

TRINITY ALPS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES

Weaverville Elementary School Library Wednesday, June 10, 2009
31020 State Hwy 3 Business Meeting 5:00 p.m.
Weaverville, California

Trinity Alps Unified School District Governing Board:

- Mike Cloud, President - Present
- Galen McCray, Vice President/Clerk - Present
- Bob Simmons - Present
- George Tkach - Absent
- Keith Groves – 5:12 PM

Also present: Ed Traverso, Interim Superintendent
Cindy Blanchard, Director of Business Services
Dave Ottem, Director of Facilities and Operations

1.0 Formal Opening

- 1.1 Call to Order – 5:02
- 1.2 Flag Salute – Led by Trustee Cloud
- 1.3 Additions or Changes in Agenda – Superintendent Traverso requests the following: Move Closed

Session Item 12.1, student petition, below Item 1.4; add Item 7.11, set start time for regular board meetings for the rest of the year; add Item 8.9 Inter-district attendance; move all 9.0 Items to Closed Session at the end of the meeting.

Motion to accept changes to the agenda by Trustee McCray, second by Trustee Simmons. Vote 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent.

- 1.4 Declaration of Recording Devices – 1

Move into Closed Session – 5:09

Item 12.1- Petition Board for Student to Return to THS

Return to Open Session – 5:22 PM

Report out of Closed Session – See Item 14

2.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – Kathleen Lynch, AD recommends adding “academic waiver” to the athletic handbook (7.1) for all incoming freshmen in the fall semester so they would be automatically eligible to play sports (this would be a one-time waiver).

3.0 ACCEPT OPEN SESSION AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Groves, second by Trustee McCray. Vote: 4Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

Pull Item 4.4 and 4.7 for vote.

On motion by Trustee Groves, second by Trustee McCray, the Trinity Alps Unified School District Governing Board approves consent ACTION items 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.5, 4.6:

- 4.1 Approval of the Governing Board Special Meeting Minutes of May 2, 2009
- 4.2 Approval of the Governing Board Special Continued Meeting Minutes of May 8 & 9, 2009
- 4.3 Approval of the Governing Board Regular Meeting Minutes of May 13, 2009

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4.4 Approval of the Governing Board Special Meeting Minutes of May 27, 2009

MSC Trustees Groves/McCray. Vote: 3 Ayes, Trustee Simmons Abstain.

4.5 Approval of Resolution 089-63 Payroll and General Fund Warrants

4.6 Approval of Contract Between Shasta Union High School District and TAUSD for E-Rate Management Services

4.7 Approval of Agreement between Shasta-Trinity Regional Occupational Program and TAUSD to Provide Course Instruction, Use of Facilities and/or Professional Services

MSC Trustees McCray/Groves. Vote: 4 Ayes, 1 Absent.

5.0 FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS5.1 Approval of WES Facility Use July 3, 2009 by the Weaverville Chamber of Commerce for the 4th of July Fireworks Display

MSC Trustees Groves/McCray. Motion carried.

6.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL

6.1 Director of Business Services Report – Cindy Blanchard

Ms. Blanchard reported she attended the May Revise In June last week. The newest proposed cuts are to Transportation at 65% equating to a loss of \$221,000 to us leaving us with a \$350,000 General Fund contribution to keep the department going. New revenue limit for 08-09 is being cut again on top of the previous loss of over \$500 per ADA, not counting categorical cuts. She expects deferrals to be worse next year. No lottery funds thus far. The TRANS request was denied. We are back to 2000-2001 funding levels.

6.2 Approval of Resolution 089-64 Authorization for Trinity County Office of Education to Make End of Year Budget Transfers at District Request

MSC Trustees Groves/Simmons. Motion carried.

6.3 Approval of McConnell Foundation Grant for Wrestling Equipment - \$2,270.00

MSC Trustees Simmons/Groves. Motion carried.

