

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

October 26, 2017

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THERMALITO UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

400 Grand Avenue
Oroville, California

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.**
2. **Public Comment:** Any member of the public may address the Board regarding any item listed for discussion during closed session (Government Code 54954.3)
3. **Closed Session:** The Board will convene in closed session on the following items:

Public Employment (Government Code 54957)
Hiring of:
 - Paraeducator I
Anticipated Litigation (Government Code 54956.9)
Public employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Gov. Code 54957)
District Representative with Bargaining Unit, CSEA / TTA

Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code 54957)
Superintendent
4. **Reports from Closed Session** - Announcement of Action taken in Closed Session and Vote, if any: **6:30 p.m.**
5. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
6. **Public Comments on Agenda Items:** Any member of the public wishing to address an item listed on the agenda may do so. When called upon please announce your name and item to be addressed. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per individual.

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7. **Change Order of Agenda upon President's Discretion:**

Motion _____ Second _____ Vote _____

Adoption of the Agenda:

Motion _____ Second _____ Vote _____

8. **Consent Agenda:**

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

Motion _____ Second _____ Vote _____

Minutes: 10/12/17

Inter-district Attendance Requests:

2017-2018 (Approve)	In:	(151)	Out: 3 (91)
2017-2018 (Deny)	In:	(7)	

Field Trips:

- a. Approval for 4th grade students at Sierra Avenue School to attend the Sutter's Fort Environmental Living Program, May 7, 2018.

Conference/Workshop:

- a. Approval for six TK- 1st grade teachers from Plumas Avenue to attend the Annual Pre K-TK-K-1 Conference on January 13-14, 2018 in Santa Clara.
- b. Approval for Colette Roberts to attend the California League of Middle School 2018 Technology Conference, February 2-4, 2018 in Monterey.
- c. Approval for Karen Konig to attend the Northern California Safe and Healthy Schools Conference, November 1-2, 2017 at UC Berkeley.
- d. Approval for Greg Blake to attend the ACSA North State Conference, April 27-29, 2018 in Reno, Nevada.

Contracts:

- a. Approval to contract with Voltage Specialist for upgrade of fire alarm system at Sierra Avenue School.
- b. Approval to contract with Asbestos Science Technologies, Inc. to complete the management plans for the EPA AHERA report.
- c. Approval to contract with United Building Contractors to install a concrete bike path at the TLC Playgrounds.

Personnel:

- a. Approval to hire Ra'chell Wellsand as a short term Paraeducator I, position ends December 22, 2017, Salary Range 9, Step 19.
- b. Approval of the Bus Driver Hours for the 2017-2018 school year, per CSEA Contract Article 24.

- c. Approval to hire a part time Paraeducator III to provide extra support with 1st grade students throughout the school day at Plumas Avenue School.
 - d. Approval to hire classified and certificated substitutes for 2017-2018.
9. **Public Comments From Individuals:** Any member of the public wishing to speak on a matter not listed on the board agenda may do so at this time. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per individual.
10. **Reports to the Board:** This time is for reports limited to topical updates, late-breaking news or reminders and generally *should be no longer than two (2) minutes*. (Written reports may be left the day prior to the meeting).

Classified (CSEA Union Rep):

Certificated (TTA Union Rep):

Management:

Superintendent:

Board Discussion: Board Priorities Update

Board Comments:

11. **Reconvene to Closed Session**

12. **Report of Action Taken in Closed Session**

Adjournment: _____

Upcoming 2017 Events:

November 7	Safety Committee Meeting – District Office 3:30pm-4:30pm
November 14	District Parent Meeting (DELAC/DPAC) – District Office 3:45pm-4:45pm
November 16	CDS Thanksgiving
November 16	Board Meeting
November 28	LCAP Meeting – District Office 3:30pm-5:00pm
December 7	Board Meeting
December 20	Nelson Winter Concert at 7pm
December 21	Plumas Winter Program at 10am & 2pm
December 21	Sierra Winter Program
December 21	TLC Winter Program at 6pm
December 22	Sierra Winter Program
December 22	Poplar Winter Program at 9:30am

THERMALITO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING/WORKSHOP MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

October 12, 2017

Convene Regular Meeting at the District Office: The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Mrs. Fultz, Mrs. Ielati, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Shields, Mr. Blake

Public Comment Prior to Closed Session: None.

