

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**SILVER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**August 13, 2024**

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER - CLOSED SESSION**

Board President Karen Gray called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

**A) Public Comments**

**1.1 Public Comments on Closed Session Items**

No public comments were given.

**B) Closed Session Items**

**1.2 Conference with Labor Negotiator: Agency-Classified School Employees Association (CSEA): Negotiator: Marc Lacey**

**Recommendation:** The Board will discuss and determine if action is necessary.

**1.3 Conference with Labor Negotiator: Agency-Silver Valley Education Association (SVEA): Negotiator: Marc Lacey**

**Recommendation:** The Board will discuss and determine if action is necessary.

**1.4 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassignment/Transfer/Resignation**

**Recommendation:** The Board will discuss and determine if action is necessary.

**1.5 Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation**

**Recommendation:** The Board will discuss and determine if action is necessary.

**2.0 CALL TO ORDER - PUBLIC SESSION**

**A) Pledge of Allegiance**

Pamela Murray, School Liaison Officer, led the Pledge of Allegiance

**B) Roll Call**

Upon the roll being called, the following Board Members were present: Brian Boatwright, Karen Gray, Lynn McKee, and Heather Reid. Absent: Mark Staggs.

In addition, the following staff members were present: Jesse Najera, Superintendent; Jeff Youskievicz, Asst. Superintendent Educational Services; Marc Lacey, Asst. Superintendent Administrative Services; Robert Saffel, Sr. Director Technology Maintenance and Operations, and Robin Schreiner, Sr. Director Business Services.

Martha Bootsma, the Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, was present to record the minutes.

**3.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**3.1 Adoption of Agenda**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended by Administration that the Governing Board of Trustees adopt the agenda as presented.

**AMENDED - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the AMENDED motion 'It is recommended by the Administration that the Governing Board of Trustees adopt the agenda which includes an amended attachment for Consent Agenda item 6.8 "Consider Approval of the Certificated Personnel

Recommendation" indicating a correction has been made to the dollar amount paid for Mary Hayworth.' Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

#### **4.0 COMMUNICATIONS**

##### **A) Public Comments**

###### **4.1 Public Comments on Agendized or Non-Agendized Items**

No public comments were given.

##### **B) Military Reports**

###### **4.2 Fort Irwin Garrison Command's Comments**

The Fort Irwin Commanding General's Representative, Colonel Bomar, shared with the Governing Board a series of upcoming events at the Fort Irwin National Training Center. Highlights included:

- The new command of General Anderson, whom Jesse Najera has already met.
- The August 3rd Block Party, was a great success, and appreciated all the support in this event.
- The Senior Leader Orientation was held today, where Colonel Bomar expressed his appreciation to Jesse Najera for explaining our partnership that we have and what the school provides, and he appreciates that support.
- The upcoming 9/11 Ceremony on September 11th, which they are very proud of and have invited the Board to attend.
- The Gold Star Walk will be held on September 20th to honor families who have lost members, followed by an Oktoberfest event later that same day, and invited the Board to attend.

###### **4.3 Fort Irwin School Liaison Officer's Comments**

Mrs. Pamela Murray, School Liaison Officer welcomed everyone back from summer break and wished everyone a good school year.

##### **C) Administration Reports**

###### **4.4 Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Jesse Najera congratulated all the schools on a successful first week back. He shared that the campuses looked fantastic on the first day, and he extended his thanks to Robert Saffel and his team for their outstanding work. The organization and excitement across every campus were evident.

Jesse also expressed his gratitude to Colonel Bomar for arranging the meeting with General Anderson. He described General Anderson as a very nice man with evident leadership qualities and a strong desire to partner with the district, which is greatly appreciated.

Today, Jesse had the opportunity to present to the new officers at Fort Irwin. Despite not having his slide deck, the presentation went very well, and he enjoyed sharing a meal with the officers afterward.

He also thanked Colonel Bomar and CSM Palmer for their invaluable support in ensuring the safety of our students, providing child care, and meeting other needs. He emphasized that their assistance is deeply appreciated and not taken for granted.

