

The Board of Trustees met on Zoom on Tuesday, June 2, at 6:00 pm. Here are some of the Highlights from the meeting.

CHRIS ANDERSON INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP AWARD

Dr. Kim Stiffler, Senior Director of Curriculum and Instruction, presented the Chris Anderson award. She surprised the two winners, Ann Jaime and Tara Taupier, who each thought the other had solely won the award. Ann Jaime is a Redwood Social Studies teacher and Tam Federation of Teachers (TFT) President. Tara Taupier is the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, and a former teacher. Chris Anderson, founder of the award and former TUHSD Director of Curriculum and Instruction, spoke in praise of the co-recipients. She cited their collaboration and leadership over the years, especially during the past months with the transition to distance learning. Ms. Jaime will receive an honorarium of \$3000 to spend on a classroom project or materials of her choice.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2020-2021 PROPOSED BUDGET

A public hearing on the proposed budget allows for community members to comment and give feedback to the Board, or to ask questions.

DISCUSSION OF 2020-2021 PROPOSED BUDGET AND RELATED RESERVE LEVELS

Mr. Corbett Elsen, Chief Financial Officer, presented [slides](#) to illustrate the key items in the proposed budget. He noted that whereas budgets are always subject to change and fluctuation, this economic climate is unprecedented in the magnitude of uncertainty. He introduced Kate Lane, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services from the Marin County Office of Education, who was present to answer questions and give opinion. Mr. Elsen covered the economic context from a national, state, and local perspective, and showed some of the estimated actuals for 2019-20. The budget proposal for 2020-21 includes a multi-year projection, complicated by the uncertainty of parcel tax renewal in 2022. He covered assumptions for expected revenue and expenditures, and reserves and assignments. The Board discussed what should or should not be budgeted based on parcel tax uncertainty. Ms. Lane noted that a budget with deficit spending (in the event a parcel tax is not renewed in June 2022) would need to have a corresponding cost reduction plan in order to be approved by the County Office. The current parcel tax revenue is approximately \$16 million per year, so a non-renewal in 2022 would necessitate a corresponding budget reduction. The Board reached consensus in proposing a budget based on a straight renewal of the current parcel tax in June of 2022. The budget will be presented to the Board for approval at the June 23, 2020 board meeting.

RESOLUTION TO REDUCE CLASSIFIED STAFFING

This item was removed from the agenda.

COVID-19 RESPONSE DOCUMENT

Dr. Taupier presented the COVID-19 Response document that is required now that the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) deadline has been postponed by the State until December. The board asked questions about tracking student progress, distance learning outcomes, and what tools and materials will be needed in the fall to keep students engaged and moving forward. Dr. Taupier answered questions and noted that a survey of parents and students was sent in her June newsletter to gather feedback.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

An election for two seats on the TUHSD Board is on the November 3 ballot. Incumbents Leslie Harlander and Karen Loebbaka stated in the meeting that they will run for re-election. Dr. Taupier announced that

an informational meeting for any interested candidates will be held from 5:00-6:00 pm on Zoom on June 25. Please contact moleary@tamdistrict.org if you have any questions.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

The trustees extended congratulations to the Class of 2020 and their parents, noting that this was a most unusual year, and acknowledging that many parents and students have been disappointed with the restrictions around ceremonies and celebrations.

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

Until further notice, Board meetings are held online, using a Zoom webinar platform. Please see the district website homepage for a link to published agendas. The Zoom link and password is found under Item 5., Reconvene into Open Session. For past meetings, please see the website for agendas, [minutes](#), [videos](#), and [highlights](#).

June 23, 2020: Regular Board Meeting on Zoom, Adoption of the 2020-21 Budget

July 14, 2020: Regular Board Meeting on Zoom

August 11, 2020: Regular Board Meeting on Zoom

Board Members: Leslie Harlander, President; Cynthia Roenisch, Clerk; Karen Loebbaka, Dan Oppenheim, and Kevin Saavedra

Superintendent: Tara Taupier

Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Facilities: Lars Christensen

Chief Financial Officer: Corbett Elsen

