

# THERMALITO UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

400 Grand Avenue  
Oroville, California

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING/WORKSHOP MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

June 22, 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 5:02 p.m.
Public Present:	Bill Harrington, Robin Harbour, Robyn Solansky, Jobelle Lerner, Stacie Schuman, Rochelle Simmons, Lisa Cruikshank
Reports from Closed Session - Announcement of	The meeting reconvened to open session at 6:42 p.m.
Action taken in Closed Session and Vote, if any:	None.
Pledge of Allegiance:	The pledge of allegiance was led by Robin Harbour.
Student Reports to the Board:	
Change Order of Agenda Upon President's Discretion:	A motion was made by Mrs. Anderson and seconded by Mrs. Shields to remove agenda items #17 and #19. Votes were five ayes, motion passed.  A motion was made by Mrs. Walker and seconded by Mrs. Ielati to remove agenda items #20 and #21. Votes were five ayes. Motion passed.
Adoption of the Agenda:	The motion to adopt the Board Agenda was made by Mrs. Ielati and seconded by Mrs. Shields; votes were five ayes. Motion passed.
<u>Public Hearing</u> - Regarding the Regarding the 2016-17 LCAP Annual Update and 2017-18 – 2019-2020 LCAP Plan	Motion to open the hearing for comments was made by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Shields at 6:50 p.m. Votes were five ayes. Motion passed.  Jobelle Lerner commented on the template of the LCAP, stating it is very difficult to read. Ms. Lerner stated she found it difficult to understand the financial allocation for the different projects.  Mr. Blake agreed that the software that was used this year to enter the information was not ideal and was

difficult to work with. The district will be looking for other solutions for next year.

With regards to programs not being supported next year, Ms. Lerner asked about the instructional support for EL that is not being continued for next year.

Mr. Blake clarified and assured Ms. Lerner that the EL program is still in place but the coach/support program for the teachers that was in place last year did not achieve the desired results and the District will be working with the LCAP committee to come up with alternatives to support the EL teachers in the district.

Ms. Lerner also asked for more time to be able to review the LCAP as it is a very large document. Ms. Lerner also asked why the LCAP in its entirety was not presented to the LCAP committee at the last LCAP meeting.

Mr. Blake and the Board agreed and stated that typically these documents are released to the public the Friday before a meeting but due to unforeseen circumstances it was released later this year, something that will be remedied for next year as well as the presentation of the LCAP to the LCAP committee prior to the public hearing.

Motion to close hearing was by Mrs. Shields, seconded by Mrs. Anderson at 7:00 p.m.; votes were five ayes. Motion passed.

Public Hearing - Regarding the  
Original Budget for 2017-2018

Motion to open the hearing for comments was made by Mrs. Ielati, seconded by Mrs. Anderson at 7:01 p.m. Votes were five ayes. Motion passed.

No comments were made.

Motion to close the hearing was by Mrs. Ielati, seconded by Mrs. Shields at 7:30 p.m. Votes were five ayes. Motion passed.

Public Comments on Board Agenda Items:

Jobelle Lerner commented on item #16, asking why the retired superintendent is being paid when he is no longer at the district.

Mrs. Fultz stated that the salary increases went back to July 1, 2017 when the retired superintendent was employed by the district and it is payment for increase on one month's salary.

Regarding Item #16, Robin Harbour asked for the cost to the district.

Mrs. Fultz reported the cost was \$686.35.

Robin Harbour commented on item #12, asking if this change would affect the open session start time of 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. Walker stated that it would not affect the open session start time.

Consent Agenda:

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

Mrs. Anderson commented on contract item D stating she was pleased that we are contracting locally and supporting our families in our district.

Mrs. Fultz stated she was excited to Summer School being offered again this year.

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

Public Comments on Items Not Listed on Agenda:

Robin Harbour commented on the Professional Learning Community seminar she and other district staff had the opportunity to attend earlier this week. Ms. Harbour stated that there was lots of information provided and is excited to implement what she has learned as it is providing a way for us to evaluate student work and performance in our teams.

(CSEA Union Rep):

None.

(TTA Union Rep):

None.

Management:

Rochelle Simmons shared that the PLC workshop was fantastic. Nelson had a team of 5 teachers and they already have a July 8<sup>th</sup> meeting set up for next steps. Mrs. Simmons shared some data that showed growth in reading for students at Nelson using the iLit reading intervention program.

Stacie Schuman also stated she had a great blend of teachers from Plumas representing each great level at the PLC workshop. Plumas staff plan on having weekly team meetings to implement the strategies learned this week.

Bill Harrington agreed that the PLC workshop as a great workshop. All teachers left energized and excited to implement new strategies and ideas. Mr. Harrington reported that Erika Lee and Lauren Albert applied for a grant for a garden at Poplar and will know if they are approved in September, however in the

mean time they are receiving support from Butte County Young Gardeners who will be helping Poplar get started with the garden. Mr. Harrington gave a shout out to Bobby Wilson, Larry Ferguson and Andrew Koster for working hard in this heat to get the playgrounds ready at Sierra for Monday's start of Summer School.

