



## Special Board Meeting

February 4, 2020

### Minutes

#### 1.0 Call to Order

Board President Cathy Mederos called the Special Meeting of the Tulare Joint Union High School District Board of Trustees to order at 6:03 p.m. on Tuesday, February 4, 2020, at the Tulare Joint Union High School District Office.

**Members Present:** Laura Fonseca, Craig Hamilton, Cathy Mederos, Kelley Nicholson

**Members Absent:** Frank Fernandes

#### 1.2 Adopt Agenda

On a motion by Laura Fonseca and second by Kelley Nicholson, the Board approved the agenda by the following 4-0 vote:

**Ayes:** Fonseca, Hamilton, Mederos, Nicholson

**Noes:** None    **Absent:** Fernandes

#### 2.0 **Regular Session**

##### 2.1 Pledge of Allegiance

Board President Cathy Mederos led the Pledge of Allegiance

#### 3.0 Community Relations

##### 3.1 **Citizen Comments**

Board President Cathy Mederos requested those who wish to address a matter on the agenda to do so at this time. There were no citizen comments.

#### 4.0 **Information Items**

##### 4.1 Boundary Study Information

The Board requested that SchoolWorks provide several options on boundary changes to balance student enrollment at the three comprehensive schools. SchoolWorks developed boundary options, Plan A – G, for the Board to consider. Over the last two months, the board has reviewed and discussed the options. Tony Rodriguez informed the Board the purpose of the study session was to reduce these options to two, maybe three, for further consideration.

Ken Reynolds from SchoolWorks was present at the meeting and provided the Board with a Boundary Study Summary. The summary shows enrollment at each site, by plan, projected for six years as well as Net Free/Reduced Lunch Ratios. Mr. Reynolds responded to questions from the Board. Transfers of students into the District and between schools and those attending the non-comprehensive sites result in changes to the net free/reduced lunch ratios.

The Board asked which plan would have the least impact. Tony Rodriguez responded that Plan A

would have the least effect on the community. Since reducing the impact on the entire community has been the goal of the Board, Tony Rodriguez recommended eliminating Plans E, F, & G.

The Board held a discussion on Plans A, B, C, & D. The discussion included impact on the community, enrollment numbers for 2020-2021, facilities and striving for a balance between the comprehensive sites. The Board decided to move forward with Plan A. Tony Rodriguez will bring this item for action at the February 20, 2020 Board meeting.

Michelle Nunley, Principal, Tulare Union High School, suggested the District revisit our policy on the formula used when calculating the school's capacity. The current percentage is 95% capacity. Board member question/answer discussion ensued. Administration will look more closely at that percentage moving forward.

Cathy Mederos thanked Ken Reynolds for developing all the other plans. The Board appreciates his hard work and extra efforts because it helped them make the best decision for the District.

### **Announcements**

Tony Rodriguez distributed an invitation to the Board of Trustees for a School Board Appreciation Dinner hosted by local CTA. They would like to honor our Board members at a dinner on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at La Piazza restaurant in Tulare at 6:00 p.m. If the Board is interested, Mr. Rodriguez directed them to RSVP to Barbara Orisio.

Tony Rodriguez shared an article with the Board members published in the ACSA Region XI Newsletter featuring ACSA executive director, Dr. Wes Smith visiting the Tulare High School Ag Farm. A photo of Board President, Cathy Mederos, Superintendent, Tony Rodriguez, Principal, Dan Dutto, and Dr. Wes Smith was on the cover of the newsletter.

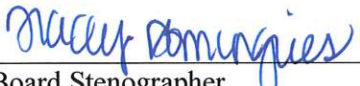
### **Adjournment**

The special meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

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### **Next Meeting**

Regular Board Meeting, February 6, 2020, Staff Development Room, TJUHSD District Office, with Closed Session starting at 6:00 p.m. The regular meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. (unless otherwise posted).

  
Board Stenographer

  
Secretary to Board of Trustees