

**AMADOR COUNTY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**09/22/2021 06:30 PM**

Amador County Building  
810 Court Street  
Jackson, CA

## AGENDA

CLOSED SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ACOE  
OPEN SESSION 6:30 PM

### **MASKS REQUIRED FOR UNVACCINATED INDIVIDUALS WHILE INDOORS**

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**Board of Trustees meetings are meetings of the Board in public, as per the Brown Act open meeting law. All five Board Members may not have discussion outside an open meeting. This meeting is their opportunity to have discussion in order to conduct their business. Board Meetings are not meetings for the public to interact informally with the Board. Members of the public may speak formally to the Board by completing a speaker card and giving it to the Board Clerk or Communication Specialist.**

**If a person or group of persons disrupt the orderly conduct of a meeting, the legislative body has a right to order those persons removed from the meeting. If order still cannot be restored after removal of the individuals disrupting the meeting, members of the legislative body can order the room cleared and continue with the meeting. (Government Code §54957.9; Penal Code §8403; Elections Code §18340; Acosta v. City of Costa Mesa (9th Cir. 2013) 718 F.3d 800; White v. City of Norwalk (9th Cir. 1990) 900F.2d 1421, 1425.)**

**OUR UNITY OF PURPOSE: We work as a cohesive Governance Team through discussions, actions and decisions that are thoughtful, respectful, and sensitive. We support one another in and away from the Board Room through active listening, vulnerability and honesty. We make policy decisions that ensure equitable support to increase student achievement and foster social, emotional, and physical well-being for all students.**

**OUR MISSION: Enriched by the diversity and deep traditions of our unique community, Amador County Public Schools will prepare, support, and inspire each student to achieve career and college success in a rapidly evolving world through highly engaging teaching, rigorous learning and innovative pathways supported by strong partnerships in a safe, caring and collaborative environment.**

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. BOARD MEMBERS

- [ ] Kandi Thompson, Board President
- [ ] Deborah Pulskamp, Board Clerk
- [ ] James Marzano
- [ ] Julia Burns
- [ ] James Whitaker

**3. ROLL TAKEN BY THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNING BOARD**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION**

**5. CLOSED SESSION**

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator – Government Code 54957.6 Agency Negotiators:  
ACUSD Employee Organization: Amador County Unified School District, Classified  
Employees Association, CSEA, Chapter 239.
2. Conference with Labor Negotiator – Government Code 54957.6 Agency Negotiators:  
ACUSD Employee Organization: Amador County Teachers Association – CTA/NEA.
3. Conference with Labor Negotiator – Government Code 54957.6 Agency Negotiators:  
ACUSD Employee Organization: Classified and Certificated Employees not listed above.
4. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Gov Code 54957)
5. Conference with Legal Counsel pursuant to Govt. Code section 54956.9– Anticipated  
Litigation Regarding Special Education
6. Conference with Legal Counsel pursuant to Govt. Code section 54956.9– Anticipated  
Litigation Regarding One Case

**6. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION/REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

**7. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**

**8. PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

**9. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**10. EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS (Approximately 20 minutes)**

1. Amador County Teachers Association (ACTA) (Mr. Hunkins)
2. California School Employees Association (CSEA) (Ms. Cramer)




**11. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS (Approximately 20 minutes maximum)**

*A person wishing to be heard by the Board shall first be recognized by the president and shall then proceed to comment as briefly as the subject permits. Individual speakers shall be allowed three minutes to address the Board on non-agenda items. The Board shall limit the total time for public input on each item to 20 minutes. With Board consent, the Board president may increase or decrease the time allowed for public presentation, depending on the topic and the number of persons wishing to be heard. The president may take a poll of speakers for or against a particular issue and may ask that additional persons speak only if they have something new to add. NOTE: If you wish to address the Board please complete a speaker card and give it to the Board Clerk or*




*Communications Specialist.*



**12. CONSENT AGENDA (Approximately 10 minutes)**

The Board of Trustees received these items under separate cover as an addendum. Public copy available during regular Board meeting and on the district website.

1. Minutes
  - a. Board Meeting 9/8/21  9
2. Personnel (Mr. Vicari)
  - a. Current Personnel Recommendations 14
3. Business (Mr. Critchfield)
  - a. Warrants Issued Between: 9/1/21 - 9/15/21  18
4. Surplus 21
  - a. Pine Grove STEM  22  
Pine Grove STEM- Chromebooks, Broken, 5 units.

**13. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Updates to CDPH Guidance/ Mandates Related to COVID-19 and ACUSD Health and Safety Plan During COVID-19 for a Safe Return to School for the 2021-2022 School Year (As Needed)**  23  
This will be a standing agenda item throughout the year as we will need to update the Board of Trustees on CDPH mandates and guidance that could require modifications to our health and safety plan. All updates are noted in the safety plan in red font. Once approved by the Board, it will be updated on the ACUSD Website under COVID-19 Dashboard.
2. **Job Description: Food Service Delivery/Warehouse Person**  45  
This job description combines two current positions and will allow one person to perform both food service delivery and warehouse duties. Combining these positions is possible due to the retirement of the person in the warehouse person position.
3. **Week of the School Administrator - Resolution: ACUSD 21/22-006**  49  
California's legislature recognizes the importance of educational leadership at the school, school district, and county levels, and has designated the second full week in the month of October each year as "Week of the School Administrator." Amador County Unified School District publicly recognizes the contribution that school administrators make to successful pupil achievement.

