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1. OPEN SESSION/ROLL CALL - 4:30 PM

A designed period of time will be provided for public comments at all regular Board meetings. Remarks will be limited to *three minutes* and to one appearance, thus allowing a maximum number of participants in the allowed time period in which public are to speak about issues.

Questions directed to the Board will not be answered immediately. All questions will be answered by an appropriate person as soon as possible.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT on Closed Session - 4:31 PM

Individuals may address the Board in accordance with the Public Comment Statement on the last page of the agenda.

3. CLOSED SESSION - 4:35 PM

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION: [Gov. Code §54956.9(d)(1)] - ESD-1 Case
2. GOV. CODE 54957.6: (ESD/HSD) Conference with Labor Negotiator: Name of Agency Negotiator: Carmen Diaz Ghysels, Darlene Avalos, Bob Marcucci Employee Organization/Title: SRFT, SRTA, CSEA
3. BOARD BUSINESS (ESD/HSD): Superintendent's Evaluation

Approval of the disposal of books or equipment.

7. BUSINESS SERVICES: (ESD/HSD) Approval Resolution #2324-65 and #2324-66 for the Tax Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRAN) for the 2024-25 Fiscal Year
The Board is presented with an annual contingency resolution for recommended approval to request Tax Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRAN) for the Elementary and High School districts. This is a county-wide annual resolution brought during the budget adoption period to prepare for the coming fiscal year.
Approval of ESD Resolution # 2223-55 and HSD Resolution # 2223-56
8. BUSINESS SERVICES: (ESD/HSD) Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Renewal Between San Rafael City Schools and HeadsUp Education Foundation for Michelene Moayed, Executive Director for the 2024-2025 School Year
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9. BUSINESS SERVICES: (ESD/HSD) Approval of Lease Agreements with Community Action Marin (CAM) for Short Elementary School
Approval of the Lease Agreements with Community Action Marin (CAM).
10. EDUCATION SERVICES: (HSD) Approval of Terra Linda High School Cheerleaders Participation in The United Spirit Association Cheerleading Cheer Camp from Friday, August 2 - Sunday, August 4, 2024 in Santa Clara, California
This item presents to the Board Terra Linda High School Cheerleaders participation in The United Spirit Association Cheerleading Cheer Camp from Friday, August 2 - Sunday, August 4, 2024 in Santa Clara, California for recommended approval.
Approval of the field trip.
11. EDUCATION SERVICES: (HSD): Approval of Request to Change SRCS Representative to the California Adult Education Program Voting Membership
As a participating district in the Marin Adult Education Program (MAEP), San Rafael City Schools is allocated one voting representative to the California Adult Education Program. The Marin Adult Education Program (MAEP) is dedicated to serving the educational and workforce needs of adults in Marin County through, among other services, GED preparation, completion of a high school diploma, and short-term career training. Madrone's principal oversees our district's Adult Education program and attends all MAEP meetings.
Approval to appoint incoming Madrone principal, John Kennedy, as San Rafael City Schools' representative and voting member to the California Adult Education Program.
12. EDUCATION SERVICES: (ESD/HSD) Amended Contract San Rafael City Schools and Summit K12 to purchase licenses for the Connect to Literacy (C2L) ELPAC Readiness curriculum and online platform for the 2024-2025 School Year
Summit K12 provides supplemental digital ELD curriculum for grades K-12. Summit K12's Connect to Literacy curriculum is explicitly mapped to the CA ELD standards, CA Common Core ELA standards and the ELPAC assessment and is designed for English Language Development in all four domains assessed by the ELPAC: Writing, Reading, Speaking, and Listening. The District intends to use Summit K12's Connect to Literacy as a pilot for Multilingual Learners/English Language Learners to accelerate English learner achievement for students in grades 6-12.
Approval of amendment.
13. EDUCATION SERVICES: (ESD/HSD): SECOND READING: Approval of New Courses, Textbooks, Novels and Academic Software for the Middle Schools and High Schools.

The Secondary Curriculum Advisory Council is comprised of district office and site administrators as well as teachers, counselors, and parents to review new courses, textbooks, novels, and course pathways. This committee hears proposals from classroom teachers and administrators on new texts and courses to the district. After the presentations, the committee asks clarifying questions and votes to approve or deny the proposals. At the end of each year, the curriculum council report is brought to the Board for a first reading and final approval by the San Rafael City School's Board of Education. This item represents the Secondary Curriculum Advisory Council's recommendations for approval from the 2023-2024 school year to be implemented in the 2024-2025 school year.

Approval

10/6/24 (discussion): No action

6/17/24 (consent): Approval of SCAC

14. EDUCATION SERVICES: (ESD) Approval of the Quote Between San Rafael City Schools and Teacher Curriculum Institute (TCI) for 2024-2029 School Years.

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Attendees

Voting Members

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Trustee de Nieva-Marsh recused herself from voting on this item due to a conflict of interest.

A motion for the approval of the Lease Agreements with Community Action Marin (CAM) was requested.

Motion made by: Carolina Martin

Motion seconded by: Mark Koerner

Voting:

Lucia Martel-Dow - Yes

Carolina Martin - Yes

Marina Palma - Yes

Maureen "Mo" de Nieva-Marsh - Recuse

Mark Koerner - Yes

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President Martel-Dow pulled this item for clarification and to be opened for discussion. She highlighted that during the First Reading it was mentioned that we didn't have a lot of parent input, which made her pause and want to open the item for discussion to hear opinions from the other Trustees. She would like to have a different process in which we take some of these courses for approval early in the year.

Tyler Graff, Executive Director of Secondary Education, explained that to his knowledge, this process has been in place for more than 10 years. The Curriculum Council is formed by a group of teachers, counselors, administrators and there's usually a parent who meets once a month. He thinks that it is good feedback from the Board to recruit more parents next year. He explained that during the current process, the committee hears proposals from classroom teachers and administrators on new texts and courses for the district. After the presentations, the committee asks clarifying questions and discusses any issues. At the following meeting, they vote to approve or deny the proposals.

After conversations with Superintendent Ghysels, Mr. Graff suggested that they could bring the proposed items to the Board on a monthly rotating basis or add them to the Board Updates.

Trustee Koerner expressed that having the information earlier would give the Trustees more time to understand and discuss. He would like to get a wide group of parents on the committee.

Mr. Graff shared that the plan is to have parent representation from each middle and high school site.