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

Minutes

Trinity County Library ................................................................. Tuesday, October 8, 2019
351 Main Street ................................................................. Closed Session 5 p.m., Open Session 6 p.m.
Weaverville, California .................................................................

Trinity Alps Unified School District Governing Board:

Area I    Daniel Beans, President
Area I Lynne Gervasi – Will Be Attending Meeting VIA Teleconference from 5500 Running Y Road
          Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601
Area II Jim Morey – Will Be Attending Meeting VIA Teleconference from 40178 Majestic Ct.
          Polson, Montana 59860
Area III Krista Gogan, Clerk/Vice President
Area IV  Stephanie Storer

1.0  Formal Opening
1.1  Call to Order – 5:00 PM
1.2  Flag Salute
1.3  Additions or Updates in Agenda – Item 11.6 added to agenda. Item 13.5 tabled until next meeting. Item 13.7 changed to discussion/action.
1.4  Identify Closed Session Topics of Discussion

2.0  COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

3.0  ACCEPT CLOSED SESSION AGENDA
Motion to Accept Closed Session Agenda: Trustee Storer
Second by: Trustee Gogan
Trustee(s) Beans, Gogan and Storer: All Aye

4.0  CLOSED SESSION
4.1  Government Code Section 54957
    Public Employment – Personnel Services
    Job Title: Teacher
    Job Title: Bus Driver

Jaime Green – Superintendent    Cindy Blanchard - Director of Business Services
5.0 **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION** – 6:00 PM

6.0 **REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION** – Nothing to Report

7.0 **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC CONCERNING OPEN SESSION AGENDA** - No Comments

8.0 **ACCEPT OPEN SESSION AGENDA**
Motion to Accept Open Session Agenda: Trustee Gogan
Second by: Trustee Storer
Trustee(s) Beans, Gogan and Storer: All Aye

9.0 **CONSENT AGENDA**

9.1 Approval of Closed Session Item Public Employment – Personnel Services
9.2 Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2019
9.3 Approval of Warrants – September 2019
9.4 Approval of Payroll – September 2019
9.5 Approval of Fund Raising October Calendar
9.6 Approval of Williams Uniform Complaint Report – Quarter 3

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda: Trustee Gogan
Second by: Trustee Storer
Trustee(s) Beans, Gogan and Storer

10.0 **PRESENTATIONS**

10.1 ASB Representative Report – No Report

11.0 **BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL**

11.1 Director of Business Services Report
Cindy Blanchard reported she has been busy making budget reductions in the District and working on a spreadsheet that will help monitor cash flow and expenditures on a monthly basis. She is working on compiling the costs incurred so far on the mold remediation process. She thanked TCOE for their help during the month.

11.2 Discussion of Need to Borrow Money for Mold Remediation Process
Jeff Morris, of TCOE, gave a presentation on possible sources for additional funding options that the District might explore. These options included Individual TRAN Issuance, Pooled TRAN Issuance and a Lease Financing option.

11.3 Discussion Regarding Short and Long Term Finance Options for Trinity Alps Unified School District – No Discussion

11.4 Letter from Trinity County Office of Education Regarding Trinity Alps Unified School District 2019-2020 Revised Budget and Multiyear Projection (at table)
Gretchen Deichler, of TCOE, praised the “financial team” that has been formed including Cindy Blanchard, Jeff Morris and herself. She cautioned that TAUSD
may not be able to meet all their financial obligations in the next few years due to the mold issue, but she felt TAUSD was doing well “in light of the difficult situation.” She said TCOE is requesting TAUSD implement a hiring freeze and stop all unrestricted general fund discretionary expenditures. She stated that TAUSD will not be able to take on more debt unless it is approved by TCOE, although TRANs do not need their approval. She said TCOE is requesting a 24 month district cash flow projection, due by November 15th.

11.5 Approval of TAUSD Associated Student Body Budgets for the 2019-2020 School Year - Trustee Gogan had questions about several of the ASB accounts. Katie Poburko told her that the Brick account monies had been transferred to the Game Changers account, but the Brick account was being kept open until it is started back up. Stephanie Smith, THS ASB adviser, informed the Board that the money from the Student Store account and the Special Projects account had been transferred into the general ASB account. Questions about the Red Apple account at WES, and the Orchard, Athletics and Photography accounts at THS will be addressed at the next Board meeting.
Motion to Approve the TAUSD ASB Budgets for the 2019-2020 School Year, with the exceptions of the WES’s Red Apple and THS’s Orchard, Athletics and Photography accounts: Trustee Gogan
Second by: Trustee Storer
Trustee(s) Beans, Gogan and Storer: All Aye

11.6 Approval of Resolution 1920-11 – Resolution to Identify the Amount of Budget Reductions Needed in 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 and to Require That a List of Budget Reductions for 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 be Provided as a Supplement To the 2019-2020 Adopted Budget
Motion to Approve Resolution 1920-11: Trustee Gogan
Second by: Trustee Storer
Trustee(s) Beans, Gogan, Gervasi, Storer and Morey: All Aye

12.0 PUBLIC HEARING
12.1 Public Hearing Regarding Proposal for Increased Developer/School Facilities Fees as Authorized by Education Code Sections 17620 and Government Codes 65995
Open Hearing: 6:44 PM
Comments: Cindy Blanchard explained to the Board that in order to apply for emergency funding from the State we have to make sure that we are utilizing all the sources that are already available to us. Increasing the developer fees is something that we could have done last year. Jim Morey asked if we had to do another study and Blanchard said she had checked with TCOE and we didn’t have to this year, but next time the fees ae increased we will have to.
Close Hearing: 6:47 PM

12.2 Approval of Resolution 1920-10 Proposal for Increased Developer/School Facilities Fees
13.0 BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE

13.1 Yearly Review of Board Bylaw 9270 – Conflict of Interest – Trustee Gogan noted that the review of the “Conflict of Interest” Board bylaw only has to be done on even numbered years. It will be addressed next year.

