

TRINITY ALPS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES

Weaverville Elementary School Library Wednesday, August 8, 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
- Sadie Fagan - Present
- Wendy Cloud - Present
- Robert Simmons - Absent

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 - None

2.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON OPEN SESSION AGENDA – Mr. Bear Aikins spoke to the Board regarding fundraising to pay for non-league transportation for sports.

3.0 ACCEPT OPEN SESSION AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Tkach, Second by Trustee Fagan: Vote; 4 Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 4.1 Approval of the Governing Board Regular Meeting Minutes of June 27, 2012
- 4.2 Approval of Resolution 1213-01 Payroll and General Fund Warrants
- 4.3 Approval of Resolution 1213-02 Instructions for Federal Child Nutrition Funds to First Pay All Classified Salaries Subject to PERS
- 4.4 Vehicle Servicing Agreements between TAUSD, Feeder Schools and Shasta Head Start
- 4.5 Approval of ESCAPE Online User Fee Agreement for 2012-13 (\$1,786)

5.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL

5.1 Director of Business Services Report – Cindy Blanchard

Ms. Blanchard reported the following: Due to changes happening with the MAA Federal funding we expect to see a cut in funding in the next few months; Auditors will be here the 13th through the 16th for TAUSD and CCES; we continue to have problems with our prior auditor as all of the districts in the county have had their prior audits rejected-this is why we changed firms.

5.2 Secure Rural Schools 1 Year Funding (Forest Reserves)

Ms. Blanchard reported the following: Forests Reserves approved for 1 more year (estimated funds \$700,000). We budgeted \$90,000 so this is awesome news; Revenue Limit adjustment-the deficit factor has increased to 28.814% (\$36,000 cut from what we had anticipated); Face Book funds are not coming in.

5.3 Surplus Property – Van # 41

Mr. Traverso explained we have one other large van which should fit our needs.

MSC Trustees Tkach/Fagan: Vote; 4 Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain.

5.4 Review Total Compensation Systems, Inc. Actuarial Study of Retiree Health Liabilities for TAUSD as of 9/1/11

Ms. Blanchard explained that we are required to show that we can meet our retiree health care liabilities.

5.5 School Bond Measures

Tabled to the September meeting.

6.0 BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE

6.1 Trustee Health Benefit Plan Offerings-Open Enrollment 2012-13 (No Cost to District)

MSC Trustees Cloud/Fagan: Vote; 4 Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain

6.2 Review Governance Leadership Calendar (Copies Available at Meeting)

The calendar was reviewed.

6.3 Approval of Parent/Student Handbook - WES & TPA (Copies Available at Meeting)

Mr. Sprague went over changes made to the handbook. Changes to TPA are consistent with the THS parent/student handbook. The sports handbook will become a part of the TPA handbook.

MSC Trustees Tkach/Fagan: Vote; 4 Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain.

6.4 Superintendent Report – Ed Traverso

Mr. Traverso discussed the following: He noted Sally Morris' article in the newspaper over the summer noting we are above the "bar" for percentage of students attending college; the administration recommends that we fund travel as we did in 2011-12 paying for all league sports travel. Vans used for non-league sports would be charged the IRS rate for fuel, buses would be charged actual costs, transportation fees would be dropped. Last year transportation fees brought in about \$12,000; per our agreement with CTA we will be meeting to discuss stipend positions and salaries as we will receive forest reserves funds this year (co-curricular activities are covered as they have been in the past); Mr. Aikin passed out a football transportation "guess sheet" of costs that he worked up from Ms. Blanchard's figures. We will bring this back to our next meeting for action.

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

Mr. Barnett reported on the following: He added to Mr. Traverso's report on CIF rules and THS sports; we will not receive STAR reports until the 22nd as there was some compromise on the test questions; THS is represented at the fair by 35 student and their various animals; we will have 4 foreign exchange students from Denmark, Germany, China and France; even with declining enrollment we are still offering the same amount of sections of AP classes as well as Spanish 3 this year; we are hosting a 3 day AP Boot Camp for students. Day one is orientation and the next two days are curriculum to prepare students for the rigor of the classes. He passed out a breakdown of AP scores; he noted his appreciation of our staff, thanked maintenance staff for their work on campus this summer and thanked Mr. Aikins and the Board for looking at sports transportation costs again.

6.6 WES Principal's Report – Keith Sprague

Mr. Sprague reported the following: Five staff will attend the Fred Jones curriculum training this summer; he sent a Trinity Preparatory Academy (TPA) team to Spring Board for Math and English; he attended the Gear Up conference last week and met the new person who will be on campus to follow students in that program; Program Improvement results have not come in yet but per State requirement we must inform parents 14 days before school begins so a letter has gone out to parents; a student store has been installed in the TPA wing (snacks, school supplies, etc) to facilitate breakfast and nutritional break sales to TPA students.

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.

6.7 * Reports: ROP, Director of Transportation – Glen Brown, Agriculture Advisory Committee, WES Site Council, THS Site Council, WES Boosters Club, CSEA Representative, CTA Representative, Director of Facilities and Operations, Dave Ottem reported: Over 30 sprinklers were vandalized at WES.

Director of Food Services, Ellen Eggers reported: She discussed bringing back the nutritional break and will be selling juice, water and gator aide in vending machines from the Coke distributor,
THS Boosters Club, Sadie Fagan reported that she is the new President and they have 4 new Board members.

7.0 INSTRUCTIONAL FUNCTION

7.1 Second Reading – Instruction

Revision to BP 6163.4 Student Use of Technology

Revision to AR 6163.4 Student Use of Technology

MSC Trustees Tkach/Fagan: Vote; 4 Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain.

7.2 Second Reading - Students

Revisions to AR 5123 Promotion/Acceleration/Retention

MSC Trustees Fagan/Tkach: Vote; 4 Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain.

7.3 Participation in Team Up for Good Health through the Shasta-Trinity Counties Cooperative Extension
Nutrition Education Program at WES

MSC Trustees Tkach/Cloud: Vote; 3 Ayes, 1 Nay, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

7.4 Trinity County Arts Council Grant Proposal to Umpqua Bank to Provide an Art Docent Program at WES
Includes the Docent/Artist)

MSC Trustees Fagan/Cloud: Vote; 4 Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain.

8.0 ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

Recommendation on Transportation

School bond measure information

9.0 BOARD COMMENTS - None

10.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

Annie Steele is hoping the Board will put in a full time second grade teacher.

11.0 ACCEPT CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Fagan, Second by Trustee Tkach: Vote; 4 Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain.

The Board took a break and invited the public to come with them to see the TPA wing.

12.0 CLOSED SESSION – 7:52 PM

12.1 Government Code Section 54957

Public Employment - Resolution 1213-03 Personnel Report

12.2 Government Code Section 54957.6

Conference with Labor Negotiator-Ed Traverso

13.0 RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – 8:04 PM

14.0 REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Groves reported:

12.1 Motion was made by Trustee Fagan to accept Resolution 1213-03 Personnel Report, Second by Trustee Tkach: Vote; 4 Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays, 0 Abstain.

12.2 The Board gave instructions to the negotiator.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT – 8:52 PM