

# Regular Board Meeting 01/24/2023 - 06:00 PM

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#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Call to Order at 4:55 p.m.; Closed Session 5:00 p.m.; Regular Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. Webinar ID: 958 9865 1557; Passcode: 671233

#### **Board of Trustees**

Karen Loebbaka, President Leslie Harlander, Clerk Cynthia Roenisch Kevin Saavedra Emily Uhlhorn

Tara Taupier, Ed. D, Superintendent

#### Attendees

#### **Voting Members**

Karen Loebbaka, Board President Leslie Harlander, Board Member Cynthia Roenisch, Board Member Emily Uhlhorn, Board Member

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Tamalpais Union High School District (District) was called to order in Kreps Conference Room at 5:00 p.m. A quorum was declared present.

#### 2. Approval of Closed Session Agenda

M/S/C (Harlander/Roenisch), unanimously.

# 3. Public Comments on Closed Session Agenda

There was no public comment.

# 4. Recess to Closed Session in the Superintendent's Office

A. With Respect to Every Item of Business to be discussed in Closed Session Pursuant to Gov Code §54957

B. With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Gov Code §54957.6

## 5. Reconvene Into Open Session

The board reconvened into open session at 6:02 p.m.

## 6. Announcement of Reportable Action Taken in Closed Session

There was no reportable action taken in Closed Session.

#### 7. Approve Agenda and Review Norms

Ms. Roenisch read the board norms. M/S/C (Ulhorn/Harlander), unanimously.

#### 8. Public Comment on the Consent Agenda

There was no public comment on the Consent Agenda.

#### 9. Approval of Consent Agenda

Ms. Harlander asked for clarification on two line items from the Consent Agenda item #13F. A discussion item was added to Trustee Considerations after agenda item #12C.

With this exception, Consent agenda was approved. M/S/C (Harlander/Roenisch), unanimously.

# 10. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

There was no public comments for items not on the agenda.

## 11. Student Trustee Reports

Sienna Lopez, Tamiscal High School, reported on COM for Pathway students, an upcoming workshop on antiracism, course selections for 2023-24, and thanked the parents and community.

Jack Haubold, Redwood High School, reported on course selections for 2023-24, 8th grade informational meetings, setting expectations for Seniors in good standing, Open House on Thursday, 1/26/23, Spring Club Day, and an upcoming financial aid presentation for students by 10,000 Degrees. Lily Pashman, Tamalpais High School, reported on spirit week (theme is "Resetting for the New Year"), a glow in the dark rally, the upcoming elective fair and course selections for 2023-24, Open House on 1/19/23, honoring seniors in Basketball and Soccer, and an upcoming workshop on antiracism. Elizabeth Young, Archie Williams High School, reported on workshops for course selections for 2023-24, setting expectations for Seniors in good standing, ASB Club Day, the announcement of a Winter Formal on 2/11/23, Open House on Thursday, 1/26/23, 8th grade informational meetings, and CDISC field trip.

Grayson Oliva, San Andreas High School, reported on the collaboration with COM on courses for credit, including an Introduction to Communications class that they attended, an upcoming financial aid presentation for students by 10,000 Degrees, and the new San Andreas High School website. Ms. Oliva excused herself from the remainder of the meeting.

#### 12. Trustee Considerations

## A. Take Action on TUHSD Financial Audit Report for 2021-22

Sarah Palafox, from the Accounting Firm Christy White, presented the audit report for the year ending June 30, 2022. Ms. Palafox shared a presentation which included the following findings:

- The district received an "Unmodified Opinion", which is the best opinion that can be issued.
- Highlights included: The district's long term debt obligations were reduced year over year

by approximately \$128M, primarily due to reduced OPEB ("Other Post Employee Benefits"), and there were no audit findings.

- For Federal Awards ESFDG & CNC, there were no audit findings.
- For State Awards, there was one audit finding #2022-001 related to an unduplicated local control funding pupil (an EL student). The financial impact of the finding was estimated to be \$8,898, and the district plans to improve processes and controls to avoid this in the future.
- There were no prior year findings in 2021-22.

The Board asked clarifying questions about the Financial Audit Report.

Ms. Palafox also noted that the district was transparent and easy to work with.

There was no public comment.

Audit Report for 2021-22 was approved. M/S/C (Harlander/Uhlhorn), unanimously.

# B. First Read to Update to Administrative Regulation 5125.3 - Challenge to Student Records

Dr. Taupier presented the Update to Administrative regulation 5125.3. The purpose of the update is to clarify the process and procedures for challenging student records. The major changes are to specify the timelines for challenges and responses, and to add definitions and conditions that must be met in order to challenge a grade.

Ms. Loebbaka had no questions and appreciated the clarification of the process.

There was no public comment.

#### C. Update on Facilities Master Plan

Corbett Elsen, Asst. Superintendent Business & Operations, Mike Woolard, Sr. Director of Facilities Planning, and Todd Lee of Greystone West Construction Management Firm, presented the update on the Facilities Master Plan. Mr. Elsen reported that the estimated cost of the projects went up from \$394M in April 2022 to \$517M due to project refinement and market conditions. Mr. Lee clarified that a 7% escalation rate was included in the estimate through the mid point of the project, and that the primary causes of the increase were due to significant code changes that would require a replacement of HVAC systems, conversion to electric power, solar requirements, and an increased escalation rate based on market conditions.

The board asked clarifying questions about the increased cost of the project, bond process, and community polling.

Mr. Elsen agreed to delay community polling about the bond to provide the board opportunities for further discussion.

There was no public comment.

The Board of Trustees added item #13F "Approve Purchase Orders over \$40,000 - List #11" to Trustee Consideration. Please refer to notes on Board discussion in Consent Agenda item #13F.

## D. Review Updated Tamalpais Union High School District Logos

Dr. Taupier presented the updated TUHSD logos and noted that they would include logos for the

district letterhead and email signatures.

Ms. Loebbaka praised the new logos and several board members agreed.

There was no public comment.

#### 13. Consent Agenda

## A. Approve Draft Minutes of the January 10, 2023 BOT Meeting

M/S/C (Harlander/Roenisch), unanimously.

## B. Approve Personnel Summary for January 24, 2023

M/S/C (Harlander/Roenisch), unanimously.

C. Approve High Risk Field Trip to Gravity Vault Climbing Gym- Archie Williams High School TEAMS M/S/C (Harlander/Roenisch), unanimously.

# D. Approve High Risk Overnight Field Trip to Alice Eastwood Campground- Archie Williams High School TEAMS

M/S/C (Harlander/Roenisch), unanimously.

E. Approve High Risk Field Trip to San Quentin State Prison - Redwood High School- SLAM M/S/C (Harlander/Roenisch), unanimously.

#### F. Approve Purchase Orders over \$40,000- List #11

Discussed during Trustee Considerations, after item #12C. The Board asked clarifying questions on Purchase Order items #3 & 4 and asked Mr. Elsen to provide additional details to clarify the amounts. Mr. Elsen explained that the items were PO's with "not to exceed" spending limits, not actual invoices. Mr. Elsen agreed to add column notes to further provide clarity for the community.

There was no public comment.

M/S/C (Harlander/Roenisch), unanimously.

#### 14. Board Communications

## 15. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Taupier discussed the recent tragedies due to gun violence and their impact on the local and greater community. She expressed concern about the impact to students and their sense of security. She highlighted wellness and counseling services for students and resources for parents.

Dr. Taupier reported on the Racial Justice Taskforce Learning Lab. The workshop focused on the history of systemic oppression in schools, the legacy of segregation systems, and a series of court cases leading up to Brown vs. Board of Education. The next learning lab will be in March.

Dr. Taupier reported on Open Houses at Tamalpais High School, Redwood High School and Archie Williams High School.

## 16. Trustee Reports

Ms. Ulhorn reported on the Schools Rule Donor Advisory meeting, the Bond Exploration committee meeting, the MLK celebration event at Bayside MLK, and the JLAC committee.

Ms. Roenisch reported on the Racial Justice Taskforce Learning Lab, and she complimented Dr. Taupier's letters regarding the recent tragedies.

Ms. Harlander reported on the Racial Justice Taskforce Learning Lab.

Ms. Loebbaka suggested that more people be invited to the Racial Justice Taskforce Learning Lab, and that the district should share recordings and/or presentations on the website to reach a wider audience. Dr. Taupier agreed to consider her suggestions. Ms. Loebbaka also thanked Dr. Taupier for her sincere communications regarding the recent tragedies.

#### 17. Conclusion

Ms. Roenisch reflected on the board norms.

## 18. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Board Clerk

Lesly Ham