

# **VALLEY HOME JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **BOARD MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

### **MINUTES**

**Tuesday – September 14th, 2021 –6:00pm**

Bonnie Gellerman Multipurpose Room @

Pioneer Ave Campus

13231 Pioneer Ave., Valley Home, CA

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER - 6:00 p.m. / Establishment of Quorum**

The special meeting of the Valley Home Joint School District Governing Board is called to order by Jessica Caudle at 6:00p.m. on Tuesday September 14th, 2021, in the Bonnie Gellerman Multipurpose Room at 13231 Pioneer Avenue.

#### **Roll Call**

**Board Members Present:**     A   Chris Hempleman, President  
  P   Jessica Caudle, Clerk  
  P   Julie Haynes, Member  
  A   Shanna Springer, Member  
  P   Emily Webster, Member

**Administration Present:**     P   Bill Slikker – Superintendent/Principal

**Flag Salute:** Jessica Caudle

**Staff Present:** Kelly Penning, Sheri Rathbun, Dani Stav, Cindy Toste

**Others Present:**

#### **II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS PUBLISHED/AMENDED**

Julie Haynes made a motion to approve, seconded by Emily Webster.

**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 2 Abstain 0

#### **III. PUBLIC COMMENT AND COMMUNICATION**

Opportunity for the public to address the Board on agenda items only. Maximum of five (5) minutes per speaker. The Board is not permitted to act or hear comments on any matter not on the Agenda. If appropriate, a Board member may direct the questions to the Superintendent/Principal.

Nothing at this time.

#### **IV. GENERAL BUSINESS**

Mr.Slikker made an introduction to the Board of the new staff members and their schedules that they are available here at the sites and what an asset it will be to have them here.

##### **A. New Staff:**

1. Nohely Vargas - Student Support Specialist
2. Diane Noon - Resource Teacher
3. Erika Olsen - Speech Pathologist

##### **B. Covid Update - Mitigation plan**

Mr.Slikker informed the Board that we will be following the regulations set by the Stanislaus Track system and to date we have only had 4 students test positive for Covid.

- C. Appointment at Bank of the West** to appoint Bill Slikker as Valley Home Authorized Signer. Dani Stavrianoudakis and/or Natalie Lopez as cosigners.

This was just a revision to be made now that all staff are hired on permanently.

- D. Local Control of wearing masks -**

Holly Benkula request tabled from previous meeting - Non vote at this point. Emily Wester is in favor of keeping the kids in school. by following the State mandate. She feels at this time it is too confusing with all the lawsuits to just stay as is as mandated by the county, especially with the recently reinstated face mask mandates issued by Stanislaus County. Mrs. Benkula may want to make amends and make it an action item at a later time.

- E. STAFF AND MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

- A. School website updated**

Natalie Lopez has been working with Mr.Slikker on this and it is coming along well. School lunches, minutes, and agendas are to be updated soon. Emily Webster stated that she really liked the Covid items and suggestions that were listed, she said it simplifies and makes it easier to understand the guidelines.

- B. Superintendent report on state of school**

General update that everything seems to be going well at this time.

- C. Parent Teacher Conferences 9/21 - 9/24**

Everything is scheduled as planned.

- V. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS -**

Jessica Caudle would like Mr.Slikker to look into a possible safer walkway for the students who are traveling down Minnesota to and from lunch. Community members suggested looking into having MAC board for help with this.

Also Jessica Caudle has decided to host a Teachers Roundtable again as they have done in the past. Julie Haynes to assist and can meet in the Cafeteria at 5:00pm day of the next Board meeting. Board members will rotate on a schedule decided at time of meeting.

- VI. CLOSED SESSION**

- A. Discussion on Teacher salary negotiations

- VII. PUBLIC REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION -**

Nothing to report.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Julie Haynes made a motion to adjourn at 6:34pm, seconded by Emily Webster.  
**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays 0 Absent 2 Abstain 0

Next Meeting date and time: Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

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