RESCUE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

Board of Education meetings are held in person in the Boardroom located at 2390 Bass Lake Road, Rescue, California. Public attendance is welcomed and encouraged. The board meeting can be viewed live on YouTube from a computer, mobile device or tablet by clicking on this link Rescue USD YouTube Channel, by going to the "School Board" section of our Rescue USD Website where the link is posted, or by typing in this URL: https://bit.ly/RescueUSD. RUSD board meetings can also be viewed at a later date and time here.

The district has taken the following steps to assist persons in offering public comment:

1. **In Person Public Comment -** Public comment may be offered in person during the board meeting at the district office located at 2390 Bass Lake Road, Rescue, California.
Note: Board Bylaw 9323 limits visitor comments to two (2) minutes per speaker, with no more than 30 minutes per topic. Time will be extended for any speaker who uses an interpreter. Please complete a blue speakers card requesting to address the Board, which can be found at the back of the Boardroom. Please be aware that public comments, including your name, become part of the public record.

2. **Written Public Comment -** Members of the public who are unable to attend and wish to address the Board can email their name, phone number, and a description of their topic/questions to the Superintendent's Office, cmason@rescueusd.org and cc the RUSD Board President mgordon@rescueusd.org. All correspondence will be shared with the entire Board of Trustees and Superintendent.

The business to be considered at this board meeting is listed on the following agenda:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

November 17, 2026

Closed Session 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Open Session starts at 6:30 p.m.

Note: The times of agendized items are approximate

DISTRICT MISSION

Rescue Union School District, in partnership with families and the community, is dedicated to the success of every student by providing a challenging, comprehensive, and quality education in a safe environment in which all individuals are respected, valued, connected, and supported.

The agenda packet for this public meeting as well as agenda documents distributed less than 72 hours prior to this meeting are available for review in the Rescue Union School District Office. A broadcast/recording is being made at the direction of the Board and may capture images and/or sounds of those attending the meeting.

NOTE: In addition to in person attendance, this meeting is being held by video and/or telephonic means and will be accessible to members of the public seeking to attend and to address the Board via the methods set forth above. Members of the public seeking to attend and address the Board who require reasonable accommodations to access the meeting, based on disability or other reasons, should contact the District Office at 530-677-4461 at least 48 hours in advance of this meeting to make arrangements for such reasonable accommodations.

5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Board president will call the session to order.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION TOPICS:

Public Comment: This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board concerning items on the Closed Session Agenda. Board Bylaw 9323 limits visitor comments to two (2) minutes per speaker, with no more than 30 minutes per single topic.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board will adjourn to closed session to discuss matters of personnel, security negotiations, student discipline, litigation, or other matters as authorized by Government Code Sections 3549.1, 54956.9, 54956.8, 54957, and 54957.6 and Education Code Sections 35146 and 48918.

a. Personnel Matters (Government Code Sections 54954.5(e) and 54957(b))

b. Collective Bargaining Matters: Discussion with Superintendent Jim Shoemake and/or labor negotiators Lisa Donaldson and Dustin Haley, regarding negotiations with Rescue Union Federation of Teachers (RUFT), California School Employees Association (CSEA), Confidential Staff, and Administrative Management.

c. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint (Government Code Section 54957)

d. Pending Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)

6:30 p.m.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION:

The Board will reconvene to open session in the Boardroom.

The Board president will provide a welcome to our in-person and remote attendees and an introduction to Board meeting proceedings.

FLAG SALUTE:

The Board president will lead the flag salute.

ROLL CALL:

The Board President will call the meeting to order and take roll call.

Michael Gordon, President

Kim White, Vice President

Michelle Bebout, Clerk

Jamie Hunter, Member

Vacancy

Jim Shoemake, Superintendent and Board Secretary

1. Adoption of Agenda
This item is provided as an opportunity for trustees, through consensus, to resequence or table agenda topics. (Consideration for Action)

6:40 p.m.
REPORTS & COMMUNICATION: **Superintendent**
Closed Session Report - The Board president will report any action taken in closed session.

Superintendent's Report - The Superintendent will provide a district related report. (Presentation)

Celebrating Excellence - Marina Village Middle School Principal, Levi Cambridge, will provide a site update. (Presentation)

7:15 p.m.
PUBLIC COMMENTS:
For items not on tonight's agenda: This item is placed on the agenda for the purpose of providing members of the public and Bargaining Unit representatives the opportunity to address the Board on any item of business that does not appear on the formal agenda. Each speaker will have two (2) minutes to address the Board. The clock on the screen counts down the time. Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Board of Trustees is not allowed to comment on items that are not on the agenda. The Board is not ignoring your comments. All public input is of great value, but the Board is legally unable to respond to individual comments. The Superintendent can refer items to staff who can follow up with you.

For items that are on tonight's agenda: The Board President will invite public comment on agendized items as they are discussed. Each speaker will have two (2) minutes to address the Board. The clock on the screen counts down the time. Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Board of Trustees is not allowed to comment. The Board is not ignoring your comments. All public input is of great value, but the Board is legally unable to respond to individual comments. The Superintendent can refer items to staff who can follow up with you.

