REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes

Weaverville Elementary School Library ........................................... Wednesday, March 8th, 2017
31020 State Hwy 3 ................................................................. Meeting Begins at 3:30 PM
Closed Session 3:30 PM, Open Session 4:00 PM

Weaverville, California

Trinity Alps Unified School District Governing Board:
Area I  Daniel Beans, President - Present
Area I  Lynne Gervasi - Present
Area II Jim Morey - Present
Area III Krista Gogan, Clerk/Vice President – Absent
Area IV Stephanie Storer – Present

Krista R. Gogan 4/5/17
Signature

Date

Formal Opening

1.1 Call to Order – 3:30 PM
1.2 Flag Salute
1.3 Additions or Changes in Agenda -12.17 for Public Comment

2.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA - None

3.0 ACCEPT CLOSED SESSION AGENDA
Motion by Trustee Morey, Second by Trustee Gervasi: Roll Call Vote (RCV); All Aye

4.0 CLOSED SESSION
4.1 Government Code Section 54957
   Public Employment – Resolution 1617-13 Personnel Services
4.2 Government Code Section 54957.6
   Conference with Labor Negotiator
   Name of negotiator: Board President
   Unrepresented Employee: Superintendent

5.0 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – 4:05 PM

6.0 REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION - None

7.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC CONCERNING OPEN SESSION AGENDA – None

8.0 ACCEPT OPEN SESSION AGENDA
Motion by Trustee Morey, Second by Trustee Beans: Roll Call Vote; All Aye.

9.0 CONSENT AGENDA
On motion by Trustee Storer, Second by Trustee Morey, Roll Call Vote; All Aye: the Trinity Alps Unified School District Governing Board approves consent ACTION items:
9.1 Approval of the Governing Board Regular Meeting Minutes of February 8th, 2017
9.2 Approval of Resolution 1617-13 Personal Services
9.3 Approval of Resolution 1617-14 Payroll and General Fund Warrants (February, 2017)
9.4 Approval of March Fund-Raising Calendar
9.5 Approval of Overnight trip for THS Softball Tournament March 10-11 @ Colusa
9.6 Approval of Overnight trip for THS Softball Tournament March 23-25 @ Biggs
9.7 Approval of Overnight trip for THS Baseball Tournament April 10-11 @ Greenville

10.0 PRESENTATIONS
10.1 ASB Student Representative Report-Karly Gutermuth
Working on Spring Week and boosting spirits. Received feedback from students and parents on drug testing, lots of mixed opinions. The “No’s”:
• They really needed drugs to get through
• Too expensive
• Unnecessary, don’t see a problem
• Rebelling and doing it anyway
• School doesn’t want a bad reputation as if they do have drug issues
• If student was kicked off team they would still do drugs

The “Yes’s” had lots of good ideas and people were for it. A lot of parents were for it, kids can be sneaky and it’s their job and privilege to be on a team so you should be clean. Questions to the Board Members, were if they have heard from other schools, and was it bad for their reputations. Mr. Beans states Mr. Barnett will get back to them more facts and answers the costs are about $1500.00 a year and depending how test are performed.

10.2 District/Community Advisory Committee -Special Education Local Plan Area (CAC-SELPAs); Consideration for Implementation of Specialty for Day 2017-18 School Year

Mr. Barnett give a brief introduction of Special Day Class and introduces Anthony Rebello. Anthony introduces CAC Chair, Esther Thompson and Co-Chair, Chasity Odom. Community Advisory Committee consists of parents of children with special needs, service providers, teachers, community members; they give feedback on how the Special Education Programs are working. Special Day Class focuses on a small group of significant high needs kids. With a large class it can be overwhelming in a large setting of 20-30, verses small class of 10-12, more is possible. It is controlled and promoted. Can apply functional skills to this small class which is not possible in a large class. Special Day Class can provide field trips, community experiences and build in social skills. Parent concerns; teachers not communicating with students. Ms. Thompson states there is a solid gap with the curriculum between teachers to aide to student. A need for time and an instructor with experience in severe needs. Mr. Rebello states parents’ concerns that students do not have a safe place to be, they don’t feel they have an appropriate setting for student to go. Current environments are not inclusive for the needs of the students with disabilities; students don’t feel included and don’t feel part of the class. Ms. Thompson states their biggest concern is to live daily lives. Giving more time to learn the calendar, reading time, and counting money is needed. Mr. Rebello states it would be possible for all county schools to participate as it is the only program offered in the county. Program again will focus functional, behavioral, social skills, and academics modified to an appropriate level. Parents have been very supportive of current teachers. Currently we have staff for mild to moderate and would like to see some focus of moderate to severe.

