

**Minutes of
Regular Meeting of the Governing Board
For Tracy Unified School District
Held on Tuesday, March 22, 2022**

- 6:30 PM:** 1-3. President Alexander called the meeting to order and adjourned to closed session.
- Roll Call:** 4. Board: S. Abercrombie, A. Alexander, A. Blanco, N. Erskine, Z. Hoffert, S. Kaur(arrived late to closed session), L. Souza
Staff: R. Pecot, T. Jalique, J. Stocking, B. Etcheverry
- 7:01 PM** 5. President Alexander called the Tracy Unified School District Board of Education to order and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Closed Session:** 6a Action Taken on Findings of Fact: 21/22#78, 21/22#79
3.2.1
Action: Abercrombie, Souza. **Vote:** Yes-7; No-0.
6b Report Out of Action Taken on Approve Settlement Agreement for
3.2.2 Compensatory Education Services and Educational Supplies for Student and Attorney Fees
Action: Approved. **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1(Kaur)
- Minutes:** 7. **Approve Regular Minutes of March 8, 2022.**
Action: Abercrombie, Erskine. **Vote:** Yes-5; No-0; Abstain-2(Blanco, Hoffert)
- Audience:** R. Newton, A. Lee, L. Nunes, D. Reese, D. Schneider, C. Munger, R. Soto, K. Smith, Z. Boswell, R. Mahiddin, B. Ryan, K. Jacobs, T. Mitchell, E. Quintana, B. Githere
- Student Rep Reports:** 8. Tracy High: Iliana Cashen reported that spring sports are back in session. Baseball and softball are doing well, and both beat Kimball. Swim and track are also back in action with only 2 more months left for our seniors. College and Career Week was held from March 14th to the 18th and was organized by our counselors. They also had spirit week with dress up days. The Fair was held after school from 2-4:00 and had a great turnout with lots of handouts. Counselors are also holding “Wellness Wednesdays” for students who can go during lunch to talk with counselors. The Prom is just around the corner. It will be held on April 9th in Oakland. They are excited to see everyone dress up and dancing.
- West High: Lilly Banchero and Kaitlyn Durant reported that FFA celebrated FFA week with lunchtime activities and other programs. The finale was on Friday with a petting zoo that everyone enjoyed. Their Prom was held in San Francisco on March 5th, and everyone loved it. The food, venue and decor were incredible. Students loved screaming to the songs the DJ was playing. It was great to all be connected again. Many senior events are being planned. The Music Program will put on a benefit concert with the theme of “Heroes and Villains”.

Proceeds will be donated to St. Jude's. West High spring sports are doing well. Swimming, track, baseball and more have great athletics and are having a good season. The JV Softball and JR Track teams are undefeated. They are excited to have a Wrestling State Champion, Kalila Shrive, who is a junior at West. Associate Superintendent of Educational Services, Ms. Julianna Stocking, stated that she is the state champion and also won the Tri City Athletic League Sac Joaquin Section South and SJS masters title with a 5-0 win at state. She was presented with a certificate and flowers.

Kimball High: Anna Reese will be representing Kimball tonight. She reported that the counseling department has been working on sign-ups for summer school. They are planning the College and Career Day on April 1st. Students are starting the 4th quarter. They have "Nice Week" where students are nice to the students and staff, and they have activities. Spring sports week is coming up with dress up days, lunch time activities and a rally. Baseball, softball, swim and track teams have started and they are looking forward to cheering on these teams. The winter girls' soccer won and made it to the Norcal Division Championship.

Alternative Ed Campus: Diamond Torio reported that student had the opportunity to participate in job shadowing at the Lawrence Livermore Lab. This took place after school on February 23rd. Students were introduced to scientists and engineers and took a tour of the facility. They learned about careers and job opportunities at the lab. The basketball team is continuing to grow and their next tournament is coming up and they are excited. The Tracy Young Adult Program's students are learning individual living skills, cooking, job skills and laundry. Many of them are working at grocery outlet. They are taught community-based skills like riding the bus, shopping and ordering. Their end of year barbeque will be held on May 12th at Del Val Lake and graduation will take place at the county office.

