

**TEMPLE CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARDROOM –VIRTUAL (TELECONFERENCE)
9700 LAS TUNAS DRIVE, TEMPLE CITY, CALIFORNIA**

Approved Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 9, 2022

Member Espinoza called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Board Members Present

Melissa Espinoza, President
Donna Georgino, Vice President
Mary Sneed, Clerk
Mike Lin, Member
Matt W. Smith, Member
Kianna Le, Student Board Member

Roll Call by ROLL
CALL VOTE

ROLL CALL: Espinoza, Georgino, Sneed, Lin, Smith

Administrators Present

Kimberly Fricker, Superintendent
Tamar Kataroyan, Assistant Superintendent Human Resource Services
Connie Wu, Assistant Superintendent Business Services
Susan Hemans, Executive Director Educational Technology
Christopher Holmes, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services

There were no public comments.

Public Comments on
Closed Session
Agenda Items

Disclosure of Item(s) to be Discussed in Closed Session
(Board action in Closed Session must be taken by roll call vote.)

Disclosure of
Item(s) to be
Discussed in Closed
Session

1. Personnel Matters (Government Code 54957)
Public Employee Appointment, Discipline, Dismissal, Release
2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Gov. Code, § 54956.9, subd.
(d)(4): One cases
3. Labor/Negotiations (Government Code 54957.6)
Update: Direction to District Negotiators (Kimberly Fricker, Tamar Kataroyan
and Connie Wu for TCEA, CSEA 105, CSEA 823 and Management)

On motion of Member Smith, seconded by Member Lin on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL
vote, the Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:01 p.m.

Adjourned to
Closed Session

Aye: Espinoza, Smith, Lin, Georgino, Sneed
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

On motion of Member Sneed, seconded by Member Lin on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL
vote, the Board reconvened to Open Session at 7:00 p.m.

Reconvened to
Open Session

Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE

Aye: Georgino, Sneed, Lin, Espinoza, Smith
Nay: None
Abstain: None

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Member Espinoza announced that tonight's meeting is being digitally recorded.	Recording of Meeting
Member Georgino led the flag salute.	Flag Salute
Member Espinoza announced that no actions were taken in Closed Session.	Action Taken in Closed Session
There were no changes to the agenda however the Board will reconvene to Closed session at end of meeting.	Changes to tonight's Agenda
On motion of Member Smith, seconded by Member Georgino on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board Approved tonight's agenda.	Approved Agenda
Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE Aye: Espinoza, Georgino, Smith, Sneed, Lin Nay: None Abstain: None	
Longden Science Olympiad-Kyle Bender	Special Recognition/Presentation
Principal Bender shared his experience with the Longden Science Olympiad team at recent events.	
Introduce Ms. Karen Hsieh and Samantha Chang the coaches of Longden's team.	
Ms. Hsieh thank Mr. Bender, Mrs. Oh-Saxon, parents, and student advisors Ryan Wong and Kylie Bell. Thanked the high school Science Olympiad team as well. Longden Science Olympiad Team:	
Oscar Li Leyna Phan Elliot Swan Emily He Ethan Ma Rebecca Li Bryce Thach Jayden Wang Kaden Chien Austin Ye Charlotte Chu Jessie Li Kyle Luu Kayla Phan Smiraa Sriram	
Presentation on Irvine Invitational and different events that students competed in. Students Kaden Chan and Charlotte Chu shared their experiences in Science Olympiad.	
There were no public comments.	Public Comments
Member Espinoza shared the city was hosting a "Cookout with Cops this evening at Temple City Park. Primrose Park hosted a soft opening on February 25, 2022. The Camellia Festival is coming up and anyone interested in participating in the festival or in need of information can go to their website at: https://www.camelliafestival.org	Community Update

On April 24, 2022 Oak Avenue will host a basketball fundraiser between Oak Avenue staff and The Harlem Wizards at TCHS, please purchase your tickets and support event!

Connie Wu

Business Services
Update

- The Board has authorized to apply for the AB 841 grant. AB 841 is called The California Schools Healthy Air, Plumbing, and Efficiency (CalSHAPE) Ventilation Program. We received a Notice of Proposed Award (NOPA) this week for Assessment and Maintenance in the amount(s) of \$305,787.60 dollars for HVACs at TC High School and Longden. In order to secure the award funding, the Business Services Department will finish all the required additional forms and upload them online. Grant agreement will be submitted for Board's ratification on 3/23/22 Board meeting.
- The Board has approved the District to use ESSER funding for school site HVAC replacement. Under Federal Grant spending guidelines, any capital expenditure for special purpose equipment with a unit cost of over \$5,000 dollars requires a pre-approval. The District has submitted such approval and the request has been approved this week.

