

**SUTTER UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES  
AUGUST 13, 2024**

**1. Call to Order**

President Clifton Davis called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Sutter Union High School District to order at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, in the Counseling and Career Center of Sutter Union High School.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Roll Call**

Clifton Davis, President- Present  
Carl Pratt, Vice-President- Present  
Dennis Richardson, Clerk- Present  
Allen Jaynes, Member- Present  
Larry Munger, Member- Present

**Staff Present**

Jedsen Nunes, Superintendent  
Rick Giovannoni, Principal  
Robert Bennette, Assistant Principal  
Stefanie Danna, Athletic Director/Attendance Coordinator  
Francesca Ehrk, Director of Guidance  
Dawn Heraty, Chief Business Officer  
Gayle Bradbury, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent/Recorder

There were no visitors present.

**4. Disclose items to be discussed in Closed Session**

The superintendent disclosed items to be discussed in closed session.

**5. Public Comment Regarding Closed Session Items**

There was no public comment regarding closed-session items.

**6. Recess to Closed Session**

The board recessed to closed Session at 7:01 PM.

The board reconvened to open session at 7:29 PM

**7. Public report on actions taken in Closed Session (Gov C 54957.1).**

There was no action to report from closed session this evening.

**8. Public Comments**

There were no Public Comments.

## 9. Consent Agenda

*The following items are listed for convenience on the consent agenda. The Board may, with a single action, approve all items on the consent agenda or may move any item to the regular agenda for discussion before action:*

Motion: Mr. Pratt  
Second: Mr. Davis

Ayes: 5  
Noes: 0  
Abstain:0  
Absent:0

Unanimous approval was given to the following Consent Agenda items:

- A. Minutes: To officially adopt the minutes for the regular board meeting held June 11, 2024
- B. Minutes: To officially adopt the minutes for the regular board meeting held June 18, 2024
- C. Minutes: To officially adopt the minutes for the special board meeting held July 8, 2024
- D. Warrants: Formal Approval of Accounts Payable for June 2024
- E. Warrants: Formal Approval of Accounts Payable July 2024
- F. Inter-district Agreement Requests: Official approval Incoming and Outgoing Inter-district Agreements
- G. Classified Employee Resignation: To accept the resignation of Ronald Wellborn, Bus Driver, Effective July 31, 2024
- H. Classified Employee Reclassification: To approve the reclassification of classified employees as listed below:  
*Name, Position, Effective:*  
Gayle Bradbury, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, July 1, 2024  
Kristy Helzer, Administrative Secretary, July 1, 2024
- I. Certificated Employee Appointments: To officially approve the employment of the Certificated employees listed below:  
*Name, Position, Effective:*  
Aubree Akins, English Teacher, August 1, 2024  
Arvind Bajwa, English Teacher, August 1, 2024  
William Gamble, Art/Digital Marketing/Work Experience (CTE), August 1, 2024  
Kersina Nickel, English Teacher, August 1, 2024  
Frank Pasquale, Metal Shop (CTE) Teacher, August 1, 2024  
Mitchell Tiraterra, Drafting/Construction Mgmt./Woodshop (CTE) Teacher, August 1, 2024
- J. Administrative employee reclassification: To approve the reclassification of administrative employees as listed below:

*Name, Position, Effective:*

Rick Giovannoni, Principal, July 1, 2024

Robert Bennette, Assistant Principal, July 1, 2024

- K. Certificated employee reclassification: To approve the reclassification of the certificated employee listed below:

*Name, Position, Effective:*

Stefanie Danna, Teacher on Special Assignment-Athletic Director/Attendance Coordinator, July 1, 2024

- L. Consider/Approve 2024/2025 Sutter High School Parent/Student Information Handbook
- M. Consider/Approve Out of State Travel, Volleyball Team to Reno, Nevada, August 29-31, 2024
- N. Consider/Approve Out of State Travel, Cheer Team to Pocatello, Idaho, August 28-31, 2024

**10. Action Item: Consider/Approve Regular Meeting of the Board Time/Day change**

The Board decided to Table the discussion until the December Board Meeting.

**11. Action Item: Consider/Approve Governing Board Resolution #2024-25/003 Increasing School Facilities Fees as Authorized by Government Code Section 65995 (b)(3)**

Mr. Pratt motioned to approve Governing Board Resolution #2024/2025-003, Increasing School Facilities Fees as Authorized by Government Code Section 65995 (b)(3). Mr. Jaynes seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Ayes: 5  
Noes: 0  
Abstain:0  
Absent:0

**12. Action Item: Consider/Approve Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators**

Mr. Davis motioned to approve the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators. Mr. Richardson seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Ayes: 5  
Noes: 0  
Abstain:0  
Absent:0

**13. Action Item: Consider/Approve Application for Funding Agricultural Career Technical Education Incentive Grant**

Mr. Pratt motioned to approve the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators. Mr. Richardson seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Ayes: 5  
Noes: 0  
Abstain:0  
Absent:0

## **14. Informational Item: Teacher Assignment Monitoring Outcomes 2022-23**

Mr. Nunes explained the report for the Teacher Assignment Monitoring Outcomes from the 2022-23 School Year.

## **15. Communication**

### **15.1 Counseling Office Report: Ms. Ehrk**

Mrs. Ehrk shared that the counseling office has been busy with Freshman orientation and class schedules. SUHS has several Exchange Students from Japan, Italy, and Poland. They are making a few class changes to help with student schedules and are anticipating a great start to the school year.

### **15.2 Sutter Union High School Report: Mr. Giovanni**

Mr. Giovanni shared that Mrs. Danna and Mr. Landa held a New Teacher Orientation during in-service for all our new teachers. The Administration Team will go into all the English Classes on Friday, 8/16, to review student expectations for the school year. Back to School Night will be held on Wednesday, August 21st, from 6:00 to 7:05 p.m.

### **15.3 Athletic Report: Mrs. Danna**

Mrs. Danna shared that Fall Sports are rolling up and running. Many teams have finalized Rosters; Cross Country will start next week, so we hope to see a lot of students out there. She also attended a Parent Player meeting with the Volleyball coach to help get their season started. Mr. Giovanni and Mrs. Danna participated in a Coach's Fall/Winter league meeting with our new G.E.L. League. Mrs. Danna is working on communication with coaches to review our procedures for athletic activities. The volleyball team will start with a scrimmage at Vista Del Lago this week, and Football will have a scrimmage this weekend at Nevada Union. SUHS will have a Girls' Flag Football team this season with 18 girls. Games will be held Monday and Wednesday at 5:00 PM on the Girls Soccer Field.

### **15.4 Butte View Report: Mr. Bennette**

Mr. Bennette is excited about Butte View and Independent Study. He shared that Ms. Runyan, Mr. Mason, Mr. Ford, and Mr. Fryan will be the staff this year at Butte View. Mrs. Finitzer will be our Independent Study Teacher.

**16 Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Nunes shared an update on our Construction project. They are working on finalizing a few last-minute details. Phase 2 will go to bid tomorrow. The solar units on the parking lot will begin in September. He is still in the transition process but has enjoyed every minute of it so far.

**17 Adjournment**

With no further business, Mr. Pratt moved to adjourn at 7:53 PM. Mr. Richardson seconded the motion.

Ayes: 5  
Noes: 0  
Abstain:0  
Absent:0

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Clifton Davis, President

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Jedsen Nunes, Secretary

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Dennis Richardson, Clerk