

**Minutes of  
Regular Meeting of the Governing Board  
For Tracy Unified School District  
Held on Tuesday, October 11, 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, L. Hawkins, Z. Hoffert, L. Souza  
Staff: R. Pecot, T. Salinas, T. Jalique, J. Stocking, S. Smith  
Absent: S. Kaur
- 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 Finding of Facts: 22/23#16, 22/23#17, 22/23#18  
3.2.1  
**Action:** Motion Abercrombie, Souza. **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1 (Kaur)  
6b Report Out of Action Taken on Reinstatements: AR#22-23/#05,  
3.2.2 AR#22-23/#06  
**Action:** **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1 (Kaur)  
6c Report Out of Action Taken on Early Graduation: WHS#10358139  
3.2.3  
**Action:** **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1 (Kaur)
- Minutes:** 7. **Approve Regular Minutes of September 27, 2022.**  
**Action:** Motion Abercrombie, Souza. **Vote:** Yes-5; No-0; Absent-1 (Kaur); Abstain-1 (Alexander)
- Audience:** Jason Noll, Bill Maslyar, Jacqui Nott, LuLu Flores, Lisa Mendez, Marlene Hepner, Erin Quintana, Heather Muncy, John Goulding, Bob Wallace, Chris Munger, Heather Reyburn, Yesenia Huerta, Dani Francis, Amiyah Pittman, Carrie Grover, Dale Applewhite-Johnson, Bob Brownne/Tracy Press.
- Student Rep Reports:** 8.1 **West High FFA;** Perla Camacho Meza is the WHS FFA Treasurer. She would like to welcome an added teacher, advisor and coach to their organization, Ms. Magniez. She has been a powerful addition to their family, she has given their members great advice and has a funny and lovable personality. She is currently teaching Ag Chemistry and Ag Physics. The State officers came to visit WHS for the first time in 6 years. They gave a presentation of the association and advised on the myths and misconceptions of agriculture. She is excited to see what they have to offer to the F.F.A organization. Nicolle Guadarrama is the WHS Historian and a junior this year. This will be her first year attending the MFE Leadership Conference. MFE stands for Made For Excellence. During MFE, students participate in fun group activities and develop better leadership skills to improve in public speaking and to grow as a leader. She was also very excited about GLC where students and Green

Hand members went to Lodi. Members were introduced to benefits and opportunities in agriculture education. Angelina Cruz is the WHS FFA Reporter. She is excited to explain the fall festival and the Green Night to everyone today. Last Saturday they held their annual Fall Festival where they had pumpkin decorating, face painting, a petting zoo, and games. They all had a wonderful time. On November 8<sup>th</sup> they will hold the Green Night, in which, students are awarded the degrees they have earned in FFA. Angelina earned her Green Hand degree during the distance learning year, which was just a drive through event. This year they are having an actually student award recognition ceremony so it will be great to have an in person event this time.

**Tracy High FFA:** Danielle Francis is the FFA Chapter President. Audrianna Alegre was at a golf match and unable to attend. Danielle gives thanks for the community. The members who showed at the San Joaquin County Ag Festival had a very successful fair. They had many members that were recognized for either having an outstanding showman or having the best animal in their class. In July, they had an officer retreat in Arnold, CA. They took a hike to Big Trees, spent time making dinner as a team, and created their plans for the rest of the school year. They held their first chapter meeting during both lunches on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. They had an ice cream social after the meeting and went over all of their business and it was a highly successful first meeting of the year. The officer team attended the Chapter Officer Leadership Conference held at Ripon Christian Middle School. They attended many leadership workshops and learned how to communicate with each other and heard from a keynote speaker. On September 28, their chapter took three teams to compete at the Delta Valley Sectional Opening and Closing Competition held at the San Joaquin County Office of Education. The Open and Green Hand teams were awarded silver and their Officer team got first place. This was a very successful event for their chapter. October 20<sup>th</sup> is their annual pumpkin patch with many fun fall activities planned. In three weeks, 7 students will travel to Indianapolis to attend the National FFA Convention. While in Indiana, they will be attending the Indianapolis Speedway, visiting museums, attending FFA workshops and the FFA store. Their chapter hopes to have another great year and they are so excited to see what is in their future.

