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Emergency Board Meeting
4:00 p.m.

Music Center Choir Room

1 **1. Opening of Meeting – Call to Order – Present – salute to Flag:**

2 Chairwoman Cathi Cook called the emergency meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Choir
3 Room (Also Broadcast via Zoom). Cathi led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees present were
4 Dan Mullan, Sean Lenahan, Stephanie Esch, Sarah Armijo and Kris McKoy. Jennifer Gunterman
5 and Ben Meyer were attending via phone. Superintendent Bob Moore and Business
6 Manager/Clerk Bill Schiele were present.

7 **2. Recognize Visitors/Public Comment:**

8 **Board Comment:**

9 There was no Board comment.

10 **Public Comment:**

11 There was no public comment.

12 **3. Business Items:**

13 **A. Consideration of Transportation Emergency Contract for Routes and Activities**

14 **B. Consideration of Reduction in Force**

15 Superintendent Bob Moore talked about the situation the district is in with the district bus
16 drivers. Bob told the Board he has received four letters of resignation from the district's bus
17 drivers and has been told there are several more coming. Bob told the Board the letters state the
18 last day of work will be September 28, 2021. Bob told the Board the district has been in contact
19 with two other bus companies in the area and they are willing to work with the district to make
20 sure all students get to school. Bob talked about going out to get a temporary 45-day contract

1 with another bus company to transport the district students at this time and during that time go out
2 and get bids for the rest of this year and the next several years. After comments from the Board
3 and the audience on the 45 day temporary contract, if the district should meet with the bus drivers
4 again to resolve the issue with the pay rate, if the district can rewrite their current contract without
5 going out to bid and if the district can get a permanent contract with another bus contractor
6 without going to bid. The Board took a break and the Superintendent called the school attorney to
7 get the answers about going out to bid. Cathi called the meeting back to order and told the Board
8 that Jennifer and Ben have been disconnected and they will not be able to vote on any motions
9 made today. After more discussion on the direction the district needs to go in, the board decided
10 to table this agenda item to gather more information from the bus contractors and to reschedule
11 this meeting. Sarah Armijo made a motion to table this agenda item and to schedule a special
12 board meeting for September 27, 2021 to get a resolution to the transportation situation. Kris
13 McKoy seconded the motion. All voted aye.

14 Chairwoman Cathi Cook told the Board they also need to table the reduction in force
15 agenda item at this time and to have this on the special board meeting schedule for September 27,
16 2021. Sarah Armijo made a motion to table the reduction in force agenda item and to have this as
17 an agenda item for the September 27, 2021 special board meeting. Sean Lenahan seconded the
18 motion. All voted aye.

19 **4. Informational Items:**

20 A. Correspondence

21 B. Other

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23 **5. Adjourn:**

24 Sean Lenahan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kris McKoy seconded the motion.

25 All voted aye.

26 Board Chairman: Signed Copy on File in District Office.

27 Date: October 12, 2021.

28 School Board Clerk: Signed Copy on File in District Office.

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