

TUOLUMNE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
September 12, 2011
4:00 p.m.
County Schools Office, Room 217



MINUTES

Board President Joe von Herrmann called the meeting to order at 4:06 and asked Trustee Barreiro to lead the audience in the pledge.

Members Present: Joe von Herrmann Maureen Barreiro
 Sharon Mele Juliana Feriani
 Sherri Brennan

Staff: Danna Fritz, Margie Bulkin, Leigh Ann Blessing, Jon Lenz, Kelly Gabrielli, Diana Baumhover, Darlene Hodge

Guests: Lacey Peterson, Jim Frost, Mari Brabbin, Todd Stolp, Bebo Malone, Pete Fogarty, Jan Bloom

Public Comment:
None

Public Hearing:
The board held a public hearing regarding Sufficiency of Instructional Materials for Tuolumne County SELPA, and the County Schools Programs for the 2011-2012 school year. There was no public comment.

Consent Agenda

Trustee Feriani moved to adopt the consent agenda as presented.

Second: Trustee Mele
Ayes: von Herrmann, Barreiro, Brennan
Noes: None

District Reports

Jim Frost, Superintendent of Big Oak Flat-Groveland school district, spoke briefly on several items. They have had a very positive start to the year, and enrollment is up a little, which they are very pleased about. He spoke about the modernization of the Tenaya gym, the upgrade to the Tenaya playground, and Tioga classroom replacement. Also, they will be using developer fees to upgrade technology throughout the district. They are looking at using state emergency funds to move the fueling/transportation facility at Tenaya as it is currently in an unsafe location.

Presentations/Recognition

Superintendent Joe Silva, and County Health Officer Todd Stolp presented Bebo Malone of Jamestown Elementary with a small gift of appreciation for her work on the Tdap vaccinations. They both spoke on how competent Bebo is, and how she has set the benchmark for making sure 100% of students at Jamestown were compliant with the Tdap requirements before the start of school.

Staff Reports

Marguerite Bulkin, Deputy Superintendent, Education Services gave Powerpoint presentation on the Annual Performance Index (API) and Annual Yearly Progress (AYP). She explained what factors go into determining both, and showed graphs representing where all the districts in the county fall in relation state and county averages. She explained that while a district can be at or above API (the state's accountability measure), it can still not meet AYP (the federal government's accountability measure), because AYP is a moving target, with the target being 100% proficiency in core areas in just a few years. This is really in unattainable goal because it does not take into consideration special populations. Failure to meet AYP causes schools to go into Program Improvement (PI). Six schools in Tuolumne County are in PI now, but because the goal keeps moving to 100%, all schools will eventually in PI. The state is addressing this issue, and a new accountability measure will begin in 2014 that will replace the currently used STAR test.

Action Items

Resolution #2011-07, Sufficiency of Instructional Materials Tuolumne County SELPA 2011-2012

The board was presented with information regarding the sufficiency of Instructional Materials for the SELPA Programs. All students have sufficient textbooks or instructional materials in each subject that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum frameworks adopted by the State Board of Education.

Trustee Feriani moved to adopt Resolution #2011-07

Second: Trustee Brennan

Ayes: von Herrmann, Mele, Barreiro

Noes: None

Resolution #2011-08, Sufficiency of Instructional Materials County Schools Programs 2011-2012

The board was presented with information regarding the sufficiency of Instructional Materials for the County Schools Programs. All students have sufficient textbooks or instructional materials in each subject that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum frameworks adopted by the State Board of Education.

Trustee Feriani moved to adopt Resolution #2011-08

Second: Trustee Bremman

Ayes: von Herrmann, Mele, Barreiro

Noes: None

SARB Board

Jeanie Smith submitted the names of the individuals who have been asked to serve as members of the School Attendance Review Board.

Trustee Brennan moved to accept the 2011/12 SARB Board

Second: Trustee Mele and Trustee Barreiro

Ayes: von Herrmann, Feriani

Noes: None

Discussion Items

Board President von Herrmann gave a brief background on the Golden Lakes Charter, and assured everyone that the board only had a few things to discuss. There was no public comment. Superintendent Silva stated that the charter has met each point on the MOU. Mari Brabbin said that school started on Tuesday, September 6th, and they had 92 students. They have had a few more come to visit the school, so their enrollment may go up. Mari also thanked Danna Fritz for her help and expertise regarding credentialing questions.

Information Items

None

Comments:

County Superintendent

- Superintendent Silva reported on a budget meeting he attended in Sacramento.
- He has been asked to be the CA representative for AESA (Association of Educational Services Agencies). There are 4 meetings per year—it is a national organization, so meetings are all over the country, but AESA pays for them.
- Superintendent Silva discussed how our office handles questions from the media regarding situations at the districts. We will respond to questions with facts from Ed Code, etc. , but it is not our roll to get involved.

Board

- Trustee von Herrmann indicated that he appreciates how the office handles requests from the media.
- Trustee Feriani reported on the CCBE conference she attended. She got lots of useful information and encouraged the other board members to attend next year.
- Trustee von Herrmann asked the board if they would be interested in another Board Workshop. All indicated that yes, they would be.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:14 pm.

Joseph A. Silva Jr.

County Superintendent and Secretary to the Board