

**Lake Tahoe Unified School District
1021 Al Tahoe Blvd
So. Lake Tahoe, CA 96150**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
August 10, 2004**

Board Members Present: Wendy David, Madeline Fernald, Sue Novasel, Barbara Bannar.

Staff Members Present: Diane Scheerhorn, Anita McIntosh, Barbara Davis, Steve Morales, Mike Curran, Beth Delacour, Jackie Nelson, Marie Meagher, Becky Fortier, Joel Damerall, Brittainy Lehmann.

Guests Present: Mark Garratt, Harold Singer, Pam Singer, Nola Berry.

Items 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Wendy David in the Board Room of the Lake Tahoe Unified School District Office at 1021 Al Tahoe Blvd., South Lake Tahoe.

Item 2. Approval of Agenda

Mrs. David asked that the closed session lettering be corrected to read A. through D. The closed session items will be re-ordered to A.- B. - D. - C. **Mrs. Bannar made a motion to approve the agenda as amended; Mrs. Novasel seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: Forte.**

Item 3-4. Announcement of Items to be Discussed in Closed Session/Adjourn to Closed Session

Wendy David announced the items for discussion and another change in order was suggested. **Mrs. Fernald made a motion to re-order closed session items to B. - A. - D. - C. Mrs. Novasel seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: Forte.** The meeting adjourned to closed session at 5:07 p.m.

Items 5. Reconvene into Regular Session

The Board reconvened into regular session at 6:30 p.m.

Item 6. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Item 7. Action on Items from Closed Session

**A. Conference with Labor Negotiators
No Action**

**B. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
No Action**

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C. Personnel Order2004/05-04

- i. Hire: Teachers, Financial Advisor, Interim Superintendent, Coaches for Fall Sports.
- ii. Accept Resignation: Instructional Assistants
- iii. Revise Resignation and Grant Unpaid Leave of Absence, Teacher .4

Mrs. Novasel made a motion to approve the personnel order; Mrs. Bannar seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: Forte.

D. Discipline

- i. *Expulsion Decision No. 2002/3-19* - The student has met all the conditions of the expulsion and can be readmitted.

Mrs. Novasel made a motion to approve the recommendation, Mrs. Fernald seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: Forte.

Item 8. Public Hearing Session

Brittainy Lehmann shared her concerns over the process used to rehire teachers. She feels that special treatment may have been extended to a teacher. She thinks that this was unfair and may have prevented her sister from being rehired to the current school year.

Item 9. Announcements, Correspondence, and Reports

Mark Garratt had to attend another meeting and will return. He will be skipped for now.

- B. Superintendent's Report** - Diane Scheerhorn updated the Board on the Leadership Retreat, litigation, fall start up. The space at Al Tahoe is all leased, excess furniture will be stored at Meyers, and extra materials will be made available to the administrators. A garage sale may be in the future for some items. We will have law enforcement support for the beginning of school. The bus schedule and a message from the Board will run in next week's paper. The Board was provided with the agenda and table of contents for the Leadership Retreat. She asked the Board to please take a look at the changes in the Business Offices, it has turned out great. Steve Morales is working with Les Wright on the transportation issue for the marathon and Aeries training is going on all this week.

Ms. Scheerhorn thanked the Board of Education for the opportunity to serve the District. She has many memories to take with her and will continue to maintain a home here and support the community. The children in this community will continue to flourish and she is proud to have been here. This has been a challenging year and many groups have worked hard to get this year off to a good start. She gave a special thanks

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for the support of my daughter, Lindsay, for what she has had to learn at her mother's side. She has been attacked by members of the community verbally and stood up for her mother in a graceful manner.

C. Board of Education Report

Wendy David told Lindsay she was glad that she was here with her Mom. She thanked Diane for all that she has done during the last four years, which includes the Juvenile Center, the committees, and \$5.5 million in cuts. Ms. David presented a plaque to Dr. Scheerhorn which she hopes will help her remember her time with us.

Madeline Fernald presented Ms. Scheerhorn with a beautiful plant and a crystal bowl from the Board. She thanked her for being an excellent Superintendent and a lifelong friend who will be missed.

