

AMADOR COUNTY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

10/06/2021 06:30 PM

Amador County Building
810 Court Street
Jackson, CA

AGENDA

CLOSED SESSION APPROXIMATELY 5:30 PM
OPEN SESSION 6:30 PM

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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 – EXISTING LITIGATION Name of Case: OAH
Case No. 2021080451

6. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION/REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

7. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

8. PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

1. National AAA School Safety Patrol Advisor of the Year Recipient
Teacher Mike Huss-Ione Elementary School
Presented by Ione Elementary Principal Jeni DeWalt

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 9/22/21  8
2. Personnel (Mr. Vicari)
 - a. Current Personnel Recommendations 14
3. Business (Mr. Critchfield)
 - a. Warrants issued between: 9/15/2021 - 9/30/2021  15
4. Educational Services (Mr. Snider)
 - a. Williams Act Quarterly Report for July – September, 2021 20
 - b. Operational Agreement between Amador County Unified School District and Nexus for the Childhood Abuse Treatment (CHAT) Program  21
 - c. Operational Agreement between Nexus and Amador County Unified School District for the Unserved / Underserved Child and Youth Advocacy Program (XY)  24
This MOU states that Nexus and Amador County Unified School District intend to work together toward the mutual goal of providing maximum available assistance for child victims of the crime of Parental Chemical Substance Abuse (PCSA) residing in Amador County. These agencies believe that continued implementation of the XY program, as described in the agreement, will further this goal.
5. Donations  27
Sutter Creek Elementary received donated office supplies.

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) (Dr. Gibson/Mr. Snider)  30
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. **Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER III) Expenditure Plan (Mr. Snider)**  63
Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) that receive ESSER III funds are required to develop a plan for how they will use ESSER III funds to, at a minimum, address students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as the opportunity gaps that existed before, and were exacerbated by, the COVID-19 pandemic. Finally, LEAs must provide the opportunity for public input and take such input into account. The plan must be adopted by the local governing board or body of the LEA at a public meeting on or before October 29, 2021 and must be submitted to the California Department of Education for review and approval within five days of adoption.
3. **Certification of the District's Unaudited Actuals & Financial Report (Mr. Critchfield)**  80
Per Education Code 42100, the County shall approve, on a form prescribed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, an annual statement of all receipts and expenditures of the District for the preceding fiscal year. The report is included under separate cover and includes the Unaudited Actuals for 2020-21 and Adopted Budget for 2021-22.
4. **Amador County Unified School District Special Education Update and Needs (Dr. Gibson)** 90
Special education in Amador County has faced challenges over the last decade. Recently, it was determined that ACUSD and ACOE are both under review by the California Department of Education (CDE). ACUSD is currently in a Targeted Review and ACOE is currently in an Intensive Review (see attachments in items 4a and 4b for details on the ACUSD status). This notification was sent to ACUSD on January 31, 2020 and was not brought to the Board for discussion. The Special Education Plan (SEP) was created and submitted to CDE on March 16, 2020 and approved on June 9, 2021.

Currently, ACUSD will need to update the plan as portions are out of date and the organization has experienced a leadership change with the Superintendent and Special Education/SELPA Director. The current Superintendent is working closely with CDE to determine current needs as this is new information to our leadership, staff, community and Board.
 - a. **Notification of 2018-2019 Annual Determination Pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Selection for 2019-2020 Special Education Monitoring Activities Including Identification of Significant Disproportionality - Dated January 31, 2020 (Discussion Only)**  91
This document was provided to ACUSD leadership in January, 2020. To date, it has not been presented to the Board or community for review.
 - b. **ACUSD 2019-2020 Special Education Plan (SEP) including SEP Assurances Form and SEP Successful Submission Notification from CDE (Discussion Only)**  102
This document was provided to CDE in March 2020 as required by letter from CDE in

item 4a above. To date, it has not been presented to the Board or community for review.

c. **Contracted Services with West Ed for Review of Special Education Programs and Services (Scope of Work) (Action Required)** 159

This contract is necessary in order to evaluate current programs and systems throughout the ACUSD and ACOE special education programs. West Ed will do a deep dive into programs and provide specific recommendations to support the review process ACUSD and ACOE are currently under. A presentation by the West Ed staff will be provided to better explain the scope of work needed to meet our long-term needs.

5. **New Job Description - Special Education Technician (Ms. Crumpacker)** 185

The Special Education Technician receives general supervision from the Director of Special Education. The Special Education Technician is responsible for entry/journey/advanced level specialized and technical work as it relates to the collection, verification, and processing of information and data for the purpose of delivery of various special education services throughout the Amador Unified School District. The Special Education Technician is responsible for ensuring the accuracy of special education student information data in coordination with the District CALPADS technician for submission to the California Department of Education. Additional duties include the creation and monitoring of SEIS user accounts, running ongoing CALPADs Reports, creation of student SEIS records, processing transfer requests of student SEIS records between districts, and updating student SEIS records.

6. **Native American Heritage Month Board Resolution** 189

November is Native American Heritage Month, which was designated on August 3, 1990. Since then, Presidents have issued annual proclamations promoting this observance.

Amador County Unified School District honors and recognizes the Native American culture, traditions, heritage, art, and contributions of our students, parents and community members, and encourages all schools to commemorate the month of November with appropriate activities and programs.

7. **Contract with Ray Morgan Company for Laserfiche Services (Mr. Critchfield)** 191

The District Office processes a large amount of paperwork each year and must follow document retention guidelines for prior-year paperwork. This leads to numerous boxes of paper being stored onsite which can be vulnerable to theft or fire. Document retention guidelines allow for electronic versions of documents to be stored indefinitely. This contract with Ray Morgan Company would allow the District Office to scan documents to a cloud-hosted server and store such documents indefinitely in a secure way, which would also free up much-needed space in the District Office. This contract also includes access to the Laserfiche software which automatically files documents as they are scanned in, which would save huge amounts of time for District Office personnel.

14. REPORTS

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

15. NEXT MEETING

ACUSD Regular Meeting: Wednesday, November 3rd, 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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