6.4 Approval to Increase Amount Set Aside for Economic Uncertainty to 10% of Expenditures for the 2009-2010 School Year

Superintendent Traverso discussed Item 6.4, which we do not have the funds to implement. No action taken.

6.5 Voluntary Reduction of Grant Award for the After School Program

Superintendent Traverso explained this will be reduced by about \$50,000 next year with changes anticipated in the program. The elementary Principal heads up this program.

7.0 BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE

7.1 Approval of TAUSD Athletic Handbook-Revised June 2, 2009

Kathleen Lynch and coaches have been working on this. Section 6.1 regarding students serving detentions before attending games/field trips will be revised to reflect detention taking first priority and being offered after school at each site. The handbook will be on-line and all athletes need to return a signed agreement.

Board directed Superintendent Traverso and Ms. Lynch to come back with language regarding quitting prior to first game and removal for disciplinary reasons. The Board thanked Kathleen for her work on this handbook.

7.2 Superintendent's Report – Ed Traverso

- 1 Superintendent Traverso reported on feedback from employees regarding ideas on how to cut costs from every area of the budget. We will be dealing with all of the recommendations at the Budget meeting on June 23rd. The budget continues to get worse.
- 2 Transportation cuts are devastating. He passed out Board Policies and Ed Code information

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regarding transportation. Scott Pickering is cutting transportation costs by reducing sub time. We can charge a home to school transportation fee to cover encroachment funds only.

- 3 Currently we are experiencing a 17-18% deficit factor. He discussed all of our budget deadlines.
- 4 WES students Yori Hook came in 25th and Benjamin Harper came in 56th in the statewide spelling bee contest.
- 5 We have 3 Merit scholarship students.
- 6 Trinity High School ranked 517 in Newsweek magazine's national Top 1500 Schools.
- 7 Informed TCOE that we plan on taking over parts of special education program in year 2010-11.
- 8 Mattole Charter School is closing and looking for a school to sponsor them for their alternative classes. We would only receive 10% of the administrative costs.

7.3 Associate Superintendent/THS Principal's Report – Michael McAllister

See above.

7.4 WES Principal's Report – Rosalind Morris

See Ms. Morris' written report. We only have 20 kindergarteners registered.

7.5 Director of Facilities and Operations Report – Dave Ottem

- 1 Mr. Ottem reported the crew survived all the graduations last week! Alps View sod and sidewalks were completed for the graduation. They will continue with low maintenance landscaping.
- 2 Freezer project complete.
- 3 Mr. Cunningham volunteered to complete baseball dug out project.
- 4 Staff accrued vacation time to be taken this summer where possible.
- 5 He negotiated with county transportation department to get asphalt extended to the bus barn parking lot through their public road project in the vicinity.
- 6 He met with architect regarding football field bathrooms (site council has funds to cover most of it). PUD is hooking up a new panel at their cost. Bathrooms could be put in the locker gallery next summer through DSA.

7.6 WES Site Council Report

See Ms. Morris' written report.

7.7 THS Site Council Report

No report for this meeting.

7.8 THS Boosters Club Report

See written report.

7.9 Agriculture Advisory Committee Report

Mr. Simmons reported on electrical upgrades on the Ag shop that they will help with.

Mr. Simmons also reported on ROP: They gave out notices of appreciation to staff; there is a decent reserve at present; Shasta Union High School may pull out in 2010-11; Charlie Hoffman will to report to us in August.

7.10 Approve Change to TAUSD School Calendar 2009-2010 (Local Holiday October 19, 2009 and Early Release April 2, 2010)

MSC Trustees McCray/Simmons. Vote 3 Ayes, 1 Nay, 1 Absent.

7.11 Set Time of Regular Board Meetings for the Remainder of the 2009 Calendar Year

Motion by Trustee McCray to change the start time of Regular board meetings to 6:00 PM for July, August, September and revisit at the September meeting. Second by Trustee Groves. Motion carried.

