

Regular Board Meeting 08/10/2023 05:30 PM 400 Grand Avenue Oroville, California 95965 Printed: 08/22/2023 09:30 AM

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.

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

There was no public present for Closed Session.

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. Potential Litigation/Initiation of Litigation/Existing Litigation (Gov. Code sec. 54956.9)
- E. Confidential Student Matters/Student Discipline (Education Code 35146 & 48918)

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

At 6:30 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

Cody Walker, Anna Nielsen, Lisa Shaw, Robyn Solansky, Greg Kitchen, Kristine Ramirez, Heather Walker

5. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Board President, Mr. Walker, stated there was no report of action taken in Closed Session.

6. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments on Agenda and Non-Agenda items.

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

Board President, Mr. Walker, called for a motion 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. PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

A. Robyn Solansky, Coordinator of Preschool Programs, will present regarding TLC Preschool Programs

Robyn Solansky, Coordinator of Preschool Programs, presented an update regarding TLC Preschool Programs. Referenced benefits to program and community families of partnering with Early Head Start. Shared an overview of toddler and preschool class options and waitlists. Shared details of community outreach and special events last year and updates regarding inclusion for all children within programs and associated professional training. Provided an overview of preparation for new year with community connections, further professional training and playground equipment construction.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Board President, Mr. Walker, called for a motion to approve 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: 07/31/2023

Approved 4-0.

C. COMMERCIAL WARRANTS: 07/01/23-07/31/23

Approved 4-0.

D. INTER-DISTRICT ATTENDANCE REQUESTS

Approved 4-0.

E. CONTRACTS

All contracts were approved 4-0.

a. Approve legal services agreement with Lozano Smith Attorneys At Law effective July 1, 2023

F. PERSONNEL

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

- a. Approve hire of Kylie Raney as a probationary Associate Preschool Teacher Special Education and transfer of Ivo Canterbury as an Associate Preschool Teacher at TLC preschool effective August 14, 2023
- b. Approve transfer of Amy Parker as Paraeducator III Special Education at Poplar Avenue Elementary effective August 14, 2023
- c. Approve hire of probationary Paraeducator I, Paraeducator III Special Education and Paraeducator V at Sierra Avenue
 elementary effective August 14, 2023 and September 4, 2023
- d. Approve increase for Jen Bretney, Julie Carr, and Marc Macaluso from 1 FTE to 1.1803 FTE for 2023-24 school year
- e. Approve transfer of Chelsea Iniguez as Paraeducator I at Poplar Avenue Elementary effective August 14, 2023
- f. Approve hire of Kendra Shipps as a probationary Child Nutrition Office Assistant at Poplar Avenue Elementary Food Service Office effective August 17, 2023

G. RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS

- Accept resignation of Amy Parker as a Paraeducator III at Heritage Community Day School, effective July 6, 2023, to accept the Paraeducator III - Special Education position at Poplar Avenue Elementary
- Accept resignation of Chelsea Iniguez as a Paraeducator III Special Education at Sierra Avenue Elementary, effective June 30,
 2023, to accept the Paraeducator I position at Poplar Avenue
 Elementary
- c. Accept resignation of Bee Thor as a Campus Supervisor at Sierra Avenue Elementary effective July 31, 2023
- d. Accept resignation of Ivo Canterbury as an Associate Preschool
 Teacher Special Education, effective August 13, 2023, to accept
 the Associate Preschool Teacher position in the Toddler
 Classroom at TLC Preschool

12. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

A. Classified (CSEA Union Rep)

There were no reports from Classified Union or staff.

B. Certificated (TTA Union Rep)

Kristine Ramirez, TTA representative and Teacher at Nelson Avenue Middle School, shared excitement by teachers in district to start new school year. Teachers are busy putting classrooms together and shared excitement to welcome students back.

C. Management

Lisa Shaw, Principal of Sierra Avenue Elementary/Director of Student Services, shared overview of professional development that occurred over summer, special education bootcamp and onboarding orientation for new staff. Shared update of Sierra Avenue Elementary painting project and Sierra Avenue Elementary Back to School Night on August 24th.

Greg Kitchen, Principal of Nelson Avenue Middle School, shared overview of successful 6th grade orientation, 8th grade web (where everybody belongs) leaders led games & tours and staff connected with parents. Impressed with staff busy getting classrooms ready & preparing for another school year. Thanked MOT department for playground blacktops & pavement being refinished, new mural & other updated items outside. Shared plans for outside area where tree was taken down to possibly install concrete & shade structures for students to have an outside area to work under. Provided an update on fitness equipment installation.

Cody Walker, Assistant Superintendent of Business & Operations, shared overview of Federal Program Monitoring and associated training, evaluation & review of Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP), after school program and transportation.

D. Superintendent

Greg Blake, Superintendent, shared excitement for start of new school year.

13. NEW BUSINESS

14. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

A. 2023-24 45-Day Budget Revision

Board President, Mr. Walker, opened discussion for Item 14(A).

Cody Walker, Assistant Superintendent of Business & Operations, shared an overview of original budget and required 45-day budget revision and changes in revenue.

There were no other questions or comments.

15. BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Walker shared everyone's hard work is really showing as district is doing much better than many other districts. Thanked everyone for hard work.

Mr. Meyer thanked MOT department, district office summer staff and preschool staff who work hard over summer.

Mrs. Fultz appreciates Robyn Solansky and staff being champions for preschool and feels they have done an excellent job. Welcomed Mr. Kitchen to first year as principal and welcomed everyone else to another school year.

Ms. Biddle-Lewis shared excitement for another school year starting. COVID was not good for many reasons but feels it brought extra funding that has helped district. Excited to see what else comes. Inclusion of all children means a lot. If ones grow up feeling different, that gives them a stigma; glad that conversation is changing.

16. RECONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

The board of trustees did not reconvene to closed session.

17. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

None.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Board President, Mr. Walker, adjourned the Regular Board meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Mark Walker, Board President

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Date

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