

# **Borrego Springs Unified School District**

## **SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

March 10, 2022 3:30 PM

2281 Diegueno Road - Community Room

Borrego Springs, CA 92004

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### **A. PROCEDURAL ISSUES / AGENDA**

#### **A.1. Call to Order**

Minutes:

Meeting called to order at 3:30 PM by Board President Steve Riehle.

#### **A.2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Minutes:

Led by Board President Steve Riehle

#### **A.3. Roll Call**

Minutes:

**Present:**

Steve Dunn

Valeen Szabo

Judy Coyle

Steve Riehle

**One Vacant Seat**

#### **A.4. Approval of Agenda**

Minutes:

**Motion passed.** Motion to approve by Valeen Szabo with a second by Steve Dunn. All members present vote yes.

#### **A.5. Comments from the Public**

Minutes:

None

### **B. MINUTES**

#### **B.1. Regular Board Meeting 3/9/22**

Minutes:

**Motion passed:** Motion to approve by Steve Dunn with a second by Valeen Szabo. All members present vote yes.

### **C. CONDUCT BOARD CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS**

#### **C.1. Interviews of Board Applicants for Provisional Appointment to Fill Existing Board Vacancy**

Minutes:

The board was presented with two (2) applicants for the vacant trustee seat. Mr. Albert Dean and Mr. Ramien Shalizi. Candidates were interviewed one at a time separately by the board in Open Session. The following questions were asked:

1) Tell us about yourself. What special background, experiences, strengths, or talents do you have

to contribute to the board?

2) Please discuss your understanding of the differences between the roles of the Superintendent and other administrators and the role of the Board?

3) What are you proud of in the Borrego Springs Unified School District? What, if any, areas for improvement should the board address?

4) What would you like to accomplish as a Board Member? What are some of your highest priorities and why?

5) If a board member feels strongly about a matter, but his or her position is not supported by the board, how should this trustee conduct himself or herself?

6) If major reductions in funding were to occur, what would be your priorities for the most important programs or services to retain?

7) Given your role and responsibility as a board member, outline in general your approach to dealing with parents, teachers and other individuals who may come to you to express grievances?

8) What questions do you have for the board to help you prepare to take on this commitment if chosen?

At the end of both interviews, the candidates were excused and asked to wait outside while the Board discussed.

#### **D. APPOINTMENT OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

##### **D.1. Selection/Provisional Appointment of Applicant to Existing Board Vacancy**

Minutes:

Discussion by the Board members was held in Open Session. After discussing the board was in agreement. Motion to approve the selection of Candidate Ramien Shalizi was made by Judy Coyle with a second by Valeen Szabo. All members present vote Yes.

**RECESS:** At 4:44 PM the board recessed to allow President Steve Riehle to converse with Mr. Albert Dean and inform him he was not chosen. The board reconvened from recess at 4:53 PM and Superintendent Mark Stevens administered the Oath of Office to Ramien Shalizi for his Provisional Appointment to the board. Ramien took his seat at the table and proceeded to participate as a seated trustee for the remainder of the meeting.

#### **E. CURRICULUM**

##### **E.1. Approval of MOU with EUSD for Speech Supervision**

Minutes:

This is an agreement with Escondido Unified School District to provide Speech Language Supervision.

**Motion Passed.** Motion to approve was made by Ramien Shalizi with a second by Valeen Szabo. All members present vote yes.

#### **F. BUSINESS**

##### **F.1. Approval of Second Interim Financial Report**

Minutes:

CBO Jessica Gillespie started out with stating we are ending on a positive note. Although Capital outlay will need to reduce and we may need elimination of some of the outsourced professional services we still have Positive Certification from the County.

**Motion passed.** Motion to approve was made by Valeen Szabo with a second by Steve Dunn. Ramien Shalizi abstained from vote while the remaining four (4) members vote yes.

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

Minutes:

**Motion passed.** Motion to adjourn was made by Valeen Szabo with a second by Steve Dunn. All 5 members present vote yes.

Next regular Board meeting will be April 13, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM

  
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Board President

  
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Board Clerk

BOARD APPROVED

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