

## Regular Board Meeting 05/10/2022 - 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: 947 0700 9952; Passcode: 278380

#### **Board of Trustees**

Karen Loebbaka, President Dan Oppenheim, Clerk Leslie Harlander Cynthia Roenisch Kevin Saavedra

Tara Taupier, Ed. D, Superintendent

#### Attendees

#### **Voting Members**

Karen Loebbaka, Board President Dan Oppenheim, Clerk Leslie Harlander, Board Member Cynthia Roenisch, Board Member Kevin Saavedra, Board Member

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Tamlapais Union High School District (District) was called to order 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 were no public comments.

#### 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

#### C. With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Ed Code §35146

#### 1. Approve Waiver of Graduation Requirement Student A

#### 5. Reconvene Into Open Session

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 6:06 p.m.

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

There was no reportable action from closed session.

#### 7. Approve Agenda and Review Norms

Mr. Saavedra read the Board Norms. M/S/C (Saavedra/Harlander), unanimously, to approve the agenda.

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

There were no public comments.

## 9. Approval of Consent Agenda

M/S/C (Roenisch/Harlander), unanimously, to approve the consent agenda.

## 10. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

Nancy Petranto spoke about the history of the international exchange program and the benefits of cultural competency.

Rachel Paluska, RHS parent, spoke about the benefits of hosting an exchange student and asked the board to consider reinstating the program for the coming year.

#### 11. Student Trustee Reports

Jack Haubold, Redwood High School, reported on student activities, MCAL successes, and teacher appreciation week.

Charlie Boyden, Tamiscal High School, reported on preparation for graduation on June 7, meetings for new independent study students, and welcomed new staff members for next year.

#### 12. Trustee Considerations (Please note that times listed for each item are estimated and actual times will vary)

#### A. Recognition of Tamiscal High School Innovative School Award (approx. 6:25 pm)

Alyssa Callahan and Patchen Homitz, Pathways teachers, presented a video about the program, and also spoke about the internship placements and College of Marin courses offered to students. The board congratulated them on their award and asked clarifying questions.

#### B. Recognition of Student Ruby-Rose Amezcua for Congressional Award (approx. 6:40 pm)

Dr. Taupier introduced Ruby-Rose Amezcua, who spoke about her award and experience with leading the Students Organized Against Racism (SOAR) at Tam High. Assistant Principal Kaki McLaughlin spoke in praise of Ruby's work. The board commented and asked questions.

**Public Comment:** 

LoRayne Ortega, AWHS teacher, commended Ruby-Rose and her parents for her work on campus and with the Racial Justice Task Force.

## C. Consideration of Racial Justice Task Force (RJTF) Policy Recommendation (approx. 6:50 pm)

Dr. Taupier introduced the policy committee: Ruby-Rose Amezcua, Tayu Neogy, and David Lown who spoke about the process they used to create the policy. Lisa Jimenez spoke about searching for other district's policies, but that this one is unique. The board discussed their thoughts and impressions, and will review the policy again at the next board meeting.

**Public Comment** 

Kristie Amezcua spoke of the accountability built into the policy and that teachers and admin should listen to students.

Heidi Merchen, Marin resident, spoke of her support for the policy.

Kriz Bell spoke about racial justice being uncomfortable but necessary work.

Jack Parnell-Wolfe, 2015 grad and RJTF member, spoke in support of the policy and the importance of listening to students.

Bronia Hill, parent, spoke in support of the policy and teaching about systemic racism and expressed gratitude to the committee.

#### D. Update on Racial Justice Task Force Committee Work (approx. 7:15 pm)

Dr. Taupier introduced the members of the six RJTF sub-committees. They presented an overview and discussion of their work. The committee members elaborated on the information provided in the slide deck and answered the board's questions. The board thanked the members for their extensive work and progress updates.

## E. Hear Report of Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) Accreditation Update (approx. 7:40 pm)

Dr. Taupier outlined the purpose and process of WASC. The Principals of the school sites reported on the highlights and areas of commendation of the Accreditation updates, and answered trustee questions. The board thanked the WASC site coordinators and staff for their exhaustive work and impressive results.

# F. Adopt Resolution 21-12 Reduction in Certificated Staff Due to Particular Kinds of Service (approx. 8:15 pm)

Mr. Wes Cedros read the Resolution and asked for board approval.

Motion made by: Cynthia Roenisch Motion seconded by: Kevin Saavedra Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

#### G. Adopt Resolution 21-13 Reduction in Classified Staff (approx. 8:25 pm)

Mr. Cedros read the Resolution and asked the board to approve.

Motion made by: Leslie Harlander Motion seconded by: Kevin Saavedra Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

## H. Take Action on Revision to TUHSD Mission Statement and Graduate Profile (approx. 8:30 pm)

M/S/C (Saavedra/Roenisch), unanimously, to approve the revised profile and mission statement as presented, removing "Make sound judgments and decisions" from column 2, and adding in the items in red in columns 2 and 3.

### 13. Consent Agenda

## A. Approve Draft Minutes of the April 26, 2022 BOT Meeting

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

## B. Approve Personnel Summary for May 10, 2022

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

#### C. Approve Waiver of Graduation Requirement Student A

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

## D. Approve Purchase Orders over \$40,000

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

## E. Ratify Batch and Warrant Details - April 2022

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

## 14. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Taupier congratulated Tamalpais High School Principal JC Farr, who completed his doctorate degree. She also commended the Tam High Mock Trial team, which advanced as far as the semi-finals in the national competition over the weekend in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

#### 15. Trustee Reports

Mr. Oppenheim commended the staff and committee volunteers for the incredible information provided in this meeting.

Ms. Loebbaka thanked everyone for their participation in the presentations.

#### 16. Conclusion

Mr. Saavedra reflected on the board norms.

#### 17. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

**Board Clerk**