TRINITY ALPS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES

Weaverville Elementary School Library .................................................. Wednesday, October 8, 2014
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 - Present
  Sadie Fagan - Present
  Dan Beans - Absent
  Krista Gogan – Present

Also Present:  Tom Barnett, Superintendent
   Cindy Blanchard, Director of Business Services
   Keith Sprague, WES/TPA Principal
   Christine Camara, THS Principal

1.0  Formal Opening
  1.1  Call to Order – 6:00 PM
  1.2  Flag Salute – Led by Trustee Tkach
  1.3  Additions or Changes in Agenda - Add Item 5.0a ASB Club Representative Report.

2.0  COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON OPEN SESSION AGENDA – Veronica Coleman, parent of a THS student requests the Board review Section 2.1 of the athletic code regarding student use of alcohol, tobacco and/or drugs. She feels the first offense consequences are harsh. Trustee Groves referred this request to the next Board meeting agenda. Tim Hankerd, WES Student Services Clerk, responded to Monday’s Special Board meeting. He felt the reason for the meeting was confusing when listening to the public comments and noted that the facts that Mr. Barnett presented after public comment made the reason for the meeting clear. He found it upsetting and unprofessional that a Board member had involved herself publicly in the issue and that in defense of herself attacked another Board member and the Superintendent. He suggested that before any lunch policies are looked at that Board members come to the WES lunch room and observe. WES has 340 children with over 200 lunches produced each day. Trustee Tkach had Mr. Barnett explain the format we have to follow regarding public comments.

3.0  ACCEPT OPEN SESSION AGENDA
Motion by Trustee Groves, Second by Trustee Fagan: Roll Call Vote (RCV); Trustees Gogan, Tkach, Fagan and Groves Aye; Trustee Beans Absent.

4.0  CONSENT AGENDA
On motion by Trustee Gogan to approve with amendment to Item 4.2 as she did not return to the meeting at 8:30, Second by Trustee Groves, the Trinity Alps Unified School District Governing Board approves consent ACTION items 4.1 through 4.8: RCV; Trustees Fagan, Tkach, Groves and Gogan Aye; Trustee Beans Absent.
  4.1  Approval of the Governing Board Special Workshop Minutes of September 4, 2014
  4.2  Approval of the Governing Board Regular Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2014
  4.3  Approval of Resolution 1415-11 Payroll and General Fund Warrants
  4.4  Approval of October Fundraising Calendar
  4.5  Approval of Williams Uniform Complaint Report-Quarter 3
  4.6  Ratify Lease Agreement between Shasta Head Start and TAUSD (WES Rm. 31)
CONSENT AGENDA CONTINUED

4.7 Approval of Donations to ASB for the FFA National Forestry Final Trip
   A. $1,000 from Native Sons of the Golden West
   B. $500 from THS Alumni Association
   C. $250 from THS Athletic Booster Club
   D. $1,067.92 from Diamond W. Western Wear
   E. $300 from Weaverville Lions Club

4.8 Ratify 3 Year MOU between Golden Umbrella Foster Grandparent Program and TAUSD (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017)

5.0 BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE
   Added Item 5.0a New ASB Club at THS - Report
   Mr. Barnett explained that we have an ASB club on campus that is also a Christian Club. The club is planning an out of country trip and the club coordinator, Stephanie Rebelo asked to have club representatives present their fundraising and trip activities to the Board. Tovie, club President and Michael, club V.P. explained this is a mission trip that they wish to take to Nassau, Bahama. They will be helping out in an AIDS Camp with basic repairs to housing. He referred to a handout they gave to the Board about the program. The organization is called Next Step Ministry and they are an international fully funded organization with a full program that is all encompassing minus airfare. Ms. Rebelo and another chaperone will attend with 3 students (currently) and the dates are June 21 through June 27, 2015. They will present to the Board after the trip, next school year.

5.1 Update on THS Modernization Project
   Mr. Barnett noted it has begun! DSA said we can phase this out as part of one project so we won’t have to submit the very comprehensive 4 phase proposal. Phases 1 & 2 would be our 40% contribution and then we would have to wait until the State passes a facilities bond and we will then be “in line” to complete the project. Mr. Morris noted we are working with the architects on our priority list with ADA issues as the top priority.

