

# APPROVED MINUTES

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Wednesday, March 2, 2022 (4:30 PM)

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### ROLL CALL

ROLL CALL UPON THE ROLL BEING CALLED, THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:

**BOARD MEMBERS** Cristina Hennessey  
Dianna Driller  
Gaylan Larson  
Kim Szczurek  
Kirsten Livak

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Superintendent Chief Learning Officer Carmen Ghysels, Executive Director of Business Services Todd Rivera, Executive Director of Educational Services Valerie Simpson, Executive Director of Student Services Jeff Santos, Executive Assistant Lupita Vazquez, Director of Human Resources Joan Zappettini, Coordinator of Information and Technology Serg Balint.

### 1.0 Call To Order

President Szczurek called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

### 2.0 Public Comment on Closed Session

**2.1 No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda except the Members of the Board or the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District Staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed. (Government Code 54954.2) Three (3) minutes per comment is the time limit for any audience member comment for a total of 30 minutes.**

No public comment

### 3.0 Closed Session

**3.1 Conference with Labor Negotiators-Government Code 54957.6 Carmen Ghysels, Superintendent CLO, Todd Rivera, Executive Director of Business Services, and Joan Zappettini, Human Resources Director, will conference with the Board regarding negotiations with Tahoe Truckee Education Association (TTEA), California School Employees Association (CSEA), Confidential, and Management**

**3.2 Public Employment Certificated, Classified, Confidential, and Management**

**3.3 Public Employee Dismissal, Release, Suspension, Reassign - Government Code 54957(b)(1)**

**Recommendation:** Board will make a recommendation on Public Employee Dismissal, Release, Suspension, Reassign per Government Code 54957(b)(1) as discussed.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Dianna Driller)** Moved, Member **(Kirsten Livak)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Board will make a recommendation on Public Employee Dismissal, Release, Suspension, Reassign per Government Code 54957(b)(1) as discussed'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Cristina Hennessey Yes  
Dianna Driller Yes  
Gaylan Larson Yes

Kim Szczurek Yes  
Kirsten Livak Yes

#### 4.0 Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call

President Szczurek reconvened the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

#### 5.0 Open Session/Report out Action Taken in Closed Session

##### 5.1 Open Session - President will Report Out any Action Taken in Closed Session

The board took action on Resolution No. 17-2021-2022 to reassign a TTUSD Administrator. It was approved by unanimous vote.

#### 6.0 Approval of Agenda

##### 6.1 Approve March 2, 2022, Board Meeting Agenda

**Recommendation:** Approve March 2, 2022, Board Meeting Agenda

##### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Dianna Driller)** Moved, Member **(Kirsten Livak)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve March 2, 2022, Board Meeting Agenda'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Cristina Hennessey Yes  
Dianna Driller Yes  
Gaylan Larson Yes  
Kim Szczurek Yes  
Kirsten Livak Yes

#### 7.0 Superintendent's Report

##### 7.1 Superintendent Chief Learning Officer - District Update for the Board

The Superintendent's report can be viewed at [tahoetruckeemedia.org](http://tahoetruckeemedia.org).

#### 8.0 Resolution

##### 8.1 Approve Resolution No. 16-2021-2022 for Reduction of Certificated Positions for the 2022-2023 School Year

Education Code 44955 and Board Policy 4117.3 allow for the Governing Board to reduce or discontinue a particular kind of service for the following school year. Notice of such termination of services shall be given before the 15th of May. The reduction of service is for the 2022-2023 school year. The reduction of these positions will not affect employment status of any current employee.

**Recommendation:** Approve Resolution No. 16-2021-2022 for Reduction of Certificated Positions for the 2022-2023 School Year

##### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Dianna Driller)** Moved, Member **(Kirsten Livak)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Resolution No. 16-2021-2022 for Reduction of Certificated Positions for the 2022-2023 School Year'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Cristina Hennessey Yes  
Dianna Driller Yes  
Gaylan Larson Yes  
Kim Szczurek Yes

Kirsten Livak Yes

## 9.0 Consent Agenda

### 9.1 Approve Personnel Action Report for March 2, 2022

Personnel Action Report - REVISED (uploaded March 3, 2022)

The March 2, 2022, personnel action report is a summary of all personnel action for the preceding month. This report also includes transfers and reassignments to comply with the annual March 15 deadline for certificated employees. Various individuals are hired and released or resigned each month and these changes must be approved by the board. By approving the Personnel Action Agenda, the board finalizes all actions planned or taken to ensure that the district schools, offices and facilities are properly staffed with quality personnel.

**Recommendation:** Approve Personnel Action Report for March 2, 2022

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Dianna Driller)** Moved, Member **(Kirsten Livak)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Personnel Action Report for March 2, 2022'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Cristina Hennessey Yes  
Dianna Driller Yes  
Gaylan Larson Yes  
Kim Szczurek Yes  
Kirsten Livak Yes

### 9.2 Approve Leave of Absence Requests for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 School Years

Human Resources works with site and department administrators to assess staffing and recommendations for approval of leaves.

