

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

Weaverville Elementary School Library Wednesday, March 13, 2013
31020 State Hwy 3 Business Meeting 6:00 p.m.
Weaverville, California

Trinity Alps Unified School District Governing Board:

George Tkach, President – Present	_____	_____
Keith Groves, Vice President/Clerk – Absent	Signature	Date
Wendy Cloud - Present		
Sadie Fagan - Present		
Robert Simmons – Present 6:05 PM		

1.0 Formal Opening

- 1.1 Call to Order – **6:03 PM**
- 1.2 Flag Salute – Led by Trustee Tkach
- 1.3 Additions or Changes in Agenda: Superintendent Traverso would like to add Boosters Club donations to Item 6.3; add the official proposal handout from CSEA to Item 8.3; add a revised Lead Counselor job description to Item 8.2; make a correction on Item 5.1 to Craig Holt.

2.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON OPEN SESSION AGENDA - None

3.0 ACCEPT OPEN SESSION AGENDA

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

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Trustee Simmons, 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 February 13, 2013
- 4.2 Approval of Resolution 1213-26 Payroll and General Fund Warrants
- 4.3 Approval of March Fundraising Calendar
- 4.4 Ratify Annual Technology and Delivery Service Agreement between TCOE and TAUSD

5.0 PRESENTATION

5.1 Science Bowl Participants & ~~Mr. Ferguson~~ Mr. Holt
Mr. Holt gave an overview of the Science Bowl. All major schools in CA compete in this competition and the winning team goes on an all expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. Our team made it to second place, winning \$500 for the Science Dept. and each student received a \$25 gift certificate. He introduced the student participants who discussed their experience: Kelsey Briggs will attend CalPoly next year to major in biology; Stephen Harwood is unsure which college he will be attending; Duncan Shaw has applied to UCLA and plans to major in physics; Matthew McAllister is absent tonight. Mr. Holt thanked the Board, administration and students for putting together such great educational programs. The Board thanked Mr. Holt and the students.

6.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL

- 6.1 Director of Business Services Report – Cindy Blanchard
Ms. Blanchard noted the monthly report that is in the packet.
- 6.2 Approval of Second Interim Financial Report for the 2012-2013 School Year
Ms. Blanchard referred to the report in the packet and gave a power point presentation of the material. The following are some highlights: She reminded the Board and audience that forest reserves have gone from over 1.4 million a year to around \$90,000 a year starting in 2013-14; MAA funding is changing and in the future

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funding may be based on a random call to one Special Ed teacher on a random date to find out what referrals to Health and Human Services they made that day; mandated cost funding is still trickling in from prior years; lottery funds were a bit higher than were expected; certificated salaries have increased this year due to some high school staff working during their prep period; instructional aides that were laid off have all been brought back and even more added increasing those expenditures; clerical increase of 1 FTE at the high school also increased expenditures. Trustee Tkach asked for a breakdown of the consulting-contracting line item expenditures, which we will bring back to the next meeting; Special Ed costs down \$31,684; cafeteria costs decreased \$28,000; deferred maintenance funds are now “flexed” and can be kept in General Funds; forest reserves are now put in fund 17 (Special Reserve Fund) for out years; we are still deficit spending \$889,290 but we are left with an anticipated ending balance of roughly 2.3 million dollars; assuming no COLAs for categorical funds; a COLA is expected regarding Revenue Limit the next two fiscal years; Revenue Limit may disappear as part of the new State funding formula; declining enrollment continues; next year 2 teachers teaching 7 periods and none the next year.

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

6.3 Accept Coach’s Stipend to be Donated back to Softball

Mr. Traverso handed out the Boosters Club donation information, which he explained.

