



*LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT*  
*BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES*  
**REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 10, 2007**

EDUCATION CENTER BOARD ROOM  
1021 Al Tahoe Boulevard, South Lake Tahoe, CA

4:00 PM - REGULAR CLOSED SESSION  
4:30 PM - REGULAR OPEN SESSION

Board Members	Staff Members Present		Guests Present
Angela Swanson Sue Novasel Wendy David <b>Absent:</b> Barbara Bannar and Hal Cole	Dr. James Tarwater Debra Yates Beth Delacour Angie Keil Lynn Dupree	Christina Grubbs Cindi Elias Steve Morales Charna Silver Jim Watson	Virginia Glenn

**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 Sue Novasel at 4:05 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**

Mrs. Novasel announced the items to be discussed in closed session. She adjourned the regular meeting to closed session at 4:05 p.m. and reconvened to open session at 4:35 p.m.

**Item 5. ACTION ON ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION (Government Code Section 54954.5)**

**A. Personnel Order No. 2007/08-01 (Government Code 54957)**

- i. *Hire*: Bilingual Community Liaison, instructional assistants – summer school, and teachers.
- ii. *Accept Resignation*: instructional assistants.
- iii. *Accept Retirement*: instructional assistant.
- iv. *Request for Leave of Absence*: teacher.

**Mrs. David made a motion to approve Personnel Order No. 2007/08-01; Ms. Swanson seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Swanson/Novasel. Absent: Bannar/Cole. Noes: None**

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

**Ms. Swanson made a motion to approve the following recommendation; Mrs. David seconded the motion.**

**Ayes: David/Swanson/Novasel. Absent: Bannar/Cole. Noes: None**

- i. *Recommendation for Suspended Expulsion No. 2006/07-12*

The student stole alcohol and proceeded to consume the alcohol. The student was also intoxicated at school on another occasion. **The student will be placed on a suspended expulsion.**

**C. Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code 54957.6)**

Dr. James Tarwater, Superintendent, 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). **No action was taken.**

**Item 6 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**Item 7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

**Item 8. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC**

No Comments.

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

**A. Report on Partners in Education (PIE) at Bijou Community School**

Teachers, Charna Silver and Christina Grubbs updated the Board on steps being taken to involve parents as partners in their children's education at Bijou Community School. They have written and have been awarded the Nell Soto grant to create a Parent Center at their school, which will provide books, trainings, and support for parents to get them more involved. The grant will also allow teachers to conduct home visits. Charna Silver attended a four-day training in San Diego and is now certified to set up the parent center. Both teachers encouraged the Board to be involved with their planning team and invited them to a meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

**B. Presentation on 2007/2008 Budget**

Debra Yates made a brief presentation on the Budget, which was adopted at the June 27, 2007 Emergency Board Meeting. She said that the District will receive a 4.53% inflation increase and is projecting to lose another one hundred students, bringing projected enrollment for 2007/2008 to 4207 students. Although the District is still in a deficit spending mode, there are enough reserves to carry us through 2010, at which time the ending balance is estimated to be \$1.7 million, down from the \$3.3 million projected ending balance for 2007/2008. The District continues to "tighten its belt" in line with declining enrollment.

**C. Board of Education Report**

No comments.

**D. Superintendent Report**

No comment.

**Item 10. DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

**A. Approve Career Technical Education Plan**

Virginia Matus-Glenn, a retired administrator who has been assisting Ivone Larson with the Career Technical Education Plan, gave the Board an overview of the plan, which is a living document intended to provide a comprehensive guideline for career pathway options. The first phase will be to create a "Green Academy". Students would be interviewed for admission into the academy and placed in an appropriate "pathway" depending on their career interests. The proposed pathways would be: residential and commercial construction; vehicle maintenance, repair, and service; forestry and natural resources; food service, hospitality, tourism and recreation along with a post -secondary education pathway. The District must submit a separate grant application for each pathway, with construction being the first one, and each grant is worth about \$3 million, which can be used for construction and equipment. The application is due to the State Department of Education by August 1<sup>st</sup> and, if approved, the District would need to raise matching dollars through a school bond measure or other means. A team from the District visited a model career tech program in Stockton and were thoroughly impressed and convinced that this would be an excellent program for our area. **Ms. Swanson made a motion to approve the Career Technical Education Plan as submitted under separate cover; Mrs. David seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Swanson/Novasel. Absent: Bannar/Cole. Noes: None**

**B. Approve Request for Statement of Qualifications to Serve as Financial Advisor to LTUSD**

Dr. Tarwater explained that, as the District moves ahead with its facilities plans, it will become necessary to raise matching funds through a school bond measure. In order to guide the Board through the election is seeking a qualified provider for financial advisory services related to the issuance of school building bonds and other financial services. They reviewed the format for the request and Ms. Swanson requested that an additional question be added "#12 List successful bond sales/campaigns and date/place". **Mrs. David made a motion to approve the format for the Request for Statement of Qualifications; Ms. Swanson seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Swanson/Novasel. Absent: Bannar/Cole. Noes: None**

**C. Ratify Actions Taken at June 27, 2007 Board Meeting**

Dr. Tarwater explained that, due to the unpredictable nature of the Angora Fire during the week of June 24-30, 2007, the regular meeting of June 26, 2007 was rescheduled to June 27, 2007. He requested that the Board ratify the actions taken at the emergency meeting. **Ms. Swanson made a motion to ratify all of the actions taken by the Board at the June 27, 2007 Emergency Meeting; Mrs. David seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Swanson/Novasel. Absent: Bannar/Cole. Noes: None**

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**Item 10. DISCUSSION AND ACTION** (continued)

**D. Approve Resolutions**

- i. Resolution No. 2007/08-01, Authorization to Teach Driver Education and Driver Training.  
Beth Delacour explained that with the retirement in 2005 the Driver Training & Education teacher, Mr. Jim Kruk is eligible under Education Code 44634 to teach the class upon receiving Board approval. **Mrs. David made a motion to approve the Resolution No. 2007/08-01; Ms. Swanson seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Swanson/Novasel. Absent: Bannar/Cole. Noes: None**

**E. Second Reading and Adoption of Revisions to Board Policies and Administrative Regulations – Parent Involvement**

The Board reviewed the updates that are required to policies in compliance with state and federal regulations, and no changes were recommended to *i. Replace BP / Add AR 6020 Parent Involvement* and *i. Replace BP/AR 6171 Title I Programs*. **Ms. Swanson made a motion to replace the policies and administrative regulations as recommended; Mrs. David seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Swanson/ Novasel. Absent: Bannar/Cole. Noes: None**

**Item 11. CONSENT AGENDA**

*The Board approved the following consent items:*

Payment Order # 2006/07-20; accept donations totaling \$300, and Board of Education Minutes for June 27, 2007. **Ms. Swanson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted; Mrs. David seconded the motion. Ayes: David/Swanson/Novasel. Absent: Bannar/Cole. Noes: None**

**Item 12. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

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