

THERMALITO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

400 Grand Avenue

Oroville, California

REGULAR BOARD MEETING/WORKSHOP

MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

May 25, 2017

Convene Regular Meeting at the District Office: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 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: Bill Duncan, Conny Brewster, Bill Harrington, Stacie Schuman, Katie Todd, Carol Frink, Chip Frink, Sonya Smith, Robin Harbour, Rochelle Simmons, Sue Russell

Reports from Closed Session - Announcement of Action taken in Closed Session and Vote, if any: The meeting reconvened to open session at 6:32 p.m. Mrs. Fultz reported that action was taken to accept the satisfactory evaluation of Superintendent Blake in closed session.

Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Blake.

Student Reports to the Board:

Change Order of Agenda Upon President's Discretion: Item number 9, Recognition of Retirees was moved to item number 16 and current item numbers 16 and 17 were renumbered to item numbers 17 and 18 respectively.

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

Public Comments on Board Agenda Items: Mrs. Simmons commented on Personnel Item E and Resignation Item B. Mr. Harrington commented on Personnel Item C.

Reports to the Board: Katie Todd, Director of Special Education reported to the board on the status of the Special Education Program in the District.

Sonya Smith thanked the board for allowing her and Jeff Smith to attend the STEM conference in Palm Springs earlier this year. Mrs. Smith shared with the Board some of the ways the students are using their lego kits in the classroom for learning.

Consent Agenda: The motion to approve the consent agenda was made

by Mrs. Ielati and seconded by Mrs. Shields.

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

Public Comments on Items Not Listed on Agenda:

None.

(CSEA Union Rep):

None.

(TTA Union Rep):

Robin Harbour invited the Board to attend the retirement party on June 1st from 4pm-6pm at Gold Country Casino.

Management:

Ed Gregorio, Sierra Avenue's Principal reported on the SBAC testing and the progress of the iReady testing at his site. Mr. Gregorio stated that it is helping students to recognize that through their hardworking efforts they are improving scores. Sierra is in the process of collecting student and parent safety surveys. Bill Harrington, Principal at Poplar echoed similar sentiments stating teachers did a great job motivating students to get their CAASP testing done. Growth is evident and one can see the positive things that are happening at Poplar. Students and staff are having a really strong finish to the good year. Stacie Schuman, Principal at Plumas Avenue updated the Board stating any concerns with water at the Forebay during a recent field trip were unfounded. Thermalito has a great relationship with the forebay and had a great field trip incorporating many science lessons. Rochelle Simmons, Principal at Nelson shared that Nelson had a great spring concert last night. Bob Christensen came up for the evening to support the students. The Nelson drama students went to see Annie today. Mrs. Simmons invited the board to the 8th grade promotion on June 7th at 7:00 p.m.. Summer Kick Off, June 14th from 10am-12pm, kids farmers market. Connie Cavanaugh, Assistant Superintendent reported to the Board on the Governor's May Revised Budget.

Superintendent:

Mr. Blake shared that he is currently working with the school counselors to update the district's Suicide Prevention policy in response to an assembly bill requirement. They hope to have the draft brought to a future board meeting. Mr. Blake was able to attend the Spring Concert and both the band and choir sounded great. He added that he was also able to see the band perform at the Feather Fiesta Day Parade.

New Business:

Resolution 16-17-16

At the previous board meeting Ms. Cavanaugh was given direction by the board to bring back a resolution to increase the minimum unrestricted fund balance to

9% to meet a board priority.

The motion to approve Resolution 16-17-16 was made by Mrs. Shields and seconded by Mrs. Anderson; votes were five ayes. Motion passed.

Resolution 16-17-17

Resolution to eliminate .375 FTE Child Nutrition position at Plumas Avenue School. This position was added in the fall of 2016 but was never filled and it has been determined that it is no longer needed.

The motion to approve Resolution 16-17-17 was made by Mrs. Anderson and seconded by Mrs. Ielati; votes were five ayes. Motion passed.

Board Discussion:

Mrs. Fultz reported the Board will continue to work on the board priorities at a meeting in July. Several priorities are already being addressed including lighting, parking, front office reconfiguration and the intersection at 6th and Nelson with painting on the calendar for next year.

Board Comments:

Mrs. Walker enjoyed the Plumas Open House, it was evident the teachers personalities were reflected in their classrooms. She attended two field trips with her children at Sierra Avenue. Mrs. Anderson echoed Mrs. Walker's sentiments regarding Plumas Avenue's Open House and welcomed the new teachers to the district. Mrs. Fultz also enjoyed the Plumas Open House and wished everyone a great summer.

Recognition of Retirees:

Mr. Blake and Mrs. Fultz recognized the retirees in the Thermalito Union Elementary School District and thanked each of them for the contributions that they made in the lives of the students over the years and for their service to the district.

The Board reconvened to closed session at 8:00 p.m.

Reports from Closed Session - Announcement of Action taken in Closed Session and Vote, if any:

The meeting reconvened to open session at 8:50 p.m. None.

Adjournment:

The regular board meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Date Board Approved: _____

Board President: Darlene Fultz