

**Minutes of
Regular Meeting of the Governing Board
For Tracy Unified School District
Held on Tuesday, August 22, 2023**

- 6:40 PM:** 1-3. President Abercrombie called the meeting to order and adjourned to closed session.
- Roll Call:** 4. Board: S. Abercrombie, O. Alexander, R. Fagin, L. Hawkins, J. Silcox, N. Kahlon
Absent: Z. Hoffert
Staff: R. Pecot, T. Salinas, T. Jalique, J. Stocking, S. Smith
- 7:00 PM** 5. President Abercrombie called the Tracy Unified School District Board of Education to order and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Closed Session:** 6a Report Out of Action Taken on Reinstatements: AR#23-24/#03
3.2.1
Action: **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1 (Hoffert)
6b Report Out of Action Taken on Consider Unpaid Leave of Absence for
3.3.1 Classified Employee #UC-456
Action: Board Approved. **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1 (Hoffert)
- Minutes:** 7. **Approve Regular Minutes of August 8, 2023.**
Action: Fagin, Silcox. **Vote:** Yes-5; No-0; Absent-1 (Hoffert); Abstain-1 (Kahlon)
- Audience:** Kaleigh Felisberto, Jason Noll, Bill Maslyar, Gary Henderson, Ramona Soto, Lauren Silcox, Chris Munger, Bob Brownne, Zach Boswell, Melinda Williams, Kimberly Jacobs
- Student Rep Reports:** 8.1 **Kimball High:** Kylie Woodall filled in for board representative, Harleen Kaur, while she is on travel study. Kimball began the first week of school with a senior sunrise first thing in the morning. They also had their first spirit week, which ended with a kickoff rally. They lost their first football game against Tracy High but had an amazing time. Tomorrow, leadership class is traveling to Mountain House High School to share ideas and collaborate. Other events include Kimball's back to school night tomorrow and Club Rush is happening during lunch this week so students can see what is available and sign up for clubs.
Alternative Education: Jeffery Moss shared they have welcomed their new Physics teacher, Dr. Hsu, and Ms. Coker as their full-time teacher at Duncan Russell. This week they have a Back to School Night on the 24th along with a staff and family dinner. Stein will have a Star Lab in October and they are beginning WIN Time. WIN stands for What I Need and includes tutoring, personal wellness, art, and even pickle ball. Stein has received a donation of stationary bicycles for their TYAP program, they have been enjoying the exercise. Stein is hosting their first volleyball tournament September 15th and would like to invite the board to come out and watch the game.

West High: Noah Watkins and Kaelyn Garcia started off the school year with West High's annual red carpet walk where they cheer on students as they arrive for the first day of school. The homecoming theme this year is Pixar; the Freshman float is based on the movie Coco, Sophomores are Finding Nemo, the juniors are doing Cars, and the Seniors are displaying Up. They are excited to share the floats with the community and have them on display homecoming day, September 15. West has had amazing performances each day in the quad for Club Rush Week, passing out otter pops, with more than 25 clubs attending. Their first football game is coming up this week, they plan to have music and snacks for the pre-game tail gate.

Tracy High: Olivia Orcutt is very excited to be back again as the ASB Board Representative and the THS students are excited to be back at school, especially their athletes. Football started their season with wins against Kimball, girls flag football has a game tonight against Mountain House, and the school is launching an esports program. This year, being introduced at Tracy High, is Bulldog Connect. This is something every second period class will be doing. An extra five minutes each day will be devoted to grade checks, motivational videos, and team bonding exercises. Over summer they held freshman orientation with Link Crew. Link Crew is a club of upper classman that helped lead the incoming freshman class. They held spirit week, followed by outside water rally, football game, and a dance to celebrate. Today was the start of Club Rush Week where students can promote their clubs to others and sign up for the clubs of their choice.

Recognition & Presentations:

9.1 Recognize Lauren Silcox for Being Named Tracy's Distinguished Young Woman 2024

Lauren Silcox was recently named Tracy's Distinguished Young Woman 2024 and will head to Bakersfield to compete for the title. The Distinguished Young Woman is part of a national scholarship program that promotes and rewards scholastics, leadership, and talent in young woman. Lauren listed Utah State or the University of Wyoming as her university preference and a career goal of becoming a flight nurse in the United States Air Force.

9.2 South West Park

Ramona Soto, Principal of South West Park Elementary School, along with Juan Lopez, Assistant Principal, were present to describe the focus of the school year for SWP. The first area of focus are the professional learning communities where they collaborate and analyze data on a regular basis. Here, they schedule the calendar of how often to meet and develop the norms of the group in the meetings. Another area of focus is social emotional learning. The teachers have different systems they use to have the students share their feelings; teachers can have conversations with them or refer them to counselors if needed. Second steps are the curriculum used. They incorporate their core values and bring in the concept of being a "bucket filler" as part of the social emotional learning. The book, How to Fill Your Bucket, was read as part of the classroom learning. Students participate in different activities with a focus on kindness and for students to collaborate and get to know each other. The third area of focus is on rigor, relevance, and relationships, where their theme is "life is art, live yours in color". They work hard at SWP but also have fun with a focus on thinking. During the site buy back day, they dedicated the entire time on their three areas of focus. They make sure all students are not just exposed to science but work as scientists to become creative thinkers.