## **Recognition & Presentations:**

### **9.1 Monte Vista Middle School Presentation**

Monte Vista Principal, Dr. Barbara Silver introduced her STEM ILT team. The STEM ILT team consists of Lisa Mendez, ELD teacher, Heather Muncy, English teacher, Brandon Ramirez, Science teacher, Monica Cordizco, Math and Science teacher, and Heather Reyburn the new Assistant Principal at Monte Vista. Lisa Mendez and Heather Muncy shared a presentation about Monte Vista STEM education. They are thankful for the STEM opportunities they have had so they decided to highlight their presentation on what is going on in STEM at MVMS. SBAC scores went up in all areas and they are hoping to see another big jump this year with the ability to have them back on campus, doing a lot more things. Their 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade team, which also included South West Park students, placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Math Olympiad, the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade team placed 1<sup>st</sup>. They have STEM clubs on campus, consisting of the Girls Who Code, the Nature Club, and the Olympiad teams for both Math and Science. Their Amplify Curriculum started this year. Their science teachers find it to be very helpful; for new teachers it is easy to understand and setup,

in comparison with past curriculum. 7<sup>th</sup> grade science is working on the stem unit, Envision an Ecosystem. They presented a brief Mind Craft video clip showing how water is filtered, with a pond for the animals. Every time the black square is moved, that represents an additional pod that a student has added. What is shown in the video consists of 2000 different types of squares and cubes to build this eco system and water filtration system. Students have really appreciated the opportunity to learn from this unit. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade math STEM unit, Figure a Flight is where the 8<sup>th</sup> grade teachers are having their students complete ‘flight trials’. Students are pictured with airplanes, seeing how far they can fly. It was a fun day to photograph. The Science Olympiad Club and the ELD elective class incorporates STEM activities to stimulate spoken academic language. Their newest club is the Nature Club. Club advisor, Ms. Ortega, brings in her own personal collection of different samples found in nature. The first meeting had over 40 students attend. They enjoyed being paleontologists, entomologists, and geologists at the various stations around her classroom.

**9.2** Recognition of Kimball High School student, Kayla Andrew, for being Selected as the 2023 Horatio Alger Association National Scholar.

Kayla was working this afternoon and, unfortunately, was unable to make it on time. Julie Stocking presented the certificate to Principal Maslyar on her behalf. Kayla was one of 105 students across the nation to receive this Horatio Alger Association National Scholar award for a scholarship amount of \$25,000. You must maintain a GPA of 3.95. Her hard work is outstanding.

**Information &  
Discussion Items:**

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

**10.2 Educational Services:** None.

**Hearing of  
Delegations**

**11.** John Goulding is a concerned citizen. He’s had five kids graduate from Tracy High Schools that were athletes. John spent 37 years as a teacher, was a coach for 45 years, and a volunteer baseball coach for 7 years. He is here to say, the new bell schedule hurts students by starting later. In Spring sports, baseball players have 28 games, 14 of them are on the road. They leave school at 1:00 and play on non-lighted facilities. Now they will miss three classes every away game. The point of changing times is to help students academically. He believes this will help very few. There are alternatives that can be made such as having athletic PE where all athletes have PE the last period of the day. When going to away games they would not miss an academic class. Students with chemistry, Spanish and geometry for their last periods of the day will be devastated academically. He wants what is best for the kids.

Jason Noll, Director of Student Services, is speaking as the President of the TSMA. Soon on the agenda, there is an opportunity to approve agreements with different bargaining units in the district. TSMA is not just site administrators; it is counselors, school psychologists, site secretaries, and other wonderful employees. Thank you to the district negotiating team, TEA, and CSEA negotiating teams for all their hard work. He has been in Tracy his entire career of 22 years. Teachers, classified staff, and administrators make it all great.

Chris Munger is speaking regarding item #14.3.4. He is incredibly pleased to announce that TEA ratified their agreement with 87% of the votes tabulated, which is almost unheard of. TEA appreciates the work all the bargaining teams have done collaboratively. This agreement helps to ensure that TUSD will be able to attract and retain teachers and staff and with the purpose that we can continue to provide quality education for our students. All three of the units' value this, we want to work together for the betterment of our students.