Trustee Simmons motioned to accept the coach’s stipend and the Booster Club donations, Second by Trustee Cloud: Vote 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

7.0 INSTRUCTION

7.1 Counselor’s Report – Jaime Green

Course Articulation with Shasta College; Percentage of UC/CSU Ready Graduates

Mr. Green reported on the following: He explained his procedure meeting with students and their parents to schedule classes for next year. They will go out to the elementary schools next week to schedule next year’s 9th graders; Shasta College is now allowing students to take classes concurrently with transferable credits and it is tuition free; Articulation-working with career tech classes to have ability of dual enrollment (credit at THS and Shasta College); A-G requirements are what is required to attend a 4 year university. He passed out a handout; he introduced Wyatt Kneaper, freshman at THS, who read a letter to the Board expressing his appreciation of the culinary arts class. He is now looking at attending a culinary arts school in Hawaii upon graduation.

7.2 PUBLIC HEARING on the TAUSD Calendar Proposal for the 2013-2014 School Year

Open Hearing: **7:11 PM**

No Comments

Close Hearing: **7:14 PM**

7.3 Approval of TAUSD Calendar Proposal for the 2013-2014 School Year

Mr. Traverso explained the calendar has been approved by CTA and he recommends adoption.

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

7.4 Common Core Standards Presentation – Keith Sprague

Mr. Sprague presented a video: Common Core Smarter Balanced. He gave a power point presentation on how common core standards will differ from our current CST testing. Spring Board is aligned with Common Core Standards. Emphasis is on “process” so we will focus on fewer subjects but go deeper into what is being taught.

8.0 BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE

8.1 THS Student Representative Report – Stephen Harwood

Stephen passed out the student body suggested revisions to BP and AR 6145 Instruction- Extracurricular-Cocurricular Activities. Mr. Barnett states we will bring BP & AR 6145 back for Board review and hope to possibly revise it before the end of the school year. ASB amended the dance rules, which Stephen read.

8.2 Approval of TAUSD Lead Counselor Job Description

Mr. Traverso passed out the revised Lead Counselor Job Description. He went over the changes that he recommends. He would like to bring the changes back for action next month. The Board agreed.

8.3 Receive Contract Opener Proposal from CSEA Chapter 578 to TAUSD and set for Public Hearing at the April 10, 2013 Board Meeting

Trustee Simmons moved to receive the opener proposal and set for public hearing on April 10, Second by Trustee Cloud: Vote; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

8.4 Present Contract Opener Proposal from TAUSD to CSEA Chapter 578 and set for Public Hearing at the April 10, 2013 Board Meeting

Motion by Trustee Simmons to accept the opener proposal and set for public hearing on April 10, Second by Trustee Fagan: Vote; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

8.5 Receive Contract Opener Proposal from Trinity Alps Unified Teachers Association CTA/NEA to TAUSD and set for Public Hearing at the April 10, 2013 Board Meeting

Trustee Fagan moved to receive the opener proposal and set for public hearing on April 10, Second by Trustee Simmons: Vote; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

8.6 Present Contract Opener Proposal from TAUSD to Trinity Alps Unified Teachers Association CTA/NEA and set for Public Hearing at the April 10, 2013 Board Meeting

Motion by Trustee Simmons to accept the opener proposal and set for public hearing on April 10, Second by Trustee Fagan: Vote; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

8.7 Report on Second School Safety Meeting – Superintendent Traverso

Mr. Traverso reported on our second meeting on district wide safety: We are working on our automated notification system; at the end of the school year we will do a multi-agency response drill; he went over the surveys taken by staff; Mr. Sprague is working on classroom hygiene items; video surveillance is being worked on; evacuation centers and classroom kits were refined; he discussed lock-down issues (keys, door locks, etc.).

8.8 District Wide Surveillance Cameras

Mr. Sprague gave the Board a proposal from World Telecom & Surveillance Inc., which he reviewed. This company has outfitted the courthouse and sheriff's dept. and we could have the system monitored in the sheriff's office. The company might donate the labor. Our liability insurance company offers grant funding for this and there may be more funding available elsewhere. The company offers lifetime training and support and 1 year warranty on cameras. Junction City School and other schools in the north state have used this company.