Mr. Morey asks what things can improve the safety; Ms. Thompson answers an instructor present with in addition to a para. Mr. Rebello comments, students need to leave to reduce behavior problems or just to have a quiet place which then reduces behaviors. Mr. Barnett has had meetings with Mr. Rebello, Ms. Thompson, and Ms. Odom and agrees this warrants a need for a Special Day Class, it will take some time to fair out the staffing. Mr. Barnett agrees devoting a teacher to these students and there is a need to look into restructuring. Mr. Morey has concern for space for a safe place; Mr. Sprague answers there is space they can create. Mr. Rebello reminds the legalities of having one instructor and one student together in a space. Mr. Beans agrees it makes since to have other schools, and to serve all of Trinity County. Mr. Barnett is absolutely for it and will look at the appropriate way to staff the Special Day Class and to do it. Mr. Sprague comments on already having a vacancy for next year and is worried about filling positions. Mr. Barnett explains flying a both Mild/Moderate and a Moderate/Server for five weeks to see what is out there. Ms. Blanchard states there is a nationwide shortage of Special Education Teachers. Mr. Beans would like to see a plan on how we will build toward the Special Day Class.

10.3 Potential K-12 Independent Study Curriculum; Fueleducation - Vendor Presentation

Mr. Barnett introduces Ms. Geist who has been exploring new curriculum that will go from K-12. Tori states Mr. Anderson is looking into this for credit recovery. K-5 can take things home which the company provides; 6-up would mainly be online. The online program is able to assess students and design a program for them. Company supplies teachers to teach classes like French if a group wants to take French. Teachers can supplement certain areas and download assignments. Mr. Morey asks what the goal is, Tori says this would replace the packets. Dallas Schwab, representative from Fueleducation, via teleconference explains program is for credit recovery to advanced students. Offers professional development for teachers. With the program teachers can develop or customize curriculum using content and benchmark/remediation assessments from a
variety of sources. Mr. Barnett asks if AP Calculus or AP Physics courses offered; Mr. Schwab answers yes. Ms. Gervasi asks if it is compliant to CA standards; Mr. Schwab states yes. Mr. Morey asks the amount of training is involved for teachers and Ms. Geist answers it would be more for the technology side of things. Board asks for price comparisons between other like programs.

11.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL
11.1 Recommendation for Approval of Bid for Phase II Flat Work (information at table)
11.2 Recommendation for Approval of Bids for Phase II Life Skills Building (information at table) Mr. Barnett explains both 11.1 and 11.2 in regards to two separate bids for Flatwork and the bids for Life Skills Building. The bids that came in, some were unclear and not itemized. Due to this time we need to table these items until we get clearer bids. With that being said we would like hold a special meeting to look at these bids and not wait a month.
11.3 Director of Business Services Report – Cindy Blanchard – No Action just info/discussion.
11.4 Approval of Second Interim Financial Report for the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year – Ms. Blanchard states there has not been a lot of adjustments through the second interim, but what has is the LCFF funding has been reduced due to our ADA. Attendance is a big influence with illness, weather and the roads. Mr. Barnett will try to have ready for the April meeting, J-13A wavier that may help with illness, not so much with the road closers based on needed percentages. We may ask for a resolution to be passed and send it off to see if it will help. LCFF didn’t hit numbers with Free and Reduced. Ms. Gervasi asks if having everyone free and reduced has that had impact; Ms. Blanchard answers unfortunately we have lost LCFF funding due to our Provision Two hitting us hard. Ms. Blanchard comments and Ms. Gervasi agrees that it would be great paying for AP test at the beginning of the year to have those forms in. Mr. Barnett states we may have to have a conversation with our Stakeholders about giving up our free lunches/meal for all unless we get people participating. Filling out the forms are invasive and are not coming in, therefore we may lose the Free and Reduce. It’s a three year rolling average and we received a reduction but need to consider future years. Ms. Blanchard discusses the excess reserves. Adjustments from donation of $55,000 which helped purchase instruments. An increase due to Dream Quest expense. Capital outlay is a big increase, are we receiving money from the After School Program Frontier Transportation and they are paying $15,000 for three fiscal years and will be purchasing a van. General fund will be effect at first but will get paid back in three years. With donation and Shasta College Pathway Grant a purchase of a CNC machine for wood shop and a kiln was made for art department. Over all net deficit went from $98,000 to $220,000. Unrestricted General fund deficit is $162,892 the rest of the deficit is covered by beginning fund balances. Mr. Beans comments on a fantastic job compared to three years ago of a deficit of 1.2 million. Looking at the three year multi-projection, need to consider the annual rate increase of 2% with PERS/STRS. The fiscal 17/18 year looking at a $300,000 deficit and 18/19 year with $237,000. Ms. Blanchard is concerned and Mr. Barnett explains being commented to staffing for increased attendance for impacted areas which we need to address.