Jesse shared that during the Welcome Back event, it was announced that Monica Lewallen was the recipient of the Jill S. Kemock Award. The moment was emotional, with not a dry eye in the house. Monica is a remarkable leader and employee, and she shared a special memory of how she and Jill would say to each other, "Go Dodgers." Jesse also shared this with the Kemock family, who expressed their appreciation for keeping Jill's memory alive.

In addition, Kelly (Hanson) Bullock, a teacher at Lewis Elementary, received the John Murphy Award. Kelly has worked with the district for over 20 years, commuting to Fort Irwin and making significant contributions to our students. Beyond her teaching role, she supports student interventions, assists Taryn Lamoreaux, and is a key leader on campus. She is also instrumental in representing the school to visiting VIPs. Overall, Jesse remarked that the Welcome Back event was a great success, the speaker was amazing, and he looks forward to a great school year!

#### **4.5 Enrollment/ADA Report**

The current enrollment is 2125 with an attendance rate of 96.59%

#### **4.6 Legislation Updates**

The Superintendent shared that the budget was released in late July. While the projected COLA for education is not very high, it is at 1%, the district avoided cuts that many other industries faced, so the overall financial outlook is stable. Although the political climate in Washington, D.C., is challenging, appropriations are forthcoming.

Board President Karen Gray expressed concern about AB 2088, also known as the McCarty bill, which pertains to the hiring process. She noted that this bill is a reintroduction of last year's AB 1699, which mandates certain hiring procedures. She mentioned that SANDABS (San Diego and Imperial Counties School Boards Association) will be meeting tomorrow to discuss updates that are needed.

#### **4.7 SVUSD Soundbites**

Assistant Superintendent Jeff Youskievicz shared that before the school year began, teachers and classified staff had the opportunity to participate in various professional development trainings. Some of the highlights included:

- Gillingham training for K-3 teachers
- Math training led by Kristen Hilty and Emily Kappel
- iReady training sessions
- AI training which took place in May

Assistant Superintendent Marc Lacey shared that the district recently hosted resource fairs, providing families with the opportunity to meet school leaders and learn about available resources. Both the Fort and Valley events were well attended, and the district is excited to offer these events to the community.

He also expressed his personal thanks to the HR staff for their hard work. With a significant amount of hiring taking place, Debbie and Mercedes have been doing outstanding work in managing the process!

### **D) Certificated/Classified Reports**

#### **4.8 CSEA Representative Report**

Elizabeth Padilla, CSEA Representative read a statement from one of their members, Rebecca Rodriguez, who attended the 99<sup>th</sup> annual CSEA conference. She wrote "I gained insight into how their Union operates towards the headquarters. She participated in several courses and one in particular that she attended was an AI course and is proud to say Silver Valley is leading the way with our more in-depth program that we have started. Additionally, we have raised \$101,537 for the Humanitarian Fund, and thank you for this incredible opportunity. "

#### **4.9 SVEA Representative Report**

Deb Farrington, representing SVEA, shared that it feels great to be back in the classroom, energized by the students. She expressed gratitude to the administration for inviting her to the Leadership Retreat, noting that it was a productive day. She particularly enjoyed the interactive sessions that allowed participants to engage with different people and gain new insights.

She is looking forward to meeting the new teachers tomorrow with her executive board, where they will check in on how the teachers are settling in and share a welcoming gift with them. She mentioned that SVEA had sent Randi Barnett to the annual NERA, though the outcome was not as expected, she had a nice vacation nonetheless and was advised to bring something educational back for the students.

She expressed appreciation for the work Mercedes Shinen is doing to ensure teachers are in place and mentioned that the seniority draw would be happening tomorrow. She noted her sadness that there is still no music teacher for the Fort but hopefully, someone will be found soon. She concluded by wishing everyone a good school year.

## E) Board

### 4.10 Board Member Reports

Board Member Lynn McKee expressed her delight at seeing the schools looking so great. Although she was unable to attend the Leadership Retreat, she did attend the Welcome Back event and enjoyed the speaker, Tom Murray. She appreciated his ideas, particularly the suggestion to focus on specific themes each month.

