



Regular Board Meeting
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MEETING MINUTES



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VISION

We provide a secure, well-maintained and nurturing environment for all. Students are engaged through interactive learning—emphasizing and integrating communication, creativity, collaboration, critical thinking and curiosity, to confidently meet the diverse challenges of tomorrow.

MISSION

In a safe and respectful environment, we inspire, educate, and challenge our students, empowering them to succeed in an ever-changing world.

1. CONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE: 5:30 p.m.

At 5:30 p.m. Board President, Mr. Walker, called the Regular Board Meeting to order at Thermalito Union Elementary School District Office, 400 Grand Avenue, Oroville.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no public comments on Closed Session Items.

3. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Public Employment (Government Code 54957)**
- B. Public employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release pursuant to California Government Code 54957**
- C. District Representative with Bargaining Unit: CSEA / TTA/CONF./MGMT/ASST. SUPT/SUPT**
- D. Confidential Student Matters/Student Discipline (Education Code 35146 & 48918)**
- E. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code 54957) - Superintendent Evaluation**
- F. Potential Litigation/Initiation of Litigation/Existing Litigation (Government Code § 54956.9)**

4. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION: 6:30 p.m.

At 6:37 p.m. Board President, Mr. Walker, reconvened to Open Session and called the meeting to order.

Attendees

Voting Members Present

Mark Walker, President
Darlene Fultz, Vice President
Richard Meyer, Clerk
Tracell Biddle-Lewis, Trustee

Voting Members Absent

Jaymes Lackey, Trustee

Non-Voting Members Present

Greg Blake, Superintendent & Board Secretary

Public Present

Lisa Cruikshank, Cody Walker, Anna Nielsen, Julie Carr, Nicholas Maurer, Heather Walker, Nalini Varahamurti, Andrew Koster, Robin Harbour, Greg Kitchen, Tammy Duggan

5. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

In closed session, the Board of Trustees by a 4 to 0 majority vote instructed District Counsel to settle the matter of In Re: Juul Labs, Inc. Marketing, Sales Practices, and Products Liability Litigations, Federal Court for the Northern District of CA, Case No: 3:19-md-02913-WHO, as against Juul labs, Inc. and its founders, directors and board members, up to the stipulated amount.

6. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President, Mr. Walker.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Julie Carr, Teacher at Nelson Avenue Middle School, shared appreciation for the board approving her attendance at the Southern CA CUE conference in Palm Springs. Shared highlights from the conference and her excitement to share with others in the District her experiences at the conference.

8. CHANGE ORDER OF AGENDA UPON PRESIDENT'S DISCRETION

Board President, Mr. Walker, stated there is no change of order.

9. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made to adopt the Agenda.

Motion made by: Mr. Meyer

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Fultz

Voting:

Mark Walker - Yes

Darlene Fultz - Yes

Richard Meyer - Yes

Tracell Biddle-Lewis - Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

10. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

A. Review of 2022-2023 Williams Act Complaints (3rd Quarter - January 1, 2023-March 31, 2023)

Williams 3rd Quarter Reports: Superintendent, Greg Blake, reported zero complaints for the period January 1, 2023 - March 31, 2023.

B. Lisa Cruikshank, Director of Special Projects, will report on Collaboration for Student Success

Lisa Cruikshank, Director of Special Projects, shared a brief history of TUESD collaboration journey for previous 6 years. Better communication to build more relationships and more efficient problem solving; improved State Standards Alignment to help with grade level articulation and enhanced student learning; more effective instruction by teachers providing different ways to learn and instruction to meet the student needs; creates stronger professional learning and gives teachers an opportunity to support each other. Shared an overview of grade level essential standards and documentation demonstrating TUESD's commitment to students.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion made by: Ms. Biddle-Lewis

Motion seconded by: Mr. Meyer

Voting:

Mark Walker - Yes

Darlene Fultz - Yes

Richard Meyer - Yes

Tracell Biddle-Lewis - Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

B. MINUTES: 03/08/2023

Approved 4-0.

C. COMMERCIAL WARRANTS:03/01/2023-03/31/2023

Approved 4-0.