8.9 Letter from California State Department of Transportation Re: Caltrans Weaverville Sidewalks Project

Mr. Traverso and Mr. Sprague explained the specifics to the Board.

8.10 First Reading – Uniform Complaint Procedures

BP 1312.3 Community Relations

AR 1312.3 Community Relations

Mr. Traverso explained that this is a revision to accommodate AB1575 regarding student fees and how to file a complaint. We will bring this back for a second reading next month.

8.11 First Reading – Fees and Charges

BP 3260 Business & Noninstructional Operations

AR 3260 Business & Noninstructional Operations

This is also a revision to accommodate AB 1575 and we will bring these back for a second reading next month.

8.12 Superintendent Report – Ed Traverso

Mr. Traverso Reported on the following: Local Control Funding Formula questions should be addressed more at the May Revision. He passed out a handout on LCFF planning requirements and explained it in detail; forest reserve funding; P1 Program Improvement; 3 students to attend a fire explorer program for a week of training;

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attendance survey looked at when we had a 3 day school week and the results showed the short week had no real impact on attendance; go carts are not covered by our liability insurance (NCSIG) and they have been a part of our sober grad party in the past. We are looking at options, such as having the go carts off campus at The Factory; he also pointed out NCSIG requires us to gain their approval to have fireworks on our campus; he has gone over the bus schedules and we would be able to run our own bus for the students that are currently serviced by TCOE's bus. He may begin this bus route as soon as next Monday.

8.13 THS Principal & Associate Superintendent Report – Tom Barnett

Mr. Barnett reported on the following: Common Core, how it works and how it will help our Academic Performance Index; ROP JPA and future funding; FFA and FBLA are doing a great job; ASB presentation next month; he thanked Mr. Traverso regarding a vandalism incident a few weeks ago and how he spoke to our student body to quell rumors as a former student was seriously injured; Lions Speech Contest had 2 freshmen go to the second round; he gave a report on baseball, track-field and softball.

8.14 WES Principal Report – Keith Sprague

Mr. Sprague reported on the following: The Fire Dept. is currently here doing a training; our cheerleaders took first place in their division at the Crescent City Tournament and our student Harley Lieper won “queen”; school garden meeting last week; common core was main focus at the last teacher collaboration day; parent-teacher conferences next week; student art work is being displayed at Umpqua Bank; the Healthy Kids Survey was administered today (only 1 student opted out); the Chinese New Years dinner raised around \$30,000 for scholarships.

8.15 Reports: ROP Report, Bob Simmons reported they met last week at the Shasta Campus and Mike Rourke gave a presentation. They discussed the possibility of dissolving JPA.

9.0 ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

All of the contract opener proposals; recommendation for BP & AR 6145 extracurricular eligibility.

10.0 BOARD COMMENTS

Trustee Fagan thanked everyone; Trustee Simmons thanked Joe Price for his work on the fields; Trustee Tkach also thanked everyone for their hard work.

11.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC CONCERNING CLOSED SESSION AGENDA - None

12.0 ACCEPT CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

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

Trustee Tkach called a 5 minute break at 9:24 PM

13.0 CLOSED SESSION – 9:29 PM

- 13.1 Government Code Section 54957.6
Conference with Labor Negotiator-Ed Traverso
- 13.2 Government Code Section 54957
Public Employment
Contract for Consultant Services – 2013-2014
Approval of Resolution 1213-27 Personnel Services

14.0 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 10:25 PM

15.0 REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Tkach reported the following:

- 13.1 No reportable action taken.

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13.2 Motion by Trustee Fagan to approve the Contract for Consultant Service, Second by Trustee Cloud: Vote; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

Motion by Trustee Fagan to approve Resolution 1213-27, Second by Trustee Cloud: Vote; Trustees Tkach, Cloud and Fagan Aye, Trustee Simmons recused himself, Trustee Groves Absent.

16.0 ADJOURNMENT – 10:28 PM