13.2 Approval of Contract with Interstate Restoration, LLC
(Trustees Gervasi and Morey were called via phone – 6:10 PM)
Jaime Green told the Board that by signing the contract with Interstate the District may end up paying only ¼ of what they would have paid with the previous company and instead of taking 3-5 years to get back into the classrooms the students may be back in their classrooms by the next school year.
Motion to Approve the Contract with Interstate Restoration, LLC: Trustee Gervasi
Second by: Trustee Storer
Trustee(s) Beans, Gervasi, Gogan, Storer and Morey: All Aye

13.3 Approval of ASES 2019-2020 Policies
Katie Poburko told the Board ASES was requesting a change in their hours of operation due to the difficulty of staffing the late hours. The request was to end the program nightly at 5:30 PM instead of 6:00 PM. Trustee Morey asked if the parents are charged if they pick up their children late, Poburko said the District could, but seldom has.
Motion to Approve ASES 2019-2020 Policies: Trustee Storer
Second by: Trustee Gogan
Trustee(s) Beans, Gervasi, Morey, Gogan and Storer: All Aye

13.4 Approval of WES Boosters Club Authorization to Operate – 2019-20 School Year
Motion to Approve WES Booster’s Club Authorization to Operate: Trustee Storer
Second by: Trustee Gogan
Trustee(s) Beans, Storer and Gogan: All Aye

13.5 Approval of THS Boosters Club Authorization to Operate – 2019-20 School Year
Tabled till the November Board meeting

13.6 TAUSD CAASPP Testing Results for 2018-19
Student CAASPP scores from last school year were presented to the Board by the school principals. Trustee Gogan questioned how the principals follow up on the test results. Katie Poburko said she involves both the teachers and the students in conversations on the scores. She encourages both groups to make improvements on the scores, and she offers incentives to the students. She commented on how nice it was that the testing follows students over a period
13.7 Discussion on Dashboard Local Indicators

It was explained to the Board that the District has to yearly score themselves for the Dashboard. The District is not graded on their answers it’s just for the benefit of the District. The Local Indicators have to be presented to the Board prior to being placed on the Dashboard.

Motion to acknowledge Discussion of Dashboard Local Indicators: Trustee Gogan
Second by: Trustee Gervasi
Trustee(s) Beans, Gervasi, Gogan, Morey and Storer

13.8 First Reading – BP/AR 5131.61 Drug Testing – Athletics (revised)

Sheree Beans, the District school nurse, presented the proposed revised athletic drug testing policy. Beans explained to the Board that there are new drugs that the current policy does not test for, but that should be tested for. She also noted that the company that the District has contracted with in the past, refuses to come back until verbiage in the current policy has been changed. Jaime Green said that the length of suspension given an athlete for a positive drug test should be revisited. Currently an athlete is suspended for 6 weeks, it has been proposed that be changed to 3 weeks. Green said, “as a District we should be about prevention not punishment. If a student tests positive we should try to get them help, not just punish them.”

13.9 Approval of District Grant Writer

Cindy Blanchard she said the District has “never aggressively gone after grants before and in our current fiscal environment a grant writer is something we should consider.” The Board asked the District to come back with more details on the what would be expected of the grant writer.

13.10 Superintendent’s Report

Jaime Green reported that a decision had been made that day to close school down for three days so that several classrooms and portables that had been retested, and found to contain elevated mold counts, be sanitized and cleared of the mold. There was nowhere to house all the students displaced from their classrooms so the only choice was to close school. The eradication team was going to concentrate all their efforts on those classrooms in order to have them retested Saturday. Hopefully the classrooms will be ready for students to reenter their classrooms on Monday.

Green praised both principals for the job they have been doing, he noted the school climate was high at both schools. He also raved about Homecoming week and the great job ASB had done.

13.11 THS Principal’s Report

Sandy Coatney thanked Stephanie Smith for the wonderful job her ASB class did with Homecoming week. He congratulated the Freshman class on their
13.12 WES/TPA Principal’s Report
Katie Poburko commented on how her staff “came together as a family” in getting information out to her students about the school closure.

14.0 Reports:

IT Director: Don Davie reported that there are 21 phone lines in the District and he is in the process of dialing in the system. The new system will reduce the monthly cost of service. He also reported the new District fax system will only be $80 a year per site.

WES Booster’s Club: Annie Steele reported that their Fall Festival will be occurring Thursday October 17th. They will be serving pulled pork sandwiches and hotdogs. She encouraged everyone to go.

CSEA Representative: Annie Steele expressed concern from her members about whether or not they would be compensated for the three days the school would be closed.

WES Site Council: Katie Poburko reported that at the Back to School Night several new parents signed up to participate on the Site Council.

ROP; THS Athletic Director; Director of Transportation; CTA Representative; THS Site Council; THS Booster Club; Ag Advisory Committee; CTE Advisory Committee. No Reports

15.0 BOARD COMMENTS: Stephanie Storer thanked all the District staff for their hard work. Daniel Beans commented on his appreciation for TCOE and the team work they have been providing with the District.

16.0 ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

17.0 ADJOURNMENT 8:13 PM