5.2 Food Service Policies: Practices and Procedures; New Program
   Mr. Barnett referred to our policy in the packet pertaining to students not being allowed to share food. This policy comes from the California School Board Association. He complimented the WES staff regarding the requirement to notify students & parents of the policy at the beginning of the year. The liability issues for the school and the potential for a student to experience an allergic reaction associated with sharing food can be horrific. There was discussion regarding overdrawn accounts, notifications & procedures.

   Mr. Barnett spoke about the new USDA Provision 2 program, which was discussed at a board meeting last August. The District was notified on September 29th that Ms. Eggers has been successful in getting us qualified to begin the program, which would begin on October 1st. This program offers free breakfast and lunch to all students grades K-12 regardless of family income. He explained it further.

5.3 Approval of THS Boosters Club Authorization to Operate - 2014-15 School Year
   Tabled to the November meeting.

5.4 Approval of WES Boosters Club Authorization to Operate - 2014-15 School Year
   Mr. Barnett will be asking to call a meeting prior to our next Board meeting between both Booster Club officers, two site Principals and Ms. Blanchard to go over our Board Policy.
   Motion to approve by Trustee Groves, Second by Trustee Fagan: RCV; Trustees Gogan, Tkach, Fagan and Groves Aye; Trustee Beans Absent.
5.5 Approval of Resolution 1415-12 Authorizing Application to the Director of Industrial Relations, State of California for a Certificate of Consent to Self Insure Workers’ Compensation Liabilities

Mr. Barnett explained that STSIG will now contract with Schools Insurance Authority to conduct our worker’s compensation insurance claims as we were not happy with the prior contractor (LWP).

Motion to approve by Trustee Fagan, Second by Trustee Gogan: RCV; Trustees Groves, Tkach, Gogan and Fagan Aye; Trustee Beans Absent.

5.6 Review Board Bylaws BP and AR 9000 Series

Mr. Barnett asked for direction from the Board regarding reviewing the Board Bylaws. Trustee Groves read BP 9005, 9010 and 9200 in their entirety. The Board directed Mr. Barnett to bring BP 9270 to our next meeting for review. Trustee Tkach referred the Board to go on line and review the bylaws prior to the meeting.

5.7 First Reading

AR 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
Exhibit 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures

Mr. Barnett explained that this mandated regulation (AR) has been updated to reflect procedural changes due to the passage of AB 97.

5.8 Reports: The Board asked our new Student Council Representative, Bradley Brinkley, to present his report. Bradley reported on ASB (homecoming, football games, Red Ribbon Week, Blood Source blood drive). Director of Facilities and Operations, Jeff Morris, reported on chemical inventory & removal, inspection reports, working on modernization and general maintenance.

CBS Site Council, Mr. Barnett reported he will go to C.B. on Friday to schedule the meetings.

WES Site Council, Mr. Sprague reported their meeting is scheduled later in October.

THS Site Council, Ms. Camara stated they will reconvene current site council at the end of the month as they have not been able to generate interest in any new members.

THS Boosters Club, Trustee Fagan reported they just approved funding the school cheerleader uniforms.

5.9 Superintendent Report

Mr. Barnett reported the following: He thanked Ms. Morris for her reporting of our Special Board meeting and clarified one point in the article, that Ms. Fagan asked for a special meeting to discuss the actual incident and as a special meeting requires a majority of the Board’s approval he found there was not a majority of Board members interested in holding a special meeting; he noted how proud he is of staff, particularly at WES/TPA regarding the handling of the incident; he discussed the Board’s role in reviewing and approving policies; he and Ms. Blanchard will bring detailed financial information next month, which includes a facilities plan; CTA and CSBA are taking a neutral stance on Proposition 2 regarding mandating a reduction in the amount of reserves. Governor Brown may be able to change the provision without a constitutional amendment; he commended the work of Anthony Rebelo, SELPA Director at TCOE.

5.10 THS Principal’s Report

Christine Camara reported the following: 311 students enrolled; FBLA traveling to Santa Clara October 17-19; FFA traveling to National Convention end of the month; in lieu of the AVID Program, we will utilize the College Options program to take students to visit college campuses as well as sponsoring a student mentor program; Career Day scheduled for November 7th; Rachel’s Challenge Event held on Monday; Upward Bound Program will hold an “academy” at THS to ready students for the summer program.

Mandy Leahy gave an athletic report as she was accidentally left off the agenda. She discussed realigning the football league appropriate to our declining enrollment.