- A. STAT Committee Report** - Mark Garratt reported that \$60,000 in donations and \$22,500 from the radio auction has been raised so far. The auction was such a success that not all the items could be auctioned. A golf tournament, hall of fame dinner, and mailing to all the local voters are planned. Albertsons deserves a special recognition for their assistance.

Item 10. Discussion and Action

A. Approve Resolution 2004/05-06, Mitigated Negative Declaration and A Mitigation Monitoring Plan and Approving the Closure of Grades K-5 At Al Tahoe Elementary School and the Closure of Meyers Elementary School and Authorizing the Filling of the Notice of Determination

a. Public Hearing - Discussion and Comments

Harold Singer addressed the board with concerns on two points: The traffic could potentially double at Sierra House; and the comparisons based on 96-97 vs. 04-05. Comparisons should have based on the last current year. He does not feel that the negative declaration fully addresses these issues.

Bill Wright, attorney for the District, gave an overview of the negative declaration. He has spoken to Mr. Singer and he has brought up some good points. The entire project must be looked at as a complete package. The project covers the entire District and the impact on Tahoe does not change. We have not added any classrooms, just students. Traffic will decrease at two of the sites and increase at three. The suggestions in the study are guidelines and can be adjusted should it become necessary. The study was done in a cost effective way, however if the Board would like a more extensive study, it can be done.

Mrs. Novasel made a motion to approve the resolution, Mrs. Fernald seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: Forte.

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B. Appointment of District Advisory Committee (7-11 Committee)

Mike Curran passed out information on the formation of the committee and the names of previous members of the committee from three years ago. Members of the Board had no objection to contacting the previous members and ask them if they would like to serve on this new committee. The Board will bring in alternate names to the next Board meeting if some of the previous members are unable to serve.

No Action.

C. Resolution No. 2004/05-04, Abolish Classified Staff Position- Beth Delacour explained that the instructional assistant, computer lab is a vacant position. It only effects a position that was at Al Tahoe Elementary and there is no negative impact. **Mrs. Fernald made a motion to approve the resolution, Mrs. Bannar seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: Forte.**

D & E. Approve Advanced Placement Biology Course of Study & Biology Course of Study - Barbara Davis explained that these are updates of textbooks and materials for both. Joel Damerl spoke about the age of the current books that the students are using. Categoricals will pay for the upgrade. These books were chosen to match the state and district standards. **Mrs. Fernald made a motion to approve the requests, Mrs. Novasel seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: Forte.**

F. First Reading of Board Policy; Additions, Deletions, and Revisions

ADD BP 0520.2, Title I Program Improvement Schools
BP 6159.5, Independent Educational Evaluations
BP 6159.6, Students with Disabilities Enrolled by their Parents in Private Schools
BP 6162.8, Research
BP 6173, Education for Homeless Children
REVISE BP 4119.1; 4219.1; 4319.1, Civil and Legal Rights

Barbara Davis informed the Board that there are more updates to BP0520.2 due to changes in the No Child Left Behind law. These changes will be part of the second reading.

No Action.

G. Award Construction Bids

Steve Morales updated the Board on the current bids received and one previously awarded. The addition of bracing, plywood sheeting and new roofing system on the gym at South Tahoe Middle School was awarded to D & D Roofing of Reno, NV, as low bidder. He asked the Board to approve Bid 04-05/02, STHS Glu-Lam Retrofit to Alpine Roofing of Reno; Bid 04-05/03, STHS Blue Gym Re-roof to

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Alpine Roofing of Reno; Bid 04/05-04, Sierra House Re-roof to Alpine Roofing of Reno. **Mrs. Novasel made a motion to award the bids, Mrs. Fernald seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: Forte.** Mr. Morales also asked for approval to negotiate the dollar amount and scope of work for Bid 04-05/05, STHS Roadway Overlay with Sierra Nevada Construction. The bid came in higher than expected. **Mrs. Fernald made a motion to approve the bid with the understanding a change order would be proposed and the cost limited to \$94,000, Mrs. Novasel seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: Forte.**

Item 11. Consent Agenda

Documentation for 11.H. was not received and will be dropped from the Consent Agenda.. **Mrs. Fernald made a motion to approve the consent agenda as amended, Mrs. Bannar seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: Forte.**

Item 12. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by Mrs. David at 8:23 pm.

Wendy David, President, Board of Education