

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees MINUTES

May 4, 2023

Call to Order

Board President Laura Fonseca called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Laura Fonseca (President); Cathy Mederos (Vice President); Tyler Ribeiro (Board Clerk); Craig Hamilton, Absent: Kelley Nicholson

Staff Members Present:

Lucy Van Scyoc, Ed.D, Superintendent, Tammy Aldaco, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources & Business, Kevin Covert, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum, Assessment, and Technology, Vivian Hamilton, Chief Business Officer

Adopt Agenda

On a motion by Craig Hamilton and second by Tyler Ribeiro, the Board approved the agenda by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro

Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

Identify Closed Session Topics Laura Fonseca, Board President, identified the Closed Session items:

- 2.1 Public Employee Assignment/Reassignment/Appointment of Certificated and Classified Personnel (Government Code section 54957)
- 2.2 Public Employee Resignations, Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint (Government Code section 54957)
- 2.3 Conference with Legal Counsel Pending/Anticipated Litigation Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9 – Number of cases: (1) Jane Doe v. Tulare Joint Union High School District, et al. – Civil Case No. VCU294106
- 2.4 Student Transfers, Student Confidential Matters, Student Reinstatements, Student Expulsions (Education Code Sections 48900, et. seq.)
- 2.5 Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Negotiators:

Lucy Van Scyoc, Ed.D., Superintendent

Tammy Aldaco, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources & Business

Kevin Covert, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum, Assessment, & Technology

Vivian Hamilton, Chief Business Officer

Employee Organizations:

- 1. TJUHSD CTA
- 2. TJUHSD CSEA

Public Comment on Closed Session Topics Laura Fonseca opened the public comment on the closed session topics period. There were no public comments on closed session topics. The public session was closed.

Closed Session

The Board adjourned to closed session to deliberate on closed session items.

Convene in Regular Session

The Board convened the Regular Session at 6:47 p.m. A quorum of the Board was present.

Staff Members Present:

Lucy Van Scyoc, Ed.D, Superintendent; Carlos Peralta, Principal, Tulare Tech Prep/Countryside High School; Dan Dutto, Principal, Sierra Vista Charter High School; Dereck Domingues,

Director 1, Child Welfare and Safety; Donny Trimm, Director of Technology; Isidro Carrasco, Principal, Mission Oak High School; Kevin Covert, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum, Assessment, and Technology; Jason Bonds, Director of Facilities; Lori Morton, Director, Tulare Adult School; Maria Bueno, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services and Special Programs;

Roger Robles, Director, Special Education (arrived 6:59 p.m.); Tou Lor, Principal, Tulare Western High School; Tracey Domingues, Board Stenographer; Tammy Aldaco, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources and Business; Vivian Hamilton, Chief Business Officer; Wendi Powell, Principal, Accelerated Charter High School

Absent: Michelle Nunley, Ed.D., Principal, Tulare Union High School

Pledge of Allegiance Laura Fonseca led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Action Taken in Closed Session

Laura Fonseca reported out on the following information from Closed Session.

Personnel Matters

On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Craig Hamilton, the Board voted to approve the regular Personnel Report by the following 4-0 vote:

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Certificated Hires				
Aaron Jacobsma	English	Mission Oak	07/01/2023	
Carmen Paregien	English/Drama	Mission Oak	07/01/2023	
Caroline Linder	English	Mission Oak	07/01/2023	
Deanna Gabbard	Family & Consumer Services	Mission Oak	07/01/2023	
Extra Duty Assignments	As Attached	District Wide	03/31/2023	
Jerry Thompson	Special Education	Mission Oak	07/01/2023	
Laura Molina	Nursing Vocation Nursing Instr.	Tulare Adult School	07/01/2023	
Classified Hires				
Javier Herrera	Bus Mechanic	District Office	06/01/2023	
Volunteer Placement				
Daniel Garcia	Counseling Intern	Tulare Western	07/31/2023	
Glenda Mora	Counseling Intern	Mission Oak	07/31/2023	
Jennifer Diaz	Counseling Intern	Mission Oak	07/31/2023	
Jennifer Meza	Student Observer	Tulare Union	05/05/2023	
Jessica Muller	Psychologist Intern	Countryside	07/31/2023	
Katheryn Yturralde	Student Observer	Mission Oak	05/05/2023	
Maria Munoz Gutierrez	Counseling Intern	Mission Oak	07/31/2023	
Certificated Resignation				
Michael Machado	Social Studies	Mission Oak	06/9/2023	
Classified Resignation				
Andrew Hernandez	Instructional Aide	Tulare Union	06/08/2023	
Ashlyn Romans-Fierro	Work Based Learning Coord.	District Office	06/09/2023	
Corinne Hopper	Instructional Aide	Mission Oak	06/08/2023	
Heidi Fey	Social Worker	Tulare Western	06/08/2023	

