



**LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2005**

EDUCATION CENTER BOARD ROOM  
1021 Al Tahoe Boulevard

5:00 PM - REGULAR CLOSED SESSION  
6:00 PM REGULAR OPEN SESSION

Board Members / Reps.	Staff Members Present		Guests Present
Wendy David Barbara Bannar Doug Forte Madeline Fernald  <b>Absent:</b> Sue Novasel  <b>Student Rep:</b> Mari Peshon	Dr. James Tarwater Beth Delacour Steve Morales Angie Freeman	Harriett Lacey Jodi Dayberry Jim Watson	Mark Garratt Karen Houser Terri Ryland Chris Champion

**Item 1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Open Session of the regular meeting of the Lake Tahoe Unified School District Board of Education was called to order by Wendy David at 5:00 p.m. at the Education Center Board Room.

**Items 2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

Wendy David announced items to be discussed in closed session at 5:00 p.m.

**Items 3-4. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION/ RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

Wendy David adjourned the regular meeting to closed session at 5:01 p.m. and reconvened into regular session at 6:02 p.m.

**Item 5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**Item 6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mrs. Fernald made a motion to approve the agenda as submitted; Mrs. Bannar seconded the motion. *Ayes:* David/Bannar/Fernald/Forte. *Noes:* None. *Absent:* Novasel.

**Item 7. ACTION ON ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION**

**A. Personnel Order No. 2005-06-04**

- i. *Hire:* teachers, instructional assistants, substitute teachers, senior maintenance worker, long term substitute teachers, cafeteria supervisor, 6 hr ROP Instructor.
- ii. *Accept Promotion:* principal's secretary.
- iii. *Accept Resignations:* .5 FTE teacher, 6 hr ROP teacher, instructional assistants, principal's secretary, bus driver.
- iv. *Approve Request for Leave of Absence for 05/06:* instructional assistant
- v. *Amend Personnel Order 2005/06-02:* 3 hr ROP Instructor (Temp) to 6 hr ROP Instructor (Temp), 1.0 FTE Spanish Teacher (Prob 1) to .8 FTE Teacher (Prob 1).

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

**B. Discipline**

Mrs. Bannar made a motion to approve the following recommendations as submitted; Mrs. Fernald seconded the motion. *Ayes:* David/Bannar/Fernald/Forte. *Noes:* None. *Absent:* Novasel.

- i. *Recommendation for Suspension of Expulsion No. 2004/05-24*  
The student was expelled for severely injuring another student and has met all of the requirements of expulsion to date. **The student may return to STHS on a suspended expulsion until January 24, 2006.**
- ii. *Recommendation for Suspension of Expulsion No. 2004/05-17*  
The student was expelled for selling drugs or narcotics to an undercover police officer and has met all of the requirements of expulsion to date. **The student may return to STHS on a suspended expulsion until December 15, 2005.**

**Item 7. ACTION ON ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION (continued)**

**B. Discipline (continued)**

- iii. *Recommendation for Suspension of Expulsion No. 2003/04-29*  
The student was expelled for possession and sale of a controlled substance and has met all of the requirements of expulsion to date. **The student may return to STHS on a suspended expulsion until December 15, 2005.**
- iv. *Recommendation for Readmission After Expulsion No. 2003/04-32*  
The student was expelled for being under the influence of marijuana and has met all of the requirements of expulsion to date. **The student may return to STHS.**
- v. *Recommendation for Suspension of Expulsion No. 2004/05-02*  
The student was expelled for marijuana-related offenses and fighting on September 7, 2004. He was placed on a suspended expulsion which he violated and was expelled. He has not met all of the requirements of expulsion to date. **The student may return to STHS on a suspended expulsion until December 15, 2005.**
- vi. *Recommendation for Expulsion No. 2004/05-01*  
The student was expelled for marijuana-related offenses on September 7, 2004. He was placed on a suspended expulsion which he violated and was expelled. He has not met all of the requirements of expulsion to date. **The term of the expulsion is extended until January 27, 2006.**
- vii. *Recommendation for Expulsion No. 2004/05-26*  
The student was suspended for stealing a district vehicle in February 2005 and has been incarcerated since then. **The student is expelled until February 8, 2006.**

**Item 8. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC**

South Tahoe High School Principal, Marcia Kaster, addressing the District's contract with SLTPD for the School Resource Officer program, gave high praise to Officer Johnny Poland for his work with students, staff, parents and the community. Working as a liaison to all law enforcement agencies and the community, Officer Johnny, has developed a great rapport with the students, averts crimes, is proactive, and educational. She thanked the Board for their continued support of the program. Marcia is also very excited about their new surroundings at STHS after another round of modernization this summer. She loves the new start time and seeing kids awake and ready to learn. She thanked Mike Patton and the staff of Albertsons for providing supplies and staff for Homecoming events.