Robyn Solansky was also please to have attended the PLC workshop. Mrs. Solansky reported she has 30 students currently enrolled with only 20 attending regularly, she anticipates attendance will increase with the start of summer school on Monday. She also stated CDES final QRS ratings for preschools was released and TLC scored a 4 out of 5, which is great and an improvement from last year.

Lisa Cruikshank stated that the PLC training was well attended by Thermalito teachers. She thanked the board for approving the curriculum adoption that was on the agenda and stated this is a first for Thermalito so she is excited about the help the students will receive with this new curriculum.

Connie Cavanaugh gave a shout out to the M&O for all their work with the summer projects. Ms. Cavanaugh reported that the district is moving forward with lead testing the water at all the sites and that board priority will also be completed. Ms. Cavanaugh stated she is happy to have the budget completed for 2017-18, however, as it is a living document it will change as the Governor's Budget changes. She also stated that audit time is upon us with initial audits in July and final audits in September.

Superintendent:

Mr. Blake reported that the dangerous intersection at 6<sup>th</sup> and Nelson will soon have stop signs. This has been a district goal for many years and Mr. Blake is proud to have been able to accomplish this goal in the year he has been with the district. He was able to attend the City Council meeting this week where the city council directed city staff to install stop signs at 6<sup>th</sup> and Nelson. Mr. Blake reported that Thermalito made a great showing at the PLC workshop with 20 staff and 17 from other schools. It was great to see the staff so excited about bringing improvements to the schools. He reported that he is thrilled the fencing is done at CDS and Plumas and is very exciting to have these safety related district goals taken care of. Mr. Blake stated he is really looking forward to the next few years and all the things that will be put in place to add value to our student's educational experience.

Mrs. Fultz commented that she is glad to see teachers making use of the local trainings. She also commented that she has waited for a cross walk for 40 years at the 6<sup>th</sup> and Nelson intersection and is thrilled that it is finally going to happen.

New Business:

Approval to change Board Meeting Start Time from 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The motion to approve the change in time was made by Mrs. Shields and seconded by Mrs. Ielati; votes were five ayes. Motion passed.

Approval to add a Board Meeting on July 31, 2017

The motion to approve the addition of a board meeting to July 31, 2017 was made by Mrs. Walker and seconded by Mrs. Anderson; votes were five ayes. Motion passed.

Approval of Declaration of Need and Statement of Need for 2017-2018

The motion to approve the Declaration of Need and Statement of Need for 2017-18 was made by Mrs. Shields and seconded by Mrs. Walker; votes were five ayes. Motion passed.

Resolution 16-17-18

Resolution is a requirement by CDE to authorize personnel to sign the CSPP Contracts.

The motion to approve Resolution 16-17-18 was made by Mrs. Shields and seconded by Mrs. Anderson; votes were five ayes. Motion passed.

Approval to amend Retired Superintendent Contract

Amendment to Retired Superintendent Contract to reflect the 2016-2017 compensation settlement agreed upon with TTA and CSEA.

The motion to approve the amendment was made by Mrs. Ielati and seconded by Mrs. Anderson; votes were five ayes. Motion passed.

Approval to amend Superintendent Contract

Amendment to Superintendent Contract to reflect the 2016-2017 compensation settlement agreed upon with TTA and CSEA and adherence to a provision in the Superintendent's contract regarding completion of a Master's Degree.

The motion to approve the amendment was made by Mrs. Shields and seconded by Mrs. Anderson; votes were five ayes. Motion passed.

Board Discussion:

None.

Board Comments:

Mrs. Shields thanked everyone for coming today even with being on summer vacation, she is excited for summer school to start. Mrs. Shields also shared that she is happy the fencing and playground improvements

are happening right now.

Mrs. Walker stated she did have a lot of input on the LCAP but a lot of her questions were answered via email.

Mrs. Walker asked if the district could get the LCAP to the Board earlier next year. She shared that she was able to watch the dodgeball tournament at Poplar which was fun and very well attended.

Mrs. Ielati commented she is very excited about the intersection at 6<sup>th</sup> and Nelson getting the stop sign and wished everyone a good summer.

Mrs. Anderson is also excited about the stop signs. She hopes everyone is able to stay cool during this summer heat. Mrs. Anderson asked if the Grand Jury report could be included as a discussion item for next week.

Mrs. Fultz commented that the Nelson Avenue graduation was wonderful with nice weather, especially the tribute by John Mullen announcing the Nelson Gym will be dedicated to Bill Duncan. Mrs. Fultz thanked Mrs. Walker for her work on reviewing the LCAP and thanked everyone for coming out to the board meeting in this heat.

Adjournment:

The regular board meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Date Board Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Board President: Darlene Fultz