Lynn shared that Yermo School's keyword for this month is "Safety," and next month's focus will be "Respect." She emphasized the importance of prioritizing safety this month. Lynn also mentioned Tom Murray's story about how students can feel overwhelmed by books, papers, and folders on the first day of school and not want to return the next day, and she encouraged everyone to make school fun so that students look forward to attending.

She concluded by sharing a personal story about how a teacher once made school fun for her and wished everyone a good school year.

Board Member Brian Boatwright welcomed everyone back and thanked them for all that they do. Brian also shared a personal story about how a teacher once made school fun for him.

Board Member Heather Reid also welcomed everyone back and thanked them for what they do because she understands as she has a child who is going to school right now.

Board Member Karen Gray welcomed everyone back and expressed hope that they were able to get refreshed during the break. She extended her gratitude to everyone for their hard work, acknowledging the many challenges they are currently facing. Karen emphasized how essential each individual's knowledge and skills are to the district, highlighting the importance of the work being done with families. She recognized the efforts of teachers, classified staff, and administration, noting that it is a difficult job and admitting that she could never be a teacher herself.

## 5.0 PUBLIC HEARING

### 5.1 Provisional Intern Permits 2024-2025 School Year

California law requires a public hearing on Provisional Intern Permits for educators employed in positions not fully meeting California credential requirements.

**Recommendation:** The Board of Trustees will adjourn to a Public Hearing to provide an opportunity for the Board to receive input concerning the applications for Provisional Intern Permits for the attached list of employees.

### 5.2 Variable Term Waivers for the 2024-2025 School Year

California law requires a public hearing on Variable Term Waivers for educators employed in positions not fully meeting California credential requirements.

**Recommendation:** The Board of Trustees will adjourn to a Public Hearing to provide an opportunity for the Board to receive input concerning the applications for Variable Term Waivers for the attached list of employees.

## 6.0 CONSENT AGENDA

### 6.1 Consider the Approval of the Consent Agenda

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be approved by a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items; however, any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda upon the request of any member of the Board and actioned upon separately.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the Consent Agenda as submitted.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the Consent Agenda as submitted'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

### 6.2 Consider approval to declare textbooks as surplus/obsolete

The Governing Board needs to approve all inventory items and textbooks that are declared obsolete by the sites, so that the District can dispose of the obsolete items. The attached items have no value to the District.

**Recommendation:** I recommend approval to declare the listed textbooks as surplus/obsolete.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'I recommend approval to declare the listed textbooks as surplus/obsolete'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

## A) Business Services

### 6.3 Consider Approval of Board Payment and Purchase Order Reports

The Governing Board must approve/ratify all purchase orders and payments. The payments detailed here cover the period June 19, 2024 through August 1, 2024.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the purchase order and payment reports as presented.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the purchase order and payment reports as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

### 6.4 Consider the Approval of Donations

It is not unusual for organizations, businesses, and individuals to make donations of either cash or merchandise to a public entity. Naturally, this benefits our schools and we are most grateful for the generosity of all our benefactors.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve and accept the donations as presented.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve and accept the donations as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

### 6.5 Consider Approval of Contracts Under \$5,000

All contracts must be approved by the governing board. The attached schedule of contracts is each separately under \$5,000 and of a routine and non-controversial nature.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve these contracts under \$5,000.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve these contracts under \$5,000'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried 4 - 0**.

**6.6 Consider Approval of Conferences over \$1,000 and/or Out-of-State**

The Governing Board must approve all conferences out of state or over \$1,000.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the conference over \$1,000 and/or out-of-state conference as detailed in the attachment.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the conference over \$1,000 and/or out-of-state conference as detailed in the attachment'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried 4 - 0**.

**6.7 Consider Approval of the SVUSD Williams Fourth Quarter Report**

California Education Code section 1240 requires that the County Superintendent of Schools visit all deciles 1 - 3 schools and report findings in the areas of Instructional Materials, School Facilities, SARC, and Teacher Misassignments and Vacancies. The district has received the fourth quarter report for the 2023-2024 school year and details of the report are attached.

