TRINITY ALPS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES
Trinity County Office of Education...........................................Tuesday, November 12, 2019
201 Memorial Drive...............................................................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
Area II   Jim Morey
Area III  Krista Gogan, Clerk/Vice President
Area IV   Stephanie Storer - Absent

1.0      Formal Opening
1.1      Call to Order - 5:00 PM
1.2      Flag Salute
1.3      Additions or Updates in Agenda – Item # 4.3 pulled from agenda
1.4      Identify Closed Session Topics of Discussion

2.0      COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA – No Comments

3.0      ACCEPT CLOSED SESSION AGENDA
Motion to Approve Closed Session Agenda: Trustee Gogan
Second: Trustee Gervasi
Trustees: Beans, Gervasi, Gogan and Morey: All Aye
Absent: Trustee Storer

4.0      CLOSED SESSION
4.1      Government Code Section 54957
      Public Employment – Personnel Services
      Job Title: Volunteer Coach
      Job Title: Teacher
      Layoff: Classified Position #247, FTE .81

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4.2 Anticipated Litigation, Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to paragraph (2) OR (3) OF Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 – 1 Potential Case
4.3 Education Code 48900 – Student Expulsion #2019-2020-01 (Pulled from Agenda)

5.0 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 6:02 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 Agenda: Trustee Gogan
Second: Trustee Gervasi
Trustees: Beans, Gogan, Gervasi and Morey: All Aye
Absent: Trustee Storer

9.0 CONSENT AGENDA –

9.1 Approval of Closed Session Item Public Employment – Personnel Services
   (As Amended)
9.2 Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2019
9.3 Approval of Warrants – October 2019
9.4 Approval of Payroll – October 2019
9.5 Approval of FBLA Overnight Trips
9.6 Approval of WES Dances
Motion to Approve Consent Agenda: Trustee Gogan
Second: Trustee Gervasi
Trustees: Beans, Gogan, Gervasi and Morey: All Aye
Absent: Trustee Storer

10.0 PRESENTATIONS

10.1 ASB Representative Report, Annah DeLange, ASB President:
   Annah DeLange reported that Homecoming went really well. ASB is now
   concentrating on Tourney Week, they are trying to locate a location big
   enough to fit the entire school for a rally. They are also trying to work out
   transportation for students to attend the tournament.

10.2 Presentation on Mold Abatement by Matt Bryant of Interstate Restoration:
   Matt Bryant, Project Director for Interstate Restoration, informed the Board
   that the remediation process was “going great,” and that they were almost
done with their work at WES. He said that they have been having a crew of 20-30
   people working at THS and 30-40 at WES. They are putting the final touches on
   the cafeteria at WES and are working on the wood shop at THS.

10.3 Presentation on GEAR UP by Maria Velasquez:
   Maria Velasquez, GEAR UP coordinator gave an update of GEAR UP’s

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activities so far this year. Currently she is planning an 8th grade field trip to Shasta College. She thanked the Board for their support of her program.

10.4 Recognition of Paras by Roz Morris:
Roz Morris introduced several of the District’s Paras to the Board, saying “it takes a village, and we couldn’t do what we do without these dedicated people.” Katie Poburko said, “on a body the smallest parts are sometimes the most critical. This is the ‘month of thanks’ and I am most thankful for them, they are our unsung heroes!”

10.5 Recognition of the ASES program by Katie Poburko — Tabled for a later meeting
10.6 Recognition of the THS Swim Team by Sandy Coatney:
Sandy Coatney introduced swim team coach, Dan Ruop, who gave a presentation on this year’s newly formed swim team. He said for a team that “started out new, not knowing what to do” they have done phenomenal, placing 2nd in their league and 6th in their division. The team is comprised of 8 boys and 1 girl.

10.7 Recognition of the THS Forestry Team by Sandy Coatney
Sandy Coatney told the Board of the THS Forestry Team’s trip to the national convention where they placed 5th in the Nation!

11.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL

11.1 Director of Business Services Report:
Cindy Blanchard reported that the District is making every reduction it can.
She stated that the District has never had to worry about money to the degree they are now, they have always had reserves. She is looking at options to cover expenses until the tax money comes in from the County.

11.2 Discussion Regarding Short and Long Term Finance Options for Trinity Alps Unified School District:
Discussion was had about calling a Special Board meeting for Thursday, November 14th to discuss finances. The meeting was approved.
Sarah Supahan of TCOE stated she was concerned about TAUSD’s budget. She would like to do a special presentation to the Board about “operational issues verses facilities issues” at the upcoming Thursday meeting.
Krista Gogan expressed concern that the District “has all the tools needed” to manage their finances. She thinks because of the mold situation, “things have become complicated, it’s not a situation that’s normal, usually we have reserves now we don’t.”

11.3 Approval of TAUSD Associated Student Body Budgets for Red Apple, Orchard, THS Athletics and Photography Club for the 2019-2020 School Year:
Katie Poburko informed the Board that the surplus money in the Red Apple account has been dispersed to the teachers. The Orchard Club money is to be used on fencing an orchard or garden area, the fencing is needed to keep out the deer. Krista Gogan expressed concern of THS’s Athletics account being in a deficit. She directed the principal to have them cut spending and do whatever is needed, fund raisers, etc to get a balanced budget.
Motion to Approve TAUSD’s ASB Budgets for Red Apple, Orchard, and Photography Club for the 2019-2020 School Year, with THS Athletics Being Not Approved Until Their Budget is Balanced: Trustee Gogan
Second: Trustee Gervasi
Trustees: Beans, Gogan, Gervasi and Morey: All Aye
Absent: Trustee Storer

