



**LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING OF AUGUST 15-16, 2007**

EDUCATION CENTER BOARD ROOM  
1021 Al Tahoe Boulevard, South Lake Tahoe, CA  
AND SIERRA-AT-TAHOE RESORT  
1111 Sierra-at-Tahoe Road, Twin Bridges, CA

9:00-3:30 PM 8/15/07 SPECIAL OPEN SESSION  
8:30-9:00 AM 8/16/07 SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION  
9:30-2:15 PM 8/16/07 SPECIAL OPEN SESSION

Board Members	Staff Members Present		
Wendy David Angela Swanson Sue Novasel Barbara Bannar	Dr. James Tarwater Debra Yates Beth Delacour Angie Keil	Steve Morales Jim Watson Mark Romagnolo Shelley Giannotta	Karen Gillis-Tinlin Jackie Nelson Ivone Larson Marie Meagher

**Item 1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Open Session of the special meeting of the Lake Tahoe Unified School District Board of Education was called to order by Barbara Bannar at 9:09 a.m. at Sierra-at-Tahoe Resort.

**Item 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

**Item 3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was waived.

**Item 4. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC**

No Comments.

**Item 5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

**A. Board Communication**

Dr. Tarwater led the Board in a self-evaluation and a discussion of their roles as Board members. They discussed their strengths and areas they need to improve, the format of board meetings, and their school visitation schedules, and communication. **No action was taken.**

**B. Goals for the 2007/2008 School Year**

Dr. Tarwater explained that the Leadership Team has developed goals for the 2007/2008 school year and will be sharing them with the Board in the afternoon. The Board discussed areas that are important, such as literacy, academic performance, communication with the community, safety, health, discipline, program enhancement, academic needs of English learners, and facilities. They want to create a clear sense of direct and forward movement for the District as a whole. **No action was taken.**

**Item 6. RECESS FOR LUNCH**

Barbara Bannar recessed the meeting at 11:43 and joined by the Leadership Team for lunch.

**Item 7. RECONVENE INTO SPECIAL OPEN SESSION**

Barbara Bannar reconvened the meeting into special session at 12:51 p.m.

**Item 8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION (CONTINUED)**

**C. Presentation by Administrators Regarding Site and Department Goals for 2007/2008**

Site and department administrators shared the goals that they have each developed for the 2007/2008 school year. Each administrator listed their plans of action for themselves, their staff, and families in the following four areas: Academic Success for All, Community Connectedness, Climate/Culture, and Facilities Planning. **No action was taken.**

**Item 9. RECESS SPECIAL OPEN SESSION**

Barbara Bannar recessed the Special Open Session at 3:35 p.m. until Thursday, August 16, 2007 at 8:30 p.m. at the Education Center Board Room.

**Item 10. RECONVENE TO SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION AT EDUCATION CENTER BOARD ROOM**  
(Government Code Section 54954.5)

Barbara Bannar reconvened the meeting to special closed session on Thursday, August 16, 2007 at 8:33 a.m. to discuss personnel and existing litigation items. Beth Delacour submitted a revised Personnel Order No. 2007/08-02 .

**Item 10.1 RECONVENE TO SPECIAL OPEN SESSION/ACTION ON ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION**

Barbara Bannar reconvened the meeting to Special Open Session at 8:45 a.m. **Mrs. David made a motion to approve the personnel order as amended; Mrs. Novasel seconded the motion. Ayes: David/ Swanson/Novasel/Bannar. Noes: None**

**A. Personnel Order No. 2007/08-02 (Government Code 54957)**

- i. *Hire:* teachers, substitute teachers and campus security assistant.
- ii. *Approve Student Teachers:* two teachers.
- iii. *Accept Resignations:* teachers, instructional assistant/school office assistant, Boys Varsity Tennis Coach, and senior accounting assistant.
- iv. *Accept Retirement:* vehicle maintenance supervisor.
- v. *Approve Reauthorization:* principal/elementary curriculum.

**B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code 54956.9)**

The Board heard a report on the anticipated settlement terms of Case # CIV. S-01-1520 MCE GGH – United States of America (Plaintiff) vs. El Dorado County, et. al pursuant to subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9. **Mrs. David made a motion to authorize Dr. James R. Tarwater to accept the terms of the settlement and to sign any documents on their behalf related to said settlement; Mrs. Novasel seconded the motion. Ayes: David/ Swanson/Novasel/Bannar. Noes: None**

**Item 11. RECESS SPECIAL SESSION AT EDUCATION CENTER**

Barbara Bannar recessed the Special Open Session at the Education Center at 8:55 a.m., indicating that the Board would travel to Sierra-at-Tahoe Resort to join the Leadership Team for a special open session to discuss facilities.

**Item 12. RECONVENE TO SPECIAL OPEN SESSION AT SIERRA-AT-TAHOE RESORT**

Barbara Bannar reconvened the meeting to Special Open Session at Sierra-at Tahoe Resort at 9:55 a.m.

**Item 13. DISCUSSION AND ACTION (CONTINUED)**

**D. Review Facilities Master Plan**

Steve Morales recapped the history of projects completed and principals listed their facility needs. The Board and Leadership Team reviewed the Facilities Master Plan and discussed school site projects for a future bond measure.

**Item 14. RECESS FOR LUNCH**

Barbara Bannar recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:05 p.m.

**Item 15. RECONVENE INTO SPECIAL OPEN SESSION**

Barbara Bannar reconvened the meeting to Special Open Session at 12:58 p.m.

**Item 16. DISCUSSION AND ACTION (CONTINUED)**

**D. Review Facilities Master Plan (continued)**

The Board and Leadership Team continued to review the Facilities Master Plan and the discussion of school site projects for a future bond measure. **No action was taken.**

**E. Approve Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution – #2007/2008-02**

Debra Yates explained that the District intends to apply for Federal and State reimbursements for expenditures incurred during the Angora Fire and asked for approval of a resolution authorizing Dr. Tarwater, Beth Delacour, and Debra Yates to file the application. **Mrs. David made a motion approve the resolution; Ms. Swanson seconded the motion. Ayes: David/ Swanson/Novasel/Bannar. Noes: None**

**Item 17. ADJOURN**

Barbara Bannar adjourned the meeting at 2:28 p.m.

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