



**LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 12, 2006**

EDUCATION CENTER BOARD ROOM and
SOUTH TAHOE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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

Board Members / Reps.	Staff Members Present		
Barbara Bannar Doug Forte Angela Swanson Sue Novasel Wendy David Ashley Rumble	Dr. James Tarwater Beth Delacour Debra Yates Steve Morales Angie Freeman Mark Romagnolo Jim Watson Carla Zezula Bernadette Santana Karen Sanchagrin Jill Colvin Tisha Seims Terri Houser Pam Fritz Gini Gunsch Margaret Whitfield	Sandy Bobman Cyndy Horn Hillary Dembroff Pam Matteucci Sabrina Zalles David Berne Kim Stephenson Jeanne Payne Marsha Butler Erin Esposito Gary Horton, Jr. Robin Hall Irene Kaelin Karen Nighswonger Ali Kipkee-Lee Juana Anthenien	Sally Loomis Linda Wysong Karen Boyer Ken Ralls Joe Pfeil Judy Schwartz Louise Ann Simon Steve Hayward Bonnie Oliver Rhonda VanDeusen Paul Kushner Karen Miner Judy Simmons Randy Long Linda Kurek Brenda Orique
Guests Present			
Harry Segal Heidi Dodge Jan Long Steve Kurek Kae Reed Dr. Barry Keil			

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 5:03 p.m at the Education Center Board Room.

Items 2-4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION/ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION/ RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Wendy David announced the items to be discussed in closed session, adjourned the regular meeting to closed session at 5:04p.m. and reconvened to open session at South Tahoe Middle School Multi-purpose Room at 6:10 p.m.

Item 5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Item 6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Forte made a motion to approve the agenda as submitted; Ms. Swanson seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Bannar/Forte/Novasel/Swanson. Noes: None.

Item 7. ACTION ON ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION (Government Code Section 54954.5)

A. Personnel Order No. 2006-07-09 (Government Code 54957)

Beth Delacour submitted a revised personnel order.

- i. *Hire*: instructional assistant, substitute teachers, teachers (temp/2nd semester), and secretary/instructional assistant.
- ii. *Accept Change of Status*: change of status of teachers from Temp to Perm.
- iii. *Accept Request for Unpaid Leave of Absence*: teachers.
- iv. *Accept Resignation*: instructional assistant.

Mrs. Bannar made a motion to approve the personnel order as amended; Mr. Forte seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Bannar/Forte/Novasel/Swanson. Noes: None

Item 7. ACTION ON ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION (Government Code Section 54954.5) (continued)

B. Discipline (Education Code 35146 and Government Code 54950)

Mrs. Novasel made a motion to approve the following Recommendations as submitted; Mrs. Bannar seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Bannar/Forte/Novasel/Swanson. Noes: None

i. Recommendation for Suspended Expulsion No. 2006/07-01

The student was involved in a fight and left campus. In March 2006, the student was suspended for a drug-related infraction. **The student will be placed on a suspended expulsion at Mt. Tallac High School.**

ii. Recommendation for Expulsion No. 2006/07-02

The student was involved in a fight and left campus. The student was readmitted to school after a one year expulsion in September 2006. **The student will be placed on a suspended expulsion.**

iii. Approve Extension of Suspension No. 2006/07-03

The student was involved in a fight at STHS. **The suspension will be extended until an expulsion hearing can be held.**

iv. Recommendation for Suspension of Expulsion No. 2005/06-17

The student was expelled in March 2006 after accruing twenty days of suspension during the school year. **The student met all conditions of expulsion and is allowed to return to school at South Tahoe High School.**

C. Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code 54957.6)

Dr. James Tarwater, Superintendent, Allen Vinson, Attorney-at-Law, Beth Delacour, Director of Human Resources, and Debra Yates, CFO, conferenced with the Board regarding negotiations with South Tahoe Educators Association (STEA) and California School Employees Association (CSEA). **Mrs. David announced that a tentative agreement has been reached with STEA for 2005/06, 2006/07, and 2007/08. The Board intends to ratify this agreement at its next meeting on January 9, 2007.**

Item 8. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

Steve Hayward, STEA President, thanked the Board and everyone in his organization for working to reach the tentative agreement. He said that he is happy that teachers are becoming part of the budgetary process. **Heidi Dodge**, parent and School Site Council member at Bijou Community School, asked the Board where she and other parents can turn for answers on what to do when teachers "are taking it out on the students" during work-to-rule actions. Wendy David said that she can contact the Superintendent with issues that may arise.

Item 9. ANNOUNCEMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, AND REPORTS

A. Report by South Tahoe High School Student Representative

Ashley Rumble reported that about 500 people showed up last weekend for the basketball tournament and they had a SPAT (Student Principal Action Team) meeting to talk about how to improve the new 4 x 4 schedule. She and twenty-three of her fellow ASB (Associated Student Body) leaders are off to Los Angeles this weekend, chaperoned by Ivone Larson, Bob Grant, and AJ Jimenez, for a conference.

