

## Regular Board Meeting 08/23/2022 - 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: 958 0742 5007; Passcode: 658068

#### **Board of Trustees**

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

Tara Taupier, Ed. D, Superintendent

#### Attendees

#### **Voting Members**

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 Tamalpais 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 (Saavedra/Roenisch), unanimously.

#### 3. Public Comments on Closed Session Agenda

There were no 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

#### 5. Reconvene Into Open Session

The board reconvened into Open Session at 6:00 p.m.

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

Mr. Oppenheim announced there was no reportable action taken in Closed Session.

#### 7. Approve Agenda and Review Norms

Mr. Saavedra read the board norms. M/S/C (Roenisch/Harlander), unanimously.

**Public Comment:** 

Eva Chrysanthe commented on being cut-off during public comment at a prior meeting and made allegations of Brown Act violation.

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

Eva Chrysanthe made comments on the Redwood Journalism field trip (Item 12.G.) and suggested they should stay here and investigate issues within the District.

#### 9. Approval of Consent Agenda

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

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

Clayton Smith spoke about COVID vaccines, made quotes, and spoke about his belief that they are not safe or effective.

Eva Chrysanthe spoke about her allegations of racial segregation of the Tam pool, the investigation and report on her complaint going back to 2017, and her allegation that a District employee lied during public comment.

Damian Morgan, a trustee candidate for the board, asked why he hadn't received important information from the Superintendent about training for candidates. Dr. Taupier replied that she wasn't aware of any information sent from the District, that it was likely sent by the County Office of Education and forwarded by staff as a courtesy.

Keith Chertok, Tam parent, missed the timing of public comment but was allowed to speak later in the meeting agenda. He spoke about the lack of a BC Calculus class at Tam and the stress that it puts on students when courses are not available.

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

#### A. Hear Update on Athletics Handbook (approx. 6:20 pm)

Mr. Wes Cedros, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, presented an updated athletics handbook. The board asked questions, discussed their concerns, and made suggestions. Public Comment:

Eva Chrysanthe made comments and referred to ethics of the Board and Superintendent. Damian Morgan spoke about the racial harassment and terror of athletes, and asked how the

handbook addressed these concerns.

#### B. Take Action on List of Qualified Architectural Firms (approx. 6:45 pm)

Mr. Corbett Elsen, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations, asked the board to approve the list of qualified firms to move forward with project planning. M/S/ C (Roenisch/Saavedra), unanimously.

#### C. First Reading of Revised Policy and Regulation 5113: Absences and Excuses (approx. 6:50 pm)

Dr. Taupier presented an overview of the policy and regulation to be updated. The policies will come back for approval at the next board meeting.

#### D. First Reading of Revised Policy and New Regulation 6020: Parent Involvement (approx. 7:00 pm)

Dr. Taupier presented the update to policy and regulation, that presents requirements and brings policy up-to-date with practice. This item will be brought back in the next meeting for approval.

## E. Revision to the Marin Adult Education Program Outreach and Program Analyst Position (approx. 7:10 pm)

Mr. Cedros presented a change to the position, from .5 to .6 FTE, because of additional funding that is available to the Adult Education Program. The additional service is needed, and there is no cost to TUHSD for this increase in the position.

#### F. Hear Overview of School Year Opening (approx. 7:15 pm)

Dr. Taupier presented slides to illustrate the opening of school this year, including enrollment info, new student safety reporting forms, professional conduct reminders, COVID updates, and parent access to student information.

**Public Comment:** 

Eva Chrysanthe make remarks on the reporting forms and complaint system and the limitations of such devices.

Clayton Smith made comments and questioned the need and accuracy of COVID PCR testing.

#### 12. Consent Agenda

#### A. Approve Draft Minutes of the August 9, 2022 BOT Meeting

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

#### B. Approve Personnel Summary for August 23, 2022

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

#### C. Graduation Requirement Waiver

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

#### D. Approve Purchase Orders over \$40,000- List #03

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

#### E. Ratify Contracts over \$40,000- August 2022

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

#### F. Ratify Contracts under \$40,000- August 2022

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

G. Approve Redwood High School Journalism Out of State Field Trip to St. Louis, Missouri M/S/C (Harlander/Roenisch), unanimously.

#### 13. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Taupier announced that the schools would be welcoming parents on campus at the Back to School Night events in September.

#### 14. Trustee Reports

Mr. Saavedra noted his excitement for the new school year, which is feeling back to normal (finally!) Ms. Roenisch also noted that students are excited and enjoying social interaction. She is looking forward to more workshops on racial equity.

Mr. Oppenheim noted how it is great to have students back on campus. He would like to have more information on efforts to address learning loss.

#### 15. Conclusion

Mr. Saavedra reflected on the board norms.

### 16. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Board Clerk