Motion by Trustee Storer; Second by Trustee Gervasi; Roll Call Vote: All Aye

11.5 Approval of Resolution 1617-18 Transfer of Funds from Special Reserves to Fund 40 for Capital Outlay Projects per Education code Sections 17462, 41003, 42840
Motion by Trustee Morey; Second by Trustee Storer; Roll Call Vote; All Aye

12.0 BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE
12.1 Government Code Section 53262 Approval / ratification of employment agreement with Superintendent Contract - Mr. Beans explains approval of contract.
Motion by Trustee Morey, Second by Trustee Storer; Roll Call Vote; All Aye

12.2 First Reading – BP/AR 3311 Bids - Mr. Barnett explains the breakdown and separation of areas of AR and to make it specific to that topic. Mr. Barnett explains the competitive bidding process. Ms. Gervasi asks about the “maintenance description” in the policy. Mr. Miller explains the CUPCAA and the difference between repair verses project.

12.3 First Reading – AR 3311.1 - Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Procedures (Revised New Policy)
12.4 First Reading – BP 3311.1 – Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Procedures (New Policy)
12.5 First Reading – AR 3311.2 – Lease-Leaseback Contracts (New Policy)
12.6 First Reading – AR 3311.3 – Design-Build Contracts (New Policy)
12.7 First Reading – AR 3311.4 – Procurement of Technological Equipment (New Policy)
12.8 Second Reading - BP 5116.2 Students - Involuntary Student Transfers
Motion by Trustee Gervasi, Second by Trustee Storer: Roll Call Vote; All Aye
12.9 Second Reading – BP 4030 Personnel Nondiscrimination in Employment
Motion by Trustee Storer, Second by Trustee Gervasi: Roll Call Vote; All Aye
12.10 Second Reading – AR 4030 Personnel - Nondiscrimination in Employment
Motion by Trustee Storer, Second by Trustee Gervasi: Roll Call Vote; All Aye
12.11 Discussion of Drug Testing for Co- and Extracurricular Teams and Clubs at Trinity High School – Mr. Barnett discusses talking with the ASB for input and received great feedback. Mr. Barnett presents presentation that highlights the article he passed out last meeting. Mr. Gervasi asks about all competition like FBLA and Mr. Barnett explains yes all clubs and sports are tested. Expense has been a concern and it has come down and will get more details the further we go. Mr. Barnett goes over the projected calendar and hoping if serious for starting in August, we would need it adopted by May due to procedural things to put in place. This is not meant to be a prevention program. Mr. Beans states the point is why do we want to do it and does it make sense for our students, if we want our students to be job ready, this way we do it. Ms. Storer states that it will just help prevent injuries. Mr. Morey asks if this can be brought to the LCAP meetings. Mr. Barnett states that the majora suspension is high. Mr. Barnett passes out student handbooks from Fall River and Modoc for examples of their random testing. Mr. Barnett responds to Mr. Morey earlier question on districts responsibilities and states others do not hire a counselor and if needed to hire a counselor that may change the program. Ms. Storer asks if there is data on first offence. Mr. Beans asks if the DA gets involved. Mr. Barnett states majora it is not an infraction. Cost are going to basic upon the level of testing and percentage of the pool. The testing company has the list of kids and then gives us a list of the numbered kids of who they are testing. Mr. Morey asks about the case of the group of kids who are doing it can you test and Mr. Barnett states you need proof from law enforcement. CSBA policy states you can offer up a volunteer program to test. Ms. Storer would’ve like to see more comment from the public. Mr. Beans suggested put it into the paper to stir up discussion. Ms. VanDine, has received feedback “if they test us, test the teachers”. Mr. Barnett states we’ve considered a voluntary test, but we cannot require employees after pre-employment process to test by state law with the exception of bus drivers and safety sensitive positions. Ms. VanDine asks how you will determine the times of testing. Mr. Barnett answers we would have to look at that and mirror the seasons of each sport. Ms. VanDine states concerns for an online system for parents not approving and doing the course for them. Ms. VanDine spoke of the Every 15 Minutes program and she states it brought a lot of discussion with the students. Ms. Storer would like to see Every 15 Minutes program more than once a year. Mr. Beans states our goal is to prevent at least one kid.
12.12 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Update-Mr. Barnett will show new template next month. There is a new accountability dashboard that is available to the public. We did well and improved from last year but still room for improvement. Mr. Barnett states looking at our goals district wide and may reorganize. Hopefully in June update the random drug testing along with the CDC update.
12.13 Superintendent’s Report – Tom Barnett – We’ll be bringing back data on resource officers. Mr. Barnett would like to support a resource officer without hiring with such cost. Ms. Gervasi asks about grants for funding. Mr. Beans states a possible partnership with the Sheriff Department or Probation Department. Meeting with Supervisor Keith Groves about bus stop with no kids and the request for a grow for majoria. Bus stops are established by how many kids and if the bus can pull over. If not enough clearance CHP needs to approve a bus stop. There are some questions about revenues that the county will receive from permitting grows, can a resource officer be funded. Bettina Blackwell, Superintendent of Schools is retiring. Talked on what the board is allowed to do and not to do; referenced other districts with a parent board member calling a special meeting appealing policy on their child expulsion. We will have Chromebooks available for the next few months to test out for use at board meetings. We were victims of negative Social Media about a student being denied an IAP; Mr. Barnett addressed that no IAP has ever been denied, a student is tested and may not qualify, but never denied. Mr. Barnett comments that this is taking very seriously, but do not think it is a good idea to respond on that platform. Mr. Beans comments on student privacy issues. Complaint was also about the use bathrooms.
Mr. Barnett in talking with the teacher and Mr. Sprague about using words wisely about time outs for students who abuse the time for bathrooms.

