

**Minutes of the
SALIDA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
August 25, 2020
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING**

I. INITIAL MATTERS

A. Call to Order

Dennis Thompson, President of the Board of Trustees, called the Meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. In attendance were Trustees: Linda Brughelli, Nanci E. Fox, Virginia Berry, Gary Dew and Superintendent, Twila Tosh.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Approval of Agenda and Order of Agenda

The agenda and order of agenda were unanimously approved, on a motion by Virginia Berry, seconded by Gary Dew.

Roll Call:

Virginia Berry – Aye

Dennis Thompson – Aye

Gary Dew – Aye

Nanci E. Fox – Aye

Linda Brughelli – Aye

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0

II. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION AGENDA

1. Waiver Process to Re-open Schools

- a. Superintendent Tosh reported that she has been meeting with with Dr. V. and other Superintendents throughout the county to review the waiver process to return students to campus. When positive Covid cases drop to less than 200 per 100,000 people, a school waiver application may be submitted to Stanislaus County Public Health Department for consideration and approval. This waiver application must include a re-opening plan in addition to input from parents, staff, and bargaining units. This could take up to 30 days before schools would open for in-person instruction and would only be for our Kindergarten through 5th grade students.

The state also has the option that when cases fall to 100 per 100,000 people, schools can re-open without a waiver. There is a shared concern among the county districts that there may be spike in positive cases after Labor Day. Therefore, districts are not rushing to complete the waiver process in the event schools are shut down again.

Superintendent will hold webinars with parents and meetings with staff and bargaining units to get their input on the following three phase-in options:

- Choose 1 day per week that all grade levels could provide rotating small group instruction; 1.5 hour sessions; 4 days distance learning.
- Return 1 grade level every three weeks. The grades would be phased in as follows: 1st; 2nd; 3rd; K; 4th; 5th.
- All grade levels K-5th would return on a staggered AM/PM schedule.

The district will continue to offer distance learning for parents who are not comfortable with students returning to school.

At the September 8th Special Board Meeting, Superintendent will present the Board with the results of the input received from parents and staff. An action item will be placed on the Agenda for the Board to take action to wait until the cases fall below 100 or apply for the waiver when they reach 200.

III. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned 3:00 p.m.

Attested by:

Twila Tosh
Superintendent
Secretary to the Board