Certificated Retirement					
Sylvia Silva	Director of Vocational Nursing	Tulare Adult School	06/30/2023		
	Classified Retirement				
Jerrie Wilson	Clerical Pool Clerk	Tulare Union	06/16/2023		
Certificated Transfer					
Andrea Fernandes	FT Math Coach	Tulare Western	07/01/2023		
Brenda Cervantes	Spanish	Mission Oak	07/01/2023		
Bret Leal	Art	Mission Oak	07/01/2023		
Celina Rodela	Art	Mission Oak	07/01/2023		
Justine Costa	English	Mission Oak	07/01/2023		

Student Matters

On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Tyler Ribeiro, the Board voted (4-0) to approve the following Student Matters as recommended:

one (1) inter-district transfer request SY 2022-2023, for a student to attend a school outside the TJUHSD attendance area while living inside the TJUHSD attendance area, per BP 5117;

three (3) inter-district transfer requests SY 2023-2024, for a student to attend a school outside the TJUHSD attendance area while living inside the TJUHSD attendance area, per BP 5117;

two (2) inter-district transfer requests SY 2022-2023, for a student to attend a school inside the TJUHSD attendance area while living outside the TJUHSD attendance area, per BP 5117;

one (1) inter-district transfer request SY 2023-2024, for a student to attend a school inside the TJUHSD attendance area while living outside the TJUHSD attendance area, per BP 5117.

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

Student Matters

Administrative Panel Recommendations (Action):

On a motion by Craig Hamilton, seconded by Cathy Mederos, the Board approved the Administrative Panel Recommendation for the following 2022-2023 Expulsion:

Case No. TW20220530 School: Tulare Western Recommendation: Expel Grade: 9

Motion carried: 4-0.

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

Correspondence

Dr. Lucy Van Scyoc stated the county office reviewed the 2022-23 Second Period Interim Report of the District and will be able to certify to the California Department of Education that the District has submitted a positive report for the period ending January 31, 2023.

The Board was informed the Tulare Adult School met the ACS WASC criteria for accreditation. The Commission granted TAS a six-year accreditation status through June 30, 2029 with a midcycle visit during the 2025-2026 school year; Accelerated Charter High School just completed their WASC accreditation visit on May 3, 2023. The visiting committee made positive remarks about the school. Dr. Van Scyoc will provide the Board with an official report as soon as she receives it.

Reports by CTA/CSEA

No report from CTA or CSEA.

Citizen Comments

Laura Fonseca opened the public comment period. Antonio Rodriguez introduced himself to the Board. Mr. Rodriguez, former TJUHSD Superintendent, stated he is currently a Board of Trustee for the Tulare County Office of Education. Mr. Rodriguez represents Trustee Area 7, Tulare City and Woodville Union. He advised the TJUHSD Board members and Administration to email him with any questions or concerns regarding the County. Laura Fonseca closed the public comment period.

- 7.1 The Board received the proposed Calendar of Board Meeting dates for the 2023-2024 school year.
- 7.2 The District would like to contract with BSN Sports-US Rewards Program for the purchase and supply of athletic apparel and equipment for Mission Oak High School. The athletic department at MOHS will receive discounts on specific products.
- 7.3 The Board was informed the District is currently under contract with Tulare County SELPA to provide for educationally related mental health support services (ERMHS) for students eligible for special education and related services. Currently, state and federal funds for ERMHS are distributed to the SELPA which then distributes these funds to Member LEAs. The Governor's budget effective the 2023-24 school year, shifts this funding from going to the SELPA and, instead, going directly to each member LEA.

