

# Tuolumne County Board of Education

The Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools Office exists to serve local school districts and ultimately all students including those with special needs in order to promote academic, vocational, artistic and personal success of all Tuolumne County students.



## Minutes

March 14, 2016

4:00 p.m.

Tuolumne County Schools Office, Room 217

Board President Twining called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. and asked Trustee von Herrmann to lead the audience in the pledge.

Members Present: Chucker Twining  
Cyndi Simonson  
Joe von Herrmann  
~~Linda Millhollin~~  
~~Ian Morcott~~  
~~Don Rolle~~  
Juliana Feriani

### *Approval of Agenda:*

Trustee Simonson moved to approve the agenda as presented.

Second: Trustee Feriani

Ayes: Trustees Twining, Simonson, von Herrmann, Feriani

Noes: None

Staff: Tami Ethier, Darlene Hodge, Brian Thomas, Troy Ashton, Cathy Parker, Jessica Carson-Hull, Tracy Rasmussen, Diane Baumhover

Guests: Craig Bowden, Jane Braga

### *Public Comment:*

None

### *Consent Agenda:*

Trustee Feriani moved to adopt the consent agenda as presented.

Second: Trustee Simonson

Ayes: Trustees Twining, Simonson, von Herrmann, Feriani

Noes: None

### *Presentations/Recognitions*

Jane Braga—Read Across America—Superintendent Bulkin explained that the County Schools Office used to collaborate with Friends of the Library for Read Across America, but explained that Jane Braga took over coordinating all of the readers for the last couple of years. Ms. Bulkin thanked her for her hard work and said that it takes a lot of work to coordinate the right readers with the right class.

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### *District Report*

Superintendent Craig Bowden, Columbia Elementary—Mr. Bowden said that this last year has seen a major transition at Columbia Elementary, but he has a great team, and there are great things going on. Mr. Bowden complemented the instructional leaders and staff and said how supportive everyone is of students' needs. They have a full time band teacher this year as well as a dedicated TK class, and an award winner Title I program. He thanked the County Office for the professional development opportunities, talked about the ELA adoption, and staffing for next year. Mr. Bowden said that he is very excited about the future.

### *Staff Report*

None

### *Action Items:*

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Interim Budget**

CBO, Tami Ethier gave an overview of the budget. Ms. Ethier then went through each fund, and answered questions from the board. Ms. Ethier also talked about the expiration of Prop 30 and the increase in the cost of STRS/PERS on the horizon. The Board thanked her for her presentation.

Trustee von Herrmann moved to adopt the 2<sup>nd</sup> Interim Budget.

Second: Trustee Feriani

Ayes: Trustees Twining, Simonson, von Herrmann, Feriani

Noes: None

### **Resolution #2016-01 to Authorize Participation in the SISC GASB 45 Trust**

Assistant Superintendent of Business Services explained both the advantages and disadvantages of the trust, but said that it's a very responsible thing to do. The board members commented on the trust asked Ms. Ethier questions.

Trustee Feriani moved to approve the resolution.

Second: Trustee Simonson

Ayes: Trustees Twining, Simonson, von Herrmann, Feriani

Noes: None

### **Comprehensive School Safety Plan**

Superintendent Bulkin explained that the CDE requires schools to update the plan yearly. There are several additions to the plan this year.

Trustee Simonson moved to approve the safety plan.

Second: Trustee von Herrmann

Ayes: Trustees Twining, Simonson, von Herrmann, Feriani

Noes: None

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## **Board Bylaws 9324 (Minutes and Recordings), Exhibit 9323 (Meeting Conduct)**

Trustee Feriani moved to waive the first reading and approve the updates.

Second: Trustee Simonson

Ayes: Trustees Twining, Simonson, von Herrmann, Feriani

Noes: None

### *Discussion Items*

Review of Board Bylaw 9400—Board Bylaw 9400 will be brought to the April meeting as an action item.

### *Information Items*

LCAP Update—Cathy Parker handed out the LCAP Reviews for the districts.

County Boards Dinner (Excellence in Teaching Awards)

700 Forms

TLC Graduation will be Tuesday, May 31, 2016

Board President Twining added that the board finished its self-review and asked Trustee Feriani to compile comments and asked that they pick dates for a board retreat at the April meeting.

### *Comments:*

#### County Superintendent

- Ms. Bulkin said that she has spent every day in a classroom this month.
- She announced that Matt Sydney and Cathie Danicort are TCSOS's Employees Who Make a Difference this year, and they will be honored at a TCACSA event on Tuesday.
- Ms. Bulkin shared with the board that she will be attending the UN's Commission on the Status of Women in New York later in the week with her husband.

#### Board

- Trustee Feriani will be attending CSBA's annual leg day.
- Trustee Feriani also shared with the board that she went to Tehama County to help their county board with meetings to appoint a new county superintendent.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:39p.m.

Marguerite D. Bulkin  
County Superintendent and Secretary to the Board