5.11 WES Principal’s Report

Keith Sprague reported the following: Environmental Camp was fantastic last month; first Village Meeting held last month with 12 parents attending; Rachel’s Challenge impacted students and staff positively but only saw...
ITEM 5.11 CONTINUED

about 25 community members in attendance; a classical jazz group will perform at the school tomorrow; safety week with the fire department this week; Mr. Sprague reflected on a statement made by a Board member in a public forum and addressed his concerns. He also read from a letter he received from staff. Our Board member made a public apology to Mr. Sprague.

6.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL
6.1 Director of Business Services Report
Ms. Blanchard reviewed the report in the packet and pointed out a reduction of roughly $100,000, which the Board had previously directed her to accomplish. She explained Special Ed funding, Agriculture funding, excess cost reduction, retirements and technology supply funds.

Ms. Blanchard handed out new spreadsheets noting a minor adjustment in the “all funds”. There are adjustments of around $20,000 that are good for the District. She gave a PowerPoint presentation.
Motion to approve by Trustee Groves, Second by Trustee Fagan: RCV; Trustees Gogan, Tkach, Fagan and Groves Aye; Trustee Beans Absent.

6.3 Approval of Resolution 1415-13 GANN Limit
Motion to approve by Trustee Groves, Second by Trustee Gogan: RCV; Trustees Fagan, Tkach, Gogan and Groves Aye; Trustee Beans Absent.

6.4 Approval of MOU between Trinity County Behavioral Health and TAUSD for Club Live Youth Development Activities at TPA
Motion to approve by Trustee Fagan, Second by Trustee Gogan: RCV Trustees Groves, Tkach, Gogan and Fagan Aye; Trustee Beans Absent.

6.5 Approval of MOU between Trinity County Behavioral Health and TAUSD for Friday Night Live Youth Development Activities at THS
Motion to approve by Trustee Fagan, Second by Trustee Gogan: RCV Trustees Groves, Tkach, Fagan and Gogan Aye; Trustee Beans Absent.

6.6 Approval of TAUSD Associated Student Body Budgets for the 2014-15 School Year
Motion to approve by Trustee Gogan, Second by Trustee Fagan: RCV; Trustees Groves, Tkach, Fagan and Gogan Aye; Trustee Beans Absent.

6.7 Approval of Resolution 1415-14 Authorization to Sign Orders Drawn on the Funds of TAUSD
Motion to approve by Trustee Gogan, Second by Trustee Fagan: RCV; Trustees Groves, Tkach, Fagan and Gogan Aye; Trustee Beans Absent.

7.0 INSTRUCTIONAL FUNCTION
7.1 Approval of THS Overnight Field Trips for the 2014-15 School Year
Motion to approve by Trustee Groves, Second by Trustee Fagan: RCV; Trustee Gogan, Tkach, Fagan and Groves Aye; Trustee Beans Absent.

8.0 ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING
Athletic handbook Item 2.0
THS Boosters authorization to operate
BB 9270-Conflict of Interest
9.0 BOARD COMMENTS
Trustee Fagan apologized again.
Trustee Tkach thanked the entire staff
Trustee Groves noted that no one showed up to discuss the cafeteria

10.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA - None

11.0 ACCEPT CLOSED SESSION AGENDA
Motion Trustee Groves, Second by Trustee Gogan: RCV; Trustees Fagan, Tkach Gogan and Groves Aye, Trustee Beans Absent.

12.0 CLOSED SESSION – 9:14 PM
12.1 Government Code Section 54957
Public Employment - Resolution 1415-15 Personnel Report
12.2 Government Code Section 54957.6
Conference with Labor Negotiator-Tom Barnett
12.3 Government Code Section 54957
Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
12.4 Government Code Section 54956.9
Pursuant to subdivision (b)
Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation

13.0 RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – 9:44 PM

14.0 REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION
Trustee Tkach reported on the following:
Item 12.1 Personnel Report – Motion to approve by Trustee Fagan, Second by Trustee Gogan: RCV; Trustees Groves, Tkach, Gogan and Fagan Aye; Trustee Beans Absent.
Item 12.2 – No reportable action taken
Item 12.3 – No reportable action taken
Item 12.4 – No reportable action taken

15.0 ADJOURNMENT – 9:45 PM