 The District met with Tulare County SELPA about the District providing direct services next year but agreed having Tulare County SELPA manage all services in 2023-2024 fit well with the District's plan. The following year, 2024-2025, after funds are shifted, the District will be better staffed to provide the services to support our special education students directly. Dr. Van Scyoc and Roger Robles responded to questions from the Board.
- 7.4 Lori Morton informed the Board that the Tulare Adult School would like to expand their LVN program by adding an additional annual cohort in partnership with Kaweah Delta Health Care District.
- 7.5 The Board received a contract from MyOneFlow in their packet to review before the meeting. The new student information system will better support the needs of the adult school programs. Lori Morton responded to questions from the Board.
- 7.6 The Board received the Technology Report in their packet for their review. In addition, Donny Trimm stated his department is preparing for the summer projects he has scheduled. Mr. Trimm responded to questions from the Board on the bell system at Mission Oak High School.
- 7.7 The Board received the Facilities and Transportation Update in their packet for their review. In addition, Jason Bonds reported on repairs to the press boxes at Bob Mathias Stadium; and updated the Board on the status of re-bidding the MOHS Aquatic complex. Vivian Hamilton responded to questions from the Board on solar panel connections. She informed the Board the District is waiting for Edison to conduct an inspection. The Board requested information from Mrs. Hamilton on how much the solar panels are saving the District so they can respond to questions from the community.
- 8.1 On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Tyler Ribeiro the Board voted to approve **Resolution No. 2023-10**, "Acknowledgement of School Lunch Hero Day" on May 5, 2023 by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.2 On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Craig Hamilton the Board voted to approve Sunshining of the Bargaining Proposal from the TJUHSD CTA for 2023-2024 by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.3 On a motion by Tyler Ribeiro and second by Cathy Mederos the Board voted to approve Sunshining of the Bargaining Proposal from the TJUHSD to the TJUHSD CTA for 2023-2024 by the following 4-0 vote:

8.4 On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Tyler Ribeiro the Board voted to approve Sunshining of the Bargaining Proposal from the California School Employees Association (CSEA) for the 2023-2024 School Year by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.5 On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Craig Hamilton the Board voted to approve Sunshining of the Bargaining Proposal from the TJUHSD to the California School Employees Association (CSEA) for the 2023-2024 School Year by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.6 On a motion by Tyler Ribeiro and second by Craig Hamilton, the Board approved the Request to Hire an Early Childhood Education Instructor at the Tulare Adult School by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.7 On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Craig Hamilton, the Board approved the Request to Hire a Security Guard Instructor at the Tulare Adult School by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.8 On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Tyler Ribeiro, the Board approved Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6163.2 Regarding Animals at School by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.9 Dereck Domingues requested the Board pull this item from the agenda. The District would like more time to meet with TCOE and discuss how multi-campus districts integrate with ACTVNET. The Board held a discussion and Mr. Domingues and Dr. Van Scyoc responded to questions from the Board.

Due to a lack of motion, this item failed.

8.10 On a motion by Tyler Ribeiro and second by Cathy Mederos, the Board approved the MOU between TCOE and TJUHSD for the Sandy Hook Promise *Say Something* Anonymous Reporting System by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.11 On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Tyler Ribeiro, the Board approved the Agreement between M. Green & Company LLP and TJUHSD for Audit Services for Fiscal Years 2023-2024 through 2025-2026, by the following 5-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.12 On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Tyler Ribeiro, the Board approved the Agreement between M. Green & Company LLP and TJUHSD to Conduct a Performance Audit of the School Facility Program Bond Funds – Tulare High School Agriculture Farm, by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.13 On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Craig Hamilton, the Board approved the Agreement between M. Green & Company LLP and the TJUHSD to Conduct a Performance Audit of the School Facility Program Bond Funds – TWHS Weight Room by the following 4-0 vote:

8.14 On a motion by Tyler Ribeiro and second by Craig Hamilton, the Board approved the Agreement between TJUHSD and Crop Advisor Brian Vercruse, by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.15 On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Craig Hamilton, the Board approved the Amendment to the Agreement with Tulare Noon Kiwanis for Football Concession Services by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.16 On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Tyler Ribeiro, the Board approved Intent to Award Photography Services to Verissimo Photography Services Inc. by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.17 On a motion by Craig Hamilton and second by Tyler Ribeiro, the Board approved the Revised Lease Agreement with Mobile Modular by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.18 On a motion by Tyler Ribeiro and second by Cathy Mederos, the Board approved Resolution #2023-13 Authorizing Application for the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District Public Benefit Grants Program by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.19 The Board approved Item 8.19 with changing "approve" to "ratify" because the agreement was signed prior to the meeting to prevent delays on the project.

