

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

Weaverville Elementary School Library Wednesday, March 14, 2012
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
- Steve Hagen - Present
- Sadie Fagan - Present
- Wendy Cloud - Present

1.0 Formal Opening

- 1.1 Call to Order – **6:00 PM**
- 1.2 Flag Salute – Led by Trustee Groves
- 1.3 Additions or Changes in Agenda – Superintendent Traverso suggests adding the following timely

Items: The California’s Valued Trust Participation Agreement as Consent Agenda Item 4.6; and Item 8.19, Consider/Adopt changing the April 11th Board meeting to April 4th (due to spring break).

2.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON OPEN SESSION AGENDA - None

3.0 ACCEPT OPEN SESSION AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Fagan to accept as amended, Second by Trustee Tkach: Vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain.

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 4.1 Approval of the Governing Board Regular Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2012
- 4.2 Approval of Resolution 1112-28 Payroll and General Fund Warrants
- 4.3 March Fundraising Calendar
- 4.4 Approval of Annual Technology and Delivery Service Agreement between TCOE and TAUSD
- 4.5 Approval of Agreement between TCOE and TAUSD for Cooperative Centralized Administrative Services for the 2012-2013 School Year

Added Item 4.6 Participation Agreement between California’s Valued Trust and the TAUSD Trustee Unit

5.0 PRESENTATION

5.1 THS Students Regarding Advanced Placement Classes for the 2012-13 School Year- **7:10 PM**
Lorena Ferguson and Pema McLaughlin presented a petition signed by roughly 200 students which they circulated at THS in support of the AP program as well as not limiting the number of classes a student may take per year.

6.0 INSTRUCTIONAL FUNCTION

6.1 Approval of THS Drama Class Overnight Trip to Amador Drama Competition April 20-22, 2012
MSC by Trustees Tkach/Fagan: Vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent 0 Abstain.

6.2 Approval of WES Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)

Principal Sprague reported that WES Site Council has approved the plan and he discussed various goals. MSC by Trustees Hagen/Fagan: Vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain.

6.3 Approval of THS Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)

Mr. Barnett discussed last year's WASC accreditation process and goals for the 6 year accreditation period. MSC by Trustees Tkach/Fagan: Vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain.

6.4 Approval of the Local Education Agency (LEA) Plan

Mr. Traverso explained that the District Advisory Committee has met several times to help develop this plan. MSC by Trustees Fagan/Tkach: Vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain.

7.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL

7.1 Director of Business Services Report – Cindy Blanchard

Ms. Blanchard referred to her report in the packet: expenditures are on track and we've received 61% of our revenue; we have spent \$258,000 more cash than revenue received; we receive 0.44% interest rate from the County Treasury.

7.2 Approval of Second Interim Financial Report for the 2011-2012 School Year

Mr. Traverso complemented Ms. Blanchard for doing a great job considering the constant changes from the State that she must deal with. Ms. Blanchard gave a power point presentation. **Revenue:** Transportation funded at 80%. The previous cut of 50% was retracted by SB 81, making a cut of \$30,000 to Revenue Limit vs. \$130,000 to transportation; special education adjustment comes from county-wide CBEDS data; Air Quality Board retrofit grant funds have come in. **Expenditures:** The following increases were paid by revenue coming in and other cost savings: Certificated staff in the ASES Program, para-educator staff and hours, increase in supply spending & Title I, requirements of program improvement costs; \$241,000 increase in Special Ed expenditures (we hope to change criteria for this expenditure in the future); increase in cafeteria expenditures; we are deficit spending <\$50,467>; next year we will loose \$759,000 just from Forest Reserves; with the deficit factor we have seen a reduction of \$1.1 million dollars; our funded revenue limit is \$5,906.76 per ADA (decrease of \$1323.15 per student from the State's initial base Revenue Limit); we project a decline in students; she has fought the state for ADA on our CDS students and won!; ARRA funds will be exhausted this year. **Budget:** The 2012-13 expenditures reflect reduction of staff for 6 days, elimination of all stipends and staff development, and the layoff of 4 teachers – deficit spending \$396,113; the 2013-14 expenditures reflect the elimination of transportation funding - deficit spending \$877,489; over the three years of the Multi-Year Projection our total deficit spending is projected at \$1,324,070.

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

7.3 Consider/Accept Donation of \$1000 from Tops Super Foods for WES Scoreboard

MSC by Trustees Fagan/Tkach: Vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain.

7.4 Approval of Proposal for GASB 45 Actuarial Valuation Service between Total Compensation Systems, Inc. and TAUSD - \$3,800.00

Ms. Blanchard explained it is a requirement for us to do an actuarial study every 4 years.

MSC by Trustees Tkach/Fagan: Vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain.