D. INTER-DISTRICT ATTENDANCE REQUESTS

Approved 4-0.

E. CONFERENCES

All conferences were approved 4-0.

- a. **Approve travel request for Lisa Cruikshank to attend North State ACSA Conference in Reno, NV, April 28 - April 30, 2023**

F. CONTRACTS

All Contracts were approved 4-0.

- a. Approve Contract with Total Compensation Systems for Actuarial Services**
- b. Approve Attorney-Client Fee Contract with Frantz Law Group for Services related to Social Media Litigation**
- c. Approve 2022-23 Contractual Services Agreement with Oroville City Elementary School District**
- d. Approve Consultation Agreement with Lena Correa, LCSW, PPSC for clinical supervision hours effective May 2023 to June 2024**
- e. Approve membership contract with Cooperative Organization for The Development of Employee Selection Procedures (CODESP) for the 23-24 school year**
- f. Approve membership contract with Frontline Education for Absence & Substitute Management for 2023-24 school year**

G. OPERATIONS

All operations requests were approved 4-0.

- a. Approve California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Notice of Exemption for the TK-K Expansion Project at Poplar Avenue Elementary**
- b. Approve TLC Preschool CA State Preschool (CSPP) and General Child Care-Toddlers (CCTR) Parent Handbooks for 23-24 school year**
- c. Approve updated 2022-23 School Plans for Student Achievement (SPSA) for Plumas Avenue Elementary, Poplar Avenue Elementary, Sierra Avenue Elementary, Nelson Avenue Middle School**
- d. Approve disposal of obsolete/surplus equipment at TLC Preschool**
- e. Approve disposal of obsolete/surplus technology at Poplar Avenue Elementary School**
- f. Approve updated 2022-23 Certificated Administration, Classified Management & Confidential Salary Schedule**
- g. Approve disposal of obsolete/surplus equipment at Nelson Avenue Middle School**
- h. Ratify purchase of TLC Preschool Playground Equipment**

- i. **Approve disposal of obsolete/surplus equipment at Plumas Avenue Elementary**
- j. **Adopt K-5 History Social Science Curriculum**
- k. **Adopt CA Department of Public Health Testing Framework for K-12 Schools for the 2022-23 school year**

H. PERSONNEL

All Certificated and Classified personnel actions were approved 4-0.

- a. **Approve hiring of Certificated substitute employees**
- b. **Approve hire of Nalini Varahamurti as a School Psychologist effective 23-24 school year.**
- c. **Ratify hire of Dawn Stalter, MA, LEP as a Temporary School Psychologist effective March 27, 2023 through June 01, 2023**
- d. **Approve 80% assignment under Willie Brown Act for Mary Spencer, TK teacher at Siskiyou Avenue Elementary for 23-24 school year**
- e. **Approve 80% Job Share for Tiana Grap, TK Teacher at Siskiyou Avenue Elementary for 23-24 school year**
- f. **Approve hire of Kathryn Kern as a Temporary Transitional Kindergarten teacher for a 40% Job Share for Siskiyou Avenue Elementary School for the 23-24 school year**
- g. **Approve hire of Amanda Delarosa as a probationary Campus Supervisor at Sierra Avenue Elementary effective April 7, 2023**
- h. **Approve reassignment of Katelynd Wallace from 2nd Grade to Reading Intervention/EL teacher at Poplar Avenue Elementary effective 23-24 school year**
- i. **Approve reassignment of Erika Lee from Kindergarten to Transitional Kindergarten at Poplar Avenue Elementary effective 23-24 school year**
- j. **Approve hire of Tracy French as a probationary Campus Supervisor at Sierra Avenue Elementary effective April 7, 2023**
- k. **Approve reassignment of Kristy Flower from 3rd grade to Kindergarten at Poplar Avenue Elementary effective 23-24 school year**
- l. **Approve hire of Rebecca Horn as a Probationary I 3rd Grade teacher at Poplar Avenue Elementary effective 23-24 school year**