North School Reps: Valeria Valdez, Alexis Galvan, Ridhamjot Kaur, and Matthew Lane presented a power point but first a group of students including let a chant and introduced themselves. Every Monday student leadership team makes announcements. Leadership plans many activities including dress up days, spirit Fridays, dances, music during lunch and student tutoring. They have partnered with Kimball High School to help start a lion project. They are working together to create a united campus. They showed pictures of students working together. And of their new building. There were pictures of the parent drop off and students hanging out waiting for the bell to ring. They shared some of the classes like AVID, DARE and STEM. Students did a great job at Science Olympiad, and they also showed students in STEM learning about rocks and animals. They showed pictures of their music and PE classes. Lunch time is a fun time to play games such as basketball, four square and chess. North's library engages students and is open during lunch. They are leading the way to tomorrow. Andrae Reymundo will lead the way at the state spelling bee competition. Students at North are learning to lead to become leaders who are diverse, equitable, strong and motivated. All students yelled "roar". They then spread kindness by passing out kind notes to the board.

Kelly School Reps: Sun Jim Saini, Kitika Singh, Sean Osborn and Jack Pytlik presented a power point. Their team ranked 10th place overall in the Science Olympiad competition. This was the highest in TUSD. Students won a bronze

medal for Sounds of Music and a gold medal for Mission Possible. The Yearbook Team was very productive, and the DARE program had a canned food drive. They introduced the student council members and explained the duties including money, events, activities and clubs. The Leadership class is in charge of announcements, lunch at Kinder, equipment management, recycling, tutoring and school events. They have organized drive through parades, music and games at lunch and March Madness.

Recognition & Presentations:

9.1 Alternative Education Campus Presentation

Principal, Traci Mitchell, presented a power point along with student Diamond Torio. They showed a power point that included information about Stein High School and Duncan Russell CDS. A critical component at school is Advisory. All teachers serve as advisors for 13-24 students that are their advisees. The Vision period includes personalized attention to students and families, that includes lessons, academic review, Adult School applications, monitoring off site progress and progress review. This is a designated time twice a week for students to meet. Enhanced communication is one pillar of advisory. Parents are contacted regarding student attendance and progress. They use a data talk sheet that has LCPAC, SBAC scores, etc. Their daily attendance is tracked. Continuation students have to attend 15 hours a week. If they do that and meet their lesson goals they can buy out on Friday. This is an opportunity to build school community. Students participate during vision class and planning. They use a countdown sheet. These are done by the students. Diamond then shared how it works. When you arrive at school, students are given a list of classes and credits that you need. This tells what students earn each week and how much more they will need. This system helped her organize and see where she is at and she was able to graduate this week. The school provides weekly report cards every Thursday and shows everything that the student has accomplishment during that week. The role of advisory is the key element in offering their vision.

9.2 Recognize the Outstanding Employees of the Winter Term for the 2021-22 School Year

The board recognized Marlene Hepner (9-12), Richard Newton (6-8) and Laura Nunes (K-5) as Outstanding Certificated Employees; Felipe Mendoza (unable to attend) (9-12) Micaela Gutierrez (6-8) Rebecca Silva (K-5) as Outstanding Classified Employees and Troy Edwards as the Outstanding Management Employee for the Winter Term of the 2021-2022 school year. They were given certificates by the board.

Information & Discussion Items:

10.1 Administrative & Business Services: None.

10.2 Educational Services:

10.2.1 Receive Report on COVID 19 Updates

Director of Curriculum & Accountability, Dr. Zachary Boswell, presented a power point on the latest COVID numbers. In San Joaquin County we are at 4.2 cases per 100,000 which is very close with California numbers which is 5.6 cases per 100,000. Testing is no longer covered by the government funding. We will continue to test all TUSD employees

free of charge through Crush the Curve. There may be a fee for community members using Heal 360.

Hearing of Delegations

11. Brisa Gonzalez is a parent and is here again to talk about her struggles with the district. Her son has been out of school since January 19. She wants TUSD to catch up with the state regarding suspensions of students. She doesn't think it should be the same for everyone and wants changes made.