Closed Session: The Board convened to closed session at 5:05 p.m.

Public Present: Lisa Cruikshank, Bill Harrington, Joyce Dennison, Rochelle Simmons, Sue Russell, Stacie Schuman, Ed Gregorio, Julie Carr

Mrs. Ielati was excused after closed session, prior to reconvening to open session.

Reports from Closed Session - Announcement of Action taken in Closed Session and Vote, if any: The meeting reconvened to open session at 6:39 p.m. Mrs. Fultz reported the Board took action to approve Agreements and Stipulations for Expulsion for students: 17-18-A, 17-18-B, 17-18-C, moved by Mrs. Shields and seconded by Mrs. Anderson, vote was 5-0.

Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge of allegiance was led by Matthew Armstrong and Anyah Ballard, students from Sierra Avenue School.

Students Report to the Board: Matthew Armstrong and Anyah Ballard, students from Sierra Avenue School reported on the activities and field trips they have had and are also looking forward to as the year progresses. One of the highlights included a field trip to the Gateway Science Museum which included hands on interactive activities and ended with a brief tour of Chico State.

Public Comments on Board Agenda Items: None.

Change Order of Agenda Upon President's Discretion: There were no requests to change the order.

Adoption of the Agenda: The motion to adopt the Board Agenda was made by Mrs. Shields and seconded by Mrs. Walker; votes were four ayes. Motion passed.

Reports to the Board:

Ed Gregorio, Principal of Sierra Avenue School reported to the Board. Mr. Gregorio shared Sierra Avenue's mission and vision statements as these are the guidelines used when determining school culture, school growth and staff growth and development. Mr. Gregorio shared Sierra Avenue's goals which included increasing the percentage of students who meet the CCSS standards, improving the quality and safety of the school environment to support optimal learning. Mr. Gregorio conducted an activity with the board. He also reported that Sierra is using Toolbox for Learning to work on social emotional challenges and it is in its third year of implementation. Sierra Avenue also has a group of student peacemakers who receive training and help with discipline on the playground.

Lisa Cruikshank shared with the board CA School Dashboard Local Indicators Report. The Dashboard will be live December of 2017. In the last five years the state of California has made many changes in public education with changes in Assessments, funding formula, new state standards, CA Dashboard and the federal Every Students Succeeds Act. Ms. Cruikshank shared the overview of local state priorities and Thermalito's progress in achieving these priorities.

Ms. Cruikshank also shared the District's CAASPP Results for 2016-2017 along with comparisons with local districts of comparable size.

Mrs. Walker thanked Mrs. Cruikshank for putting together the data and presenting to the Board as it is important to look at this data to drive progress.

Consent Agenda:

The motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Mrs. Shields and seconded by Mrs. Walker.

Mrs. Fultz commented shared she is sad to see Vicki DeVoll leaving. The board shared they are excited about the new Communications position.

Mrs. Fultz called for a vote which was four ayes. Motion passed.

Public Comments:

None.

TTA:

Julie Carr reported she was pleased to see the support of the teachers and their desire to come in and help students on Monday with the uncertainty of schools being open. Many teachers live in Chico and were challenged with closed roads as they traveled to school.

Management:

Joyce Dennison reported she was very proud of her department for pulling together and making Monday's uncertainty with evacuation warnings a seamless process for all involved.

Stacie Schuman reported that she checked in with Shady Creek and they are all set for our school next week. Cookie Dough Fundraiser was successful at Plumas. Ms. Schuman thanked the M&O Department for completing the pavers.

