



Happy Valley Elementary School District  
Board of Trustees

***Special Board Meeting Minutes***

August 6, 2020

Happy Valley Elementary School Cafeteria 6:00 p.m.  
17480 Palm Ave., Anderson, CA 96007

Public also participated by Zoom meeting

**OPEN SESSION – 6:00 PM**

- 1.0 **Call to Order @ 6:00 p.m.**
- 2.0 **Roll Call – Tim Garman, Cheryl Frazer, Rusty Simmons, Carla Perry – Present**
- 3.0 **Pledge of Allegiance led by - Tim Garman**
- 4.0 **Approval of Agenda**

Tim Garman would like to change Item #6.1 from Discussion to Discussion/Action.

On a motion by Cheryl Frazer, seconded by Carla Perry, the board voted 4-0 to approve the agenda with the amendment of Item #6.1.

- 5.0 **Public Comment** – Public Session Items not on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of this body, may be addressed at this time or be submitted to the Superintendent in writing for Board consideration as an agenda item. Items not on the agenda are restricted in response and action by the Board and its members. A three-minute limit is set for each speaker on all items. The total time for public input on each item is limited to 20 minutes (Government Code 54952). In order to protect the rights of all involved, complaints about employees should be addressed through the District complaint process. Speaking about a personnel issue at a Board meeting may prevent the Board from being able to act on it. Please see an administrator to initiate the complaint process.
  - 5.1 Public Comment Session Opened @ 6:03 p.m.
  - 5.2 Persons Wishing to Address the Board – Multiple parents and community members addressed the board with comments and questions regarding the start of the school year. Board members and Superintendent, Helen Herd, answered to the best of their ability based on the School Year Planning Guide and the implementation of safety protocols for the staff and students. Ms. Herd and the board members relayed to the audience that the district is and will continue to follow County Public Health guidelines.
  - 5.3 Public Comment Session Closed @ 7:15 p.m.

## **6.0 Discussion/Action Items**

6.1 Discussion: Re-opening of School for the 2020/2021 School Year – Ms. Herd and the board members discussed the plan of re-opening school in detail including how to protect the district, students, and the community. Topics included waivers of liability, temperature checks at bus stops when students are getting on the bus and the need for extra help on the buses. It is very important to the district to keep everyone as safe as possible while getting the kids back to school and into some sort of normal routine again.

Prior to a vote, the attendees were asked what they would like to see happen regarding the school opening. An overwhelming majority said they were in favor of face-to-face instruction five (5) days a week.

On a motion by Cheryl Frazer, seconded by Rusty Simmons the board voted 3-1 to open the 2020/21 school year with face-to-face instruction 5 days per week, with a signed liability waiver by parents, and a temperature check on all students who ride the bus prior to boarding.

Votes: Tim Garman, Cheryl Frazer, Rusty Simmons – Yes      Carla Perry – No

## **7.0 Adjournment**

On a motion by Cheryl Frazer, seconded by Carla Perry, the board voted 4-0 to adjourn Open Session @ 7:40 p.m.

Approved August 11, 2020

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Clerk of the Board