- m. **Approve hire of Madeline Pratt as a Probationary I 2nd Grade teacher at Poplar Avenue Elementary effective 23-24 school year**
- n. **Approve transfer of Terry Hennessy as a 4th/5th grade teacher at Sierra Avenue Elementary to 4th Grade teacher at Poplar Avenue Elementary effective 23-24 school year**
- o. **Ratify hire of Tiffany Sligar as a probationary Paraeducator IV at Plumas Avenue Elementary effective March 31, 2023**
- p. **Ratify hire of Nick Thao as a probationary Campus Supervisor at Plumas Avenue Elementary effective March 27, 2023**
- q. **Approve hire of Seng Yang as a probationary I Master Teacher at TLC Preschool effective April 13, 2023**
- r. **Approve hire of Monica Valencia as a probationary Child Nutrition Site Lead at Nelson Avenue Middle School effective August 14, 2023**
- s. **Approve transfer of Damon Crandall from 5-8 Teacher at Heritage Community Day School to 7/8 Math Teacher at Nelson Avenue Middle School effective 23-24 school year**
- t. **Approve hire of Wyntur Henderson as a Probationary I Middle School Social Worker at Nelson Avenue Middle School effective 2023-24 school year**
- u. **Ratify hire of Mosagna Mays as a probationary Campus Supervisor at Nelson Avenue Middle School effective March 6, 2023**
- v. **Approve hire of Gary Watkins as a short-term Maintenance & Operations Worker for the Maintenance & Operations Department effective April 11, 2023 to August 31, 2023**

I. RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS

- a. **Accept resignation of Jaclyn Kirby as a 3rd grade teacher at Sierra Avenue Elementary effective June 2, 2023**

12. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

A. Classified (CSEA Union Rep)

There were no reports from the Classified Union or staff.

B. Certificated (TTA Union Rep)

Robin Harbour, TTA representative and Teacher at Nelson Avenue, shared excitement for upcoming field trips and thankful field trips are back again.

C. Management

Tammy Duggan, Principal at Siskiyou Avenue Elementary/Coordinator of Instructional Programs, shared an overview of Parents Art Night Out recently held for parents in District and how much parents and staff enjoyed event. Shared an update on Summer School, enrollment timeline and staff coverage of sessions. Ross-Harmon Educator of the Year award goes to Tiana Grap & Jenna Senna from Siskiyou Avenue Elementary and will be honored this month.

Greg Kitchen, Assistant Principal at Nelson Avenue Middle School, shared an overview of Ed Tech BCOE training with use of classroom technology; PBIS successful walkthrough; Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) & BCOE initiative; Nurse Vicky Caporale, with CSU nursing students, leading a sugar awareness lesson; April Silva & Wyntur Henderson working with students to help navigate tricky social situations; and 6th grade basketball team won FRRP. Mr. Kitchen also recently attended a "Beyond Suspension" training at BCOE which was a great networking opportunity and beneficial for seeing what other schools in area are doing for discipline before suspension.

Andrew Koster, Director of Maintenance, Operations & Transportation, shared an overview of 2023 Butte County Air Quality Management (BCAQM) air protection program and proposals for replacing 12 more HVAC units at Plumas Avenue Elementary. If approved, 64 HVAC units will have been replaced through BCAQM. Started measuring for replacing old casework and building new cabinets in classrooms for writing a grant proposal due by May 6th. Really proud of team and work they are doing.

Lisa Cruikshank, Director of Special Projects, shared District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) meets four times a year. The committee consists of parents from every school site, as well as principals and EL Support Teachers. The topics reviewed and advised on by parents consisted of the following:

- District EL Master Plan for education programs, goals, and services for ELs
- District-wide EL Needs Assessment on a school by school basis
- District reclassification procedure
- EL written notifications to parents
- Review and Input on the LCAP annual update
- Ways to promote parental involvement and improve student attendance

Cody Walker, Assistant Superintendent of Business & Operations, gave an overview of facilities work and ongoing projects - TK-K addition at Poplar Avenue Elementary - anticipate classrooms being open 24-25 school year; update on Maintenance building for cabinet shop to be utilized for interior

refurbishment of Sierra Avenue Elementary and Nelson Avenue Middle School starting in 23-24 school year - leveraging funding from BCAQM; drone footage of TLC playground and improvements up-and-coming; overview of potential approval for fitness equipment planned for Nelson Avenue Middle School; and preliminary plan for After School/Community School and views of potential building plan.