**Recommendation:** Approve Leave of Absence Requests for the DATES School Years

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Dianna Driller)** Moved, Member **(Kirsten Livak)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Leave of Absence Requests for the DATES School Years'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Cristina Hennessey Yes  
Dianna Driller Yes  
Gaylan Larson Yes  
Kim Szczurek Yes  
Kirsten Livak Yes

### 9.3 Approve Warrants, Contracts, and Donations for the March 2, 2022 Board Meeting

Warrants, Contracts, and Donations for the March 2, 2022, Board Meeting

**Recommendation:** Approve Warrants, Contracts, and Donations for the March 2, 2022, Board Meeting

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Dianna Driller)** Moved, Member **(Kirsten Livak)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Warrants, Contracts, and Donations for the March 2, 2022, Board Meeting'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Cristina Hennessey Yes

Dianna Driller Yes  
Gaylan Larson Yes  
Kim Szczurek Yes  
Kirsten Livak Yes

#### **9.4 Approve Adoption of Instructional Materials for High School**

World history is more than the “story” of our past. Its consequences can be felt today and may impact our future. World History Interactive is a modern, inquiry-based social studies curriculum that promotes critical thinking, immersive experiences, and informed action. It leverages the C3 Framework to make world history experiential and culturally relevant for all students.

**Recommendation:** Approve Adoption of Instructional Materials for High School

##### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Dianna Driller)** Moved, Member **(Kirsten Livak)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Adoption of Instructional Materials for High School'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Cristina Hennessey Yes  
Dianna Driller Yes  
Gaylan Larson Yes  
Kim Szczurek Yes  
Kirsten Livak Yes

#### **9.5 Approve Proposed Revisions to Board Policy, Administrative Regulation, and Exhibit 6146.2 Certificate of Proficiency/High School Equivalency**

Updated to clarify the distinction between a certificate of proficiency and a high school equivalency certificate. The policy also reflects that there is a fee for these tests which is waived for homeless or foster youth under 25 years of age who meet all other registration requirements and submit certification of homeless or foster youth status.

**Recommendation:** Approve Proposed Revisions

##### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Dianna Driller)** Moved, Member **(Kirsten Livak)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Proposed Revisions'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Cristina Hennessey Yes  
Dianna Driller Yes  
Gaylan Larson Yes  
Kim Szczurek Yes  
Kirsten Livak Yes

#### **9.6 Approve Proposed Revisions to Board Policy 6142.5 Environmental Education**

Updated to reflect law which requires that the state-adopted environmental principles and concepts be integrated into content standards, curriculum frameworks, and textbook criteria.

**Recommendation:** Approve Proposed Revisions to Board Policy 6142.5 Environmental Education

##### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Dianna Driller)** Moved, Member **(Kirsten Livak)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Proposed Revisions to Board Policy 6142.5 Environmental Education'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Cristina Hennessey Yes  
Dianna Driller Yes  
Gaylan Larson Yes  
Kim Szczurek Yes  
Kirsten Livak Yes

## 10.0 Consent Items Pulled for Discussion/Approval

### 11.0 Association Report and Comment

#### 11.1 CSEA - California School Employees Association

#### 11.2 TTEA - Tahoe Truckee Education Association

### 12.0 Public Comment

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### 13.0 Board Business

#### 13.1 2022 CSBA Delegate Assembly Election

Ballots for this year's CSBA Delegate Assembly elections were mailed to school district and county offices of education. The Delegate Assembly meets twice each year. The Board as a whole may vote for up to the number of vacancies in the regions or sub region as indicated on the ballot. Regardless of the number of vacancies, each board may cast no more than one vote for any one candidate.

**Recommendation:** Approve and Vote for the Official 2022 Delegate Assembly Ballot Subregion 4-D Candidate, Number of Vacancies-1

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Kim Szczurek)** Moved, Member **(Kirsten Livak)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve and Vote for the Official 2022 Delegate Assembly Ballot Subregion 4-D Candidate, Number of Vacancies-1'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **3** Nay: **0** Abstain: **2**. The motion **3 – 0**.

Cristina Hennessey Abstain  
Dianna Driller Abstain  
Gaylan Larson Yes  
Kim Szczurek Yes  
Kirsten Livak Yes

#### 13.2 Comments of Board Members

The comments of the board members can be viewed at [tahoetruckeemedia.org](http://tahoetruckeemedia.org).

### 14.0 Second Closed Session

#### 14.1 Public Employment Certificated, Classified, Confidential, and Management

**14.2 Conference with Labor Negotiators-Government Code 54957.6 Carmen Ghysels, Superintendent CLO, Todd Rivera, Executive Director of Business Services, and Joan Zappettini, Human Resources Director, will conference with the Board regarding negotiations with Tahoe Truckee Education Association**

**(TTEA), California School Employees Association (CSEA), Confidential, and Management**

**15.0 Report out Action from Closed Session**

**16.0 Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.