**Recommendation:** The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees accept the 2023-2024 Fourth Quarter Williams Lawsuit Settlement Findings from SBCSS as presented.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees accept the 2023-2024 Fourth Quarter Williams Lawsuit Settlement Findings from SBCSS as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried 4 - 0**.

**B) Personnel**

**6.8 Consider Approval of the Certificated Personnel Recommendations**

The Certificated Personnel Recommendations pertain to the employment matters of Certificated employees.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the Certificated Personnel Recommendations as submitted.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the Certificated Personnel Recommendations as submitted'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried 4 - 0**.

**6.9 Consider Approval of the Classified Personnel Recommendations**

The Classified Personnel Recommendations pertain to the employment matters of Classified and Classified Management employees.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the Classified Personnel Recommendations as submitted.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the Classified Personnel Recommendations as submitted'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**C) General Business**

**6.10 Consider the Approval of the June 18, 2024 SVUSD Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

The Governing Board of Trustees is asked to approve the Minutes of the June 18, 2024, SVUSD Regular Board meeting as submitted.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the June 18, 2024, SVUSD Regular Board Meeting as presented.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the June 18, 2024, SVUSD Regular Board Meeting as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**6.11 Consider Approval of Bus Routes Developed by First Student for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 School Year**

Each year the Governing Board is asked to approve the bus routes developed by First Student, Inc.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the bus routes for the 2024-2025 school year developed by First Student.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the bus routes for the 2024-2025 school year developed by First Student'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**7.0 EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

**7.1 Teaching Assignment Monitoring Outcomes (TAMO) by Full-Time Equivalency Data Report**

As part of the Priority 1 Local Indicator, the CDE will report 2022–23 TAMO data for each LEA on the 2024 California School Dashboard. Since the 2022–23 TAMO data was unavailable at the time that LEAs were reporting their local indicator data to the governing board/body of the LEA, LEAs must report the 2022–23 TAMO data at the next available meeting of the governing board/body.

Assistant Superintendent Jeff Youskievicz provided a report to the Governing Board of Trustees on SVUSD's 2022-23 TAMO data.

**8.0 PERSONNEL**

**8.1 Consider Approval of the Provisional Intern Permits for the 2024-2025 School Year**

The attached list of teachers has met the subject matter requirements. Their next steps will be to select and enroll in a credential program.

**Recommendation:** Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the request for Provisional Intern Permits for the attached teachers for the 2024-2025 school year.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Brian Boatwright) Moved, Member (Heather Reid) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the request for Provisional Intern Permits for the attached teachers for the 2024-2025 school year'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

## **8.2 Consider Approval of the Variable Term Waivers for the 2024-2025 School Year**

The attached list of employees who are enrolled in programs or just getting into their program and working on completing credential requirements.

**Recommendation:** Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the Variable Term Waiver requests for the attached list of employees for the 2024-2025 school year.

### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Brian Boatwright) Moved, Member (Lynn McKee) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the Variable Term Waiver requests for the attached list of employees for the 2024-2025 school year'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

## **8.3 Resolution No. 24.25.01 SVUSD Teaching Assignment**

This resolution is to allow Mary Hayworth to teach Social Studies at Yermo School for the 2024-2025 academic school year, which is not listed on her California credential document. Mrs. Hayworth does hold a Single Subject English Credential and has the appropriate semester units per Ed. Code 44256(b).

**Recommendation:** The administration recommends that the Governing Board of Trustees approve resolution No. 24.25.01 teaching assignment to permit Mary Hayworth to teach outside her credentialed area.

### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'The administration recommends that the Governing Board of Trustees approve resolution No. 24.25.01 teaching assignment to permit Mary Hayworth to teach outside her credentialed area'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

## **8.4 Resolution No. 24-25-02 SVUSD Teaching Assignment**

This resolution is to allow Michelle Rodriguez to teach Multiple Subjects at Yermo School for the 2024-2025 academic school year, which is not listed on her California credential document. Ms. Rodriguez does hold a Single Subject Social Studies Credential and has the appropriate semester units per Ed. Code 44263.

**Recommendation:** The administration recommends that the Governing Board of Trustees approve Resolution No. 24-25-02 Teaching Assignment to permit Michelle Rodriguez to teach outside her credentialed area.

### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'The administration recommends that the Governing Board of Trustees approve Resolution No. 24-25-02 Teaching Assignment to permit Michelle Rodriguez to teach outside her credentialed area'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

## **8.5 Resolution No. 24-25-03 SVUSD Teaching Assignment**

This Resolution is to allow Dr. Taneisha Glenn to teach Physical Science at Fort Irwin Middle School for the 2024-2025 academic school year, which is not listed on her California credential document. Dr. Glenn does hold a Mathematics credential and has the appropriate semester units per Ed. Code 44256(b).

**Recommendation:** The administration recommends that the Governing Board of Trustees approve Resolution 24-25-03 Teaching Assignment to permit Dr. Taneisha Glenn to teach outside of her credentialed area.

### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'The administration recommends that the Governing Board of Trustees approve Resolution 24-25-03 Teaching Assignment to permit Dr. Taneisha Glenn to teach outside of her credentialed area'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.



### **8.6 Create one (1) additional Categorical Instructional Aide for Lewis Elementary School**

Due to the amount of Transitional Kindergarten students enrolled at Lewis Elementary School and the mandated 12:1 student-to-adult ratio, we must provide Aides in those classrooms.

**Recommendation:** Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the creation of one (1) Categorical Instructional Aide at Lewis Elementary School for 5.75 hours per day, 184 days per year and placed on Range 18 of the Classified Salary Schedule.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the creation of One (1) Categorical Instructional Aide at Lewis Elementary School for 5.75 hours per day, 184 days per year and placed on Range 18 of the Classified Salary Schedule'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

## **9.0 BUSINESS SERVICES**

### **9.1 Resolution 24-25-04 Transfer of Property Title for Parcel Number 0537-186-19-0-0000**

When Silver Valley Unified School District was formed in 1971, Barstow Unified School District transferred several real properties to Silver Valley USD, including those mentioned in the Grand Deed, record number 83-247520 recorded in the official records of the County of San Bernardino. By omission, parcel no. 0537-186-19-0-0000 was never transferred from Barstow Unified to Silver Valley USD.

This resolution was presented and approved by the Barstow USD School Board, on July 23, 2024.

This resolution is now being presented to the Silver Valley USD School Board for the approval of accepting the Transfer of Property Title.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve Resolution 24-25-04 for the Transfer of Property Title for Parcel Number 0537-186-19-0-0000.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve Resolution 24-25-04 for the Transfer of Property Title for Parcel Number 0537-186-19-0-0000'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

### **9.2 Consider Approval of the RCAC Granted Water Fountain Installation at Yermo School with Bradley General Building**

The Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) awarded a water grant to Silver Valley USD for Yermo School. The purpose of the grant is to improve the quality and availability of drinking water on the school campus.

Multiple filtered water fountains were purchased with the grant. Installation services will also be provided by the grant.

This item contains the quote for installing the new filtered drinking fountains at Yermo School. Work includes mounting and plumbing for each fountain location.

The RCAC will provide all financial support for this project. Payment will be made directly to the contractor by RCAC. Silver Valley USD will manage the contract and work.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the RCAC-granted water fountain installation at Yermo School with Bradley General Building.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the RCAC-granted water fountain installation at Yermo School with Bradley General Building'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**9.3 Consider Approval of Emergency Repairs for Walk-in Freezers and Coolers for Multiple School Site Locations with HD Refrigeration**

Multiple Kitchen Freezer and Cooler failures at multiple sites occurred during this hot summer. The failures were a result of extremely high temperatures and aged equipment. Fort Irwin MS; Freezer Failure. Lewis ES; Freezer Failure. SVHS; Freezer and Cooler Failure. DO Warehouse; Freezer Failure.

HD Refrigeration, a local service company, was able to get replacement parts and provide service in short notice so that all units would be operational by the first day of school.