**Item 9. ANNOUNCEMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, AND REPORTS**

**A. Support S.T.A.T. (South Tahoe Athletic Teams)**

- i. Mark Garratt provided the Board with an update regarding S.T.A.T.'s plans to raise at least \$75,000 this year to help defray the "fair share" athletic donation of \$115 per student for those who can't afford the donation. The 2nd Annual Golf Tournament is on September 25<sup>th</sup>. Mark thanked Tahoe Paradise Golf Course and Lira's for their major contributions to this event. S.T.A.T. will also be funding a "Concussion Impact Test" for athletes, which can be filed away and used as a baseline for doctors in the event of an accident. They will be selling the Timberwolf Cards again this year. A Radiothon is scheduled for February or March, STAT Banners, Heavenly Chairs, and grant writing are also in the works.
- ii. Wendy David presented the "**Kids First Award**" to Mr. Garratt on behalf of the Board of Education to recognize S.T.A.T.'s outstanding contribution to the District in raising \$200,000 last year for athletics and in continuing their efforts this year.

**Student Representative Report**

Mari Peshon reported on the many events that are being planned by students at STHS such as Homecoming, a SMILE day for parents in October, guest speakers, a Dodgeball Tournament, spirit days, movie nights, and fund raising efforts.

**B. Board of Education Report**

**Madeline Fernald** is looking forward to Back-to-School Night. **Barbara Banner** visited Tahoe Valley, STHS and Mt. Tallac. She said that the new offices are beautiful and things are very positive at schools. **Doug Forte** visited Sierra House and the improvements are great there. **Wendy David** visited Sierra House and the Magnet School. She said that there are tons of positive changes and a sense of calm in the District.

**C. Superintendent Report**

Dr. Tarwater reported that enrollment is up 70 students from the end of last school year (4,474 vs. 4,544); however, it is down 226 from last year's CBEDS count. He said that principals are busy readjusting classes and planning for intensive intervention programs using the new Individualized Assessment Profile. Bijou and STMS did not meet the State goals for improvement of the second year and have been identified as Program Improvement Schools. Parents will be notified and providers will need to be in place to provide tutoring.

**Item 10. DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

**A. Approve 2004-2005 Unaudited Actual Financial Report for Year Ending June 30, 2005**

Harriett Lacey and Terri Ryland, CPA, presented the Annual Financial Statement for all funds showing the actual revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year ending 6/30/05. Ms. Ryland reported that revenues exceeded expenditures by \$403,000 and the District can meet the mandated 3% reserve for the current and next two years. \$500,000 has been set aside as a new "emergency reserve" for unexpected expenditures such as unanticipated Special Ed. Fair hearings or variable transportation costs. A bus replacement fund of \$150,000 has also been established along with a \$660,000 reserve for declining enrollment. Ms. Ryland reported that Special Education encroachment on the General Fund was \$300,000 lower than budget and all other revenues were as projected. On the expenditure side, the District realized a \$200,000 savings on salaries due to unfilled positions and turnover; employ benefit savings of \$250,000; and \$200,000 savings in insurances, leases, and professional services. An update on the 2005/2006 budget will be provided at the December 13<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. **Mrs. Bannar made a motion to approve the 2004-2005 Unaudited Actual Financial Report; Mrs. Fernald seconded the motion. Ayes: David/ Bannar/Fernald/ Forte. Noes: None. Absent: Novasel.**

**B. Approve Adoption of a Sister School Impacted by Hurricane Katrina and Adoption of Resolution No. 2005/06-05**

Jodi Dayberry told the Board that she is heading a grassroots effort to reach out to school districts in the Louisiana / Mississippi area to provide assistance to staff and students impacted by Hurricane Katrina. She and Angela Swanson have already been in contact with several schools that need help and she asked the Board to pass a resolution as a show of support for students, staff, and parents who want to be involved in these efforts. A planning meeting is scheduled for 9/21/05 in her classroom. **Mrs. Fernald made a motion to approve adoption of a sister school impacted by Hurricane Katrina and adoption of Resolution No. 2005/2006-05; Mrs. Bannar seconded the motion. Ayes: David/ Bannar/Fernald/Forte. Noes: None. Absent: Novasel.**

**C. Second Reading and Adoption Board Policy**

i. BP 4217.2, 4117.2, 4317.2 Personnel - Resignation.

**Mr. Forte made a motion to adopt Board Policy 4217.2, 4117.2, 4317.2 Personnel – Resignation.; Mrs. Bannar seconded the motion. Ayes: David/ Bannar/Fernald/Forte. Noes: None. Absent: Novasel.**

**Item 11. CONSENT AGENDA**

*The Board approved the following items:*

Payment Order: No. 2005/06-3  
Resolutions: No. 2005/06-03, Declare Appropriations Do Not Exceed the Gann Limit  
No. 2005/06-04, Authorization to Purchase of School Bus  
Contracts: MOU Between Family Resource Center and LTUSD  
Advanced Placement Agreement with LTCC for 2005/2006  
MOU Concerning Operation of the School Resource Officer Program

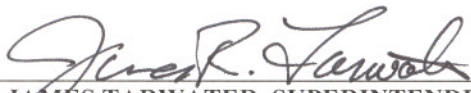
Quarterly Investment Portfolio Report

Board Minutes: August 9<sup>th</sup> and August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Mrs. Fernald made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted; Mrs. Bannar seconded the motion. Ayes: David/ Bannar/Fernald/Forte. Noes: None. Absent: Novasel.**

**Item 12. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.



DR. JAMES TARWATER, SUPERINTENDENT  
AND SECRETARY TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION