



## 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: 983 8604 0653 Passcode: 461683

### **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

Cynthia Roenisch, Board Member

Kevin Saavedra, Board Member

#### **1. Call Meeting to Order**

A regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Tamalpais Union High School District (District) was called to order in the Kreps Conference Room at 4:58 p.m. Ms. Harlander and Ms. Uhlhorn were absent. A quorum was declared present.

#### **2. Approval of Closed Session Agenda**

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

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

There were no public comments on the closed session agenda.

#### **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**

**5. Reconvene Into Open Session**

The board reconvened into open session at 6:01 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**

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

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

There was no public comment on the consent agenda.

**9. Approval of Consent Agenda**

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

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

Pete Santucci spoke in support of the music program at Archie Williams High School, and suggested creating a task force and a plan to maintain a strong music program.

Eric Allen spoke in support of the music program at all the sites, and said that the problems with maintaining enrollment at the high school need to be addressed.

Clayton Smith discussed Covid vaccines.

Deborah Miller discussed the impact of cuts to the music program at Archie Williams, and suggested that the music program be exempted from the minimum enrollment requirements.

**11. Student Trustee Reports**

Grayson Oliva, San Andreas High School, discussed the San Andreas Open House, a school visit from Congressman Jared Huffman, at which he addressed questions from students who wrote letters to him, the last week of staff spirit month (coordinated by Joy Collins), ending with a chili cook-off, students preparing mock bills for the Congressional simulation in Government class, and a College of Marin field trip.

Lily Pashman, Tamalpais High School, discussed spring spirit week, an upcoming student rally with free prom tickets as a prize, the Prom Pop-up shop, and student passion projects.

Sienna Lopez, Tamiscal High School, discussed the TUPE Talent Show garnering student support for tobacco use prevention, Women's Political Action Committee luncheon, Pathways recruitment, and reported the highest enrollment ever for all three Tamiscal programs - Independent Study, CEC and Pathways.

Jack Haubold, Redwood High School, reported on the second weekend of the Prom Boutique, which was open to all Marin high school students, the Redwood Foundation Allocations Committee, and the upcoming Prom Olympics, where juniors and seniors compete for free prom tickets.

## **12. Trustee Considerations**

### **A. Overview of the Dean of Student Success Work (6:23 p.m.)**

Kelly Lara, Sr. Director of Student Services, and Deans of Student Success Andrew Schroeder (Redwood), Alan Nealley (Archie Williams) and Nathan Bernstein (Tamalpais), discussed the positive impact of their work on chronic absenteeism, truancy, excessive tardiness and classroom disruptions. They discussed the purpose of their roles and their priority work for 2022-23, which includes improving attendance reporting procedures and proactively reaching out to chronically absent and tardy students on a daily or weekly basis to address their individual needs. They reported that they are supporting school communities and fostering positive learning environments by making students feel more engaged and connected to school. Ms. Lara said that they have made an impact and there is more to be done. She said that next year, they will expand their focus to include excused absences.

### **B. Discuss and Take Action on State Home to School Transportation Plan and Related 2021-22 Expenditures ( 6:58 p.m.)**

Corbett Elsen, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations, presented the Home to School Transportation Plan and related 2021-22 expenditures. He explained that while the state increased the transportation reimbursement to \$686,000, it is still just a portion of the District's \$1.5M expenses. He stated that due to state budget uncertainties, this could be one-time funding versus ongoing funding.

The Board asked for an approximate number of students who use District subsidized transportation services, and Mr. Elsen estimated between 300-400 students.

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

### **C. Discuss Community Polling Results for Potential Facilities Bond Measure (7:05 p.m.)**

Corbett Elsen, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operation, Bryan Godbe of Godbe Research and Charles Heath of Team CivX , presented the community polling results and a suggested timeline for the potential facilities bond measure. Mr. Godbe discussed the research objectives, methodology and key findings of the polling results. He suggested that the results are encouraging, but there would need to be additional community and stakeholder outreach to improve the outcome. Mr. Heath advised that the proposed ballot measure goes on the March 5, 2024 regular election ballot, and presented the timeline to deliver the final adopted resolution to the Marin County Registrar of Voters to qualify for the ballot by December 8, 2023.

### **D. Take Action on Redwood Tennis Court Re-surfacing Agreement with Vintage Contractors, Inc. – Bid #86 (7:41 p.m.)**

Corbett Elsen, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operation, presented the Agreement with Vintage Contractors, Inc. - Bid #86 to resurface the Redwood Tennis courts.

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

## **13. Consent Agenda**

- A. Approve Draft Minutes of the March 14, 2023 BOT Meeting
- B. Approve Personnel Summary for March 28, 2023
- C. Approve Purchase Orders over \$40,000 - List #15
- D. Approve High Risk Field Trip - Redwood High School - San Quentin
- E. Supplementary Book Approval
- F. Declare Surplus and Authorize Shop Equipment Disposals - Archie Williams High School

**14. Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Tara Taupier thanked Kelly Lara and the Deans of Student Success for their presentation. She said she will have the site Intervention Coordinators present at a later meeting.

**15. Trustee Reports**

Karen Loebbaka reported on the San Andreas Open House and highlighted her discussions with parents who were grateful for their students' success.

The Board requested a report on the visual and performing arts program and an enrollment update at a future board meeting.

**16. Conclusion**

Mr. Saavedra reflected on the board norms.

**17. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

  
Board Clerk