# Pioneer Union School District

## Minutes

**October 12, 2023 - Regular Meeting**

Regular Meeting

Room E-3 of Mountain Creek Middle School, 6862 Mt. Aukum Road, Somerset, CA 95684

Thursday, October 12, 2023

05:30 PM

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**Board Members:**

Jonathan Russell
Nanette Hargo
Nathaniel Houston
Cory Morrison
Patricia Ciampa

## 1. Call to Order

**1.1 Meeting Access**

**1.2 Call the meeting to order:**

**Discussion:**

President Russell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m..

**1.3 Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Discussion:**

Vice President Hargo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 2. Roll Call

**2.1 Roll Call:**

**Discussion:**

President Russell, Vice President Hargo, Clerk Morrison and Member Ciampi were present. Member Houston was absent.

**2.2 Staff Members present:**

**Discussion:**

Patrick Paturel, Kelly Howard, Boyd Holler, Kathy Kaher and Lyndsie Nestor (recording secretary)

## 3. Public Comments/Requests

**3.1 Public Comments/Requests:**

**Discussion:**

There were no Public Comments or Requests.

## 4. Meeting Management

**4.1 Approval of Agenda**

**Motion:**

It was moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

**Motion By:** Nanette Hargo
**Second By:** Cory Morrison
**Yeas:** Jonathan Russell, Cory Morrison , Nanette Hargo, Patricia Ciampa
**Absent:** Nathaniel Houston
**Results:** Motion Passed

## 5. Reports / Acknowledgements

**5.1 Board Members' Reports:**

**Discussion:**

There were no Board Member Reports.

**5.2 Correspondence received by the Board:**

**Discussion:**

President Russell acknowledged the LCAP Approval letter from EDCOE.

**5.3 Superintendent Report:**

**Discussion:**

Superintendent Paturel reported the Board Member placemats have been updated. He also reported on October 2nd the teachers had a professional development day learning the new Star Math and Reading program. He reported those programs tie into the new Accelerated Reader program that is being launched in Kinder through 8th grade. Superintendent Paturel reported the cross country team hosted 4 schools plus our students here yesterday and finals will be held next week at the fairgrounds. He reported attendance is up from last year as of cnesus day. Lastly he reported he attended the CILC (Curriculum Instruction Leaders Council) meeting and their main focus is on attendance and EDCOE will be paying for Attendance Works so we can really look at attendance from month to month.

**5.4 Principal Report:**

**Discussion:**

Principal Holler reported the Star Assessment platform has really been powerful for the Pioneer teachers, it easilky allows them to identify students who need intervention services. He also reported teachers are getting excited about the Accelerated Reader program. Lastly he reported he is working with the teachers on the positive behaviour program where they are giving students tickets to reward positive behaviour and they can later redeem their tickets at the ticket store.

Principal Paturel reported Mt. Creek has adjusted the library time this year so small groups of students can utilize the library and check out books. He also reported the middle school will be given 18 minutes every day for silent reading. Principal Paturel reported he has implemented extension oppurtunities to students with the first one being a math problem. Lastly he gave an update on the Bean Bag Bonaza competition that has started during lunch.

**5.5 LCAP Report:**

**Discussion:**

Superintendent Paturel had nothing new to report on the LCAP.

**5.6 Budget Report:**

**Discussion:**

CBO K. Howard reported she is currently watching bills that are on the governors desk and must be vetoed or signed by tomorrow. She reported all busses will need to be electric by 2035, this timeline will give districts of rural communities time to figure out logistics and charging facilites needed. CBO K. Howard reported attendance reporting is looking like it will be better at the first reporting requirement. Lastly she reported the cafeteria purchased a new car for their program since their van wnt down a year ago.

**5.7 Maintenance and Operations Report:**

**Discussion:**

CBO K. Howard reported an email was received from School Insurance Company stating they are wrapping up their assessment of the Walt Tyler rebuild project and would like to schedule a zoom soon. She reported the contract for the justified fees report has been signed. Mrs. Howard reported PG&E is installing the transfer switch this weekend for the generator that will be installed eventually. She also reported PG&E has is encouraging the district to apply for a $50,000 grant to go towards the generator purchase. She reported the district will see a large cost for water testing coming up due to the many water samples that were due to be collected. Mrs. Howard reported the maintenance guys are still batteling water leaks around both campuses. Lastly she reported the maintenance department will be purchasing leaf/grass bag to be able to help with campus cleanup.