Bill Harrington reported he was heartened to see his staff working together on Monday to make the best of a bad situation. He also shared that staff helped when they saw a fire on their way to a training this week. Melissa Brault has started a cookies with a counselor program at Poplar to connect with kids who don't necessarily need a counselor but need to connect with someone. Mr. Harrington shared that the 5th grade students are excited for Shady Creek.

Rochelle Simmons shared that Jen Bretney received a check for \$1200.00 from the California Fertilization Foundation (CFF) for ag and garden in the classroom.

Ed Gregorio reported that Monday's emergency response showed great communication and no anxiety. He also shared that Books and Breakfast was a great event and Sierra's Autumn Festival will be on Wednesday October 25th and the board is welcome to help as in past years.

Superintendent

Mr. Blake commended management for their communication and cohesiveness working together on Monday. There were 545 students absent on Monday, will work to see if we can recoup the ADA. Now the District is keeping apprised of the air quality and trying to do the very best we can for the students. Mr. Blake also reported Lisa Cruikshank was kind enough to sponsor him to join Kiwanis and he and his wife were able to attend the Hmong New Year festivities this past weekend. He had a meeting with Kevin Seamas with OUHSD for transitioning our 8th grade students to high school. Mr. Blake shared an article with the Board that showed psychological safety is the number one requirement for successful teams. He also shared that he will be attending an AVID demo at Live Oak tomorrow with Michelle Sanchez.

New Business:

Water Testing

Joyce Dennison reported she met with Thermalito

Irrigation District today and they will in the next two weeks test the water at 5 different sites on each campus. Once they get the samples and receive the results they will have 60 days to report to us. If there are areas with issues they will direct us as to next steps. Mrs. Dennison reported to the board on the status of the water filling stations.

Change of date for December Board Meeting

Requesting the December Board Meeting date be changed from December 7, 2017 to December 14, 2017.

The motion to approve was made by Mrs. Anderson and seconded by Mrs. Shields. Motion passed with four ayes.

Approval of Amended Child Development Contract

The motion to approve was made by Mrs. Anderson and seconded by Mrs. Walker. Motion passed with four ayes.

Approval of contract with Cody Walker, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations

Mrs. Fultz stated she was excited to have Mr. Walker join Thermalito.

The motion to approve was made by Mrs. Walker and seconded by Mrs. Shields. Motion passed with four ayes.

Board Comments:

Gail Shields reported she is anxious to hear about AVID as it sounds interesting.

Alicia Walker shared that Sierra still needs help with the carnival and she was impressed with how things went on Monday. She was proud to see all of our staff in action and taking care of business.

Tori Anderson reported she was pleased with Monday and it was nice to see how the staff were communicating and the teachers desire to get to work to support our students. Mrs. Anderson also shared that Nelson Avenue's lunch with parents was a fun and successful event that she was happy to be a part of.

Darlene Fultz expressed thanks to staff for all of their work on Monday. It was a great learning experience and gives us something to think about. Mrs. Fultz shared she learned from Debbie Lerner that the older IMAX were being repurposed and was happy to see equipment being reused. Mrs. Fultz shared an edsource.org article she read.

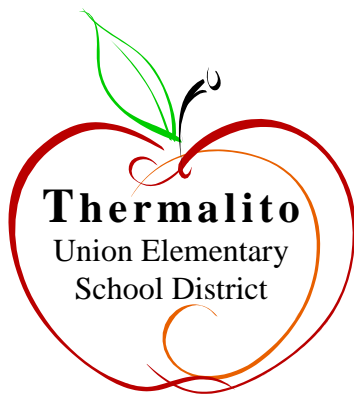
Adjournment:

The regular board meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Date Board Approved: _____

Board President: Darlene Fultz

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BOARD ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Ed Gregorio

Meeting Date: October 26, 2017

Topic: Sutter's Fort Field Trip

Description: Sierra Avenue Elementary is requesting the Board's permission to attend the Sutter's Fort Environmental Living Program. The program allows students to spend a full day at Sutter's Fort. While there, the students portray 1840's characters and partake in period activities such as carpentry, candle-making, blacksmithing, and gold panning. The field trip aligns with the fourth grade social studies standards.