All units have been repaired and are currently functioning, and providing cooling to the proper levels.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the emergency repairs for the walk-in freezers and coolers for the multiple school sites listed with HD Refrigeration.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the emergency repairs for the walk-in freezers and coolers for the multiple school sites listed with HD Refrigeration'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**9.4 Consider Approval of Emergency Repair Work for Kitchen at Silver Valley HS with Bradley General Building**

The Silver Valley High School Kitchen preparation sink experienced a catastrophic drain issue causing the drain to backup, rendering the sink unusable. The SVHS kitchen is the main location that preps food for all the Valley school sites and is critical in its function.

SVUSD maintenance team attempted to remedy the issue to no avail. An outside contractor had to be called in to help. The floor drain is encased in 12" of concrete. The concrete had to be saw cut and jackhammered out to reveal the damaged drain piping, taking the better part of a day to remove.

Work charges include emergency call out, mobilization, labor, and repair of floor tiles to match the surrounding tile. This work has been completed.

**Recommendation:** I Recommend Approval of Emergency Repair Work for the Kitchen at Silver Valley HS with Bradley General Building

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'I Recommend Approval of Emergency Repair Work for Kitchen at Silver Valley HS with Bradley General Building'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**10.0 GENERAL BUSINESS**

**10.1 Annual Review of BP/AR 5116.1 Intradistrict Open Enrollment and BP/AR 6145 Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities**

California Education Code No. 35160.5 requires Boards to review certain policies annually.

These policies include:

- 1) Participation in extracurricular and co-curricular activities in grades 6-12 (BP 6145), and
- 2) Open enrollment with the district for residents of the district (BP 5116.1)

The Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities Policy and Regulation (BP/AR 6145) have been reviewed by the administration and there are no recommended changes.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board review and approve the SVUSD BP/AR 5116.1 Intradistrict Open Enrollment and BP/AR 6145 Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities, which are required to be reviewed annually.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board review and approve the SVUSD BP/AR 5116.1 Intradistrict Open Enrollment and BP/AR 6145 Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities, which are required to be reviewed annually'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**11.0 BOARD POLICIES, FIRST READING**

**11.1 Consider Approval of the First Reading, Administrative Regulation 5020 Parents Rights and Responsibilities**

AR 5020 Comparison Matrix

The Administrative Regulation was updated to reflect that Parents/guardians may inspect, in a reasonable time frame, all primary supplemental instructional materials and assessments stored by the classroom teacher, including textbooks, teacher's manuals, films, (tapes) AUDIO AND VIDEO RECORDINGS, and software.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the first reading of Administrative Regulation 5020 Parents Rights and Responsibilities.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the first reading of Administrative Regulation 5020 Parents Rights and Responsibilities'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**11.2 Consider Approval of the First Reading, Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 5126 Awards for Achievement**

The policy was updated to add that a budget be established for the purpose of student awards and that no fee or other cost be charged to any student in relation to any requirements in qualifying for or receiving any district achievement awards. Additionally, the policy was updated to separate out the State Seal of Biliteracy material from district-established awards for biliteracy and to clarify that the Governing Board may prohibit the district committee that administers the district's scholarship and loan fund from accepting any donation under conditions it finds incompatible with the fund's intents and purposes as specified in Board Policy 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Requests.

Regulation updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 370, 2023) which revises the criteria needed to be met for a student to be awarded the State Seal of Biliteracy and clarifies the eligibility requirements for an English learner to be eligible for the State Seal of Biliteracy.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the first reading of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5126 Awards for Achievement.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the first reading of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5126 Awards for Achievement'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**11.3 Consider Approval of the First Reading, Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 5144 Discipline**

The policy updated to reflect NEW LAW (SB 291, 2023) which, beginning with the 2024-25 school year, prohibits a school staff member from denying a student's recess unless the student's participation poses an immediate

threat to the physical safety of the student or one or more of the student's peers. Additionally, the policy was updated to clarify that the Governing Board may, but is not required, review approved discipline rules for consistency with Board policy and state law.

In addition, the policy was updated to include interventions and supports for students as a priority in determining appropriate discipline.

The regulation was updated to clarify that "junior high" and "high school students" are interpreted to mean students in grades 7-12, which affects the list of representatives for the development of site-level disciplinary rules, and that supervised suspension is one of the means of discipline that may be used when other means of correction have failed to bring about proper conduct.

