



## Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

**09/19/2023 - 05:30 PM**

Anderson Union High School Library  
1471 Ferry Street  
Anderson, California

## MEETING MINUTES

Every Student Will Learn • Every Graduate Will Be College and Career Ready

### Board of Trustees

Joe Gibson, President  
Butch Schaefer, Clerk  
Staci Adams  
Jackie LaBarbera  
Dustin Gurney  
Jonah Thomas, Student Board Member

**Closed Session: 5:30pm \* Open Session: 6:30pm**

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### Attendees

#### Voting Members

Joe Gibson, President  
Jackie LaBarbera, Board Trustee  
Staci Adams, Board Trustee  
Butch Schaefer, Clerk  
Dustin Gurney, Board Trustee

## I. CALL TO ORDER

### 1. Roll Call

A regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Anderson Union High School District was called to order by President Gibson at 5:30pm on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at the Anderson Union High School Library. Present for Closed Session were President of the Board, Joe Gibson; Clerk of the Board, Butch Schaefer; Trustee Staci Adams; Trustee Jackie LaBarbera and Trustee Dustin Gurney. Also present were Interim Superintendent/Director of Human Resources, Brian Parker, Executive Assistant Paula Foster, Donell Evans, CBO, Josh Mason, Principal of WVECHS, Tom Safford, Principal of AUHS, Terry Bennett, Principal of ANTHS, Chris Fort, Director of Alternative Education. Lozano Smith Attorney's Tom Gauthier and Jaspreet Lochab-Dogra were also present.

## II. PUBLIC COMMENT

**1. The Board will hear comments from the public on closed session and non-agenda items at this time. The public will have an opportunity to address the board on open session agenda items during the board's consideration of that item. Procedure: Individual speakers shall be allowed three (3) minutes to address the Board on each closed session agenda or non-agenda item. The Board shall limit the total**

**time for public input on each topic to twenty (20) minutes. The Board President may rule on the appropriateness of a topic and if the topic may more suitably be addressed at a later time. A school district governing board cannot legally take action on a matter at one of its regular meetings if that matter has not been placed on the official agenda. (AUHSD BB 9323)**

Attendees spoke in support of the new board policy 5020.1 that was adopted last month. Attendees also spoke about the damage that this board policy will create and asked that it be rescinded.

An Anderson New Technology High School parent spoke about the new Yondr system that is being implemented at the high school. She feels there should be a more middle of the road approach and cell phones should not be locked up.

An attendee stated she reached out to Mr. Parker to have the library books cataloged online. Mr. Parker responded to her quickly and stated that it is now online.

The board went into closed session at 5:59pm.

### **III. CLOSED SESSION**

**1. Action: Government Code §48915 - Recommendation for student expulsions: #CW012324 and AM022324**

**2. Information:**

**a. Government Code §54956.9(d)(2) Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Significant Exposure to Litigation: 3 Potential Cases**

**b. Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation Name of Case: Public Employment Relations Board Case No. TBD – Anderson Union High School Teachers Association v. Anderson Union High School District**

**3. Information: See attached letter regarding alleged CA Voting Rights Act Issue. This is for information only. The board will discuss this matter under potential litigation.**

### **IV. REGULAR OPEN SESSION**

Open session was called to order at 7:04pm. In addition to closed session, the following were present:

Brandt Shriner	Ron Zimmerman
Lesia Cecil-Ide	Mike Patterson
Leni Baker	Debbie Chrasta
Emerson Sublett	Mark Chrasta
Carrie Safford	Eric Proscher
Bud Porter	Megan Frost
Michelle Boydston	Chris Frost
Tom Wyrick	Mike Bettles
Denae & Emilee Harris	Janae Reyher
Leslie Sawyer	Amanda Johnson
Margo Dean	Chris Kelstrom
Jason Foster	Colstyn Edeards
Ann Marie Maroney	Sadie Frost
Tamara Pellow	Ethan Safford
Shaye Stephens	Carrie Muchow
Rob Exter	Joseph Wiltse
Carmela Crandall	Steve Dillon
Jessica Bettles	Travis & Erin Hunt
Madeline Eason	

**1. Flag Salute led by Chris Fort, Director of Alternative Education**

**2. Action: Approve the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the AUHSD Board of Trustees for September 19, 2023**

Motion made by: Butch Schaefer

Motion seconded by: Staci Adams

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

**3. Report of Board Action taken in Closed Session**

In closed session, the board voted unanimously to approve the expulsion panel recommendations for student cases #CW012324 and #AM022324.

