

Mark Twain Union Elementary School District
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 7, 2019

Location: District Board Room at 981 Tuolumne Ave, Angels Camp, CA 95222
Members Present: Kendall Morlan, Timothy Randall, Jenny Eltringham, and Diane Bateman
Staff Present: Julia Tidball, Roy Blair, Josh O'Geen, and Kathy Six
Others Present: Heather Barnett, Anna Davenport, Tessa Pyle, Olivia Birdwell, Brier Gibson and

1. Opening of Closed Session Meeting by Board President

1.1 Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established with four (4) Board Members present. Board member Maggie Rollings absent from this meeting.

2. Public Comment: None

3. Closed Session Items

The Board recessed to Closed Session.

- 3.1 Conference with Labor Negotiator: Name of Agency Negotiator: Julia Tidball
Employee Organization: Angels Camp Educators ACE/NEA (G.C. 54957.6)
- 3.2 Conference with Labor Negotiator: Name of Agency Negotiator: Julia Tidball
Employee Organization: California School Employee Association Chapter 815 (G.C. 54957.6)
- 3.3 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal
- 3.4 Personnel Assignment Order

4. Return to Open Session Meeting by Board President 6:31 PM

- 4.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 4.2 Roll Call:
- 4.3 Report of Action Taken in Closed Session

Board President Diane Bateman reported the following:

Item 3.1 - Conference with Labor Negotiator ACE/CTA/NEA	No action taken
Item 3.2 - Conference with Labor Negotiator CSEA Chapter #815	No action taken
Item 3.3 - Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal	No action taken
Item 3.4 - Personnel Assignment Order	Action taken listed below

Board President Diane Bateman report the following:

Classified	Accepted	6 th grade Volleyball Coach at Mark Twain Elementary
Classified	Accepted	5.5 hour Custodian position at Mark Twain Elementary pending preemployment physical

Motioned by: T. Randall Seconded by: K. Morlan

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

5. Public Comment: None

6. Information & Discussion Items

6.1 Student Share – Mark Twain Elementary: None

6.2 Student Representatives:

Briar Gibson, Student Council Vice President at Mark Twain Elementary updated the Board of happenings at her school. Both ski trips for the 7th grade were canceled due to weather but the 8th grade class has been able to enjoy their day on the slopes. A jump rope contest was held during lunchtime for students to enjoy. The Drama Club is gearing up for a spring performance of "Once Upon a High School". The Badger Boosters have donated \$1,000 to be used for Book Club books and classroom libraries. The Student Council is selling Valegrams for Valentine's Day. This week is the annual AMA Boys' Basketball Tournament with spirit days, a poster contest, and a homeroom T-shirt contest. Kindness week is coming up activities to be announced later. The 7th and 8th grade winter dance on February 22 with a theme Mardi Gras.

6.3 **Board Members:**
No general comments made by the Board members.

6.4 **Principals**
Copperopolis Elementary - Josh O'Geen thanked Mrs. Tidball and Bill Davis for the early call of school closure on Tuesday and the delayed start on Wednesday. The Copper PTC was thanked for the staff luncheon. Science Fair is coming up with the winners going to the County Science Fair on March 9, 2019. The boys' basketball team had a great year thanks to Coach Kurt Schneider. The 5th and 6th grade had a great time at Bear Valley last week during their ski trip. Ms. Pyle has a group of 20 students signed up for the Strong Kids program. This program is a brief and practical social-emotional learning curriculum that is designed for the purpose of teaching social and emotional skills, promoting resilience, strengthening assets, and increasing coping skills of children and early adolescents. Art is in full swing with the help of Mrs. Gosney's mother. Ms. Pyle and Mrs. Davenport are organizing Kindness Week that includes a flyover and Kindness Hero Essays. The Resource Connection will present the Safe Self Program to students at Copperopolis. The vocabulary T-shirts have arrived with one for each student and staff. Mr. O'Geen informed the Board that Kevin Young of Young's IGA in Copperopolis was nominated and won the ASCA's Partners in Education Award. Mr. Young will be honored in May at the ASCA conference in South Lake Tahoe.

Mark Twain Elementary – Julia Tidball read Wendy DeSimone's report for the Board that included a thank you for the early call for the Snow Day and delayed start. This week is the annual AMA Boys' Basketball Tournament at Mark Twain for 6th, 7th and 8th grades. Last week the 5th grade team took 2nd place in the Paul Mulvey Tournament. Mrs. DeSimone thanked Jamie Hutchinson, Dan Perreault and Tonya Ziehlke for all their hard work organizing the tournament. Mrs. DeSimone thanked Officer Mitch, Officer Jody McDearmid, and recruit Officer Robert Moncada for the onsite Active Shooter training last week. This was a great active staff participation training.

