SIERRA SANDS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Special Concurrent Meeting

JANUARY 16, 2014 Ridgecrest City Council Chambers 100 West California Avenue www.ssusdschools.org

We, the members of the Board of Education of the Sierra Sands Unified School District, are committed to providing the highest quality education in a safe environment to all K-12 students. We believe the school shares with the family, church, and community the responsibility for developing life-long learners who are responsible, productive

<u>A G E N D A</u>

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Amy Castillo-Covert Judy Dietrichson Bill Farris Tom Pearl, Vice President/Clerk Kurt Rockwell, President Michael Scott

Joanna Rummer, Superintendent

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

11. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

11.4 Approval of Funding for the Purchase of Burroughs High School Band Uniforms

12. ADJOURNMENT

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7:00 P.M.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION: In April of 2013, the Board approved donating the current band uniforms to the BHS Music Boosters for the purpose of fundraising for badly needed new band uniforms. The BHS Music Boosters, a non-profit organization, are fundraising in order to purchase new uniforms, at a projected cost of approximately \$50,000.

CURRENT CONSIDERATIONS: The Burroughs High School Music Boosters (MB) is a volunteer organization whose mission is to provide financial, volunteer and other support for the music programs at Burroughs High School, and to a lesser degree, James Monroe and Murray Middle Schools. Each year the Boosters provide a variety of support to further the District music programs. One of their major expenses is providing uniforms for student performing groups. This past year, they identified and are attempting to meet the current needs for these groups. It was determined that the band uniforms are nearly 20 years old and need to be replaced. The Music Boosters are currently working on purchasing uniforms for Band, Choir & Orchestra. The cost of new band uniforms is approximately \$50K. The Boosters currently have just over \$21K in the uniform fund. The uniforms must be ordered now in order for them to be ready to wear in the fall. The Boosters have requested that the District allocate the remainder of funding, up to \$30,000, in order for the uniforms to be ordered. They have committed to continue fundraising to help defray the cost of the uniforms. The Boosters would greatly appreciate and are requesting any assistance the district can provide to augment their efforts on behalf of the students.

It should be noted that the Boosters have already purchased uniforms for the Orchestra at approximately \$13,000. The total for both of these uniform purchases will be about \$61K. With the monies the Music Boosters have paid for the Choir and Orchestra Uniforms and what has been raised for the band uniforms they have met 56% of the total cost.

<u>FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS</u>: The cost to the District would be up to \$30,000 from the unrestricted general fund.

<u>SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION</u>: The superintendent's recommendation is to approve up to \$30,000 for the purchase of band uniforms.