

**TRINITY ALPS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**MINUTES**

**Weaverville Elementary School Library ..... Wednesday, June 9, 2010**  
**31020 State Hwy 3 ..... Business Meeting 6:00 p.m.**  
**Weaverville, California .....**

Trinity Alps Unified School District Governing Board:

- Keith Groves, President - Present
- George Tkach, Vice President/Clerk - Present
- Mike Cloud - Present
- Steve Hagen - Present
- Sean Harris - Present

Also Present: Ed Traverso, Superintendent  
Scott Payne, Principal  
Debra Robison, Principal  
Cindy Blanchard, Director of Business Services  
Dave Ottem, Director of Facilities and Operations

**1.0 Formal Opening**

- 1.1 Call to Order - **6:01 PM**
- 1.2 Flag Salute – Led by Trustee Groves
- 1.3 Additions or Changes in Agenda - None
- 1.4 Declaration of Recording Devices - One

**2.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON OPEN SESSION AGENDA**

Mike Flint gave his CTA report (see Item 5.15) and a track season report.

**3.0 ACCEPT OPEN SESSION AGENDA**

Motion by Trustee Tkach, Second by Trustee Hagen. Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

**4.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

On motion by Trustee Tkach, Second by Trustee Hagen, the Trinity Alps Unified School District Governing Board approves consent ACTION items:

- 4.1 Approval of the Governing Board Regular Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2010
- 4.2 Approval of Resolution 910-37 Payroll and General Fund Warrants
- 4.3 Ratify Agreement for Professional Services between Infinity Communications & Consulting, Inc. and TAUSD (Erate Teleconnect Fund - 2009-10 Savings to District = \$32,100)
- 4.4 Approval of Agreement for Legal Services between Lozano Smith and TAUSD for the 2010-11 School Year
- 4.5 Approval of Agreement for Special Services between School Services of California, Inc. and TAUSD for the 2010-11 School Year
- 4.6 Ratify Shasta Trinity Regional Occupation Program Agreement for the 2010-11 School Year

**5.0 BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE**

5.1 TAUSD Board of Trustees Presentation to Retiring Staff: Susan Alexander, Eva Archibald, Henry Boorman, Kelly Corrigan, Susan Cousins, Judy Finger, Judy Fisk, Ernie Jones, Lynn Kelly, Scott Pickering, Christy Ravenscroft, Gerry Schaden, Randall Walker, Peggy Wellock and Jean Yoho. Trustee Groves presented awards of appreciation to those present: Susan Alexander, Eva Archibald and Randall Walker. Eva thanked the Board for offering the golden handshake and blue light special in lieu of layoffs. The

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Board and administration thanked them all for their years of service.

5.2 THS Student Representative Report – Lindsay Cone - Absent

5.3 Athletic Policy No F Language

Superintendent Traverso noted the changes per suggestions from our last two board meetings. He then read the policy revisions. Principal Payne pointed out one more change that is needed: Physical examinations are also required for Weaverville athletics. We will bring this back to our next meeting with the correction.

5.4 Approval of Resolution 910-38 Support of Robles-Wong v. California-Litigation Challenging the State's School Finance System

MSC Trustees Tkach/Hagen. Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

5.5 Superintendent's Report – Ed Traverso

Superintendent Traverso referred to his written report and noted they have in front of them a memo regarding athletic transportation fees, which he will bring back after the Board has a chance to review and comment on it.

5.6 THS Principal's Report – Debra Robison

Principal Robison reported: THS graduation Friday night will include Alps View and Adult Ed. students. Will have a bonfire in parking lot during Sober Grad. New curriculum to help students that have not passed CAHSEE test. The test will be administered again in July. Working on reorganizing front office for 2010-11. Interviews this afternoon for ASB Advisor, she will announce later. School-wide surveillance cameras are being installed. WASC packet went to staff last week requiring a leadership team to be developed for next year; it is a working document which drives the school.

5.7 WES Principal's Report – Scott Payne

Principal Payne reported: Wagon train trip up East Weaver campsite had incredible parent support. Kindergarten graduation tomorrow morning, 8<sup>th</sup> grade at 7:00 at THS. Eighth grade trip was great and our student's good behavior was noted by many people.

5.8 Director of Facilities and Operations Report – Dave Ottem

Mr. Ottem notes there are no more pranks at THS. He thanked Trinity Tire and Dana Ryan for their help getting the car off of the stage. Trustee Groves questioned staff returning keys. Principal Robison explained she is inventorying keys and will be here through June 30<sup>th</sup>. If they are needed longer teachers just need to talk to her.

5.9 Agriculture Advisory Committee Report

Superintendent Traverso explained the written report and the Ag Committee's concern regarding if we don't have the project supervision period then our grant will be lowered by \$2,000. Mr. Travers pointed out a period costs us in excess of \$8,000. If Ag teacher wants he may have a Zero or a plus period before or after school as the project supervision period.

5.10 WES Site Council Report - None

5.11 THS Site Council Report - None

5.12 WES Boosters Club Report - None

5.13 THS Boosters Club Report - None

5.14 CSEA Representative Report

Luke Case states he has no report.

**5.15 CTA Representative Report – Mike Flint**

Thanked everyone for attending retiree dinner at Coffin's Ranch last night. He discussed WASC for next year at THS. He read from his report. Superintendent Traverso responded to offer of employment question by Mike; teachers are considered hired until they receive first a layoff notice and second a notice of non reelect.

