

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

**Tuesday, September 9, 2014
4:00 PM**

**Grizzly Hill
16661 Old Mill Rd.
Nevada City, CA 95959**

MINUTES

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

1. CALL TO ORDER 4:10 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

Ralph Henson	President
Mindi Morton	Clerk
Rusty Fites-Kaufman	Member
Jenny Travers	Member
Rebecca Wayman	Member

Members in attendance: Ralph Henson, Mindi Morton, Rusty Fites-Kaufman, Jenny Travers, Rebecca Wayman.

Members of the audience: James Berardi, Diana Pasquini, GiGi Tapia, Mary Toscani, Cheri Smith, Roo Cantada, Erika Triglia, Matt Triglia, Bonnie Marques.

3. THE BOARD WILL REVIEW AND APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 9, 2014 AGENDA

action
3 minutes

Mindi Morton moved and Rusty Fites-Kaufman seconded to approve the September 9, 2014 Agenda with the following changes: Remove Item #15 (duplicate of Item #11), remove the words On Investment on Item #20, Item #16 will be an action item. 5-0

4. THE BOARD WILL REVIEW AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 13, 2014

action
3 minutes

(gray backup)

Mindi Morton moved and Jenny Travers seconded to approve the Minutes of August 13, 2014 as presented. 5-0

5. THE BOARD WILL REVIEW AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 6, 2014 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

action
3 minutes

(gray backup)

Jenny Travers moved and Mindi Morton seconded to approve the Minutes of August 6, 2014 Special Board Meeting as presented. 5-0

information

3 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)

GiGi Tapia, CSEA Unit Treasurer stated that an Intent to Bargain letter has been submitted.

Jenny Travers shared how enjoyable it has been to work with Diana Pasquini and Erika Triglia cleaning the Art Room.

7. APPROVE 2014/2015 BUDGET RESOLUTION NO. 14-11

The Board approved the 2014-2015 budget at the June 2014 Board Meeting.

This resolution affirms that action.

The superintendent recommends approval. (blue backup)

action

Mary Toscani provided an explanation. Rusty Fites-Kaufman moved and Rebecca Wayman seconded to approve 2014/2015 Budget Resolution No. 14-11. Roll Call: Ayes-5, Nays-0, Absent-0, Abstain-0

8. APPROVE THE UNAUDITED ACTUALS FOR 2013-2014

This is an annual board action to approve the ending 2013-2014 budget prior to the annual audit. The board will receive copies of this document. It will be available to the public in the district office.

The superintendent recommends approval. (white backup)

action

3 minutes

Mary Toscani provided an explanation. Rusty Fites-Kaufman moved and Jenny Travers seconded the approve the Unaudited Actuals for 2013-2014 as presented. 5-0.

9. GANN RESOLUTION No. 14-10

The Gann Limit Calculation is the legal restriction for spending adjusted by inflation and ADA changes from the prior year compared to current year actual expenditures. This restriction is a component of the State's legal restricted spending limit according to Prop. 4, also known as the "Gann Limit." This is an annual Board action.

The superintendent recommends approval. (salmon backup)
action
3 minutes

Mary provided an explanation. Rebecca Wayman moved and Jenny Travers seconded to approve GANN Resolution No.14-10. Roll Call: Ayes-5, Nays-0, Absent-0, Abstain-0

10. APPROVE WARRANTS

Warrants are reviewed and approved by the Board every month.
The superintendent recommends approval. (green backup)
discussion/action
3 minutes

Mary Toscani provided an explanation. Mindi Morton moved and Rusty Fites-Kaufman seconded to approve the Warrants as presented. 5-0

11. ACCEPTANCE OF LETTER FROM THE NEVADA COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Regarding the Board Adopted Budget for 2014-2015 and the 2014-2015 LCAP
action (pink backup)
2 minutes

No action needed.

12. STUDENT RETENTION

action
5 minutes

No action needed. The TRESB Board directs James Berardi to continue.

13. TEACHERS REPORT

discussion
5 minutes

Willow DeFranco was represented by Bonnie Marques who read Willow's letter and distributed handouts from the teachers.