7:20 p.m.
GENERAL: **Superintendent**
2. Student Screen Time Findings and EdTech Recommendations
The Superintendent, Jim Shoemake, will provide the report.
The Superintendent recommends the Board hear a presentation on Student Screen Time Findings and EdTech recommendations. (Information Only) (Materials Provided)

1. Presentation
2. Public Comment
3. Discussion

3. Anticipated Board Member Vacancy
The Superintendent, Jim Shoemake, will provide the report.
It is anticipated that effective December 3, 2026 the El Dorado County Elections Department will certify the November 3, 2026 election results. It is also anticipated that upon certification of these election results, Trustee Kim White will accept the four-year elected term and resign from her two-year Provisional Appointment (September 2026 - December 2028) to the Rescue USD Board of Trustees. This resignation

will be effective December 15, 2026. Under Education Code Section 5091 (a),when a vacancy occurs four or more months before the end of a Board member's term, the Board has 60 days from the date of vacancy to either order a special election or make a provisional appointment. The Superintendent recommends the Board fill this anticipated vacancy using the provisional appointment process.
(Consideration for Action) (Materials Provided)

1. Presentation
2. Public Comment
3. Discussion
4. Action

7:40 p.m.

HUMAN RESOURCES: Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction

4. Openers for RUFT Negotiations

Dustin Haley, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, will provide the report.

The Board is required to set a date for public comment on collective bargaining unit openers for the upcoming season. The Superintendent recommends that Rescue Union Federation of Teachers (RUFT) and Rescue Union School District openers be put on the agenda for the December 15, 2026 regular Board meeting for public comment. (Consideration for Action) (Materials Provided)

1. Presentation
2. Public Comment
3. Discussion
4. Action

7:50 p.m.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION: Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction

5. CAASPP Update (Overall and Subgroup Results)

Dustin Haley, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction, will provide the report.

The Superintendent recommends the Board hear a presentation on test results for the 2026 administration of the Smarter Balanced Assessments from California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) (Information Only) (Materials Provided)

1. Presentation
2. Public Comment
3. Discussion

6. 2027-2028 RUSD School Calendar

Dustin Haley, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction, will provide the report.

The Superintendent recommends the Board hear a presentation on the development and recommendation of the 2027-2028 RUSD School Calendar and consider adoption. (Consideration for Action) (Materials Provided)

1. Presentation
2. Public Comment
3. Discussion
4. Action

8:10 p.m.

BUSINESS AND FACILITIES: Assistant Superintendent of Business Services

7. Annual/5 Year Developer Fee Report

Lisa Donaldson, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, will provide the report.

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees adopt the Accounting of Developer Fees for Fiscal Year 2025-26 Report. Pursuant to Government Code Section 66000 et seq. The District is required to make Public an annual accounting of developer fees collected by the District within 180 days after the last day of each fiscal year. (Consideration for Action) (Materials Provided)

1. Presentation
2. Public Comment
3. Discussion
4. Action

8:30 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine or sufficiently supported by prior or accompanying reference materials and information as to not require additional discussion. A motion as referenced below will enact all items. There will be no separate discussion of these items prior to the time the Board of Trustees votes on the motion unless Members of the Board, staff or public request specific items to be discussed or deleted from the consent agenda for separate action.

The Board President will call for public comment on any of the items on the consent agenda.
Action: The Superintendent recommends approval of the following consent agenda items:

8. Regular Board Meeting Minutes - Minutes of the Oct. 13, 2026 Regular Board Meeting (Materials Provided)
9. Human Resources - the District's long-range goal is to recruit a diverse, high quality staff with student focused goals and philosophies. Staffing changes occur periodically due to the need for additional positions, resignations, or leaves of absence. Positions listed are within current budget allocations (Materials Provided)
10. District Expenditure - Warrants must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification. Detailed warrant order listings are available at the District Office. The included supplement reflects expenditures from Oct. 1, 2026 - Oct. 31, 2026 (Materials Provided)
11. District Purchase Orders - Purchase orders must regularly be presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification. The supplement reflects expenditures from Oct. 1, 2026 - Oct. 31, 2026 (Materials Provided)
12. Board Policy 6142.5: Environmental Education (Materials Provided)
13. Board Policy 6142.6: Visual and Performing Arts Education (Materials Provided)
14. Board Bylaw 9224: Oath Or Affirmation (Materials Provided)
15. National Special Education Day Proclamation - Rescue Union School District recognizes National Special Education Day annually on December 2. (Materials Provided)
16. SCOE Leadership MOU (Materials Provided)
17. 2025-2026 Annual Reporting: Proposition 28: Arts and Music Funding (Materials Provided)
18. Establish the date of Tuesday, December 15, 2026 as the RUSD Annual Organizational Meeting (AOM) (Materials Provided)
19. Donation Letter - Kids Kreamery for Lake Forest (Materials Provided)
20. Student Teaching MOU: RUSD-William Jessup University (Materials Provided)
21. FMX Facilities and Maintenance Management System Agreement (Materials Provided)

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board may reconvene to closed session as authorized by Government Code Sections 3549.1, 54956.9, 54956.8, 54957, and 54957.6 and Education Code Sections 35146 and 48918.

OPEN SESSION:
Reconvene open session.

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION:
The Board president will report any action taken in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT:
The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, December 15, 2026.