

THERMALITO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

400 Grand Avenue
Oroville, California

REGULAR BOARD MEETING/WORKSHOP

MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

November 16, 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:	Sue Russell, Lisa Cruikshank, Julie Carr, Ed Gregorio, Bill Harrington, Rochelle Simmons, Stacie Schuman, Yvonne Cobb, Lauren Albert
Reports from Closed Session - Announcement of Action taken in Closed Session and Vote, if any:	The meeting reconvened to open session at 6:34 p.m. In closed session, the Board adopted the proposed decision and recommendations of a hearing officer and took action to dismiss a permanent classified employee and directed the Superintendent to send out appropriate notices. The vote was unanimous.
Pledge of Allegiance:	The pledge of allegiance was led by students from Poplar Avenue School student council.
Students Report at the Board:	The Poplar Avenue Student Council reported to the Board. The students shared that Poplar Avenue School is a good place for learning, there are good friends, good food, and good times including field trips and fun nights. They have a good student council who are trustworthy, kind and love to plan fun events for other students at the school.
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. Anderson; votes were five ayes. Motion passed.
Reports to the Board:	Bill Harrington reported to the Board on Poplar

Avenue School over the last year and shared that it has been a great year of successes which included increased attendance, increase in enrollment and decrease in behavior referrals. The next steps are to take Poplar from good to great. Next steps include developing a PLC culture, creating a guiding coalition, developing mission, vision and collective commitments and goals, developing formative assessments and using data to improve instruction.

Rebecca Harvey thanked the Board for approving her attendance at the ART conference. She reported on some of her takeaways from the conference that will drive her art instruction including choice based art which allows children to have more power and say in their art.

Consent Agenda:

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

Mrs. Fultz commented she was happy to see the math tutoring at Nelson along with the Saturday School.

Mrs. Anderson commented she was happy to see many Oroville businesses supported as she reviewed the commercial warrants.

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

Public Comments:

None.

TTA:

Julie Carr reported that there is negotiations on the 14th and looking forward to a break for Thanksgiving.

Management:

Rochelle Simmons, principal at Nelson Avenue School reported she was able to attend the Next Gen Science roll out with her science staff, the 4th in a series of 5. Mrs. Simmons shared an article with the Board.

Stacie Schuman, principal at Plumas Avenue reported on the grade level collaboration and an anti-bullying presentation on site.

Ed Gregorio, principal at Sierra Avenue reported it has been an engaging week at Sierra with Girls on the Run and field trips.

Jeff Kuhn, Principal of CDS, reported on activities to connect families with resources and improve parent engagement at CDS.

Robyn Solansky, Director of TLC Preschool, invited

the Board to a feast at TLC tomorrow and reported on a training TLC staff had on November 1, 2017 and shared her take away from her recent conference.

Lisa Cruikshank shared a parent guide to the California Dashboard which will be open by the end of November. Ms. Cruikshank also shared that there has been a decrease in suspensions and an increase in attendance.

Cody Walker, Assistant Superintendent, reported there were no findings in the recent audit, Connie Cavanaugh is currently working on the first interim budget which will be brought for approval in December. He is currently working on Escape and helping staff get ready for the January implementation.

Superintendent

Gregory Blake reported on behalf of Joyce Dennison on current maintenance projects.

Mr. Blake shared with the board a letter that will go out to families after the break to notify them of the change in the District's communication system.

Mr. Blake shared the county F.I.T. report with the board which had no findings.

Mr. Blake shared a draft of an MOU which will allow for sharing of counseling services between districts in the event of a crisis.

New Business:

Approval to set the Annual Reorganizational Meeting

Approval to set the Board's Annual Reorganizational Meeting for December 13, 2017.

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

Approval of Resolution #17-18-05

Approval of resolution to authorize Cody Walker as a signing agent for the District.

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

Approval to change the December Board Meeting Date

Approval to change the date of the December board meeting from December 14, 2017 to December 13, 2017.

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

eyes.

Approval of MOU 17-18-01 with CSEA Chapter 182

Approval of MOU to comply with provision of Assembly Bill 119.

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

Board Discussion:

The Board discussed the proposed meeting dates for 2017 which will be adopted at the meeting in December.

Board Comments:

Gail Shields reported she is now retired.

Alicia Walker reported all is well and applauded Mr. Blake for the quick response to today's incident at our schools.

Brenda Ielati wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Tori Anderson applauded the principals for teaching kids to not be bystanders and standing up for those around them.

Darlene Fultz reiterated that safety is a priority in the district and thanked Mr. Blake and staff for handling the incident today very well.

Adjournment:

The regular board meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Date Board Approved: _____

Board President: Darlene Fultz