Christopher Holmes

Educational
Services
Update

- Educational Services Department is working with Human Resource Services on identifying someone to come in and support the counseling team at the high school which has been a pressing issues for student wellness and support. Glad to see the challenges being met.

Dr. Kataroyan

Human Resource
Services Update

- Some updates on our 2 counselor positions: The DIS Counselor position was flown twice in January for about a month. There were 11 applicants and no one that met the qualifications- specifically they were missing the Marriage Family Therapy License or Clinical Social Worker License. We are still currently flying the DIS Counselor position. One applicant has applied but does not meet the qualifications. We interviewed a DIS Counselor from a Non Public Agency today and we are looking to move forward with this candidate pending clearance. The plan is to have the candidate start with a 3-day schedule and assess the need as we go.
- Counselor: We flew a Counselor position pool and had 5 qualified candidates. Interviews are scheduled for tomorrow afternoon. All 5 have confirmed their attendance. One of our counselors at the HS is currently on leave until the end of the year.
- The Social Emotional needs of our students have continued to escalate and it's important we prioritize support in this area. Our counselors have been at the forefront in this area and it's important we continue to support our counseling team. Currently up to the end of February we have had 48 students demonstrate suicidal ideations including self-harm. In the years past, for the full year there was a total of 24 in 2018-19, 29 in 2017-18, 14 in 2016-17. As you can see we have doubled the numbers and we have just entered into the month of March.
- Classified Employee of the Year Nominations have been sent out

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- Human resource Services is continually hiring additional substitute teachers, which is excellent.

Chris Holmes

Student Services
Update

- Shared a couple of slides on student attendance and discipline data. Data compared 18-19 to 21-22. Shared that data may be able to identify at what level student discipline may become an issue and answered questions.

Susan Hemans

Educational
Technology

- In Virtual Academy even with the COVID-19 pandemic being less threatening, we still have a robust number of students in the TC Virtual Academy. As of today we have 128 students in secondary with a strong showing in 12th graders and over 300 students in elementary dispersed across all grade levels. That is a good sign that the education they are receiving meets our family's needs.
- In Technology we received a memo from LACOE technology services last week relaying an advisory and guidance regarding Cybersecurity in light of the current conflict between Russia and Ukraine. We have reviewed our current cybersecurity based on their recommendations and are evaluating what we already have in place and any additional measures we will take.

Kyla Hjertstedt, TCEA: No comments this evening.

Bargaining Unit
Comments

Jeanette Johnson, CSEA #105: No comments this evening.

Art Contreras, CSEA #823: Glad that a date to return to negotiations has been set.

Member Espinoza

Board Member
Comments

- Wished everyone a Happy International Women's Day to all the accomplished strong women role models in our lives and around the world. Those that have left us and those that are still with us, may those role models inspire young women in our school district and around the world not to let gender stereotypes limit your dreams and goals.
- The first Friday in March was Employee Appreciation Day so to all of our district employees thank you all for your all you do each day to support our students, your work means everything to us so thank you so much.
- Attended sporting events over the last couple of weeks along with my fellow board members and so proud to be there and witness the great sportsmanship. Always enjoy a good game so that was wonderful and there's just so much to celebrate with our students that everybody has touched on and we want to keep on celebrating and keep on praising our students and encouraging them to push themselves and do their very best and know that not only do their parents support them but their school district supports them too.

Member Georgino

- Attended Temple City National Little League opening ceremonies and Temple City American Softball Association opening ceremonies,

- Heard about Longden's participation in the Science Olympiad and Temple City High School placing second out of 83 schools. Oak Avenue also participated in the Science Olympiad the regional competition and they placed third. Both Temple City High School and Oak Avenue will be participating in the state Science Olympiad next month so good luck to them.
- In our sports teams at Temple City High School-attended the Girls Basketball game as they participated in the CIF finals and although they didn't win our Lady Rams really did a great job.
- The big morale-boosting event for our schools in the community was the Boys Soccer Team's journey to winning the CIF state championship and special congratulations to the players' coaches, parents, and Temple City High School administration. I think after two really challenging years, this was a welcome achievement for our district and the entire community.

