

**TRINITY ALPS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**MINUTES**

**Weaverville Elementary School Library ..... Wednesday, September 12, 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.....Board Approved: \_\_\_\_\_, October 10, 2012

Sadie Fagan – Absent

Signature

Date

Wendy Cloud - Present

Robert Simmons - 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 – Item 6.4 is changed to an info discussion item; Items 6.6, 6.7, and 6.8 are being held for closed session discussion as they deal with personnel; Item 6.13 drop the Resolution; Item 6.14 Mandate Block Grant added as a time sensitive item; Item 7.4 add bell schedule as back up to instructional minutes; Item 7.5 add FFA overnight trips to this item.

**2.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON OPEN SESSION AGENDA - None**

**3.0 ACCEPT OPEN SESSION AGENDA**

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

**4.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

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

4.1 Approval of the Governing Board Regular Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2012

4.2 Approval of Resolution 1213-04 Payroll and General Fund Warrants

4.3 September 2012 Fundraising Calendar

**5.0 PRESENTATIONS**

5.1 Advanced Placement Classes Report – Richard Ferguson & Students

Mr. Ferguson introduced students Duncan Shaw, Kelsey Briggs, Michael Jones, Steven Harwood, Colin Whaley and Dominique DeMoss. The students gave their own presentations about how the classes benefit them. Mr. Ferguson presented a handout of data from 2002 through 2011-12 and gave a brief overview of test scoring.

**6.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL**

6.1 Director of Business Services Report – Cindy Blanchard

Ms. Blanchard reviewed her written report: 2010-11 audit was official approved by the State; deferrals are still occurring; our new auditing firm was here last month, back on Sept. 19 and will be back in October for a week; State Controllers August cash report stated revenues 430 million above expectations but expenditures are over revenue by 2 billion; first day enrollment numbers were handed out and discussed.

6.2 School Bond Measures

Mr. Barnett explained we would need 55% to pass a bond measure, which requires lots of oversight. A parcel

tax requires 2/3 to pass but this would give you a little more flexibility regarding what the funds are spent on. He discussed Southern Trinity's success with their bond measure this summer. Bond measures must be on the June or the November ballots, not a special election ballot. The process to get things rolling was discussed.

6.3 County Office of Education Letter of Approval of TAUSD 2012-13 Budget  
Ms. Blanchard discussed this briefly.

6.4 Approval of TAUSD 2011-2012 Un-Audited Financial Report  
This item is changed to an info/discussion item. Ms. Blanchard passed out a handout she received from County Office of Ed at 3:30 today. The letter from TCOE explains that property taxes have not been received from the County Auditor's Office due to overpayments made in the past. Prop 98 secures that the State General Fund will have to backfill the loss in property taxes to schools. She expects this problem to be cleaned up next week.

6.5 Approval of Resolution 1213-05 GANN Limit  
MSC Trustees Tkach/Simmons: Roll call vote; Trustees Simmons, Tkach, Cloud and Groves Aye, Trustee Fagan Absent.

6.6 Approval of Additional Hours for Para Educators  
Tabled to Closed Session

6.7 Approval of Teachers Teaching During Their Prep-Period  
Tabled to Closed Session

6.8 Approval of Resolution 1213-06 Non-Budgeted Items Fund Transfer  
Tabled to Closed Session

6.9 Approval of Resolution 1213-07 Athletics Transportation Recommendation  
Mr. Barnett and Ms. Blanchard reported there are no transportation fees this year for non-league games as there is a parent group asking for donations (\$15 for each of 3 games=\$45 total).  
Motion to approve by Trustee Simmons, Second by Trustees Cloud: Roll call vote; Trustees Simmons, Tkach, Cloud and Groves Aye, Trustee Fagan Absent.

6.10 Developer Fee Disclosure/Report  
Ms. Blanchard explained the report.

6.11 Approval to Transfer Collection of Developer Fees to the County Office of Education Beginning October 1, 2012  
MSC Trustees Tkach/Simmons: Vote; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

6.12 Approval of Salary Schedules for the 2012-2013 School Year – Directors, Lead Counselor, Certificated, Certificated Agriculture, Classified, Confidential  
Mr. Barnett explained this is required annually per our auditors. There are no changes to the salary schedules.  
MSC Trustees Tkach/Simmons: Vote; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

16.13 ~~Review and Approve Resolution 1213-08 Under Education Code Section 45103(d)(2) to Create Short Term Positions Not Part of the Classified Service and~~ Authorizing the Superintendent to Advertise and Fill Such Positions

The resolution was dropped from this item. Mr. Barnett recommends approval of the job description that is part of the resolution. This has been approved by the Association already.  
Motion to approve the job description by Trustee Cloud, Second by Trustee Simmons: Vote; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

**Added Item 6.14 Block Grant**

Mr. Barnett discussed that this allows us to collect these funds more easily. Previously we had to document a lot of information to collect these funds, which have not been paid in several years.

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

**7.0 INSTRUCTIONAL FUNCTION****7.1 Public Hearing** Regarding Compliance with Education Code Section 60119 Sufficiency of Textbooks, Instructional Materials or Both

Mr. Barnett explained this is an annual requirement.

