

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

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES  
September 14, 2004**

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

**Staff Members Present:** Lorraine Garcy, Anita McIntosh, Barbara Davis, Steve Morales, Mike Curran, Beth Delacour, Becky Fortier, Sue Channel, Jerry Carter, Karen Miner, Suzy Krazaczek, Jodi Dayberry, Jim Watson, Pedro Aluiso, Linda Wysong, Bob Anderson, Carol Murdock, Jackie Nelson, Karen Gillis-Tinlin.

**Guests Present:** Billy Ferchland, Joy Rothschild, Laura Sears, Chris Campion, Peter Butler, Julie Butler, Andrew Williams.

**Items 1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 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**

**Mr. Forte made a motion to approve the agenda; Mrs. Novasel seconded.**

**Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Forte, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: None.**

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

Wendy David announced the items for discussion and the meeting adjourned to closed session at 5:08 p.m.

**Items 5. Reconvene into Regular Session**

The Board reconvened into regular session at 6:25 p.m. with a brief recess.

**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. Personnel Order No. 2004/05-07**

- i. Hire: Instructional Assistants, Sub bus drivers, student teacher, ROP instructor, .15 ft infant/toddler teacher, sub teachers.
- ii. Accept Resignation: Instructional Assistants

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

**C. Discipline**

- i. *Readmission After Expulsion No. 2002/03-19* - The student has met all the conditions of the expulsion and can be readmitted.
- ii. *Suspension of Expulsion No. 2003/04-13* - The student was meet all the conditions of expulsion and it will be suspended effective September 7, 2004.

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

**Item 8. Public Hearing Session**

Karen Miner spoke about the lack of instructional time during the school day to meet all the requirements set by the State. She handed out a breakdown of the minutes required for each subject area and a list of the items that also need to be covered weekly. She told the Board that she would appreciate any direction that they could provide. She also is concerned about the amount of time that students miss while helping out in the cafeteria. In previous years they would miss 15 minutes of class time a day and this year, due to the structure of the lunch periods, they miss two hours of instructional time.

**Item 9. Announcements, Correspondence, and Reports**

**A. Swear In STHS Student Representatives and Report by Students**- This will be rescheduled for the October 12, 2004 meeting..

**B. Report by South Tahoe Middle School Student Government**- Suzy Krzaczek told the Board about the Kid-A-Thon to be held on September 29<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 - 12:30. It will be more than walking. The students can climb, walk and talk, etc. It will be their chose. She introduced Laura Sears, an eighth grade student, who participated in a student leadership camp held at Stanford. She was the only representative from our school to go and she learned many things and had the opportunity to take workshops on different topics including publicity. It was a wonderful program.

**C. STAT - Save Tahoe Athletic Teams**  
No report.

**D. 7-11 Committee Report**

Mike Curran thanked the members of the Committee for their service and time. The Committee's recommendation is to lease space in Al Tahoe Elementary and keep Meyers Elementary vacant for at least one year. They also provided a preference list with public agencies, non profit, young children, or education related groups at the top of the list.

**E. Board of Education Report**

**Barbara Bannar** said that the first week of school well and the staff in the District did a great job.

**Sue Novasel** commented that the sites were incredibly organized and the staff was out on the first day greeting the kids. Sue enjoyed the football game against Bishop Monogue and expressed kudos to our sports teams.

**Madeline Fernald** shared that she and Dr. Garcy went to a presentation on embedding virtues. She told of the changes to the SAT format for the class of 2006 and the offer of web site creation by two local individuals. She was impressed with the calm and orderly atmosphere of the Middle School and felt they did a great job.

**Wendy David** expressed kudos to everyone for the smooth start of school and appreciated the positive attitude out there. She is very proud of how the District has handled it. Ms. David asked the Board to divide up the elementary sites for Back-To-School night and reminded them to contact Anita McIntosh if they are interested in the Back to School Conference on September 27, 2004.

**Doug Forte** remarked on the outstanding team effort from the teachers, maintenance, transportation, custodial, office and administration for the opening of the 2004-05 school year. He found it pretty remarkable.

**F. Superintendent's Report**

**Lorraine Garcy** commented that it was a remarkable start to the year. Everyone pulled together to get ready and everyone gave it their all.

**Item 10. Discussion and Action**

**A. Accept Annual Financial Statement for School Year 2003/04**

Mike Curran presented the financial statement for school year 2003/04. It shows the final totals for the year. The auditors will return in October to finalize these figures. Mr. Curran explained, with the use of overheads, the income and summary report, the deficit spending, and the spending down of the reserves. This is not good, however, it is not as bad as they thought it might be. There are still many challenges ahead of us. Special thanks to

Harriett Lacey for her assistance in the preparation of this report. **Mrs. Bannar made a motion to approve the financial statement, Mrs. Fernald seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Forte, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: None**

**B. Leasing of Al Tahoe Elementary School**

Mike Curran reported to the Board that Boys & Girls Club wants to expand their use of the facilities at Al Tahoe Elementary. They would like to use 14, 924 sq. ft. of space at an annual cost of \$49,816 per year. This is based on an estimated operating cost of \$3.34 per sq. ft. If the actual costs are higher, we will adjust the charges as needed. **Mr. Forte made a motion to approve the leasing of Al Tahoe Elementary, Mrs. Fernald seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Forte, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: None**

**C. Parcel Tax**

Frankie Mayfield addressed the Board about his concerns surrounding another parcel tax attempt. He would like to see us work with the timeshare industry in order to have a more equitable rate for them and also simplify the exemption process for our seniors. It is a hardship for many of them to apply yearly. Both of these may aid the District in passing a parcel tax. He is leaving Tahoe for Florida in the next few months and his participation will be missed.

Dr. Garcy has received a lot of information and feedback from various community, staff, and leadership. This has provided an overview of Measure L and why it didn't pass and what could we have done differently. She has gone over background information, reviewed documents, and listened to those who were involved. It is still the topic of conversation. She will bring a recommendation to the Board in October after she has had the opportunity to look over the options that are available for parcel tax structure including the different types of property and amount of square footage. A meeting with those people who were involved in the last campaign is scheduled for October 4<sup>th</sup>. Barbara Davis will set this up. Dr. Garcy would like to use the meeting on October 12<sup>th</sup> for input; October 19<sup>th</sup> for public comments; and October 26<sup>th</sup> for the final decision for a resolution. We are looking at getting this on the ballot for March 2005. This date allows us to have an answer prior to the start of the RIF process. Comments from the audience included: reminding the public over and over about the need for the parcel tax; show the public the savings to the District in attorney's fees and time spent on RIF; have a calling system like the High School to call the voters. Wendy David expressed her appreciation of the options presented and Sue Novasel shared her delight to have Dr. Garcy here and to watch her at work. She is good with people. **Mrs. Novasel made a motion to approve the request for an extra Board Meeting on October 19, 2004, Mrs. Bannar seconded. Ayes: David, Fernald, Bannar, Forte, Novasel. Noes: None. Absent: None.**

**Item 11. Consent Agenda**

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

**Item 12. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned by Mrs. David at 7:52 pm.

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**Lorraine Garcy, Superintendent and Secretary  
To the Board of Education**