

**Cottonwood Union School District**  
**20512 W. First Street**  
**Cottonwood, CA 96022**

**MINUTES for Tuesday, August 18, 2020, 6:30 P.M.**  
Regular Board Meeting, West Cottonwood Library

Members Present: Mrs. Cordova, Mrs. McDougall, Mrs. Sulzer, Mr. Vazquez  
Members Absent: Mr. Iles  
Others Present: Superintendent: Doug Geren  
Principals: Cecile LaMar, Terri Wright  
Laura Merrick, CBO  
Becky Bragg, Administrative Assistant  
Staff: three staff members were present

- 1.0 Call Regular Meeting to Order-** Mrs. McDougall called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- 2.0 Pledge of Allegiance** led by Mrs. McDougall.
- 3.0 Approval of Agenda**  
**ACTION:** Mr. Vazquez moved, seconded by Mrs. Cordova, to approve the agenda as presented  
**VOTE:** Unanimous in favor
- 4.0 Recognition (Students, Staff, Curriculum) Curriculum Review**  
None at this time.
- 5.0 Public Forum/Hearing of Person Wishing to Address the Board**  
None at this time.
- 6.0 Consent Agenda**
  - 6.1 Review of Consent Agenda**
    - 6.1.1 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes for:**  
Regular Board Meeting held on **Tuesday, June 16, 2020**  
Regular Board Meeting held on **Tuesday, July 28, 2020**  
Special Board Meeting held on **Friday, August 7, 2020**
    - 6.1.2** Accept Letter of Resignation from **Jody Allred**- Instructional Assistant.
    - 6.1.3** Approval to Hire: **Sonia Vazquez**- Temporary 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher **Colleen Yost**- Instructional Assistant
    - 6.1.4** Accept Leave of Absence from School Bus Driver for the 20/21 school year due to health concerns.
  - 6.2 Approval of Consent Agenda**  
**ACTION:** Mr. Vazquez moved, seconded by Mrs. Cordova, to approve the Consent Agenda  
**VOTE:** Unanimous in favor
- 7.0 Discussion/Action items**
  - 7.1 Consider approval of the Commercial Warrants.**  
**ACTION:** Mrs. Cordova moved, seconded by Mr. Vazquez, to approve the Commercial Warrants.  
**VOTE:** Unanimous in favor

**7.2 Consider approval of the 2020 Local Agency Biennial Notice and review of BB 9270, Conflict of Interest Code.**

**ACTION:** Mrs. Cordova moved, seconded by Mr. Vazquez, to approve the 2020 Local Agency Biennial Notice and review of BB 9270, Conflict of Interest Code.

**VOTE:** Unanimous in favor

**7.3 Consider approval of the 45-Day Budget Revision.**

Mrs. Merrick gave a brief presentation on the 45-Day Budget Revision.

**ACTION:** Mrs. Cordova moved, seconded by Mrs. Sulzer, to approve the 45-Day Budget Revision.

**VOTE:** Unanimous in favor

**7.4 Consider approval: Board Policies/ Administrative Regulations  
BP/ AR 6158- Independent Study**

**BP 0470- COVID-19 Mitigation Plan**

**ACTION:** Mr. Vazquez moved, seconded by Mrs. Cordova, to approve the Board Policies/ Administrative Regulations.

**VOTE:** Unanimous in favor

**7.5 Consider approval to hire a new temporary 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher for the 2020/21 school year.**

**ACTION:** Mrs. Cordova moved, seconded by Mrs. Sulzer, to approve hiring a new temporary 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher for the 2020/21 school year.

**VOTE:** Unanimous in favor

**8.0 Informational Items:**

**8.1 CTA Report- Mrs. Barber** shared that everything seems to be going smooth, Cecile is doing a great job, Independent Study numbers are climbing and they are working hard on the program.

**8.2 Superintendent's Report- Mr. Geren** shared that bus routes are going well, custodial staff is working hard as we try to hire more custodians, laptops for teachers have come in and tech is working to get them ready for teachers, the independent study program is very nice and everyone is working hard during this busy time.

**8.3 Principal's Report**

**Mrs. LaMar** shared that students are in their seats and teachers have started to assess students to determine what gaps exist for individual learners, North has started implementing social-emotional learning school wide, two teachers have shifted from classroom to independent study and parents and been very supportive and appreciative of our COVID rules and restrictions. She also shared that Custodians are cleaning between lunch shifts as well as circulating the campus throughout the day to sanitize and cleaning in the evening, tables have been placed under the shade structure so students can maintain distance during lunch and students are kept in cohort groups as they move around campus during the day.

**Mrs. Wright** shared that it is nice to see students back on campus, baseline testing will be taking place on all students over the next two weeks, the Independent Study team has been working hard with classes beginning on August 26<sup>th</sup>, all electives and sports have been postponed, they are working on an attendance challenge for students and Mrs. Hardesty is our new Ag Teacher and FFA will begin for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students August 25<sup>th</sup>. She also shared that the maintenance team thoroughly cleaned the campus over the summer, repaired and replaced irrigation systems, and maintained the campus and new cleaning procedures have been adopted and policies put into place.

**9.0 Information/Communication Items.**

**9.1** Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints (April-June 2020)

**10.0 Governing Board Discussion and Suggested Agenda Items**  
None at this time

**11.0 Future Meetings:**

**11.1** Regular Board Meeting, **Tuesday, September 17, 2019, 6:30 p.m.** in the West Cottonwood School Library, 20512 w. First Street, Cottonwood, CA 96022.


**12.0 Closed Session: Adjournment to Closed Session at 7:39 p.m. to consider and/or take action upon the following items:**

**12.1** Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957  
Public Employee / Discipline / Dismissal / Release

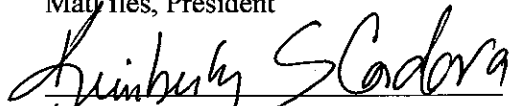
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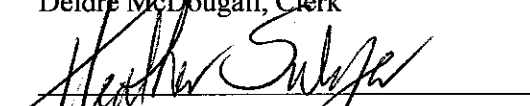
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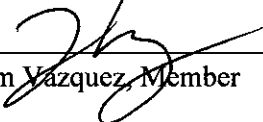
**13.0 Adjournment-** the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

  
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Matt Iles, President

  
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Deidre McDougall, Clerk

  
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Kim Cordova, Member

  
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Heather Sulzer, Member

  
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Tom Vazquez, Member