12.0 BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE

12.1 Set Time, Date and Location Annual Organizational Meeting per Ed Code 35143 (Meeting must be held sometime between Dec. 13th and Dec. 27th): Discussion was had to hold the Annual Organizational Meeting on December 16th, and move the Regular Board meeting, scheduled December 10th also to the 16th of December. Motion to Hold the Annual Organizational Meeting on December 16th, and Move the December Regular Board meeting to the 16th: Trustee: Morey Second: Trustee Gogan Trustees: Beans, Gogan, Gervasi and Morey: All Aye Absent: Trustee Storer

12.2 Approval of Request for Allowance of Attendance Due to Emergency Conditions Form J-13A: Jaime Green told the Board that this is the second J-13A form that the District will turn in this year due to the mold situation. It is to get compensation for the days of school missed October 9th – 11th. Motion to Approve Request for Allowance of Attendance Due to Emergency Conditions Form J-13A: Trustee Gervasi Second: Trustee Gogan Trustees: Beans, Gogan, Gervasi and Morey: All Aye Absent: Trustee Storer

12.3 Approval to Participate in University of CA San Francisco’s Research Study on Adolescent Tobacco Use: Sandy Coatney informed the Board that this study was done at the last school he worked at and it is a valuable study. It’s done at no cost to the District. All findings are confidential and the people that do the study are professional and easy to work with.

12.4 Approval of THS Boosters Club Authorization to Operate – 2019-20 School Year: Motion to Approve THS Boosters Club Authorization to Operate – 2019-20 School Year: Trustee Gogan Second: Trustee Morey Trustees: Beans, Morey, Gogan and Gervasi: All Aye Absent: Trustee Storer

12.5 Approval of TPA Sexual Health Course Curriculum: Katie Poburko informed the Board that the curriculum is State adopted. Motion to Approve TPA Sexual Health Course Curriculum: Trustee Gervasi

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Trustees: Beans, Morey, Gervasi and Gogan: All Aye  
Absent: Trustee Storer  

12.6 Classified Retiree Incentive Letter:  
Motion to Approve Classified Retiree Incentive Letter: Trustee Gogan  
Second: Trustee Morey  
Trustees: Beans, Gogan, Gervasi and Morey: All Aye  
Absent: Trustee Storer  

12.7 Certificated Retiree Incentive Letter:  
Motion to Approve Certificated Retiree Incentive Letter: Trustee Gogan  
Second: Trustee Gervasi  
Trustees: Beans, Gervasi, Gogan and Morey: All Aye  
Absent: Trustee Storer  

12.8 Second Reading – BP/AR 5131.61 Drug Testing – Athletics (revised):  
Questions were asked of Sheree Beans, TCOE school nurse, about the changes being made in the policy. Jim Morey felt athletes should be held accountable for their actions, he proposed a longer suspension period than the proposed three weeks. Lynne Gervasi advocated for more counseling for athletes that test positive. Bob Anderson, THS teacher, suggested a third of the season as the suspension period, not the six weeks that are currently in the policy or the three weeks being proposed.  
No motion was made, it was requested by the Board to have the policy come back, with changes made, to the Special Meeting held on Thursday the 14th.  

12.9 Approval of Proposed Music Booster’s Club:  
Dan Zook, a THS 1985 graduate, told of his desire to form a Music Booster’s Club. He will come back on the Thursday Special Meeting with the necessary paperwork to ask for Board approval. The Board thanked him for his “passion and excitement” about the club.  

12.10 Approval of District Grant Writer:  
Cindy Blanchard stressed that there are a lot of grants out there that the District would qualify for, if there was someone to go after them. She said the Grant Writer would have no benefits. Jim Morey questioned what qualifications would be needed. Krista Gogan questioned the expense of one and what the returns would be. There was discussion from TCOE staff that they are considering hiring a grant writer.  
The Board proposed revisiting the matter in January.  

12.11 Approval of TAUSD’s Organizational Chart:  
Motion to Approve TAUSD’s Organizational Chart, with the Addition of the Independent Study Director: Trustee Gogan  
Second: Trustee Gervasi

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Absent: Trustee Storer

12.12 Approval of Resolution # 1920-11 Declaring Intent to Reimburse Certain Expenditures from the Proceeds of Tax-Exempt Indebtedness:
Motion to Approve Resolution # 1920-11 Declaring Intent to Reimburse Certain Expenditures from the Proceeds of Tax-Exempt Indebtedness: Trustee Gervasi
Second: Trustee Morey
Trustees: Beans, Morey, Gervasi and Gogan: All Aye
Absent: Trustee Storer

12.13 Interdistrict Transfers:
Discussion was had about the District’s interdistrict transfer students. There was concern expressed that TAUSD was having students transfer to the District because of the District’s strong special education program.

12.14 Superintendent’s Report:
Jaime Green praised Board member Daniel Beans on being appointed to the Board of Directors of the American Public Power Association. The Board represents public power before the federal government.

12.15 THS Principal’s Report:
Sandy Coatney reported that the THS fall sports were wrapping up and the winter sports teams were starting up. He encouraged all present to attend games and support the teams.

12.16 WES/TPA Principal’s Report:
Katie Poburko told the Board that everything was going great at WES. She said, “I can’t be more thankful to work where I work!”

13.0 Reports:

Director of Transportation Luke Case informed the Board that the transportation department was doing great, all the buses and vans were operating smoothly. He said the bus driver’s highlight of the month was being able to help set up the tents at the schools.

14.0 BOARD COMMENTS – Daniel Beans thanked TCOE for all their help and support.

15.0 ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING
16.0 ADJOURNMENT – 8:45 PM

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