Member Lin

- Was such a joy to see our Science Olympiad Tigers get recognized in tonight's meeting, loved the presentation and kudos to Ms. Samantha Chang and Karen Hsieh for mentoring the tigers and for their dedication.
- Reminder to set your clocks ahead on Sunday to spring forward one hour.
- Will not be able to attend the March 23rd board meeting because will be presenting at the Founders Day PTA Honorary Service Awards in San Marino.

Member Smith

- Thanked Kyle Bender, Karen Hsieh and Samantha Chang for the great Science Olympiad presentation earlier with the students.
- Happy Women's' Month to all the women who help us.
- Attended a couple of CIF championship games the Boys Soccer on the 26th and the Girls Basketball both very competitive games.
- Attended the TCNLL opening ceremonies on March 4, 2022 which was a very nice gathering, it was fun to see everybody get together again for the first time in a couple years.
- Attended the Laguna Beach Patriots Day Parade this past Saturday and shared Middle School Military Drum Major 2nd place: Julia Yu, Middle school Auxiliary 1st place with a high score of 90, Middle School Drill Team 1st place with a high score of 92, and Sweepstakes Winners, The Oak Ave Royals Band with the highest overall band score in the entire parade beating all the other schools including high schools
- Thanked the 14 individuals or organizations in tonight's agenda that donated 12,461 dollars to the district.

Member Sneed

- Congratulated the Longden Science Olympiad team – Thank you for sharing at our meeting tonight. We are very proud of you!
- Congratulated the Boys Soccer team for winning the CIF State Championship. We are so proud of all of you for reaching this level and for showing such wonderful teamwork and sportsmanship. Great job!

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- Congratulated the Girls Basketball team who played a great game in the CIF Finals. You showed a lot of courage and were great examples of good sportsmanship. We are very proud of you!
- Congratulated the Oak Ave Band and Auxiliaries. In the Laguna Patriots Parade, they won the Sweepstakes Award, 1st place in Drill, 1st place auxiliary and 2nd Place Drum Major. Great job representing TC!
- Lots of Congratulations tonight: The high school color guard placed third in the Winter Guard Association of Southern California competition.
- We are celebrating Women's History Month. This is a time to recognize those women who have been role models and have helped shape our nation.
- Attended the TCNLL and Temple City Softball Opening Ceremonies. It looks like it will be a fun season for all the players.
- Visited Emperor last week and read to Mrs. Medina's class for Read Across America. It was a fun morning.
- Thanked the 14 donors who donated a total of \$12,461.54.
- Recognized that we are nearing the end of two years of this pandemic, and we can celebrate the news that the numbers that were so high after the winter break are finally coming down.
- As many people around the world are doing, we also stand with Ukraine. Their courage is inspiring us all.

Kianna Le

- Congratulated the Boys Soccer team for winning the Division 5 southern regional state championships! They made TCHS history by making it this far in the championship rounds and we are so proud of the hard work and dedication they put into practicing to get to where they are.
- Congratulated the Girls Basketball team for qualifying to the state championships.
- Congratulated our high school Choreo team for placing 1st in jazz, dance, character, lyrical, as well as bringing home the showmanship trophy. This was especially exceptional for their first competition in over 2 years since before the quarantine.
- Congratulated the Temple City HS Science Olympiad team who finished 2nd out of 83 LA County teams! They were among the top six teams in 20 of the 30 events. They will be competing in the Southern CA State Tournament Saturday April 2nd so wish them well.
- Please support the high school PTSA by purchasing a PTSA t-shirt at <https://www.bonfire.com/tchs-ptsa-fundraiser/> there are 4 different colors.
- The QSA and Dream Equal clubs at TCHS are holding a food drive to donate to the LA LGBT center's food pantry to feed LGBTQ+ senior citizens from 3/4-31. Please donate any canned or packaged foods if you are able to all throughout this month.
- Excited to announce our high school band, jazz band, and orchestra festival concert next Tuesday 3/15 at 7 pm at the senior circle outside the high school quad.
- Gave a summary of upcoming sporting events for TCHS.

Student Board
Member
Comments

- Met with Mr. Westgate from the DDSLC in the morning of 3/9 and he shared what is taking place at the DDSLC campus.

