

**Twin Ridges Elementary School District
Board of Trustees
BOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday, November 10, 2015
4:00 PM**

**Grizzly Hill School
16661 Old Mill Road
Nevada City, CA 95959**

MINUTES

The Board reserves the right to take action on any item on the agenda.

1. CALL TO ORDER 4:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ralph Henson	President
Mindi Morton	Clerk
Jessica Randolph	Member
Stefanie Freydont	Member
Rebecca Wayman	Member

Members in attendance: Ralph Henson, Mindi Morton, Jessica Randolph, Stefanie Freydont, Rebecca Wayman.

Members of the audience: James Berardi, Mary Toscani, Mary Owens, Peter Ketchand, Willow DeFranco, Rachel Kozloski, Patricia Gardiner, Brenda West, Crystal Cortez, Harmony Blake, Ted Kostelic, Bonnie Marques.

2 minutes

3. THE BOARD WILL REVIEW AND APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 10, 2015 AGENDA

Jessica Randolph moved and Mindi Morton seconded to approve the November 10, 2015 Agenda as presented. 5-0

5 minutes

4. THE BOARD WILL REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 20, 2015 (grey backup)

Mindi Morton moved and Rebecca Wayman seconded to approve the Minutes of October 20, 2015 with the following changes: Item #8, last sentence to read "She was advised that the Board will need to vote on any changes", and Item #22, second sentence to read "State wide Pass rate for English/Language Arts average was 44%, Math was 34%". 5-0

5. THE BOARD WILL REVIEW AND APPROVE BOARD RETREAT MINUTES OF OCTOBER 27, 2015

(grey backup)

Mindi Morton moved and Jessica Randolph seconded to approve the Board Retreat Minutes of October 27, 2015 with the addition to Item #5 of “discuss the removal of old District office”. 5-0

5 minutes

6. ITEMS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AND COMMUNICATION

The Board of Trustees welcomes comments and suggestions from the public. While no action may be taken by the Board concerning items not on an agenda, comments are important for District information and for possible future action. Due to time considerations, the chair may request that comments by an individual be limited to two minutes. Suggestions and comments from the public regarding items listed on this agenda should be raised during the comment period for the specific agenda item. (Education Code 35145.5; Bylaw 9322; Government Code 54954.3)

There were no items for public comment and communication.

10 minutes
information

7. INVESTMENT UPDATE: MARY OWENS

(blue backup)

Mary Owens distributed Investment packets to the Board and provided explanations.

5 minutes
information

8. TEACHERS REPORT

Willow DeFranco distributed class newsletters and said that the teachers are getting ready for conferences. Most of the teachers participated in a staff development workshop on Step up to Writing. James Berardi is working on scheduling future staff development in Language Arts curriculum with teachers from the same grade levels. Patricia Gardiner announced that Washington acquired two more new students, things are going great, the Halloween program was fabulous, and the first oral report consisted of grades KN-8 and all did very well.

2 minutes
information

9. ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

TRESA Annual Organizational meeting will be held on December 8, 2015.

James Berardi provided an explanation.

10 minutes
action

10. ANNUAL APPROVAL OF DISTRICT ORGANIZATION CHART

There are no new changes in the organizational chart, this reflects the current populated positions in the District. Superintendent will report on process.

The superintendent recommends approval.

(grey backup)

James Berardi provided an explanation. Rebecca Wayman moved and Stefanie Freydon't seconded to approve the District Organization Chart with the addition of Maintenance II reporting to the Business Official. 5-0

5 minutes
action

11. APPROVE WARRANTS

The superintendent recommends approval.

(green backup)

Mindi Morton moved and Rebecca Wayman seconded to approve the Warrants as presented. 5-0

10 minutes
information

12. BUDGET UPDATES

Mary Toscani informed the Board that the new auditors will report at the next Board meeting.

3 minutes
information

13. WASHINGTON SCHOOL STATUS

James Berardi reported that Washington has two new students. Stefanie Freydon't stated that over the long term TRES'D cannot sustain deficit spending. Discussion ensued.