**5.8 Transportation Report:**

**Discussion:**

Superintendent Paturel reported the electric bus is running good this year. He reported we have a new driver for the green route and he is doing a fantastic job.

**5.9 Reports from Employee Group representatives:**

**Discussion:**

There were no reports from the Employee Group Representatives.

**5.10 Other Reports:**

**Discussion:**

Tricia Ciampi reported the Halloween Carnival is coming up on October 27th from 5-7 and if you are interested in volunteering please reach out. Mrs. Ciampi reported the haunted house looks amazing with the middle school students breaking it into 4 rooms and competing to see who comes up with the best room.

## 6. Business and Information Items

**6.1 Action: Consider Approval of Resolution 23/24-03, Adopt the 2022-2023 Gann Limit**

**Motion:**

It was moved to approve Resolution 23/24-03, Adopt the 2022-2023 Gann Limit.

**Motion By:** Nanette Hargo
**Second By:** Patricia Ciampa
**Yeas:** Cory Morrison , Jonathan Russell, Nanette Hargo, Patricia Ciampa
**Absent:** Nathaniel Houston
**Results:** Motion Passed

**6.2 Action: Consider Approval of the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program Plan Guide**

**Motion:**

It was moved to approve the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program Plan Guide.

**Motion By:** Nanette Hargo
**Second By:** Patricia Ciampa
**Yeas:** Cory Morrison , Jonathan Russell, Patricia Ciampa , Nanette Hargo
**Absent:** Nathaniel Houston
**Results:** Motion Passed

**Files:**
Pioneer USD ELOP Plan 2023.pdf

**6.3 Information/Discussion: 2024-2025 School Year Calendar**

**Discussion:**

Superintendent Paturel reported he took five calendar options to the leadership team where they shared ideas and things they would like to acheive, then he shared the two revised options to other groups. He reported the changes were: starting school on a Thursday, moving the OCtober PD day to November 1st and changed two of the make-up days to the end of the school year insted of March and April dates. Member Ciampi reported some parents have complained we go to school right up to Christmas, not giving them enough time to prepare for the holiday.

## 7. Policies and Administrative Regulations

**7.1 Approve Proposed New or Revised Board Policies/Administrative Regulations or Board Bylaws**

**Motion:**

It was moved to approve the New or Revised Board POlicies/Administrative Regulations or Board Bylaws.

**Motion By:** Patricia Ciampa
**Second By:** Nanette Hargo
**Yeas:** Nanette Hargo, Patricia Ciampa , Jonathan Russell, Cory Morrison
**Absent:** Nathaniel Houston
**Results:** Motion Passed

## 8. Consent Agenda

**8.1 Approval of Minutes: September 14, 2023**

**8.2 Approval of Warrants:**

**8.3 Personnel:**

**8.4 Approval of the Consent Agenda:**

**Motion:**

It was moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

**Motion By:** Nanette Hargo
**Second By:** Cory Morrison
**Yeas:** Cory Morrison , Jonathan Russell, Nanette Hargo, Patricia Ciampa
**Absent:** Nathaniel Houston
**Results:** Motion Passed

## 9. Next Board Meetings

**9.1 November 8, 2023**

**9.2 December 14, 2023**

## 10. Public Comments on Closed Session

**10.1 Public Comments:**

**Discussion:**

There were no public comments on the closed session agenda. The board adjourned to closed session at 6:51 p.m..

## 11. Adjourn to Closed Session

During this time, the Board may adjourn to Closed Session to discuss confidential material.

**11.1 Public Employee Performance Evaluation (G.C. 54957)**

**11.2 Litigation**

**11.3 Conference with Labor Negotiator (G.C. 54957.6)**

**11.4 Education Codes, 48918(c)**

**11.5 Superintendent Evaluation**

## 12. Reconvene Regular Meeting

**12.1 Meeting Reconvened:**

**Discussion:**

The meeting reconvened at 7:43 p.m..

**12.2 Disclosure of any action, taken in closed session:**

**Discussion:**

There was no action taken in closed session.

## 13. Adjournment of the Regular Meeting

**13.1 Adjournment:**

**Discussion:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m..