Additionally, regulation updated to reflect NEW LAW (SB 10, 2023) which expresses the legislative intent that districts use alternatives to a referral of a student to a law enforcement agency in response to an incident involving the student's misuse of an opioid to the extent that the alternative is not in conflict with any other law requiring a referral, and that a multi-tiered system of supports may be utilized, NEW LAW (AB 1165, 2023) which encourages districts to have a student who has been suspended, or for whom other means of correction have been implemented, for an incident of racist bullying, harassment, or intimidation, and the victim, to engage in a restorative justice practice suitable to address the needs of both of the students, engage the perpetrator in a culturally sensitive program, and to regularly check on the victim to ensure that the victim is not in danger of suffering from any long-lasting mental health issues, and NEW LAW (SB 291, 2023) which, beginning with the 2024-25 school year, prohibits a school staff member from denying a student's recess unless the student's participation poses an immediate threat to the physical safety of the student or one or more of the student's peers.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the first reading of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5144 Discipline.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the first reading of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5144 Discipline'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**11.4 Consider Approval of the First Reading, Board Policy 6158 Independent Study**

With the signing of the 2024 Budget Act and SB 153, there have been three major changes to independent study programs for school districts. These changes include: ADA may now be claimed of any duration; Definitions of short-term and long-term independent study have been adjusted and the evidence for documenting student engagement in remote instruction has been revised.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the first reading of Board Policy 6158 Independent Study.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the first reading of Board Policy 6158 Independent Study'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**11.5 Consider Approval of the First Reading, Board Bylaw 9270 Conflict of Interest**

Bylaw updated to reflect NEW LAW (SB 1439, 2022) which makes applicable to elected district officers the prohibition against accepting, soliciting, or directing a contribution of more than \$250 from any party or participant to a proceeding involving a license, permit, or other entitlement for use, including a contract, or from that person's agent, while the proceeding is pending before the Board and for 12 months following the date a final decision is rendered in the proceeding, and from participating in making, or in any way attempting

to use the official position to influence the Board's decision when a district officer received a contribution of more than \$250 from a party or participant in the preceding 12 months, as specified. The bylaw was also updated to clarify, for a Board member who manages public investments, that when an item on the consent calendar is one in which the Board member has a financial interest, the Board member is required to either make a motion to remove the item from the consent calendar or abstain from voting on the consent calendar.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the first reading of Board Bylaw 9270, Conflict of Interest.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the first reading of Board Bylaw 9270, Conflict of Interest'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**11.6 Consider Approval of the First Reading, Title IX Board Policy Packet**

In April 2024, the U.S. Department of Education released revised regulations that support the implementation of Title IX, a federal law prohibiting sex discrimination in publicly funded education programs and activities. In anticipation of the August 1, 2024 operative date, CSBA is releasing this special update packet.

District Boards are encouraged to review the following items and consult CSBA's District and County Office of Education Legal Services or district legal counsel to ensure compliance with these important revised regulations.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the first reading of the Title IX Board Policy Packet, as presented.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board of Trustees approve the first reading of the Title IX Board Policy Packet, as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**12.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS**

**12.1 Item Requests for Future Board Meetings**

Board Member Karen Gray requested an Ethics Training Board Workshop take place sometime after Winter Break.

**13.0 CLOSED SESSION**

The Governing Board did not return to Closed Session.

**14.0 RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION**

Not applicable

**15.0 REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS**

**15.1 Report on Closed Session Items**

The Governing Board may or may not report on any Closed Session Items.

**16.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**16.1 Adjournment of the Silver Valley Unified School District Regular Board Meeting**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Governing Board approve the adjournment of the SVUSD Board Meeting.

**AMENDED - Motion**

Member (Lynn McKee) Moved, Member (Brian Boatwright) Seconded to approve the AMENDED motion 'It is recommended that the Governing Board approve the adjournment of the SVUSD Board Meeting at 7:06 p.m.'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried 4 - 0.

**Respectfully Submitted:**

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Jesse M. Najera, Superintendent

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Lynn McKee, Clerk of the Board

Date: \_\_\_\_\_