D. Superintendent

Greg Blake, Superintendent, shared appreciation when teachers come and share what is going on; proud of staff undertaking really high level tasks and proud of employees stepping up to do great things for District. Lisa Cruikshank, has been awarded ACSA State Curriculum Instructor of the Year. Congratulations! Award will officially be acknowledged in November. Introduced new staff member, School Psychologist, Nalini Varahamurti - great addition to District team.

13. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approve Purchase of Verkada Security Alarm Systems

Board President, Mr. Walker, called for a motion to discuss Item 13(A).

Motion made by: Mr. Meyer

Motion seconded by: Ms. Biddle-Lewis

Board President, Mr. Walker, called for a vote to approve purchase of Verkada Security Alarm Systems.

Voting:

Mark Walker - Yes

Darlene Fultz - Yes

Richard Meyer - Yes

Tracell Biddle-Lewis - Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

B. Approve Resolution 22-23-19 for Lease-Leaseback Services and Agreement for Preconstruction Services for new facilities at Plumas Avenue Elementary

Board President, Mr. Walker, called for a motion to discuss Item 13(B).

Motion made by: Mrs. Fultz

Motion seconded by: Mr. Meyer

Board President, Mr. Walker, called for a vote to approve Resolution 22-23-19 for Lease-Leaseback Services and Agreement for Preconstruction Services for new facilities at Plumas Avenue Elementary.

Voting:

Mark Walker - Yes

Darlene Fultz - Yes

Richard Meyer - Yes

Tracell Biddle-Lewis - Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

C. Approve Resolution 22-23-20 for Lease-Leaseback Services and Agreement for Preconstruction Services for new TK facilities at Poplar Avenue Elementary

Board President, Mr. Walker, called for a motion to discuss Item 13(C).

Motion made by: Mrs. Biddle

Motion seconded by: Mr. Meyer

Board President, Mr. Walker, called for a vote to approve Resolution 22-23-20 for Lease-Leaseback Services and Agreement for Preconstruction Services for new TK facilities at Poplar Avenue Elementary.

Voting:

Mark Walker - Yes

Darlene Fultz - Yes

Richard Meyer - Yes

Tracell Biddle-Lewis - Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

D. Adopt Next Generation Science Standards K-5 curriculum adoption

Board President, Mr. Walker, called for a motion to discuss Item 13(D).

Motion made by: Mr. Meyer

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Fultz

Board President, Mr. Walker, called for a vote to adopt Next Generation Science Standards K-5 Curriculum.

Voting:

Mark Walker - Yes

Darlene Fultz - Yes

Richard Meyer - Yes

Tracell Biddle-Lewis - Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

E. Approve purchase of Burke Fitness and Outdoor Game Equipment at Nelson Avenue Middle School

Board President, Mr. Walker, called for a motion to discuss Item 13(E).

Motion made by: Mrs. Fultz

Motion seconded by: Ms. Biddle-Lewis

Board President, Mr. Walker, called for a vote to approve purchase of Burke Fitness and Outdoor Game Equipment at Nelson Avenue Middle School.

Voting:

Mark Walker - Yes

Darlene Fultz - Yes

Richard Meyer - Yes

Tracell Biddle-Lewis - Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

14. BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Walker welcomed new School Psychologist, Nalini Varahamurti.

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Mrs. Fultz congratulated Lisa Cruikshank for ACSA award.

Ms. Biddle-Lewis congratulated Lisa Cruikshank for ACSA award and welcomed new School Psychologist, Nalini Varahamurti. Shared appreciation for Parents Art Night Out and opportunity to speak to parents and grandparents. Everyone had a good time.

15. RECONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

The board of trustees did not reconvene to closed session.

16. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

None.

17. ADJOURNMENT

Board President, Mr. Walker, adjourned the regular board meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Mark W Walker

Mark Walker, Board President

5-11-23

Date