Anticipated Cost:

Item	Cost
Rental	500
Classes	470
Blacksmith	275
Wagon Rides (4)	500
Clothes	150
Transportation	600
Mileage	150
Misc.	250
Total	2895

Funding: Sierra Avenue LCFF S/C, Sierra Avenue PTO, and fundraising

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BOARD ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Stacie Schuman, Plumas Avenue Principal

Meeting Date: October 26, 2017

Topic: Annual Pre K-TK-K-1 Conference

Description: With the board's approval I would like to send six teachers, Mary Spencer, Jennifer Moore, Lydia White, Rheanna Sebring, Alicia Nieto and Sonya Smith to the Annual Pre K-TK-K-1 Conference in Santa Clara, California. This conference offers teachers a myriad of workshops covering such topics as early literacy, hands-on STREAM activities, the latest in early childhood education and the opportunity to collaborate with teachers from other districts throughout the state of California. This two day conference will be held on January 13-14, 2018 (a Saturday and Sunday); therefore, teachers will not be missing any school days. Upon their return, the teachers will share at board meeting what they learned at the conference.

Funding: Site LCFF

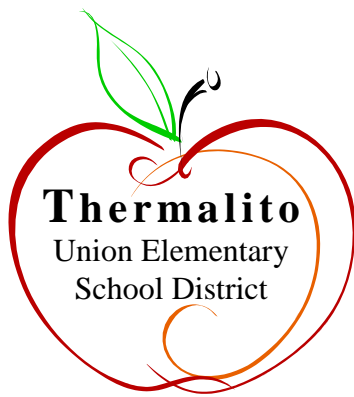
Conference \$ 2,764

Travel \$ 400

Hotel/Food \$ 2,700

Estimated Total \$5,864

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BOARD ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Rochelle Simmons, Nelson Avenue

Meeting Date: October 26, 2017

Topic: Send Teacher to CLMS Technology Conference

Description: I request permission from the Board to send Colette Roberts to the California League of Middle School 2018 Technology Conference. The conference will be held in Monterey, February 2 -4, 2018. The teacher will drive down to Monterey on the evening of February 1.

Funding: Site LCFF S&C \$1,570



BOARD ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Rochelle Simmons, Nelson Avenue

Meeting Date: October 26, 2017

Topic: Send Counselor to Safe & Healthy School Conference

Description: I request permission from the Board to send Karen Konig to the Northern California Safe and Healthy Schools Conference. The conference will be held at UC Berkeley, November 1-2, 2017. Konig will drive down to Berkeley on the evening of Oct 31.

Funding: TUPE Grant \$261.17 (BCOE/B.Baldwin is covering all other expenses.)



BOARD ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Greg Blake, Superintendent

MEETING DATE: October 26, 2017

TOPIC: Professional Development at the North State Conference
April 26-29 in Reno Nevada.

DESCRIPTION: I am requesting Board approval to attend the North State Conference. This conference has sessions regarding Professional Learning Communities, data analysis, data driven decision making, digital learning opportunities and student engagement. Knowledge gained at these sessions are only a few of the areas that will directly impact and drive instruction toward increased student achievement district wide. Other sessions include information about state-wide initiatives, budgeting, handling challenging and difficult situations at schools, team building and differentiating instructional strategies to meet the needs of English Language Learners and all students from pre-school to eighth grade.

FUNDING: \$969 includes early registration, lodging and other travel expenses.



BOARD ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Joyce Dennison

MEETING DATE: **October 26, 2017**

TOPIC: Approval to contract with Voltage Specialist to upgrade Fire Alarm System at Sierra Avenue.

DESCRIPTION: Sierra Ave recently had an inspection of fire alarms by Cal Fire and our alarm system had deficiencies. Cal Fire will inspect that the deficiencies are corrected next month. We need to upgrade this system with horns and strobes. Voltage Specialist was called to evaluate our current set up and determined the necessary upgrades. The cost for upgrade is \$4,889.00. I ask for approval to contract with Voltage Specialist to perform the work and complete the upgrades.