**Information &
Discussion Items:**

10.1 Administrative & Business Services: None.

**Hearing of
Delegations**

11. Bill Maslyar, Principal of Kimball High School, addressed the board regarding last Friday nights football game between Kimball High School and Tracy High School. He came to apologize for the actions of the football team. As a young school, they have to work harder to establish themselves in the community. Their team and coach will learn from this incident and how their actions impact the community. He has gotten to know the coach and players over this year and they are good people.

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: Fagin, Silcox **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1 (Hoffert)

13.1 Administrative & Business Services:

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

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 2023/24 School Year

13.2 Educational Services:

13.2.1 Approve Out of State STEM Conference, Solution Tree Mathematics in a PLC at Work Summit, in Las Vegas, Nevada, for one Monte Vista Administrator and seven Monte Vista teachers for December 11-13, 2023

13.2.2 Approve Purchase for SCUTA for Poet-Christian School, North School and Art Freiler School to provide License for the 2023-2024 School Year

13.2.3 Updated Teacher Data Tables for all Tracy Unified School District School Accountability Report Cards (SARCs) for the 2021-22 School Year

13.2.4 Revised Overnight Travel for Kimball High School Varsity Football Team and Coaches to Attend the Moorpark High School Football Game vs. Kimball High School at Moorpark High School, Moorpark, CA in Ventura County on September 8-9, 2023

13.2.5 Ratify Special Contract Services Agreement with Educational Professionals of Central California, LLC for Independent Education Evaluation (IEE) for the 2023-2024 School Year

13.2.6 Approve Agreement for Special Contract Services with San Joaquin County Office of Education for the Artist-in-Residence Program at Villalovoz Elementary School for the 2023 - 2024 School Year

13.2.7 Approve Agreement for Special Contract Services with Inspired Life School Assemblies for The Forward BMX Show at Louis Bohn School for the 2023 - 2024 School Year

13.2.8 Approve Agreement for Special Contract Services with Soul Shoppe at Louis Bohn School for the 2023 - 2024 School Year

- 13.2.9** Approve Agreement for Contract Services between Faith in Action Community Education (F.A.C.E.S.) and North Elementary School for the 2023-2024 School Year
- 13.2.10** Approve Agreement for Contract Services between Faith in Action Community Education (F.A.C.E.S.) and North Elementary School for Tutoring for the 2023-2024 School Year
- 13.2.11** Approve Agreement with the Child Abuse Prevention Council of San Joaquin (CAPC) to Provide Infant and Child Care Services on the Stein/Duncan Russell Campus for the 2023-2024 School Year
- 13.2.12** Approve Agreement for Special Contract Services Top Youth Speakers at Williams Middle School for the 2023-2024 School Year

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: None.

14.2 Educational Services: None.

14.3 Human Resources:

14.3.1 Acknowledge New Board Policy 4119.26, 4219.26 and 4319.26 Maintaining Appropriate Adult-Student Interactions (Second Reading)

Action: Approved as Final. Silcox, Hawkins **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1 (Hoffert).

14.3.2 Acknowledge Revisions to Board Policy 4020 Drug and Alcohol-Free Workplace (Second Reading)

Action: Approved as Final. Silcox, Fagin **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1 (Hoffert).

14.3.3 Approve a Variable Term Waiver for Administrative Services

Action: Silcox, Alexander **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1 (Hoffert).

14.3.4 Approve a Variable Term Waiver for Multiple Subject, Single Subject and Education Specialist Teachers

Action: Hawkins, Fagin **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1 (Hoffert).

14.3.5 Approve a Declaration for a Provisional Internship Permit

Action: Fagin, Silcox **Vote:** Yes-6; No-0; Absent-1 (Hoffert).

Board Reports:

Trustee Kahlon is honored to be here and looks forward to learning and contributing to the school district. Trustee Fagin thanked everyone for being at the meeting and for their participation. He offered congratulations to trustee Kahlon and is looking forward to working with her. Trustee Alexander thanked everyone for coming out. She enjoyed the presentations and would like to congratulate Lauren Silcox again for being named Tracy's Distinguished Young Woman. Trustee Hawkins welcomed Ms. Kahlon onto the school board and thanked Mr. Maslyar for his comments on the behaviors that we need to stick to between our schools. Another big game is coming up; it is good that we have stressed this importance. He is happy to be off to a good start and knows how hard everyone is working. Trustee Silcox gave congratulations to Trustee Kahlon. He is happy for her, she deserves it. He thanked Trustee Alexander for honoring his daughter. This was a good opportunity for her to grow. He also thanked Mr. Maslyar. It is part of life, to make mistakes and move

forward, but we shouldn't condemn the kids. Trustee Abercrombie welcomed Trustee Kahlon to the team. He thanked the WHS Leadership students for their volunteer work on Saturday. They had a free rummage sale for families in need. Ten students showed up at 8 am on Saturday morning, which is very commendable. They worked hard and helped cleanup afterward; several even approached him and asked to do this again.

**Superintendent
Report:**

Dr. Pecot looks forward to working with Trustee Kahlon and is happy to have her as part of their board. It speaks to Mr. Maslyar's character to come up and acknowledge the board in the manner that he did. He is appreciative and honored that Mr. Maslyar was able to do this. High School Back to School nights are tomorrow and there is a Holocaust Survivor speaking at Kimball High School. It is football season and there is a lot going on within the district. None of this can happen without the great staff and the great parents we have in the community of Tracy. We should be thankful for everything that we have.

Adjourn: 7:30 PM

Clerk

Date