Kimberly Smith is a kindergarten teacher at Bohn School. With Kinder and TK transitional to full day, teachers had the opportunity to meet with Ms. Stocking and Ms. Salinas. It was a wonderful informational session to share input. She wanted to say thank you and she appreciated the open dialog and that the district is reaching out to these teachers and making it beneficial to all

Chris Munger, TEA President, thanked the district and board for approving the 2% one-time bonus. Classified, certificated and management all pulled together during the pandemic to problem solve and make sure that education for our students continued and services were received. This is much deserved and greatly appreciated.

Kim Jacobs thanked the board for the bonus although she bought things for her home so that she could teach from home. She also stated that every time something new is added, there is time lost on something that you thought was important before.

Public Hearing:

12.1 **Administrative & Business Services:** None.

Consent Items:

13. **Board approval of any agenda item requiring insurance is conditioned upon acceptance of appropriate insurance accepted by Tracy Unified.**

Action: On all items except those voted on separately below and amending 13.3.2 and 13.3.3. Blanco, Abercrombie. **Vote:** Yes-7; No-0.

Item 13.1.4 Abercrombie, Blanco.

Vote: Yes-7; No-0.

Item 13.1.5 Abercrombie, Erskine.

Vote: Yes-7; No-0.

Item 13.2.1 Abercrombie, Blanco.

Vote: Yes-7; No-0.

Trustee Blanco left the meeting at 8:14 pm

Trustee Blanco returned to the meeting at 8:17 pm

Item 13.2.9 Abercrombie, Erskine.

Vote: Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1(Blanco)

13.1 **Administrative & Business Services:**

13.1.1 Approve Accounts Payable Warrants (February, 2022)
(Separate Cover Item)

13.1.2 Accept the Generous Donations from the Various Individuals, Businesses, and School Site Parent Teacher Associations Listed Herein

with Thanks and Appreciation from the Staff and Students of the Tracy Unified School District

- 13.1.3 Accept and Review the Status of School Connected Organization/Booster Club Applications Submitted for the 2021/22 School Year
- 13.1.4 Approve Payroll Reports (February 2022)
- 13.1.5 Approve Revolving Cash Fund Reports (February, 2022)

- 13.2 **Educational Services:**
 - 13.2.1 Approve Revised School Site Plan and Budget for the Remainder of the 2021 - 2022 School Year (Separate Cover Item)
 - 13.2.2 Approve Agreement for Contract Services between Faith in Action Community Education Services and Kimball High School for the 2021-22 School Year
 - 13.2.3 Approve Overnight Travel for Kimball High School Cheerleaders to Attend Cheer Camp at William Jessup University, Rocklin, CA on July 6-9, 2022
 - 13.2.4 Approve Overnight Travel for the Kimball High School Dance Team and Coach to Attend the Varsity UDA Dance Camp at Marriot San Ramon, CA on July 31-August 2, 2022
 - 13.2.5 Approve Special Contract Service Agreement with Lisa Cheney, Educational Psychologist for an Individual Educational Evaluation/Psycho Educational Evaluation
 - 13.2.6 Approve Out of State Overnight Travel for the Director of STEM and the STEM Learning Accelerator Coordinator to Attend the National Science Teacher Association Annual Conference in Houston, Texas on March 30 – April 3, 2022
 - 13.2.7 Approve Agreement for Contract Services between Faith In Action Community Education Services and West High School for the 2021-2022 School Year
 - 13.2.8 Approve Overnight Travel for the West High FFA Students and Advisors to Attend the Cal Poly State Field Day in San Luis Obispo, Ca. May 6-7, 2022
 - 13.2.9 Approve Service Agreement for BMX Freestylers at Williams Middle School on March 31, 2022
 - 13.2.10 Approve Agreement for World of Wonders (W.O.W) to provide STEM In-House Field Study Trips for McKinley Elementary TK and Kindergarten Students

- 13.3 **Human Resources:**
 - 13.3.1 Accept the Resignations/Retirements/Leaves of Absence for Certificated, Classified and/or Management Employees
 - 13.3.2 Approve Classified, Certificated and/or Management Employment
 - 13.3.3 Certify that Provisions of Section 5593 Regarding Coaches Have Been Met

Action Items:

- 14.1 **Administrative & Business Services:**
 - 14.1.1 Accept the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Annual Financial Audit (Separate Cover Item)

Action: This item was pulled. No vote taken.

