – *Irving* **ACTION**

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VOTE: YEAS ___ NAYS ___ ABSENT ___ ABSTAIN ___ STUDENT ___	Shemenski

**XI. Personnel Items**

**A.** Approve the following listed personnel items – *Hargus* **ACTION**

MOTION: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon	SECOND: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon
VOTE: YEAS ___ NAYS ___ ABSENT ___ ABSTAIN ___	

The following personnel items, which may include hiring, resignations, contract adjustments, and retirements for certificated and classified employees are presented for Board approval. All personnel meet the necessary credentialing and/or certification requirements as required by the State or notification timelines, as appropriate.

<b><u>CLASSIFIED/CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYMENT/RESIGNATIONS</u></b>					
<b><u>EMPLOYEE</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>SALARY</u></b>	<b><u>POSITION</u></b>	<b><u>SITE</u></b>	<b><u>STATUS</u></b>
Valencia, Oscar	9/11/2023	S6 \$20.00	Paraeducator, Classroom PE	WES	Promotion
Gastelum, Lisa	9/11/2023	S8 \$26.85	Bus Driver	TRANS	Hire
Tunnell, Diana	9/11/2023	S1 \$21.10	Bus Driver	TRANS	Hire
Bidinger, Melissa	9/27/2023	---	Paraeducator, SPED	WES	Resign
Pendley, Amanda	9/22/2023	---	Paraeducator, Classroom	WES	Resign

**XI. Personnel Items (Continued)**

<b><u>CLASSIFIED STIPEND/EXTRA DUTY EMPLOYMENT/RESIGNATIONS</u></b>					
<b><u>EMPLOYEE</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>SALARY</u></b>	<b><u>POSITION</u></b>	<b><u>SITE</u></b>	<b><u>STATUS</u></b>
Cortez, Jose	9/21/2023	6% \$3,190.62	Assistant Coach – Boys Soccer	RHECC	Hire
Coupland, Maria	9/11/2023	4% \$2,127.08	Flag Coach	RHECC	Hire
Martinez, Amanda	9/21/2023	6% \$3,190.62	Assistant Varsity Coach – Girls Basketball	RHECC	Hire
Valdivia, Kimberly	9/21/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Assistant Coach – Girls Volleyball	TMS	Hire
Valencia, Oscar	9/21/2023	6% \$3,190.62	Assistant Coach – Girls Soccer	RHECC	Hire

<b><u>CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTES EMPLOYMENT/RESIGNATIONS</u></b>		
<b><u>EMPLOYEE</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>STATUS</u></b>
Loera, Laura	9/8/2023	Hire
Bennett, Katherine	9/8/2023	Hire
Solano, Alma	8/17/2023	Hire
Connors, Dale	9/13/2023	Hire
Munoz, Elizabeth	9/18/2023	Hire

<b><u>CERTIFICATED STIPEND/EXTRA DUTY EMPLOYMENT/RESIGNATIONS</u></b>					
<b><u>EMPLOYEE</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>SALARY</u></b>	<b><u>POSITION</u></b>	<b><u>SITE</u></b>	<b><u>STATUS</u></b>
Caffey, Elizabeth	8/9/2023	\$8,000	Prep Period Buyout	RHECC	Hire
Escobar, Michael	8/9/2023	3% \$1,595.31	Senior Class Advisor	RHECC	Hire
Alberto, Cesar	8/9/2023	3% \$1,595.31	Senior Class Advisor	RHECC	Hire
Chadda Mann, Perveen	8/9/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Sophomore Class Advisor	RHECC	Hire
Vasquez, Liana	8/9/2023	3% \$1,595.31	Junior Class Advisor	RHECC	Hire
Moncibais, Patricia	8/9/2023	3% \$1,595.31	Junior Class Advisor	RHECC	Hire
Williams, Lindsey	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Home Hospital Teacher	DO	Hire
Stone, John	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	TMS	Hire
Strange, Kayleigh	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	RES	Hire
Escobar, Shelsea	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	RES	Hire
Carlson, Janan	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	TMS	Hire
You, Rong	9/8/2023	3% \$1,595.31	Mathlete Advisor	RHECC	Hire
Coy, April	9/6//2023	\$55HR	Afterschool Academy Teacher	Alt. Ed	Hire
Ramirez, Travis	9/6/2023	\$55HR	Afterschool Academy Teacher	Alt. Ed	Hire
Kurfess, Jennifer	9/6//2023	\$55HR	Afterschool Academy Teacher	Alt. Ed	Hire
Weinberg, Jennifer	9/6//2023	\$55HR	Afterschool Academy Teacher	Alt. Ed	Hire
Saavadra, Felipe	9/6//2023	\$55HR	Afterschool Academy Teacher	TMS	Hire

