

Good afternoon,

The Kern County Board of Supervisors met today as scheduled for Tuesday's September 14, 2021 Board Meeting. Chairman Phillip Peters (District 1), Supervisor Zack Scrivner (District 2), Supervisor Mike Maggard (District 3), and Supervisor Leticia Perez (District 5) were in attendance. Supervisor David Couch (District 4) was absent. Board meetings have resumed in-person attendance at full capacity seating inside the Board Chamber. For more information on how to address the Board on a specific agenda item or provide general public comment, please click [here](#).

Meeting Highlights:

- **Items No.2 AM session:**
 - o The Board proclaimed October 2021 as Paint the Town Pink Month in Kern County in recognition of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
- **Item No. 3 AM session:**
 - o The Board proclaimed "A Dream Called Home: A Memoir" by Reyna Grande as the primary title for this year's Fall 2021 One Book Project community read.
- **Item No. 8 AM session:**
 - o Kern County Public Health Director Brynn Carrigan updated the Board on Kern County's current standing regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic, COVID-19 vaccination distribution among residents, CDC vaccination approvals and guidelines, and local COVID-19 case numbers and projections.
 - o Public Health announced they will partner with Kern Medical to offer COVID-19 vaccinations to residents attending the Kern County Fair, as well as an informational booth at the entrance of the fairgrounds.
 - o Watch the presentation here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U9M3i2mRI4g>
- **Item No. 9 AM session:**
 - o The Board approved an agreement with Alliance Against Family Violence and Sexual Assault and Operational Agreements to enhance assistance available for crime victims in Kern County through September 30, 2024.
- **Item No. 16 – 17 AM session:**
 - o The Board dedicated \$1.3 million in state and federal funding to provide local job training and paid work experience to Kern County residents, bolstering the skillset and employment opportunity within our workforce.
 - o Residents can gain experience and certifications in a variety of industries, including medical and dental, technology support and services, drone piloting, renewable energy, truck driving, and barbering and cosmetology.
- **Item No. 23 AM session:**
 - o The Board approved the replacement of personal protective equipment and clothing as well as turnouts for the Kern County Fire Department due to excess wear by firefighters in responding to structure fires in accordance with mandatory replacement requirements.
- **Item No. 30 – 32 AM session:**
 - o The Board dedicated more than \$830,000 in state and County funding for youth job preparation services, high-risk youth and public safety programs, and truancy prevention and reduction services through the Kern County Superintendent of Schools and Bakersfield City School District to assist and provide support to Kern County's most vulnerable youth population.
- **Item No. 4 PM session:**

- o Kern County Board of Supervisors Chairman Phillip Peters motioned to adjourn today's meeting in honor of Jesus Perez, the father of one of Supervisor David Couch's staff members, who passed away unexpectedly last night.
- **Item No. 28 PM session:**
 - o The Board approved a \$1,000 contribution to Red Cross Kern County to support efforts in helping those affected by the French Fire.
- **Item No. 31 PM session:**
 - o The Board approved Kern County's participation in the California Department of Housing and Community Development's State Rental Assistance Program Round 2, making available \$14.4 million in additional rental and utility assistance.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for September 28, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.