On a motion by Craig Hamilton and second by Cathy Mederos, the Board ratified the Agreement between Lane Engineers, Inc. and TJUHSD (Mission Oak High School New Modular Classrooms) by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.20 The Board approved Item 8.20 with changing "approve" to "ratify" because the agreement was signed prior to the meeting to prevent delays on the project.

On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Tyler Ribeiro, the Board ratified the Agreement between Lane Engineers, Inc. and TJUHSD (Tulare Western High School Parking Lot Re-Paving), by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.21 On a motion by Cathy Mederos and second by Craig Hamilton, the Board approved the Overnight Trip Request for the Tulare Western High School Students to Travel to East Lansing, Michigan from May 23-28, 2023 for the "Odyssey of the Mind World Finals", by the following 4-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

8.22 The Board held a brief discussion about parents signing a disclaimer before the students attend the football camp.

On a motion by Craig Hamilton and second by Cathy Mederos, the Board approved the Overnight Trip Request for the Mission Oak High School Football Team to Travel to Hume Lake, CA from May 26-28, 2023 for the "2023 Hume Lake Football Camp" by the following 4-0 vote:

Consent Items

On a motion by Tyler Ribeiro, and second by Cathy Mederos, the Board voted to approve the Consent Calendar by the following 5-0 vote:

Ayes: Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Ribeiro

9.1 Approve Minutes of the Special Board Meeting (Student Board Awards) on 04/12/2023 (No Quorum, Information Only), Regular Board Meeting on 04/20/23, and Special Board Meeting (Student Board Awards) on 04/24/2023

Noes: None Absent: Nicholson

- 9.2 Approve Expenditure Report (Purchase Orders, Payment Vouchers, etc.)
- 9.3 Approve Designation of Tulare Joint Union High School District's Representatives to the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) League for 2023-2024
- 9.4 Approve Agreement Between Adventist Health and Tulare Joint Union High School District
- 9.5 Approve Countryside/TYSB Renewal Contract for the 2023-2024 School Year
- 9.6 Approve Amendment to the Food Service Agreement with the Tulare County of Schools and Tulare Joint Union High School District for Summer 2023
- 9.7 Approve Donation to Mission Oak High School ASB Football and Basketball Clubs from Vincent Benegar
- 9.8 Approve Donation to Mission Oak High School ASB FBLA Club from California Future Business Leaders of America
- 9.9 Approve Donation to Mission Oak High School ASB S Club from Soroptimist International
- 9.10 Approve Donation to Tulare Union High School SOPAS ASB Club from TDES Holy Ghost Celebration
- 9.11 Approve Donation to Tulare Union High School ASB Band Club from J.D. Heiskell Holdings LLC
- 9.12 Approve Donation to Tulare Union High School ASB Pep Squad Club from Tulare Union Cheer Boosters
- 9.13 Approve Donation to Tulare Western High School ASB Softball Club from Charities Aid Foundation America
- 9.14 Approve Donation to Tulare Western High School ASB SOPAS Club from S.P.D.E.S. Inc.
- 9.15 Approve Donation to Tulare Joint Union High School District Nutrition Services from True Natural Foods, Inc.

On behalf of the Board, Laura Fonseca thanked the donors for the generous donations.

Other Business

The Board was reminded about the 2nd Annual Staff Appreciation Breakfast on May 5, 2023. Kevin Covert gave the Board a brief overview of the program and extended an invitation to the Board to attend the event.

Student Board Awards for Mission Oak High School will be held on May 8, 2023. Cathy Mederos will chair the meeting.

The Board was informed, May is Mental Health Awareness Month. Countryside High School will host a series of informational events to bring awareness to Mental Health. Dr. Van Scyoc will provide the Board with more details in her Friday Update.

Adjournment

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Lucy Van Scyoc, Ed.D.

Board Secretary/Superintendent

Tracey Domingues

Board Stenographer