**Public Hearing:**

12. None.

**Consent Items:**

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

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

**13.1 Administrative & Business Services:**

**13.1.1** 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

**13.1.2** Ratify Routine Agreements, Expenditures and Notice of Completions Which Meet the Criteria for Placement on the Consent Agenda

**13.2 Educational Services:**

**13.2.1** Approve Agreement for Contract Services between Faith in Action Community Education Services and Louis A. Bohn Elementary School for the 2022-2023 School Year

**13.2.2** Approve Agreement with Better Lessons to Provide New Teachers with Virtual Support During the 2022-2023 School Year

**13.2.3** Approve Agreement for Special Contract Services with Consortium on Reading Excellence in Education (CORE) During the 2022-2023 School Year

**13.2.4** Approve Overnight Travel for the West High FFA Officers and Advisors to Attend the Annual Officer Retreat at Camanche Lake Resort, Ione, CA on June 20-23, 2023

**13.2.5** Approve Out of State Travel for Educational Services Staff to Attend the Learning Forward Annual Conference in Nashville, Tennessee on December 3-7, 2022

**13.2.6** Approve Agreement for Additional Services between Faith In Action Community Education Services and Kimball High School for the 2022-2023 School Year

**13.2.7** Approve Purchase of SCUTA for Poet-Christian School to Provide License for the 2022-2023 School Year

**13.2.8** Approve Agreement for Special Contract Services with Better Lessons to Provide Classified Staff with Three Virtual Professional Development Offerings at Buy-Back Day on Friday, January 27, 2023

**13.2.9** Approve Out of State Travel for Athletic Directors and Director of Students Services to Attend the National Athletic Directors Conference in Nashville, Tennessee on December 8-13, 2022

**13.2.10** Approve a Declaration for a Provisional Internship Permit

**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

**Action Items:**

**14.1 Administrative & Business Services:**

**14.1.1** Consider Claim 610739

**Action:** Motion to Reject Abercrombie, Souza. **Vote:** Yes-4; No-2 (Blanco, Hoffert); Absent-1 (Kaur).

**14.2 Educational Services:**

**14.2.1** Approve the Updated California Expanded Learning Opportunity Program/Plan (ELO/ELO-P) for the Tracy Unified School District (Separate Cover Item)

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

**14.3 Human Resources:**

**14.3.1** Approve Administrative Intern Agreement with Teachers College of San Joaquin

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

**14.3.2** Approve Agreement with Teachers College of San Joaquin for Teachers Working on their Preliminary Administrative Credential

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

**14.3.3** Approve Tentative Agreements with the California School Employees Association (Separate Cover Item)

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

**14.3.4** Approve Tentative Agreements with the Tracy Educators Association (Separate Cover Item)

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

**14.3.5** Approve New TSMA Salary Agreement (Separate Cover Item)

**Action:** Motion Abercrombie, Souza. **Vote:** Yes-5; No-1 (Hoffert); Absent-1 (Kaur).

President Alexander read a statement in accordance with Government Code Section 54953 Disclosure.

**14.3.6** Approve Amendment to Superintendent Contract (Separate Cover Item)

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

**Board Reports:**

Trustee Hawkins would like to thank cabinet and the board for bringing him on as a trustee for the school board. He likes to listen to the students and visit the schools. There are a lot of great things going on. Trustee Souza welcomes the new teacher at WHS in the FFA program. It is unfortunate that Kayla Andrew couldn't be here, congratulations to her! Listening to the students is the best part of being here on the board. Thank you for everyone that attends the meetings. Trustee Blanco was grateful to go to Kimball High School's home coming carnival. It was very fun and she ate a lot of amazing desserts. She really enjoyed watching the students play badminton, they were having so much fun. Thank you to Mr. Maslyar for the event. Trustee Abercrombie agreed with Trustee Blanco, the KHS carnival was awesome and so many students attended. He also got to attend the football game afterward. He attended the Tracy High game, which had a phenomenal turnout. Keep up the great

work! Trustee Hoffert thanks everyone for coming out and wishes the best of luck to our F.F.A. students. Trustee Alexander wants to thank everyone for coming out tonight and a heartwarming welcome to Trustee Hawkins.

**Superintendent  
Report:**

Dr. Pecot would like to say thank you to Dr. Silver. To have a school that is increasing test scores, post COVID, shows what an excellent job they are doing, focusing in on education at Monte Vista. He also ate many desserts at the Kimball High School carnival and enjoyed the Tracy High School home coming parade. West High School home coming is this week.

**Adjourn: 7:39**

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Clerk

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Date