

**TULARE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES**

The Tulare County Board of Education met on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. for a regular board meeting in the Redwood CDEF meeting room at the Jim Vidak Education Center, 6200 S. Mooney Boulevard, Visalia, California.

PRESENT Board Members	Tom Link, President Joe Enea, Vice President Judy Coble Pat Hillman Debby Holguin Celia Maldonado-Arroyo Dr. Fernie Marroquin, Ex-Officio Secretary
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ABSENT Board Member	Chris Reed
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PRESENT Staff Members	Rob Herman, Communications Director Marlene Moreno, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent John Rodriguez, Director, Human Resources Julie Berk, Assistant Superintendent, Student Support Services Jody Arriaga, Director, Internal Business Services Eric Thiessen, Principal, UPHS Andrea Perez, Assistant Superintendent, District Support Services John Alvarez. Administrator, Leadership Support Services Debra Lockwood, Library Media Supervisor, ERS Sarah Smigiera, Director, External Business Services Dr. Scott Pierce, Administrator, La Sierra Military Academy Karon Valdivieso, Principal, TCOE Court School Lorena Castillo, Assistant Administrator, Early Childhood Education Program Eric Sonnenfeld, Assistant Administrator, Early Childhood Education Program Sarah Hamilton, Administrator II, Special Services Jeff Ramsay, Director, General Services Justin Paredes, Administrator, Leadership Support Services John Davis, Administrator, Leadership Support Services Samantha Tate, Administrator, Educational Resource Services Yasmeen Contreras, Helpdesk Support Specialist, IS Patrick Himes, Helpdesk Support Specialist, IS
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GUESTS	Guests as listed in the register including Suzanne de Groot, Maria G. Mendez and Desiree Serrano.
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CALL TO ORDER  
Pledge of Allegiance/  
Welcome

Board President Link welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. Celia Maldonado-Arroyo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADA  
ACCOMMODATIONS

Tom Link reported that ADA accommodations had been met.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public did not address any matter of jurisdiction.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Coble to approve the consent calendar to include: minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of November 10, 2021, Countywide Registration of Credentials, Temporary County Certificates, Emergency Permits and listed donations. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

Mr. Link thanked Rotary, David and Jamie Allen and The Trophy Shoppe for their donations.

SECOND READING,  
BOARD POLICY &  
ADMINISTRATIVE  
REGULATION 6158.1  
INDEPENDENT  
STUDY

Julie Berk asked the Board to approve Board Policy and Administrative Regulation (AR) 6158.1 for Independent Study for 2021-2022 and subsequent years. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to approve Board Policy and Administrative Regulation (AR) 6158.1 for Independent Study. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

SECOND READING,  
ADOPTION OF LCAP  
FOR 2022-2023 FOR  
TCOE  
(COURT/COMMUNITY  
AND SPECIAL  
EDUCATION)

Karon Valdivieso requested the Board adopt the LCAP for 2022-2023 for TCOE Court/Community and Special Education. It was moved by Hillman, seconded by Holguin to adopt the LCAP for 2022-2023 for TCOE Court/Community and Special Education. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

SECOND READING,  
ADOPTION OF LCAP  
FOR 2022-2023 FOR LA  
SIERRA MILITARY  
ACADEMY

Dr. Scott Pierce asked the Board to adopt the LCAP for 2022-2023 for La Sierra Military Academy. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to adopt the LCAP for 2022-2023 for La Sierra Military Academy. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

SECOND READING,  
ADOPTION OF LCAP  
FOR 2022-2023 FOR  
UPHS

Eric Thiessen requested the Board adopt the LCAP for 2022-2023 for UPHS. It was moved by Holguin, seconded by Hillman to adopt the LCAP for 2022-2023 for UPHS. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

SECOND READING,  
A-G COMPLETION  
IMPROVEMENT  
GRANT PLAN FOR  
2022 FOR TCOE  
(COURT/COMMUNITY  
AND SPECIAL  
EDUCATION)

Karon Valdivieso asked the Board to approve the A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plan for 2022 for TCOE Court/Community and Special Education. It was moved by Hillman, seconded by Enea to approve the A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plan for 2022 for TCOE Court/Community and Special Education. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

SECOND READING,  
A-G COMPLETION  
IMPROVEMENT  
GRANT PLAN FOR  
2022 FOR LA SIERRA  
MILITARY ACADEMY

Dr. Scott Pierce requested the Board's approval of the A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plan for 2022 for La Sierra Military Academy. It was moved by Maldonado-Arroyo, seconded by Hillman to approve the A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plan for 2022 for La Sierra Military Academy. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

SECOND READING,  
A-G COMPLETION  
IMPROVEMENT  
GRANT PLAN FOR  
2022 FOR UPHS

Eric Thiessen asked for the Board's approval of the A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plan for 2022 for UPHS. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Coble to approve the A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plan for 2022 for UPHS. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

UNIVERSAL PRE-  
KINDERGARTEN  
PLANNING AND  
IMPLEMENTATION

Julie Berk presented the Universal Pre-kindergarten Planning and Implementation. Universal Pre-kindergarten (UPK) will serve 4-year olds. This year, children whose birthdays are between September 2 and December 2 will be accepted. There is full funding based on ADA for UPK as well as additional funding for TK. Districts cannot require children to attend TK, but parents are encouraged to send their children to TK. TCOE is developing an educator pipeline through partnerships with high schools, COS and Porterville College. There was no action required for this presentation.

Mr. Link thanked Julie for her presentation.

WILLIAMS/  
VALENZUELA 1<sup>ST</sup>  
QUARTER OF 2022  
UNIFORM  
COMPLAINT REPORT

John Rodriguez presented the Williams Valenzuela Uniform Complaint Report for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2022. There were no complaints received. No action was required for this presentation.