14.1.2 Consider Claim 603602

Action: Claim rejected. Abercrombie, Kaur.

Vote: Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1(Blanco)

14.1.3 Adopt Resolution No. 22-14 Authorizing Projects and Filing of Applications for Funding Under the California Preschool, Transitional Kindergarten and Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Grant Program

Action: Abercrombie, Souza. (Clerical error: this item should be numbered “Resolution No. 21-14” and was corrected on the resolution page.)

Vote: Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1(Blanco)

14.2 Educational Services:

14.2.1 Approve Adoption of Instructional Materials

Action: Abercrombie, Souza. **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1(Blanco)

14.2.2 Approve the Expanded Learning Opportunity Program Plan (ELO/ELO-P) (Separate Cover Item)

Action: Abercrombie, Kaur. **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1(Blanco)

14.3 Human Resources:

14.3.1 Acknowledge Receipt of California School Employee Association Sunshine Proposal for the 2022-2023 School Year

Action: Abercrombie, Souza. **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1(Blanco)

14.3.2 Acknowledge Receipt of Tracy Educators Association’s (TEA) Sunshine Proposal for the 2022-2023 School Year

Action: Abercrombie, Kaur. **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1(Blanco)

14.3.3 Receive the District’s Initial Bargaining Proposal for the California School Employees Association for the 2022-2023 School Year

Action: Abercrombie, Souza. **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1(Blanco)

14.3.4 Receive the District’s Initial Bargaining Proposal for the Tracy Educators Association (TEA) for the 2022-2023 School Year and Submit it for Negotiations, Pending Public Input

Action: Abercrombie, Souza. **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1(Blanco)

Board Reports:

Trustee Souza thinks the best part of the meetings are the student presentations and enjoyed the little ones. She thanked Trustee Erskine who attended a presentation for her at Tracy High and saw the FEAST and other CTE programs. She attended the Parks and Rec meeting. A retired teacher was nominated for a park, however they wanted to reserve naming schools and facilities for them so looked at other community leaders in the city. Trustee Kaur thanked everyone for coming and it was cute to have all of the children here. She also congratulated Tracy High Mock Trial Team for winning the championship for San Joaquin County. They did an amazing job. Trustee Blanco thanked all for being here. She thanked the students that presented and is excited about the student who won the state wrestling. She is excited for them. She appreciates the administrations, teachers and classified who make it happen for the students. Trustee Abercrombie will be conducting a leadership academy for incoming high school students. Contact the Tracy Police Department if you are interested and you can earn community service hours. Clean up Day with DARE, Tracy Police and the Sikhs will be on April 2nd from 9:00 to 11:00a.m. If anyone wants to participate, please meet at Schulte and Corral Hollow Roads. He wished Dr. Stephens a speedy recovery from knee surgery. Trustee

Erskine thanked everyone for all of the presentations tonight. It is amazing to see how well our students are doing with the leadership and mentorship that principals and teachers have provided. She gave kudos to our vocational programs. She attended a meeting at Tracy High School, and she is glad we are pursuing those programs. She gave a warm thank you to Mrs. Mitchell and was glad Stein High was here to present. Trustee Hoffert thanked all presenters and congratulated the outstanding employees of the winter term. Trustee Alexander agrees and thanks everyone for their service. He acknowledges all employees whose name were not called tonight and was impressed with all the students.

**Assoc.
Superintendent
Report:**

Dr. Pecot commented that we all feel blessed at work. There are hundreds of good people here who work hard on behalf of our kids. He appreciates the job everyone is doing and is honored to be a part of TUSD.

Adjourn: 8:25 pm

Clerk

Date