Dr. Fricker

Superintendent
Comments

- Congratulated Boys Soccer team they did an amazing job.
- On Tuesday March 15, 2022 there will be a Superintendent's Forum and we will be covering our Universal TK, Kinder, Full day Kinder programs.
- We will be having an upcoming Superintendents Forum on the Preschool Program which is scheduled to launch next year.
- As we are approaching Friday where the mask mandates and some of the COVID-19 protocols are going to be changing, we do have great anticipation and are waiting for those announcements from the LA County Department of Public Health. When we get the written documents, we will make sure to update our protocol shortly thereafter.
- Recently met with the president from PCC to a partnership with that community college in regard to programs related to dual enrollment and or concurrent enrollment.
- As we are coming out of the COVID-19 pandemic, as with any crisis it is normally at the end of the crisis when we feel the effects of a crisis or a difficult situation or a stressful situation. With that in mind she went down to the high school and met with ASB to discuss ways that we can have or create activities with the students and the student body, to make sure that we are addressing the needs of students and making sure that they can come together as we release or relax some of these guidelines from the pandemic. Will work with Kianna on getting a list of activities.

Member Espinoza received an email from Faye Huang regarding dual language/bilingual program.

Written
Communications

**Discussion/
Information Items**

Universal Transitional Kindergarten (UTK) -Amy Gerling

Item 21

Presentation Topics:

What is Universal Transitional Kindergarten?

Transitional Kindergarten in Temple City Unified School District

Current Program Vs Universal Transitional Kindergarten-Age, program and class size

What will TCUSD's Universal Transitional Kindergarten Look Like?

12:1 Class Sizes

Play based learning

Emphasis on foundational reading, writing, and math skills needed in kindergarten

Physical Education

Foreign Language component

Developmentally appropriate social and emotional activities.

Locations for Universal Transitional Kindergarten-Emperor Elementary, La Rosa

Elementary, Longden Elementary

Universal Transitional Kindergarten Registration Information

<https://templecityusd.aeries.net/enrollment/>

Preschool Curriculum Presentation – Amy Gerling & Vendors-McGraw Hill (World of Wonders) and Creative Curriculum

Item 22

Vendors shared a presentation of Proposed curriculum for the Preschool Program

Wendy DeCrow - World of Wonders

Dr. James Rivet –Creative Curriculum (Teaching Strategies)

Facility Master Plan (FMP)-Connie Wu & David Eaves and Sabrina Leman-LPA

Item 23

Presentation Topics:

Goals for the FMP Process

FMP Process Organization

Schedule Overview

FMP Stakeholder Groups/Roles and Responsibilities

FMP School Sites

Sample Documents

FMP Deliverables

Defining Success Activity

Additional Feedback: FMP Sites and Goals:

Make the best use possible of our school bond money.

Student collaboration spaces are important to the learning experience outside the classroom.

Campus safety for student, teachers and staff.

Activity- Board of Education feedback

A roadmap to help the District use the current bond dollars to the best use possible

Identify other funding sources

Environmentally friendly modernizations-sustainability as an important component

Forward thinking learning environments

The bond will sell itself-FMP will set the bar for future projects

Plans that tie directly to mission, vision and goals of the District

Everyone has a voice and has been engaged in the process.

Unifying process for the community. to feel that they have a voice and

Food Services Presentation-Marisol Cortez

Item 24

Presentation Topics:

Universal Meals Plan-Menu, Serving Style, Labor and Equipment

Challenges-Supply Chain, Equipment Issues, Labor Shortages

Partnerships-Food Service team, Site support, and District support

**Discussion/
Action Items**

On motion of Member Smith, seconded by Member Georgino on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board Adopted Resolution 2122-24 Recognizing a State of Emergency and Re-Authorizing Teleconferencing Meetings Pursuant to AB 361.

Item 25 Adopted
Resolution 2122-24
Recognizing a State of
Emergency and Re-
Authorizing

Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE

Teleconferencing
Meetings Pursuant to AB
361.

Aye: Georgino, Sneed, Lin, Smith, Espinoza

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Member Espinoza announced that In-person Board meetings will resume at our April 27, 2022 meeting.

On motion of Member Lin, seconded by Member Georgino on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board Approved of 2021-2022 Second Interim Financial Report.

Item 26 Approved of
2021-2022 Second
Interim Financial Report.

Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE

Aye: Lin, Smith, Espinoza, Sneed, Georgino

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Connie Wu shared a budget presentation with the following: Education Code, Budget Cycle, 2022-23 Governor's Budget Proposals, Second Interim Report Assumptions, Enrollment Projections, Multi-year projections, Other funds and next steps.

On motion of Member Lin, seconded by Member Georgino on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board Approved La Rosa Elementary School Two-Story Classroom Roof Repair/Restoration Project.

Item 27. Approved La
Rosa Elementary School
Two-Story Classroom
Roof
Repair/Restoration
Project .

Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE

Aye: Smith, Sneed, Espinoza, Georgino, Lin

Nay: None

Abstain: None

On motion of Member Smith, seconded by Member Sneed on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board Approved BID NO. 21/22-003P Request for Proposal for Wide Area Network E-Rate Funding Year 2022-2023.

Item 28 Approved BID
NO. 21/22-003P Request
for Proposal for Wide
Area Network E-Rate
Funding Year 2022-2023.

Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE

Aye: Lin, Sneed, Georgino, Smith, Espinoza

Nay: None

Abstain: None

On motion of Member Smith, seconded by Member Georgino on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board Approved of Bid no 2122-004P Request for Offer for Network Equipment.

Item 29 Approved of
Bid no 2122-004P
Request for Offer for
Network Equipment.

Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE

Aye: Georgino, Lin, Smith, Sneed, Espinoza

Nay: None

Abstain: None

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On motion of Member Smith, seconded by Member Georgino on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board Approved of TCEA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) In-person Learning.

Item 30 Approved of TCEA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) In-person Learning..

Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE

Aye: Sneed, Espinoza, Lin, Georgino, Smith
Nay: None
Abstain: None

On motion of Member Sneed, seconded by Member Espinoza on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board Approved of TCEA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Virtual Academy.

Item 31 Approved of TCEA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Virtual Academy

Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE

Aye: Georgino, Espinoza, Smith, Sneed, Lin
Nay: None
Abstain: None

On motion of Member Sneed, seconded by Member Espinoza on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board Moved to Table TCEA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Virtual Academy.

Item 36 Moved to Table TCEA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Virtual Academy.

Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE

Aye: Georgino, Espinoza, Smith, Sneed, Lin
Nay: None
Abstain: None

Consent Agenda

On motion of Member Georgino, seconded by Member Sneed on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board Approved the following Consent Agenda as follows:

Items 32-36
Approved Consent Agenda

32. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of February 23, 2022
33. Payroll Documents, Warrants, Contracts, and Purchase Orders
34. Accept donations
35. Certificated Personnel Order 2122-12
36. Classified Personnel Order 2122-12

Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE

Aye: Lin, Sneed, Smith, Espinoza, Georgino
Nay: None
Abstain: None

Board Request or
Comments

- Accelerated HS-College Policy
- Dual Language Immersion Program

Future Items

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Member Lin thanked Marisol for the presentation and for the great work done by her staff and the custodial teams.

Additional Public
Comments

Member Sneed thanked everyone who presented this evening for the informative and helpful information.

On motion of Member Sneed, seconded by Member Georgino on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board Approved extending tonight's meeting to end at 10:30 p.m.

**Extend Meeting to end
at 10:30 p.m.**

Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE

Aye: Smith, Espinoza, Sneed, Georgino, Lin

Nay: None

Abstain: None

On motion of Member Smith, seconded by Member Lin on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board reconvened to Closed at 9:49 p.m.

Reconvened to
Closed Session

Aye: Espinoza, Sneed, Georgino, Smith, Lin

Nay: None

Abstain: None

On motion of Member Smith, seconded by Member Georgino on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the Board reconvened to Open Session at 10:29 p.m.

Reconvened to
Open Session

Aye: Georgino, Smith, Sneed, Espinoza, Lin

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Member Espinoza announced that no actions were taken in Closed Session.

Actions Taken in
Closed Session

On motion of Member Smith, seconded by Member Lin on a 5-0-0 ROLL CALL vote, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Adjournment

Preferential Vote: Student Member Le: AYE

Aye: Espinoza, Georgino, Sneed, Lin, Smith

Nay: None

Abstain: None



Mary Sneed, Clerk of the Board of Education

Future Board of Education Meetings

March 9 and 23, 2022

April 27, 2022

May 11 and 25, 2022

June 8 and 22, 2022