**5.16 Request from THS Alumni Association to Name the THS Football Field After Dr. Michael Polka  
BP 7310**

Superintendent Traverso referred to our current policy and reported how impressed he was with Dr. Polka's dedication to THS sports, which he learned about at the Alumni Association Hall of Fame dinner. He recommends waiving the 1 year waiting period and approval of the request. Bob Simmons of the Alumni Association states if approved they will provide a prototype to bring to the Board for approval (monument or archway), and the

Alumni Association will finance the entire project.

MSC Trustees Hagen/Tkach. Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

**5.17 Request from the Weaverville Community Band Regarding Use of Facility and Instruments**

Mr. Whaley has no problem with them continuing using the room and checking out instruments when needed, which Mr. Whaley will keep inventoried.

MSC Trustees Hagen/Harris. Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

**6.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL****6.1 Director of Business Services Report – Cindy Blanchard**

Ms. Blanchard reported on the May 20<sup>th</sup> Statewide Revise: The State is cutting education, health and social service programs; "fully funding" State's negative .38 COLA-expect about a \$100,000 decrease for us next year-costs are increasing and funding is diminishing. Ms. Blanchard will bring back a budget at the end of this month. She also explained the cafeteria fund handout, which shows a general fund transfer of \$45,000 to the café.

**6.2 Public Hearing: 5 Year Deferred Maintenance Plan**

**Open at 7:09 PM.** – No comments from the public.

**Closed at 7:10 PM**

**6.3 Approval of Resolution 910-39 Five Year Deferred Maintenance Plan (Revision)**

MSC Trustees Tkach/Hagen. Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

**6.4 Approval of North Coast Air Quality Management Low Emission School Bus Program Grants  
(SBP 10-01 \$120,000 Toward 1 Bus Replacement and 10-02 \$14,000 Each Toward 4 Retrofits)**

Superintendent Traverso explained that this Item (SBP 10-01) and Item 6.5 require matching funding. If a bus is taken out of service they no longer qualify for the grant. It will cost \$50,000 in matching funds to replace bus #5 or #7. Completion date is April of 2012. If we order a bus it can take 6 months to receive and the bus needs to be delivered by February 1, 2011. Also there are funds (SBP 10-02) to retrofit 4 buses, which should cover the entire cost and must be complete by November 2010. Luke Case states retrofits won't work on bus 5 or 7 because they are so old but they really are used a lot. If we take these buses out of fleet we are left with 6 buses, which Luke feels means sports trips may have to be cut.

Trustee Tkach moved to approve Grant 10-02 for retrofits not to exceed the amount awarded in the grant, and the Administration was directed to research bus replacement costs and bring Grant 10-01 and Item 6.5 back to the Special Board Meeting of June 29; Second by Trustee Cloud. Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

6.5 Small School District Bus Replacement Program (\$108,266 Toward Replacement of 1 Bus)  
Superintendent Traverso states this grant funding runs out March of 2011. This item is tabled until the June 29 Special Board meeting (see motion for Item 6.4).

6.6 Shasta College Forest Reserve Funding-Possible Impact 2009-10 and Beyond  
Superintendent Traverso and Ms. Blanchard explained Shasta College is requesting their 2010-11 funds. Our administration is also concerned that Shasta College may decide they want the funding for this year.

6.7 Approval of Resolution 910-40 Authorization for Trinity County Office of Education to Make End of Year Budget Transfers at District Request  
MSC Trustees Cloud/Tkach. Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

**7.0 INSTRUCTIONAL FUNCTIONS**

7.1 Approval of Annual Statement of Need for 30-Day Substitute Teaching Permits and Designated Subjects Vocational Education 30-Day Substitute Teaching Permits  
MSC Trustees Hagen/Tkach. Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

7.2 Approval of Annual Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators  
MSC Trustees Cloud/Hagen. Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

7.3 Second Reading:  
BP 6200 - Adult Education  
Revision of Graduation Requirements  
MSC Trustees Harris/Tkach. Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent.

7.4 SMART Business Resource Center Project Request-Training Program  
We will bring this back June 29 for action as it is a contract and requires Board approval.

7.5 Academic Performance Index School Report-WES and THS  
Superintendent Traverso discussed the updated numbers we need to attain.

**8.0 ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING**

For the Special Board meeting: Bus info (Item 6.4) and Item 7.4 SMART Business Center contract. Trustee Cloud-guidelines for cheerleading (what levels can they perform at). Ms. Lynch is looking into this. For next Regular meeting in July: Follow up on addressing what to do in front office regarding CPS coming to the office (student rights notification).

**9.0 BOARD COMMENTS**

Trustee Cloud thanked the school Principals for a good job through a difficult year. Trustees Groves and Tkach congratulated all the new retirees

**10.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC CONCERNING CLOSED SESSION AGENDA**

Dusty Knight asked Trustee Harris if he would like to hand out his sister's diploma to her. There was more discussion on the subject of handing out diplomas.

**11.0 ACCEPT CLOSED SESSION AGENDA**

Motion by Trustee Harris, Second by Trustee Tkach. Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent  
7:56 PM-Trustee Groves moved to take a 5 minute recess.

**12.0 CLOSED SESSION 8:10 PM**

- 12.1 Government Code Section 54957.6  
Conference with Labor Negotiator-Ed Traverso
- 12.2 Government Code Section 54957  
Public Employment - Resolution 910-41 Personnel Services  
Retirements, Extra Service & Resignations

**13.0 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 8:56 PM**

**14.0 REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION Government Code 54957.1**

No action taken on Item 12.1

Motion to approve Item 12.2 Resolution 910-41 Personnel Services by Trustee Harris, Second by Trustee Cloud. Vote: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent

**15.0 ADJOURNMENT – 8:58 PM**