B. Board of Education Report

Sue Novasel said that she is happy with the tentative agreement. She attended the CSBA (California School Boards Association) Annual Conference and heard a report from Scott Plotkin who said that there are some rocky times ahead, especially if the Governor decreases funding for education again, coupled with issues of declining enrollment. **Wendy David** thanked STEA and the District's negotiating team for their work on behalf of the Board in reaching a tentative agreement.

C. Superintendent Report

Referring to the tentative agreement, Dr. Tarwater said that it was a long road with many turns but "it's nice to see an ending that was beneficial to all parties". He is happy with the three-year agreement, through 2008, and is looking forward to planning for the future.

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Item 10. DISCUSSION AND ACTION

A. Annual Organizational Meeting

- i. Elect President of the Board
Angela Swanson nominated Barbara Bannar as President of the Board for the 2007 calendar year; Sue Novasel seconded the nomination. Ayes: David/Bannar/Forte/Novasel/Swanson. Noes: None
- ii. Elect Clerk of the Board
Wendy David nominated Sue Novasel as Clerk of the Board for the 2007 calendar year; Doug Forte seconded the nomination. Ayes: David/Bannar/Forte/Novasel/Swanson. Noes: None
- iii. Appoint Representative to the County Committee on School District Organization
Wendy David was appointed as Representative to the County Committee on School District Organization.
- iv. Appoint Representative to Central Sierra Regional Occupation Program
Sue Novasel was appointed as Representative to Central Sierra Regional Occupation Program.
- v. Appoint Representative to El Dorado County School Boards Association
Doug Forte was appointed as Representative to El Dorado County School Boards Association. Angela Swanson was appointed as an alternate representative.
- vi. Appoint two Representatives to the Facilities Committee
Sue Novasel and Angela Swanson were appointed as Representatives to the Facilities Committee. Wendy David was appointed as an alternate representative.
- vii. Set Times, Dates, and Places of Regular Board Meetings
The Board reviewed the schedule listing meetings on the second and fourth Tuesdays at the Education Center and school sites and deemed it to be the minimum number of meetings needed, understanding that Special Meetings may be called from time to time when study sessions are needed or other issues arise.
Mrs. Novasel made a motion to approve the times, dates, and places of regular Board Meetings as submitted; Mrs. David seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Bannar/Forte/Novasel/Swanson. Noes: None

B. Approve 2006/2007 First Interim Report

Chief Financial Officer, Debra Yates presented the First Interim Report, covering financial activity from July 1 through October 1, 2006, for approval. She explained current budget estimates and changes in the budget since its adoption in June. Revenues are projected to be \$36.6 million, while expenses are projected to be \$37.1 million. At this time, Ms. Yates said that the District will be able to meet its obligations for the current and two subsequent fiscal years and will have a positive cash flow at the end of the year. **Mrs. David made a motion to approve the 2006/07 First Interim Report as submitted. Mr. Forte seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Bannar/Forte/Novasel/Swanson. Noes: None**

C. Authorize Director of Facilities to Advertise for Bids for the South Tahoe Middle School Gymnasium and Locker Room Modernization

Steve Morales brought this item to the Board on November 28th, but the Board asked him to provide more details and called a special meeting on December 6th to discuss the issue. He provided another brief explanation of the project, which includes structural strengthening and renovation of the gym and locker room, and requested authorization to advertise for bids. **Mrs. Novasel made a motion to authorize the Director of Facilities to advertise for bids. Ms. Swanson seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Bannar/Forte/Novasel/Swanson. Noes: None**

D. Set Date for Board Self-Evaluation and Superintendent Evaluation

The Board wishes to conduct a self-evaluation and also to evaluate the Superintendent's performance. They will look at different models for their self-evaluation and will conduct both of these reviews on January 23, 2007. The Superintendent evaluation will be held in closed session and the Board evaluation in open session.

E. Approve Resolution

Resolution No. 2006/2007-09, Budget Revision #07-002. Debra Yates explained that this resolution codifies all of the changes that were made in the First Interim Report.
Mrs. Novasel made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2006/07-09. Mrs. David seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Bannar/Forte/Novasel/Swanson. Noes: None

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Item 11. CONSENT AGENDA

The Board approved the following items:

Payment Order No. 2006/07-9 and Board Minutes from the November 28 and December 6, 2006 meetings. Mrs. David made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted; Mr. Forte seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Novasel/ Bannar/Forte/Swanson. Noes: None.

Items 12-14. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION/ RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION/ACTION

No adjournment was necessary.

Item 15. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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