**4. Student Representatives will report on Athletics, Activities & Academics**

Student representatives Sadie Frost (AUHS), Mary Claire Sulzer (WVECHS), and Matthew Smith-Sharrah and Emerson Sublett (ANTHS) reported on school activities, athletics and academics.

**V. PUBLIC HEARING**

**1. Public hearing to determine whether sufficient textbooks and instructional materials are being provided for 2023/24 to each student in mathematics, science, science laboratories, history-social science, foreign language and English/language arts, including the English language development component of an adopted program, consistent with the cycles and content of the curriculum frameworks.**

A Public Hearing was held to determine whether sufficient textbooks and instructional materials are being provided for the 2023/24 school year to each student in mathematics, science, science laboratories, history-social science, foreign language and English/language arts, including the English language development component of an adopted program, consistent with the cycles and content of the curriculum frameworks. There were no public comments.

**VI. CONSENT ITEMS**

Mr. Schaefer moved, seconded by Mrs. LaBarbera to approve Consent Items 2 and 4. The motion carried unanimously.

**1. Approve the Minutes for the August 22, 2023 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees**

**2. Approve the Human Resources Report**

**3. Approve the athletic, activity and academic trips**

**4. Adopt the Board Policies and Administrative Regulations**

**5. Approve the Warrants for the following Funds:**

a. General Fund (Fund 3201); Charter School Fund (Fund 3209); Adult Education (Fund 3211); Cafeteria Fund (Fund 3213); Special Reserve fund for other than Capital Outlay (Fund 3217); District Building Fund (Fund 3221); County School Facilities (Fund 3235); Capital Facilities (Fund 3225); Special Reserve fund for Capital Outlay (Fund 3240); Payroll Clearing Fund (Fund 3276); Deferred Maintenance Fund (Fund 3214); Bond Interest and Redemption Fund (Fund 3251)

## VII. ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

### 1. Administrative Items

#### a. Items removed from the Consent Agenda

Trustee LaBarbera requested that Items 1, 3, and 5 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

In regards to Item 1 on the Consent Agenda, Trustee LaBarbera asked that the minutes from the August 22, 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting reflect that on Item 1h all board members were in agreement with placing live streaming board meetings on the agenda as an action item. She also asked that the board minutes reflect on Item 1k that a survey was administered without prior approval. Mr. Schaefer moved, seconded by Mrs. LaBarbera to approve the amended minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

In regards to Item 3 on the Consent Agenda, Trustee LaBarbera asked if the Disneyland trip and Sober Grad were separate events. Mr. Mason stated that they were. Mrs. LaBarbera moved, seconded by Mr. Schaefer to approve Consent Item #3. The motion carried unanimously.

In regards to Item 5 on the Consent Agenda, Mrs. LaBarbera asked why West Valley received so many more helmets than Anderson did. It was reported that West Valley has more players and has three teams. Mr. Gurney moved, seconded by Mrs. Adams to approve Consent Item #5. The motion carried unanimously.

#### b. First Read: Review the Board Policies and Administrative Regulations

The Board had no revisions to the Policies and Administrative Regulations at first read. These policies and regulations will be brought up for adoption at the October 17, 2023 regular board meeting.

#### c. Discussion: Rescind the newly adopted board policy 5020.1 until all stakeholders have had a chance to provide input

Attendees spoke in support of and against Board Policy 5020.1.

#### d. Information: Tobacco cessation for student athletes in possession of nicotine at school or at school functions

Mr. Parker spoke about a change that the administration will be making in the Parent/Student Handbook regarding student athletes who are in possession of tobacco products at school or a school function. The new procedure would provide an opportunity for student athletes to receive a consequence but also have the option to receive tobacco cessation classes.

#### e. Action: Approve the request to Live Stream Board of Trustee Meetings

Motion made by: Dustin Gurney

Motion seconded by: Jackie LaBarbera

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

#### f. Discussion: Renaming of the Anderson Union High School District

Trustee LaBarbera inquired about changing the District's name to Anderson Union High School Early College District. Mr. Parker stated that the Alternative Education schools could not be "Early College". The reason West Valley is Early College is because they offer more courses and students can receive college credits.

#### g. Information: Quotes for Scoreboards

Mr. Shriner provided information on the scoreboard quotes. He reported that the Anderson High School Softball field has no fence and he is looking at ways to have a scoreboard in that area. He recommends new football scoreboards at both sites.

## 2. Human Resources

Trustee Gurney left the meeting at 8:44pm.

### a. Action: Approve the request for teachers to teach in an assignment outside of their current credential for the 2023-24 school year

Motion made by: Staci Adams

Motion seconded by: Butch Schaefer

Voting:

Joe Gibson - Yes

Jackie LaBarbera - Yes

Staci Adams - Yes

Butch Schaefer - Yes

Dustin Gurney - Not Present

## 3. Instructional

### a. Action: Adopt the resolution to continue credits for Juniors at 10 credits per semester and Seniors at 15 credits per semester at Anderson Adult School.

Motion made by: Butch Schaefer

Motion seconded by: Staci Adams

Voting:

Joe Gibson - Yes

Jackie LaBarbera - Yes

Staci Adams - Yes

Butch Schaefer - Yes

Dustin Gurney - Not Present

### b. Action: Adopt the resolution determining that the Anderson Union High School District has sufficient pupil textbooks/instructional materials as set forth in the California Education Code 60119 for fiscal year 2023/2024 and approve the Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials

Motion made by: Butch Schaefer

Motion seconded by: Jackie LaBarbera

Voting:

Joe Gibson - Yes

Jackie LaBarbera - Yes

Staci Adams - Yes

Butch Schaefer - Yes

Dustin Gurney - Not Present

### c. Action: Approve the contract with Presence Learning Center for speech and language services for special education for the 2023-24 school year

Motion made by: Butch Schaefer

Motion seconded by: Staci Adams

Voting:

Joe Gibson - Yes

Jackie LaBarbera - Yes

Staci Adams - Yes

Butch Schaefer - Yes  
Dustin Gurney - Not Present

#### 4. Business and Financial

**a. Information: Actuarial Study of Retiree Health Liabilities as of 6/30/23**

**b. Action: Adopt the resolution for authorization for 2023/24 Interfund Transfers**

Motion made by: Butch Schaefer

Motion seconded by: Staci Adams

Voting:

Joe Gibson - Yes  
Jackie LaBarbera - Yes  
Staci Adams - Yes  
Butch Schaefer - Yes  
Dustin Gurney - Not Present

**c. Action: Adopt the resolution for authorization of In-Lieu Tax transfer to the Charter School Fund from the General Fund**

Motion made by: Butch Schaefer

Motion seconded by: Staci Adams

Voting:

Joe Gibson - Yes  
Jackie LaBarbera - Yes  
Staci Adams - Yes  
Butch Schaefer - Yes  
Dustin Gurney - Not Present

**d. Action: Adopt the resolution to transfer funds to the Deferred Maintenance Fund**

Motion made by: Jackie LaBarbera

Motion seconded by: Butch Schaefer

Voting:

Joe Gibson - Yes  
Jackie LaBarbera - Yes  
Staci Adams - Yes  
Butch Schaefer - Yes  
Dustin Gurney - Not Present

### VIII. REPORTS AND COMMENTS

#### 1. CSEA & CTA Representatives' Comments

CTA President Shaye Stephens cited many laws that she feels are in violation of the adoption of BP 5020.1, which include CA Ed Code 234, CA Ed Code 220, CA Ed Code 201, Title IX, , CA Ed Code 215, Secopm 215 of CA Ed Code and AB 1808 added section 216 to CA Ed Code. She stated that teachers have not been told what to do regarding 5020.1 and whether it has been implemented.

#### 2. Administrators' Comments

Josh Mason, Principal at West Valley Early College High School and Director of Instructional Services reported that West Valley received a threat of a possible shooter. Law enforcement is involved and the school will be open tomorrow as normal.

Tom Safford, Principal of Anderson High School reported on Activities and Academics.

### 3. Superintendent's Comments

Brian Parker, Interim Superintendent thanked the attendees for being civil and respectful during the meeting.

### 4. Trustees' Comments

Jonah Thomas, Student Board Member, asked the other members who the stakeholders are in regards to discussion item VII 1c- BP 5020.1. Trustee Adams stated that it is parents, staff and board members.

Jackie LaBarbera, Board Trustee, requested Board Policy 5141.52 and Board Bylaw 9322 be placed on the next agenda.

Staci Adams, Board Trustee, stated that these are hard conversations to have and believes in parent rights.

Butch Schaefer, Clerk of the Board stated he wants all students to be safe and feels parents cannot be excluded.

Joe Gibson, President of the Board stated that he was the only one that voted no on Board Policy 5020.1. He stated that he is all for parent communication but has concerns about the laws and making sure we are upholding them. He explained that the Board Policy was passed with very little in put and feels it can be worked out but it will take time.

## IX. ADJOURNMENT

President Gibson adjourned the meeting at 9:17pm



Joe Gibson, President



Butch Schaefer, Clerk