**OPEN 7:26 PM** - No comments.

**CLOSE 7:27 PM**

7.2 Approval of Resolution 1213-09 Determination of Sufficient Textbooks or Instructional Materials  
Motion to approve by Trustee Simmons, Second by Trustee Cloud: Roll call vote; Trustees Simmons, Tkach, Cloud and Groves Aye, Trustee Fagan Absent.

**7.3 Approval of English 12 Expository Reading and Writing Course**

Mr. Barnett explained this is a new course being offered so it requires Board approval. It will allow a CSU student to skip the English Placement Test if the student passes the class with a grade of C or better.

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

**7.4 Approval of Instructional Minutes**

Mr. Barnett discussed this item and noted the Board had a couple of new handouts with corrections.

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

**7.5 Approval of WES *and THS FFA* Overnight Field Trips for the 2012-2013 School Year**

Mr. Barnett noted this will also include THS FFA overnight trips. Mr. Sprague discussed a new overnight field trip at Richardson Springs that he plans to send 8 students to.

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

**7.6 Approval of MOU between WES and Six Rivers Planned Parenthood-Teen Pregnancy Prevention**

Mr. Sprague explained it will be offered to 8<sup>th</sup> grade students only this year due to their budget cuts. He has sat in on these in the past and recommends approval.

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

**8.0 BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE****8.1 Approval of Student Services Clerk Job Description**

Mr. Barnett explained the revised handout has one change making the position district-wide: TAUSD not THS.

Motion to approve the revised job description by Trustee Tkach, Second by Trustee Simmons: Vote; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

**8.2 Approval of Class/Club Advisor Job Description**

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

**8.3 Superintendent Report – Ed Traverso**

Mr. Traverso reported the following: He referred to revised enrollment numbers, which he presented to the Board; the audit review of our Special Ed program was positive and he thanked Diana Frink; two bus driver/custodians are currently putting in some hours as custodians at each school site; Stacey Neil-Wiseman will be selling her buildings that are on our Alps View campus and they may be moved to another location; he reported on reorganization at TCOE; we are implementing the revisions the Board made last month to AR 5123 Promotion/Acceleration/Retention.

8.4 THS Principal's Report/Associate Superintendent Report – Preliminary Report of District Test Data  
Mr. Barnett thanked Mr. Sprague and staff in working out the Trinity Prep schedule. THS is down 13 sections from last year (equivalent of 2 FTEs). Rather than back-to-school night he will be offering 3 parent nights this year specific to grade level. He noted his T.C. Fair and athletic reports. He introduced Roz Morris who gave a power point presentation of test score data comparing last year to this year and the state averages. "It appears WES has achieved Safe Harbor in all areas and will not progress to Year 2 Program Improvement". Mr. Barnett gave a report of CAHSEE; he expects THS may go into PI in math and English proficiency.

8.5 WES Principal's Report – Keith Sprague

Mr. Sprague reported the following: Environmental Camp is next week; teacher Dave Newton is incorporating taxidermy in his class to emphasize how people use math and science in the "real world"; he is meeting with staff individually; TPA is going very well and their school store will be offering shirts with their logo (thank you Laurie Cunningham); he is excited about the school test results and he hopes to exceed in the future.

8.6 WES Transfer-In, Transfer-Out Report – See Report

8.7 \* Reports: Director of Food Services – Ellen Eggers reported on improved breakfast sales.

CTA - President Dave Newton invited the Administration, Board members and their spouses to their barbeque to talk, mingle and get to know each other. (Cook Shack at Lowden Park 5 PM Tuesday, Sept. 18). There will also be a dinner in Redding in December that they are invited to and he will bring that information back as the date approaches.

## **9.0 ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING**

Unaudited actuals.

## **10.0 BOARD COMMENTS**

Trustee Cloud - Her grandson loves TPA and she also thanked Dusty Knight for all of the classes she's teaching.  
Trustee Tkach-Thanked everyone for their hard work.

Trustee Groves - Thanked our teachers union particularly after watching the Union fights in Chicago.

## **11.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA** - None

## **12.0 ACCEPT CLOSED SESSION AGENDA**

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

## **13.0 CLOSED SESSION – 8:28 PM**

13.1 Government Code Section 54957

Public Employment - Resolution 1213-10 Personnel Report

13.2 Government Code Section 54957.6

Conference with Labor Negotiator-Ed Traverso

## **14.0 RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – 9:05 PM**

## **15.0 REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

Trustee Groves reported:

Item 6.6 Motion to approve by Trustee Tkach, Second by Trustee Cloud: Vote; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

Item 6.7 Motion to approve by Trustee Tkach, Second by Trustee Simmons: Vote; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

Item 6.8 Motion to approve Resolution 1213-06 Non-Budgeted Items Fund Transfer by Trustee Cloud, Second by Trustee Tkach: Roll call vote; Trustees Simmons, Tkach, Cloud and Groves Aye,

Trustee Fagan Absent.

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REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION CONTINUED

Item 13.1 Board member Bob Simmons recused himself and left the meeting before discussion on the item. Motion to approve Resolution 1213-10 Personnel Report by Trustee Tkach, Second by Trustee Cloud: Roll call vote; Trustees Tkach, Cloud and Groves Aye, Trustee Fagan Absent, Trustee Simmons Recused.

**16.0 ADJOURNMENT – 9:10 PM**