14. KINDERGARTEN PROPOSAL

information/action (white backup)
3 minutes

Cheri Smith provided another handout and explained her reasons for proposing all day Kindergarten. Jenny Travers motioned the Board to take action to extend Kindergarten to full day by December. Rebecca Wayman requested that action not be taken tonight. What would happen to 1st grade Math? She would also like the parents polled further.

James Berardi also questioned the effect this change would have on aides, etc. It was decided that this will be discussed at the Board Retreat.

15. OAK TREE CAMPUS MOU WITH FRC

action

Diana Pasquini provided an explanation. Jenny Travers moved and Mindi Morton seconded to accept the Oak Tree Campus FRC MOU with the change to one (1) year and to be renewed annually. 4-1

16. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE AVAILABILITY OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS 5:55 P.M.

discussion/information

3 minutes

17. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE AVAILABILITY OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS 5:57 P.M.

18. APPROVE RESOLUTION #14-09 SUFFICIENCY OF TEXTBOOKS OR INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

The Board will review and approve the District's availability of textbooks and instructional materials for students. An inventory of currently adopted materials is available in the school office. This in an annual Board action. (yellow backup)

action

3 minutes

Mindi Morton moved and Jenny Travers seconded to approve Resolution #14-09 Sufficiency of Textbooks or Instructional Materials. Roll Call: Ayes-5, Nays-0, Absent-0, Abstain-0

19. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Information a) Water *The main line from the garden to the fire hydrant at Grizzly Hill burst and took a couple of days to complete repairs. It is expected that problems will arise with more water lines down the line.*

4 minutes

b) Investment *James Berardi, Ralph Henson, Mary Owens, and Mary's associate, participated in an investment meeting. Mary Owens was very concerned about her responsibility and wants a separate third party as manager. This would be included in the fees already proposed and the fee will actually decrease.*

c) Charter schools *Our attorney initiated a conversation with James Berardi regarding getting back into the charter school business. There is a need for a new district to oversee two charter schools in adjacent counties, Horizon and John Adams which are independent study programs. The oversight sponsoring district would receive 1%. The attorney will develop a packet to inform the board members of options.*

20. CLASSROOM REPORTS

a. Washington School Enrollment

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

b. Grizzly Hill School Enrollment

Grade	TK/K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Students	1/13	11	7	10	10	9	7	14	9	91

discussion
3 minutes

21. WASHINGTON ENROLLMENT DISCUSSION

discussion
3 minutes

Discussion ensued and will be further discussed at the Board Retreat

22. APPROVAL OF TRISHA GARDINER AS WASHINGTON AIDE

action
3 minutes

Jenny Travers moved and Rebecca Wayman seconded to approve Trisha Gardiner as the Washington Aide. 5-0

23. APPROVAL OF KIM LEE AS WASHINGTON KITCHEN ASSISTANT

action
3 minutes

Rusty Fites-Kaufman moved and Jenny Travers seconded to approve Kim Lee as Washington Kitchen Assistant upon a negative TB test. 5-0

24. BOARD RETREAT

discussion
3 minutes

The Board Retreat will be held at Oak Tree Lodge, 18847 Oak Tree Road, North San Juan, CA 95960 on Wednesday, September 17, 2014 from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. It was suggested that the board members each bring a list of things they want to talk about.

25. APPROVE IPS

action
3 minutes

Tabled.

26. SUNSHINE CSEA CONTRACT

information/discussion
3 minutes

(pink backup)

Discussion ensued. James Berardi will find a date to meet with Ralph Henson.

27. CONTRACT FOR PHYSICAL THERAPIST

discussion/action
3 minutes

No action was required.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

28. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION 6:54 P.M.

29. CLOSED SESSION

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

30. RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION 7:17 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

31. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION 7:18 P.M.

32. CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Labor Negotiators
Unrepresented Employee – Superintendent/Principal
For closed session items concerning labor negotiations discussed pursuant to Government Code 54957.6.

33. RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION 7:22 P.M.

34. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

*Preschool
Kindergarten*

35. ADJOURNMENT 7:30 P.M.

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Attested to:

Ralph Henson/President Date

Mindi Morton/Clerk Date