6.5 **Certificated Representative:** None

6.6 **Classified Representative:** None

6.7 **Operations Manager:** None

6.8 **Director of Business Services:**

Roy Blair updated the Board on the Prop 39 audit. The audit identified 2 findings; the first one involved that the contracts awarded did not address the energy savings to the District. This does not make since to Mr. Blair as the contractors would not know the energy savings to the District. The second finding was the District hired a consulting firm without going out to bid. Mr. Blair stated the District did talk to other consultants but cannot provide documented proof. Freedom Energy was recommended by the Joint Powers Authority and was considerably less than the others Mr. Blair contacted.

Mr. Blair updated the Board on the current enrollment for the District with Mark Twain Elementary at 529 students and Copperopolis at 250 students for a total District enrollment at 779 students.

6.9 **Superintendent**

Julia Tidball reviewed all the steps that go into calling for a school closure (Snow Day) and last start which included consideration of students, staff, and bus safety along with the participants and spectators at the AMA Tournament scheduled at Mark Twain and all the outside agencies that service our students. Bill's custodial and maintenance staff were here early to make sure it was safe for students and staff when they arrived. Mrs. Tidball thanked Robert Porovich, Bret Harte Transportation for working with us in delaying the arrival of Special Education students for the last start on Wednesday.

Julia Tidball updated the Board on the Tobacco Prevention Grant that Chief Scott Ellis of the Angels Police Department received. This will extend the services of School Resource Officer Jody McDearmid to include Mark Twain Elementary. The grant money was not fully utilized this year and will allow the District to apply to use the leftover monies for security cameras. Mrs. Tidball thanked Officer Mitch and his team for the great Active Shooter live staff participation training and sharing strategies with her on overall campus security and updates for the Safety Plan.

The District is going to an electronic sign-in system at the schools. The Calaveras County Office of Education will setup the system and pay for the first year's subscription. A change to state law requires all schools that have a sports program to be equipped with automated external defibrillators (AEDs). The Tuolumne JPA will be providing the training and will be purchasing the units with safety award monies.

Mrs. Tidball also inform the Board that the District has been identified as Performance Indicator Review (PIR) district for Special Education due to too many special education students opting out of testing. Students with special education services also did not show adequate growth in Language Arts or Math. Copperopolis Elementary was identified as eligible for the CSI grant for the 2017-18 CAASPP due to an overall drop in their scores. Mr. O'Geen's School Plan for Student Achievement has identified areas of concern and ways to correct it.

6.10 **Correspondence:** None

6.11 **Transitional Kindergarten**

The Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten teachers in the district, Heather Barnett, Anna Davenport, Tessa Pyle and Olivia Birdwell presented to the Board a proposal to mirror the Transitional Kindergarten program being utilized at Copperopolis this year to Mark Twain. Ms. Tessa Pyle explained a TK program is designed to help students seamlessly meet and exceed the challenges of the traditional Kindergarten. Mrs. Anna Davenport spoke about the challenges teachers face with providing a modified Kindergarten program to just a few students in a classroom full of traditional Kindergarten students. Currently the TK/K programs at Mark Twain run consecutively with minimal opportunity for individualized instruction at the appropriate developmentally level. The program at Copperopolis is overlapping with the first 2 hours dedicated to the Kindergarten curriculum and the last 2 hours dedicated to the Transitional Kindergarten curriculum. This proposal would have TK students come 2 hours later in the morning through Thursday and at the regular time on Fridays. This would allow for age appropriate individualized instruction. The teachers also compared the instructional days at each site and noticed several differences. They propose that the recess and lunch breaks be the same at both sites. This proposal would reduce the total instructional minutes by 10 minutes (210 to 200 minutes) per day.

Mrs. Tidball wants to make the decision before Kindergarten registration in order to inform the TK parents about the later start time. The teachers and the Board also discussed the push by the state to go to a full day Kindergarten program by 2021. With a full day kindergarten program the District would lose the Kindergarten teachers as valued afternoon intervention instruction for students.

Mrs. Davenport and the rest of the TK/K teachers would like to opportunity to observe a full day kindergarten program in action in order to gather information and prepare for a full day program in the future.

Board member, Jenny Eltringham enjoyed the presentation and likes to see the collaboration between the school sites.

