

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Tamalpais Union High School District**

March 24, 2020

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/700458974>

Attended on Zoom

Trustees

Leslie Harlander
Karen Loebbaka
Dan Oppenheim
Cynthia Roenisch
Kevin Saavedra

Student Trustees

Kara Kneafsey, Tamalpais High School
Lauren Steele, Redwood High School

1. Call Meeting to Order

Due to the COVID-19 Shelter in Place order, the regular meeting of the Tamalpais Union High School District Board of Trustees was held online through Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 4:46 p.m., and a quorum was declared present.

2. Approval of Closed Session Agenda

M/S/C (Roenisch/Saavedra), unanimously.

3. Public Comments on Closed Session Agenda

There was no public comment on the Closed Session agenda.

4. Recess to Closed Session in the Superintendent's Office

A. With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Gov Code 54957

B. With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Gov Code 54957.6:

C. With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Gov Code 54956.9(a)

5. Reconvene into Open Session

The Board reconvened in a Zoom meeting online at 6:02 p.m.

6. Announcement of Reportable Action Taken in Closed Session

There were no action items to report.

7. Approve Agenda and Review Norms

M/S/C (Roenisch/Loebbaka), unanimously.

8. Public Comment on the Consent Agenda

There was no public comment on the Consent Agenda.

9. Approval of Consent Agenda

M/S/C (Loebbaka/Oppenheim), unanimously.

10. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

Ann Jaime, Tam Federation of Teachers President, commented that our District is fortunate and thanked the Superintendent for her leadership during the Shelter in Place orders.

11. Trustee Considerations

A. COVID-19 Update

Dr. Taupier reported on the school closure and teaching through distance learning. Teachers have been using online classrooms, assignments, emails, and calls to connect with students. A survey went out after the first week of online instruction to get feedback on what methods are working and for suggestions on improvements. Dr. Taupier collaborates daily with the County and State Administrators to discuss issues surrounding safety, academics, access, and nutrition, to name a few. The Board asked questions about District challenges, and they discussed what is being done to reach all students. Student trustees Lauren Steele (Redwood) and Kara Kneafsey (Tam) reported that it has been challenging to adjust to different teaching formats, and it is hard to stay away from friends.

12. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Minutes from the BOT Meeting on March 10, 2020

M/S/C (Loebbaka/Oppenheim), unanimously.

B. Approve Personnel Summary for March 24, 2020

M/S/C (Loebbaka/Oppenheim), unanimously.

C. Approve Purchase Orders List #13 over \$40,000 - Fiscal Year 2019-20

M/S/C (Loebbaka/Oppenheim), unanimously.

D. Ratify Contracts Under \$40,000

M/S/C (Loebbaka/Oppenheim), unanimously.

E. Contracts for AT&T Data Circuits - Renewal for ASE WAN Circuits and Direct Internet Access Circuits

M/S/C (Loebbaka/Oppenheim), unanimously.

F. Declare as surplus obsolete equipment and authorize disposal, Redwood High School

M/S/C (Loebbaka/Oppenheim), unanimously.

13. Superintendent's Report

There was no additional report.

14. Trustee Reports

Ms. Harlander reported that a letter from the Board would go out to the community, and asked the Board if they approved. The draft was approved by the trustees.

Ms. Roenisch reported that as a teacher in the Alameda School District, this has been a stressful week, but everyone is working together. The Tam District is organized and looking for ways to strike a balance for the right amount of instruction.

Mr. Saavedra reported that as a parent of three students, home instruction is challenging. Everyone is learning to adjust to a new system, and doing their best.

Mr. Oppenheim thanked the students and staff for continuing to learn and teach during a difficult time.


Ms. Loebbaka agreed that this is a steep learning curve for everyone. She acknowledged that it is hard for students, especially seniors, since sports and activities are on hold, and college preparation is a concern. Students and parents are learning to "practice resilience."

15. Conclusion

16. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.


Clerk


Date