4. **National Bullying Prevention Month - Resolution: ACUSD 21/22-007**  52  
The Month of October is National Bullying Prevention Month, which is a campaign in response to the need to raise awareness of bullying that provides schools and communities with an opportunity to educate students, parents, and others about their role in bullying prevention.
5. **Public Hearing for Sufficiency of Instructional Materials 2021-2022** 54  
Education Code Section 60119 requires that local governing boards hold an annual public hearing and adopt a resolution (DOC) stating whether each pupil in the LEA has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials in reading/language arts, mathematics, science, and history-social science aligned to content standards and consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the State Board of Education.
6. **Sufficiency of Instructional Materials - Resolution: ACUSD 21/22-008** 55  
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7. **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Amador County Public Health (ACPH) the Amador County Unified School District (ACUSD), and the Amador County Office of Education (ACOE) Regarding Student Mental Health Services** 58  
The Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) awarded Amador County Behavioral Health a Grant pursuant to the Mental Health Student Services Act (MHSSA) to support the provision of mental health services to students within the County of Amador. Of this grant, \$1,770,144 is allocated to ACUSD over the next 4 years for direct services to students.
8. **Board Policy Updates**  63  
Multiple board policy updates are done each year. The description summarizes the changes made to the policy.
  - a. **Board Policy 1313 - Civility**  
New policy addresses the importance of civility to the effective operation of the district, including its role in creating a positive school climate and enabling a focus on student well-being, learning, and achievement. Policy includes First Amendment free speech considerations, behavior that constitutes civil behavior, practices that promote civil behavior, and authorization to educate or provide information to students, staff, parents/guardians, and community members to assist in the recognition, development, and demonstration of civil behavior. Policy also includes material regarding behavior that is disruptive, hinders the orderly conduct of district operations or programs, or creates an unsafe learning or working environment, as well as the prohibition of, and consequences for, behavior which is discriminatory, harassing, or intimidating, including sexual harassment, bullying, and/or hate violence.

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**b. Board Policy 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting**

Policy updated to clarify that districts are not required, but are authorized, to include age-appropriate and culturally sensitive child abuse prevention curriculum in the instructional program, add material regarding displaying posters on campus notifying students of the appropriate telephone number to call to report child abuse or neglect, include the requirement for student identification cards for students in grades 7-12 to include the National Domestic Hotline telephone number, and clarify that the training regarding duties of mandated reporters be according to law and administrative regulation.

**c. Board Policy 5142.2 Safe Routes To School Program**

Policy updated to clarify potential liability issues, recognize that active transportation positively impacts student achievement, add material regarding equitable access and opportunity to participate in the district's safe routes to school program, and update information about state and federal grant programs.

**d. Board Policy 5145.12 - Search and Seizure**

Policy updated to reflect court decision upholding a school policy that called for limited searches without individualized suspicion if students left campus and returned in the middle of the day. Policy also updated to reflect law which places restrictions on searches of electronic devices such as cellular phones, court decision regarding searches of lockers without individualized suspicion, and court decision upholding policy of random weapons screening with a handheld metal detector.

**e. Board Policy 5145.9 - Hate-Motivated Behavior**

Policy updated to bolster the governing board's commitment to providing a respectful, inclusive, and safe learning environment, including adding a definition of hate-motivated behavior which incorporates a list of characteristics which may motivate prohibited behavior, reflecting the importance of celebrating diversity, enhancing the list of topics for student instruction and staff development, adding material regarding regularly occurring staff training, and including student and staff discipline for engaging in hate-motivated behavior. Policy also updated to include the requirement to post the policy in a prominent location on the district's web site and add that, in addition to other staff listed, complaints may be reported to the district's compliance officer.

**f. Board Policy 5148 - Child Care and Development**

Policy updated to reflect NEW LAW (SB 98, 2020) which transfers responsibility for state administration of child care and development programs from CDE to the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) effective July 1, 2021. Information about the Child Care Facilities Revolving Fund deleted as the fund is no longer operative. Policy also reflects NEW STATE REGULATIONS (Register 2020, No. 21) which retain the requirement to refer health and safety complaints regarding licensed child care and development programs to CDSS but eliminate the requirement that

complaints regarding a license-exempt facility be referred to a Child Development regional administrator.

**g. Board Policy 6142.5 - Environmental Education**

Policy updated to reflect law which required that the state-adopted environmental principles and concepts be integrated into content standards, curriculum frameworks, and textbook criteria. Policy also reflects legislative intent that governing boards undertake specified actions to promote instruction in environmental literacy, including by embedding environmental literacy in the local priorities addressed in the district's local control and accountability plan, collaborating with other agencies to enhance the environmental curriculum, providing professional development in environmental literacy, and ensuring equity in the provision of environment-based learning opportunities.

**9. Agreement for Independent Consultant Services** 

settlement agreement requires that student and family be provided with auditory-verbal therapy, not to exceed 2 hours per week, totaling 40 weeks (80 hours). This service has been provided by a contracted provider, Victoria Deasy. The District requests approval to continue this contract for the 2021-2022 school year.

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**14. REPORTS**

1. Report from Superintendent (Dr. Gibson)
2. Reports and Remarks from Board Members

**15. NEXT MEETING**

ACUSD Regular Meeting: Wednesday, October 6, 2021, tentatively scheduled to be held at the Amador County Administration Building, 810 Court St., Jackson, CA. Open Session will start at 6:30 pm.

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

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*The Board may not take action on any item which is not on this agenda, except when (1) an emergency situation*

*exists, (2) there is need to take immediate action and the need for the action came after posting, or (3) the item was posted for a prior meeting within specified time limits. [Government Code §54954.2]*