6.12 **Low Performing Students Grant Proposal (new agenda item added at the request of Mrs. Tidball and accepted by the Board)**

Julia Tidball spoke about a grant proposal that would provide materials for low performing student intervention to help improve student scores. The District is in the process of reviewing the long list of current intervention programs and their effectiveness. The intervention programs that are being reviewed by the staff are the iReady and Freckles programs. This is a grant for \$89,000 to be spent over two years. Mr. Blair will be submitting the proposal by March 1, 2019.

7. **Consent Agenda Items**

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are routine and all will be enacted by one motion and voice vote.

- 7.1 Approval of Purchase Orders
- 7.2 Approval of Warrants
- 7.3 Approval of Minutes for January 10, 2019
- 7.4 Approval of Minutes from Board Study Session January 23, 2019
- 7.5 Approval of Interdistrict Attendance Agreements
- 7.6 Approval to Sell/Discard/Surplus – Mark Twain Elementary
- 7.7 Approval to Sell/Discard/Surplus – Copperopolis Elementary

Motioned by: J. Eltringham Seconded by: T. Randall

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8. **Review and Action Items**

8.1 **Approval of School Accountability Report Card (SARC) – Copperopolis Elementary**

Mr. Josh O'Geen reviewed the SARC report with the Board

Motioned by: T. Randall Seconded by: K. Morlan

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.2 Approval of School Accountability Report Card (SARC) – Mark Twain Elementary

Mrs. Tidball reviewed the SARC report for Mrs. DeSimone with the Board.

Motioned by: J. Eltringham Seconded by: T. Randall

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.3 Accepting the 2004 Measure K Bond Building Fund Financial and Performance Audit Report for FY 2017-2018

Roy Blair reviewed the audit with Board. There were no findings in the audit. Activity overview on the bond were \$850 in expenses, \$15,064 in interest, and a balance of \$1,426,616.

Motioned by: T. Randall Seconded by: J. Eltringham

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

First Readings/Adoption Board Policies, Administrative Regulations, Exhibits and Board Bylaws

8.4 Revised BP/AR 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils

Motioned by: K. Morlan Seconded by: J. Eltringham

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.5 Revised BP/AR 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan

Motioned by: J. Eltringham Seconded by: T. Randall

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.6 Revised BP/AR 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan

Motioned by: T. Randall Seconded by: K. Morlan

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.7 Revised AR 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees

Motioned by: J. Eltringham Seconded by: K. Morlan

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.8 Revised AR 3543 - Transportation Safety and Emergencies

Motioned by: T. Randall Seconded by: K. Morlan

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.9 Revised AR 4200 - Classified Personnel

Motioned by: K. Morlan Seconded by: T. Randall

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.10 Revised AR 5113 - Absences and Excuses

Motioned by: J. Eltringham Seconded by: K. Morlan

Motioned Carried: 5-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Rollings, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /0-Absent /0-Abstained

8.11 NEW AR 5131.41 - Use of Seclusion and Restraint

Motioned by: T. Randall Seconded by: K. Morlan

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.12 Revised BP/AR 5141.52 - Suicide Prevention

Motioned by: J. Eltringham Seconded by: T. Randall

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.13 Revised BP/AR 5144 – Discipline

Motioned by: J. Eltringham Seconded by: T. Randall

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.14 Revised BP 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students

Motioned by: K. Morlan Seconded by: T. Randall

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.15 **Revised AR 6173.2 - Education of Children of Military Families**

Motioned by: T. Randall Seconded by: J. Eltringham

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.16 **Revised AR 6183 - Home and Hospital Instruction**

Motioned by: T. Randall Seconded by: K. Morlan

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.17 **Revised BB 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials**

Motioned by: T. Randall Seconded by: K. Morlan

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

8.18 **Revised BB 9324 - Minutes and Recordings**

Motioned by: J. Eltringham Seconded by: T. Randall

Motioned Carried: 4-Ayes (Morlan, Randall, Eltringham, and Bateman,)/0-Noes /1-Absent (Rollings) /0-Abstained

9. Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting

9.1 March 7, 2019 at Copperopolis Elementary at 217 School St., Copperopolis, CA 95228

10. Adjourn

Board President, Diane Bateman adjourned the meeting at 8:05 PM.

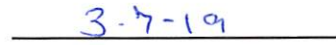
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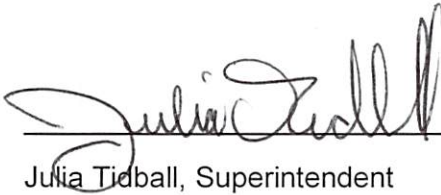
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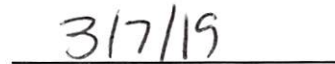


Diane Bateman, Board President



Date


Julia Tidball, Superintendent



Date