3 minutes
information

14. UPDATE ON WASHINGTON SCHOOL AND NEVADA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

James Berardi has been attempting to have conversations with the Nevada City School District Superintendent but she is still hesitant to discuss his proposals. She has stated that she needs time to discuss the situation with her new Business Official. He does not know where she stands on this issue.

4 minutes

15. CLASSROOM REPORTS

a. Washington School Enrollment

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Students	2	0	2	2	0	2	1	1	0	10

b. Grizzly Hill School Enrollment

Grade	TK/K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Students	2/10	16	10	6	9	13	12	3	15	96

3 minutes

action/discussion

16. EDUCATOR EFFECTIVENESS ADOPTION EXPENDITURE PLAN

Mindi Morton moved and Stefanie Freydonk seconded to adopt the Educator Effectiveness Expenditure Plan. 5-0

3 minutes

information

17. LCAP

James Berardi provided information.

10 minutes

information/discussion

18. PRESCHOOL

Rebecca Wayman

James Berardi reported that AB47 was vetoed thus there is no funding. Jessica Randolph is investigating opening a preschool to work with the district, but not sponsored by the district. Mindi Morton is assisting her in her endeavors. Discussion ensued regarding costs involved if a preschool was sponsored by the district.

5 minutes

information

19. TECH UPDATE

James Berardi has had two more meetings with BIIG engineers regarding the grant. It appears to be moving forward. An MOU has been signed minimally for Grizzly Hill with Washington a possibility depending on their status.

3 minutes
information/discussion

20. EVALUATIONS

James Berardi began evaluations with the 7/8 grade teacher.

3 minutes
information/discussion

21. BOARD TRAINING

James Berardi stated that there are always Board Trainings available in Sacramento, Redding, Los Angeles, etc. He also inquired what the Board's interests might be. He said that specific trainings are available i.e. dealing with a Superintendent, negotiations, etc. Rebecca Wayman would like training offered in negotiations.

3 minutes
information/discussion

22. OAK TREE WATER TANK

James Berardi has acquired the estimated costs to fix the water tank and/or buy a new one. New poly is between \$5,000-\$6,000. Putting a bag inside the current tank is about \$8,000. The bag would be a temporary fix and shrinkage of the original tank increases so the old tank would eventually be lost. James is leaning towards fixing the tank with no poly. The Board agreed to have it looked at for a \$600 fee.

3 minutes
information/discussion

23. OAK TREE CLEANUP

James Berardi made several calls to Environmental Health and was informed that the expense to remove hazmat waste is different for private and business. The school is considered a business. Environmental Health will be mailing out a packet regarding disposal. The Fire Dept. may have an interest in burning down the old building for a practice burn. A woman is interested in sharing the kitchen with the current tenant and is attempting to go through the process of bringing the kitchen up to code.

24. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON EDUCATION PROTECTION ACT (EPA)

6:15 p.m.

Mary Toscani provided an explanation.

25. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON EDUCATION PROTECTION ACT (EPA)

6:16 p.m.

3 minutes
action

26. APPROVAL OF EDUCATION PROTECTION ACT EXPENDITURE PLAN

(lilac backup)

Mindi Morton moved and Jessica Randolph seconded to approve the Education Protection Act Expenditure Plan as presented. Roll call: Ayes=5, Noes=0, Absent=0, Abstain=0.

3 minutes
information/discussion/action

27. SECOND READING OF AR4118

(yellow backup)

Mindi Morton moved and Jessica Randolph seconded to approve AR4118. 5-0

3minutes
information/discussion/action

28. SECOND READING OF BP4118

(blue backup)

Jessica Randolph moved and Mindi Morton seconded to approve BP4118. 5-0

PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time, we open the meeting for any public comments regarding the following Closed Session item.

29. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION 6:20 p.m.

30. CLOSED SESSION

Public Employee Discipline Dismissal/Release
For closed session discussions concerning personnel matters pursuant to Government Code 54957.

31. RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION 7:25 p.m.

Nothing to report.

32. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Washington School - action

33. AJOURNMENT 7:30 p.m.

Stefanie Freydont moved and Jessica Randolph seconded to adjourn. 5-0

Attested to:

Ralph Henson/President Date

Mindi Morton/Clerk Date