8.0 BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE

8.1 Receive Contract Opener Proposal from CSEA Chapter 578 to TAUSD and set for Public Hearing at the April 5, 2012 Board Meeting (See added Item 8.19 for date change)

Copies will be available at each school office, D.O. and on-line.

ITEM 8.1 CONTINUED

Motion to accept receiving the proposal and set it for Public Hearing at the April 5th Board meeting by Trustee Hagen, Second by Trustee Tkach: Vote; 5 Aye, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain.

8.2 Receive Contract Opener Proposal from Trinity Alps Unified Teachers Association CTA/NEA to TAUSD and set for Public Hearing at the April 5, 2012 Board Meeting (See added Item 8.19 for date change)

Copies will be available at each school office, the D.O. and on-line.

Motion to accept receiving the proposal and set it for Public Hearing at the April 5th Board meeting by Trustee Tkach, Second by Trustee Hagen: Vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain.

8.3 First Reading – Transportation for School-Related Trips
BP 3541.1 - New
AR 3541.1 - Revision
Exhibit 3541.1 – Revision

Mr. Traverso explained that this is highly suggested by our insurance company (NCSIG). It adds a Board Policy and revisions to the AR and Exhibit, which covers the new child restraint law effective January 1, 2012. Per Trustee Groves request, Mr. Traverso will clarify NCSIG's language of "no drugs or alcohol" in regards to prescription medication and report back at the next meeting.

8.4 Implementation of Assembly Bill 1330 (Graduation Requirements)

Mr. Barnett noted we are ahead of the game as we have adopted this in Board Policy already.

8.5 Superintendent's Report – Ed Traverso

Mr. Traverso referred to his report in the packet: Secure Rural Schools and Roads funds (Forest Reserve) have been attached to a transportation bill that has passed the Senate. It is only for one year and is funded at 5% less than 2010-11 levels. We should know by March 31st. There are 2 tax initiatives gathering signatures to get on the ballot; Jim French has announced his retirement as of June 30, 2012 and plans to appoint an Interim Superintendent; TCOE runs a court school which no longer generates enough money to fund the program. COE cannot apply for Necessary Small School Funding so they are therefore talking with us and MVUSD about running the school. We are looking at it and he will bring more information back; there is interest in hosting Chinese students again next year through an exchange program.

7:10 PM the students arrived for their presentation. See Item 5.1.

8.6 THS Principal's Report/Associate Superintendent Report – Tom Barnett

Mr. Barnett reported that Lorena Ferguson was the Lions Speech Contest winner; he congratulated Mike Singleton, who is a toastmaster and has been volunteering to help students with public speaking; the Ag Forestry team is going to compete at the State level; 6 FBLA students will be going to competition and he thanked Dusty Knight. He reiterated that we will not limit AP classes or how many a student may take but there could be fewer sections of some classes offered due to declining ADA.

8.7 WES Principal's Report – Keith Sprague

Mr. Sprague discussed testing, data, trends and instruction per the new data system. He reported on the Crescent City Basketball Tournament; the success of an open dance held last month; the next community meeting will be held in April, date to be determined.

8.8 ROP Report * No report.

8.9 Director of Facilities and Operations Report * No report.

8.10 Director of Food Services Report – Ellen Eggers *
The Head Chef from LaGrange came in during 3rd period and taught students how to make crème brûlée.

8.11 Director of Transportation Report * No report

8.12 Agriculture Advisory Committee Report * No report.

8.13 WES Site Council Report * No report.

8.14 THS Site Council Report * No report.

8.15 WES Boosters Club Report * No report.

8.16 THS Boosters Club Report * No report.

8.17 CSEA Representative Report * No report.

8.18 CTA Representative Report * Dave Newton
Mr. Newton reported the first negotiation meeting went very smoothly.

Note: * Individuals and organizations with an asterisk have a spot on the agenda to make a report should they need to. These reports are not required.

Added Item 8.19 Change of April Board Meeting Date
The Board decided on Thursday, April 5th at which time we will conduct Public Hearings on Items 8.1 and 8.2.
MSC by Trustees Fagan/Tkach: Vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain.

9.0 ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING - None

10.0 BOARD COMMENTS

The entire Board thanked everyone in the audience for attending the meeting.

11.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC CONCERNING CLOSED SESSION AGENDA - None

12.0 ACCEPT CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Tkach, Second by Trustee Fagan: Vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain.

13.0 CLOSED SESSION – 7:43 PM

- 13.1 Government Code Section 54957.6
Conference with Labor Negotiator-Ed Traverso
- 13.2 Approval of Resolution 1112-29 Personnel Services

14.0 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 8:44 PM

15.0 REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION – Board President Groves reported the following:

- Item 13.1 No reportable action taken.
- Item 13.2 Motion to approve Personnel Services Resolution 1112-29 by Trustee Tkach, Second by Trustee Fagan: Vote; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent, 0 Abstain.

16.0 ADJOURNMENT – 8:45 PM