

Souza

BUENA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
21660 Road 60
Tulare, CA 93274

Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Minutes

Date: October 9, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Staff Lounge

- A. Call to Order at 7:02pm
- B. Roll Call: Martin, Simoes, Jr. , Souza present
- C. Recognition of Visitors: Delma Dias, Keri Santos, Gregory Borges, William Griesbach, Alex Mendes, Travis Brown, Jessica Fung
- D. Citizens' Comments - This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Board on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Board. Board Members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification; make a referral to staff or factual information or request staff to report back to the Board at a later meeting. Also, the Board may take action to direct the staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per citizen.
- E. Approval of Agenda of October 9, 2024 the Regular Board Meeting
Martin: Aye Simoes, Jr.: 2nd Souza: 1st
- F. Approval of Minutes of the September 18, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
Martin: 2nd Simoes, Jr.: Aye Souza: 1st
- G. Correspondence –Review and Approval Letter from TCOE Regarding 2024-2025 Budget
- H. DISTRICT BUSINESS
 - 1. 7th -8th grade Parents discuss Overnight Trip with the Board. Board listened to parents' concerns about the 7th & 8th grade trip becoming a day trip with no overnight stay in a hotel. Parents expressed that their children have been looking forward to this trip once they become 7th graders. Parents were told at back to school night which was a shock to the parents. This recommendation was made to the Board back in March 2024 due to safety and liability concerns. Board suggests 2 day trips like Oak Valley. Mr. Griesbach and Mr. Mendes also expressed their reasoning with why this should become a day trip only. Mr. Brown thanked the parents for coming to speak to the Board about their disappointment of the removal of the overnight stay. He acknowledged there was a communication breakdown, but focused on how the school could still make this a memorable experience for the students.
 - 2. Setting the Date for the Annual Organizational Meeting Between December 13 and December 27, 2024. Board voted for Friday, December 13, 2024 at 4:30 pm.
Martin: Aye Simoes, Jr.: 1st Souza: 2nd
 - 3. School Needs Assessment – Identifying Priorities for Improvement.
Mr. Brown discussed with parents and Board areas of growth. Focus on areas that include budgeting feedback. The goal by the January Board meeting is to get feedback from Teachers and Staff.

4. Board-Superintendent Collaboration – Strengthening Governance and Communication
Mr. Brown would like to strengthen open lines of communication between the Board and himself and will reach out to Board Members by December.

5. School Updates – Recap of Recent Activities and Upcoming Events
Those in attendance discussed the upcoming events including the Christmas program. The parents requested advanced notice so they could plan to attend.

6. Request for Architect for Future Modernization Projects
Martin: Aye Simoes, Jr.: 2nd Souza: 1st

Board gave permission to Mr. Brown and Jessica Fung to search for an architect for new modernization projects. Jessica Fung as to research previous architects used.

I. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

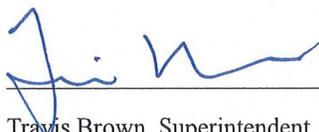
Approval of the following Payment Vouchers:
#250150 through #250165 in the amount of \$19,683.10

Martin: Aye Simoes, Jr.: 2nd Souza: 1st

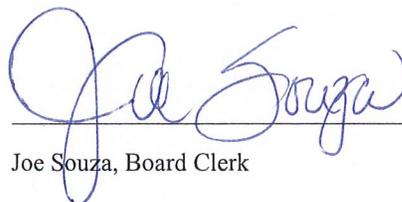
OTHER BUSINESS - Discuss new gym- Hope Elementary was State funded, Use of SchoolWorks to research possible funding.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED)- NONE

ADJOURNMENT at 8:14pm



Travis Brown, Superintendent



Joe Souza, Board Clerk