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Crandall, John	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Afterschool Club- Robotics	RES	Hire
Villanueva, Aira	9/6/2023	\$55HR	Afterschool Academy Teacher	RHECC	Hire
Chaney, Christina	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Afterschool Club-Crafts	WES	Hire
Torres, Jennifer	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Afterschool Club-Ballroom Dance	WES	Hire
Torres, Jennifer	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Afterschool Club-Drama	WES	Hire
Vasquez, Liana	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	After School Club-Art/Craft	WES	Hire
Posadas Railsback, Jennifer	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	After School Club-Book Club	TMS	Hire
Collins, Genevieve	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Afterschool Club-Ballroom Dance	WES	Hire
Burrell, John	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Afterschool Club-Basketball	TMS	Hire
Collins, Genevieve	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Afterschool Club-Drama	WES	Hire
Johnson, Lisa	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Afterschool Club-Spanish	RHECC	Hire
Vogenthaler, Janessa	9/6/2023	1% \$531.77	Spelling Bee Coordinator	TMS	Hire
Paul, Danielle	9/6/2023	1% \$531.77	Spelling Bee Coordinator	WES	Hire
Vogenthaler, Janessa	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Afterschool Club-Stock market	TMS	Hire
Jones, Courtney	9/6/2023	\$55HR	Afterschool Academy Teacher	RES	Hire
Izzo, Michelle	9/6/2023	\$55HR	Afterschool Academy Teacher	RES	Hire
Izzo, Michelle	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	RES	Hire
St. Clair, Erin	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	RHECC	Hire
Warfield, John	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	WES	Hire
Cantero, Erica	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	RES	Hire
Vazquez, Lydia	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	RHECC	Hire
Miller, Rebecca	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	RES	Hire
Williams, Lindsay	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	RHECC	Hire
Riley, Mark	9/20/2023	\$8,000.00	CTE Coordinator	RHECC	Hire
Williams, Lindsay	9/20/2023	12% \$6,381.24	Credit Recovery Teacher	RHECC	Hire
Montoya, Melisa	9/6/2023	\$55HR	Afterschool Academy Teacher	WES	Hire
Troncale, Leslie	9/20/2023	12% \$6,381.24	Credit Recovery Teacher	TMS	Hire
St. Clair, Erin	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	RHECC	Hire
Rico, Sophia	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	RES	Hire
Djoko, Simeon	9/6/2023	\$55HR	Home Hospital Teacher	DO	Hire
Thomson, Pauline	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	WES	Hire
Vigil, Sandra	9/6/2023	\$55HR	Afterschool Academy Teacher	WES	Hire

**XI. Personnel Items (Continued)**

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Chester, Sybil	9/20/2023	\$55HR	Saturday School Teacher	TMS	Hire
Chester, Sybil	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Afterschool Club-Debate	TMS	Hire
Ritts, Nicholas	9/6/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Afterschool Club-Cadet Corp	TMS	Hire
Vogenthaler, Janessa	9/21/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Assistant Coach – Track	TMS	Hire
Soriano, Bryall Kenneth	9/21/2023	2% \$1,063.54	Assistant Coach – Boys Volleyball	TMS	Hire

<b><u>CERTIFICATED SUBSTITUTES EMPLOYMENT/RESIGNATIONS</u></b>		
<b><u>EMPLOYEE</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>STATUS</u></b>
Flynn, Terrie	8/9/2023	Hire
Keller-Gage, Shelly	9/18/2023	Hire
Pendley, Amanda	9/25/2023	Hire
Bidinger, Melissa	9/28/2023	Hire
Hall, Brittany	09/19/2023	Hire

The following certificated employees are presented for Board approval to be hired for the 2023/2024 school year utilizing a Provisional Intern Permit (PIP) or Waiver:

<b><u>EMPLOYEE</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>POSITION</u></b>	<b><u>CREDENTIAL TYPE</u></b>
Villanueva, Aira	08/01/2023	Math Teacher	Waiver

<b><u>VOLUNTEERS FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR</u></b>			
Christina Riddle	Amber Brock	Michelle Kenney	Shirella Gee
Luiz J Garcia III	Victoria Galvan	Laura Rodriguez	Ruth Alice Schaefer
Genevieve Collins	Ana L. Mendoza Carrillo	Mileyvi Lagunas	Erica Destiny Streeter
Janire Munoz	Carol Edgeworth	Nathan James Irvine	Mary Nicolas
Jennifer Nicole Smith	Nicolette Shields	Carol Lungren	Ashleigh Brianna Sagarang
Alicia Dawn Mckelligott	Monica Ritts	Kaedance Collette	Jessica Montano
Cristina Parra	Jamie Reiss	Larramie Ward	Nubia Covarrubias

**XII. Adjournment**

**ACTION**

MOTION: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon, Shemenski	SECOND: Vincelette, Hepburn, Gutierrez, Moore, Rendon, Shemenski
VOTE: YEAS ___ NAYS ___ ABSENT ___ ABSTAIN ___	
STUDENT ___ TIME: _____	