2021-2022 LIBRARY  
AND MULTIMEDIA  
COLLECTION

Debra Lockwood asked the Board to approve the 2021-2022 Library and Multimedia Collection. It was moved by Hillman, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to approve the 2021-2022 Library and Multimedia Collection. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

COUNTY OFFICE  
SUMMARY REPORT  
TO LEAS WITH LCAPS  
AND  
DIFFERENTIATED  
ASSISTANCE

Andrea Perez presented the County Office Summary Report to LEAs with LCAPs and Differentiated Assistance. TCOE provides on-site consultation, meetings, office hour support, and state and federal updates to all districts as well as differentiated assistance to nine districts in the specific areas that are needed. TCOE collaborates with CDE, CCEE and other county offices. Also included in the report is the budget with the funding that TCOE receives to provide support. There was no action required for this presentation.

Tom Link thanked Andrea for her presentation.

LOCAL  
PERFORMANCE  
INDICATOR FOR  
TCOE  
COURT/COMMUNITY  
FOR 2022

John Davis gave an overview of the Local Performance Indicator. These reports include self-measurement tools focused around the priority areas from the 2021-2022 school year.

Karon Valdivieso presented the Local Performance Indicator for TCOE Court/Community for 2022. TCOE has full implementation of common core standards. There is parent involvement but more attendance is being encouraged. Ms. Valdivieso reported all priorities are being met. There was no action required for this presentation.

Mr. Link thanked Karon for her presentation.

LOCAL  
PERFORMANCE  
INDICATOR FOR LA  
SIERRA MILITARY  
ACADEMY FOR 2022

Dr. Scott Pierce presented the Local Performance Indicator for La Sierra Military Academy for 2022. Under priority two, academic standards implementation, science has been an area of growth. La Sierra has secured a former SCICON teacher to provide more hands-on science instruction. This year, La Sierra started a music program. Dr. Pierce reported that La Sierra will have their first CIF sport, cross country, starting in the fall. Under the priority of school climate, La Sierra will be focusing on counseling to provide life-skills to students to help students avoid marijuana use. La Sierra has re-activated to active status with the California Cadet Corp. This will deepen the military culture, allows students to compete, and provides two sets of uniforms and boots for each cadet. There was no action required for this presentation.

Board President Link thanked Scott for his presentation.

LOCAL  
PERFORMANCE  
INDICATOR FOR  
UPHS FOR 2022

Eric Thiessen presented the Local Performance Indicator for UPHS for 2022. For first time under basic services, UPHS was given a “one” for the facilities category. Repairs are needed to four classrooms which were formerly Fresno State distance learning classrooms. ESSER Funds have been set aside to carpet and paint eight classrooms at UPHS. All academic standards have been implemented. Under priority three, building relationship, UPHS has purchased Kinolved through Powerschool. The program allows parents, teachers and staff to select their preferred language and translates emails. This feature speeds up communication without the need for an outside translator. UPHS continues its outreach to the migrant community. Mr. Thiessen reported UPHS has aligned

their WASC accreditation, charter renewal and LCAP. One goal is to expand parent involvement. There was no action required for this presentation.

Tom Link thanked Eric for his presentation.

2021-2022 FOREST  
RESERVE  
APPORTIONMENT

Sarah Smigiera asked the Board to approve the 2021-2022 Forest Reserve Apportionment. It was moved by Holguin, seconded by Coble to approve the 2021-2022 Forest Reserve Apportionment. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

RESOLUTION  
#21/22-15 FOR  
SPENDING  
DETERMINATION  
FOR FUNDES  
RECEIVED FROM  
EDUCATIONAL  
PROTECTION  
ACCOUNT (EPA) FOR  
2022-2023

Jody Arriaga requested the Board's adoption of Resolution 21/22-15 for the Spending Determination for Funds Received from the Educational Protection Account (EPA) for 2022-2023. It was moved by Hillman, seconded by Maldonado-Arroyo to adopt Resolution 21/22-15 for the Spending Determination for Funds Received from the Educational Protection Account (EPA) for 2022-2023. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

2022-2023 TCOE  
BUDGET

Dr. Fernie Marroquin asked the Board to adopt the 2022-2023 Tulare County Office of Education Budget. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Holguin to adopt the 2022-2023 Tulare County Office of Education Budget. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

RESOLUTION TO  
AUTHORIZE  
TEMPORARY LOANS  
TO SCHOOL DISTRICT  
AND CHARTER  
SCHOOLS 2022-2023  
(#21/22-16) AND 2023-  
2024 (#21/22-17)  
NATIONAL SCHOOL  
BOARDS  
ASSOCIATION DUES

Dr. Fernie Marroquin requested the Board's adoption of Resolution 21/22-16 and 21/22-17 for Temporary Loans to School Districts and Charter Schools for 2022-2023 and 2023-2024. It was moved by Coble, seconded by Hillman to adopt Resolution 21/22-16 and 21/22-17 for Temporary Loans to School Districts and Charter Schools for 2022-2023 and 2023-2024. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

Dr. Fernie Marroquin asked the Board to consider the National School Boards Association Dues. It was moved by Enea, seconded by Hillman to decline the National School Boards Association Membership Dues. Motion carried with the following votes: Ayes: Coble, Enea, Hillman, Holguin, Link and Maldonado-Arroyo. Board member Reed was absent.

SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT

Dr. Fernie Marroquin presented on behalf of Superintendent Hire. He thanked the board for attending the graduation ceremonies over the last few weeks. The parents, students, staff and Mr. Hire appreciate the Board's participation.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING July 13, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.