12.14 THS Principal’s Report – Bob Anderson- Absent
12.15 WES/TPA Principal’s Report – Keith Sprague discusses new reading curriculum, Success for All and a comprehensive meet with staff to answer questions. There is a great response from staff to the program. They are waiting for a quote to bring to next month’s meeting along with pros and cons. Working on getting teachers, staff, parents and community involved in Wellness and Gardening committees. Sent out a letter to parents on how to get involved and volunteer. Facebook page for school, some concerns about the negativity of Facebook. Facebook has changed and made things more official, Mr. Sprague believes it will be a way to tell what they have going on. Teachers are working on the 5th to 6th grade transition. Orientation for TK-K, parents would like to see more than just a round up. Butte College STEM fourteen girls attended and had a great time. Crescent City, girls cheer 1st place in their division and boys’ basketball took 3rd.
12.16 Reports: ROP, Lynne Gervasi - ROP getting together a lobbyist and getting together a bill for CTE. They want to see more CTE on the dashboard. Current goal for 18/19 continued funding. Grant is over next year and looking for something when it stops. Student of the semesters highlighted a girl in culinary arts. Director of Facilities and Operations, Ryan Miller - States they have been very busy. Bring projects bids in another meeting as soon as they are clarified. Getting everything organized for the summer. Finalized the numbers for the freezers and walk-in-cooler for the high school grant. Mr. Miller was able to share his ideas while Mr. Anderson was out due to surgery, but was able to speak to him and he is in full agreement to move forward. Mr. Barnett talks about deferred maintenance when moving forward with projects, such as putting in lamp post and updating the fire alarm box. Mr. Miller is always looking into the future when projects are projecting out. Lighting issues to help with areas that our in darkness.
Transportation Manager, Luke Case; Absent
CSEA Representative, Luke Case; Absent
CTA Representative, Dave Newton; Absent
WES Site Council; Site council continues to meet and working on next year.
THS Site Council; Ms. VanDine states they have not meet.
THS Booster Club; Mrs. VanDine states the need for planning for Sober Grad, not many senior parents are willing to volunteer. Calcutta will not happen, no volunteers, Clampers cannot cook, no one to run the event.
WES Boosters Club - None
Ag Advisory Committee - None
12.7 Open of Public comment: None
13.0 **BOARD COMMENTS** - Ms. Storer would like to see Drug Testing in the paper. Ms. Blanchard asks about an online survey for input. Mr. Morey meet with Mr. Anderson about THS student who wants to start up the greenhouse. Mr. Beans comments CAC/SELP presentation would like to really work on that and how it will look.

14.0 **ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING** - Bring back Random Drug Testing.

15.0 **ADJOURNMENT** - 6:47 PM