FUNDING: Restricted Maintenance



BOARD ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Joyce Dennison

MEETING DATE: **October 26, 2017**

TOPIC: Approval to contract with Asbestos Science Technologies, Inc.

DESCRIPTION: Asbestos Science Technologies, Inc will complete our management plans for EPA AHERA report. This report must be updated every three years. The last report was completed in 2013. Before we can demo Rm 32 at Sierra Avenue we have to test it for lead and asbestos. Once it has cleared we can remove it. AST completed our last management plan.
The total cost is \$2,960.00 See quote for breakdown of each site.

FUNDING: Restricted Maintenance



BOARD ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Joyce Dennison

MEETING DATE: **October 26, 2017**

TOPIC: Approval to contract with United Building Contractors

DESCRIPTION: Contract with United Building Contractors Inc. to install a concrete bike path for tricycles at the TLC playgrounds. The plastic unit they currently have is separating and can cause the tricycles to tip students off. Robyn Solansky would like a permanent bike path in its place, the plastic units are costly and don't endure the weather. We received two quotes: United Builders Contractors \$8,200.00 and Absolute Concrete \$8,960.00.

FUNDING: 1261050100



BOARD ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Ed Gregorio

Meeting Date: October 26, 2017

Topic: Hiring of Ra'chell Wellsand, Short-Term Paraeducator I

Description: I am requesting the Board's permission to hire Ra'chell Wellsand for a short-term Paraeducator I position. Ra'chell will work with one of Sierra Avenue's Reading Specialists to provide early literacy skills instruction intervention. The position would begin October 16, 2017 and end December 22, 2017. The shift time would be 9:20-10:20. In order to accommodate the Paraeducator I shift time, Ra'chell's library clerk hours will be adjusted to 8:30-9:20 and 10:20 to 3:30.

Funding: Sierra Avenue LCFF S/C



BOARD ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Joyce Dennison

MEETING DATE: **October 26, 2017**

TOPIC: Approval of Driver Hours based on the need of the District for 2017-2018

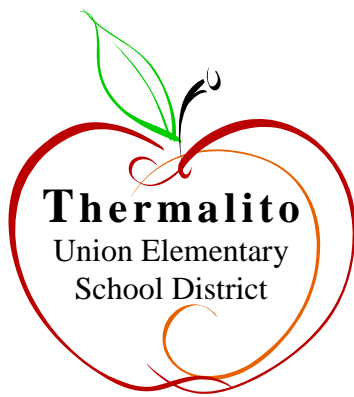
DESCRIPTION: This information meets the requirements of CSEA Contract, Article 24, in regards to bus route schedules and making revisions for each school.

Effective October 2, 2017 Assigned Hours from 2016-2017 for the first month of September 2017 and revisions for the remainder of the 2017-2018 year:

Driver	2016-2017	2017-2018	Revisions
Yvonne Cobb	8.00	8.00	No Change
Ed White	8.00	8.00	No Change
LaVonne Woods	6.00	6.00	No Change
Lisa Anderson	8.00	8.00	No Change
Pablo Ortega	6.00	6.00	No Change
Destry Chenoweth		8.00	New Position

FUNDING: Transportation

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BOARD ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Stacie Schuman

MEETING DATE: **October 26, 2017**

TOPIC: Plumas Avenue Paraprofessional III, Extra Support

DESCRIPTION: With the Board's approval, we would like to hire a part time Paraprofessional III to offer extra support with 1st grade students throughout the school day. The hours would be from 8:00am-9:00am, 12:15 - 12:45pm, and 1:30pm-3:00pm, for a total of 3 hours. We would like this position to be effective on October 30, 2017.

FUNDING: LCFF S/C



BOARD ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Greg Blake

Meeting Date: October 26, 2017

Topic: Hiring of Substitutes

Description: Approval of the following certificated subs for 2017-18

- Bree Akins
- Ionna Lekkakou

Approval of the following classified subs for 2017-18

- Samuel Storm