8.0 INSTRUCTIONAL FUNCTIONS

8.1 Approval of Annual Statement of Need for 30-Day Substitute Teaching Permits and Designated Subjects Vocational Education 30-Day Substitute Teaching Permits

MSC Trustees McCray/Groves. Motion carried.

8.2 Approval of Annual Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators

Superintendent Traverso explained this further.

MSC Trustees Simmons/Groves. Motion carried.

8.3 Ratify Agricultural Vocational Education Incentive Grant for the 2009-2010 School Year

Superintendent Traverso explained this further.

MSC Trustees Simmons/Groves. Motion carried.

8.4 Approval of Inter-District Attendance Request between Weaverville Elementary School and Cox Bar School for the 2009-2010 School Year

MSC Trustees McCray/Groves. Motion carried.

8.5 Approval of Inter-District Attendance Request between Lewiston Elementary School and Weaverville Elementary School for the 2009-2010 School Year

MSC Trustees McCray/Groves. Motion carried.

8.6 Approval of the Carl Perkins Career and Technical Education Plan for 2008-2012

MSC Trustees Simmons/McCray. Motion carried.

8.7 First Reading:

AR 6146.1 Instruction - Suggested Schedule of Required Classes for Graduation

Exhibit 6146.1 Instruction - Suggested Schedule of Required Classes for Graduation and Units Required to Move with Class

Superintendent Traverso explained it further. He noted number of units required to move with your class is a new addition we will implement if Board approves.

8.8 Approval of Adult Education Course Offerings for the 2009-2010 School Year

MSC Trustees Simmons/Groves. Discussion by Trustee McCray about update dates. Motion carried.

8.9 Approval of Inter-District Attendance Request between Lewiston Elementary School and Weaverville Elementary School for the 2009-2010 School Year

MSC Trustees Groves/McCray. Motion carried.

9.0 PERSONNEL – All moved to Closed Session

9.1 Approval of Resolution 089-65 Intention to Possibly Dismiss Certificated Employees Pursuant to Ed Code Section 44955.5

9.2 Approval of Resolution 089-66 Personnel Services

9.3 Approval of Resolution 089-67 Regarding Reduction or Elimination of Classified Services (Layoff I.E. Reduction in Hours of Employment, of Classified Employees)

10.0 ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

Budget adoption and the Consolidated Application on agenda for June 23.

11.0 BOARD COMMENTS

Trustee Groves: Asks all staff to come to budget meeting on June 23.

Trustee McCray: N/A

Trustee Simmons: Thanked Mike McAllister and Dusty O'Neill-Knight for their service to the district.

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Trustee Tkach: Absent

Trustee Cloud: Ditto to Trustee Simmons comment.

12.0 ACCEPT CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Groves to approve as amended, second by Trustee Simmons. Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Nay, 1 Absent.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION – 8:30 PM

12.1 Petition Board for Student to Return to THS

Moved to between Items 1.0 and 2.0.

12.2 Government Code Section 54957

Public Employee Appointment/Employment
District Principals

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14.0 REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION - Government Code 54957.1(a)

Item 9.1 - Motion by Trustee Groves to approve Resolution 089-65 as amended with two FTE positions and no employee names, second by Trustee Simmons. Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Nay, 1 Absent.

Item 9.2 - Motion by Trustee Grove to approve Resolution 089-66 as amended to include the list of volunteer coaches providing they meet all of TAUSD hiring requirements, second by Trustee Simmons. Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

Item 9.3 - Motion by Trustee Simmons to approve Resolution 089-67, second by Trustee Groves. Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

Item 12.1 - Motion by Trustee McCray to approve student petition to return to THS starting 2009-10 school year with stipulation of a student behavioral contract signed by all parties with provisions of passing grades, student athletic needs and student continuing to accept available help, second by Trustee Simmons. Vote: 3 Ayes, 1 Abstain, 1 Absent.

Item 12.2 – MSC Trustees Groves/Simmons. Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

Item 12.3 – Motion by Trustee Groves to offer a one year contract to Superintendent Traverso, second by Trustee Simmons. Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT – 9:15 PM