

**TWAIN HARTE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION TRUSTEES**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Located At:**

Twain Harte School  
22974 Twain Harte Drive  
Twain Harte, CA 95383  
Upper Campus Study Hall

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.**

The Public Session began at 4:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

- 1.1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.2. Roll Call

Members Present:	Eli Wingo Lisa Brady Nathan Nutting Tim Hoffman-Brady
Members Absent:	Ronda Bailey
Administration Present:	Jeff Winfield, Superintendent Tonya Midget, CBO Dan Mayers, Principal
Employees Present:	Daisi Kepner, Administrative Specialist

**1.3. Agenda Review & Adoption**

Motion to Approve: Lisa Brady  
Second: Nathan Nutting  
Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 0 Abstentions

**2. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

*(The public may address the Board on any matter pertaining to the district that is not on the agenda.)*

Vicki Young shared that while she was vacationing at Mt. Shasta she was across from the site of the Superintendent from Colombia El. She told Vicki that the Jamestown Superintendent might be interested in a shared Superintendent position with us. Vicki just wanted to let the board know that this could be an option.

**3. FISCAL SERVICES**

**3.1. Local Control Accountability Plan Review 2016-2017**

Motion to Approve: Nathan Nutting  
Second: Lisa Brady  
Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 0 Abstentions

**3.2. Financial Budget Review 2016-2017**

Motion to Approve: Nathan Nutting  
Second: Lisa Brady  
Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 0 Abstentions

**3.3. Committed Funds Balance Review 2016-2017**

Motion to Approve: Lisa Brady  
Second: Nathan Nutting  
Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 0 Abstentions

An audience member, Carol, questioned why Eli was asking for public comment after having already voted. Carol questioned what that really says if the Board votes first and only then asks for comment. Eli replied that was an interesting point and that the Board could consider changing it.

3.4. Reasons for Assigned & Unassigned Ending Balances Above Minimum Recommended Reserves 2016-2017 (Ed Code 42127) (a)(2)(B)

Motion to Approve: Lisa Brady

Second: Nathan Nutting

Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent, 0 Abstentions

On this motion Eli called for public comments before taking the vote as requested.

Carol thanked Eli.

Eli announced that the Board would now be going into Closed Session to conduct interviews for the Superintendent position. Eli explained that the public was welcome to stay until the board returned to report out if they wished.

Carol spoke out that before going into a Closed Session the Board is legally required to ask for public comment.

Eli then offered comment to the public.

Carol questioned why the Board was conducting interviews in Closed Session.

Eli replied that it is a standard Board practice to do so. Interviews are not conducted in public.

Carol questioned on what legal basis.

Jeff explained that our legal counsel, Byron Smith, has advised us to conduct the interviews in closed session.

Carol felt that the public had a right to witness what is being said. Carol felt that this way of doing things behind closed doors is archaic. Carol did state that legally the Board can go into closed session to conduct interviews but that she did not agree with it.

Eli stated that in the past the Superintendent interviews have always been conducted in closed session.

Carol argued that the public was present and interested in how the interviews were going to be conducted. Carol felt they have a right to that.

Eli stated again that the Board was advised by legal counsel to go into Closed Session and they would be taking that advice.

Nate wanted to explain that the Board had been open to public comment over the last couple of months. The public had also been involved in an Advisory Committee to the board. The Advisory Committee was formed to work with the Board up to this point. The public has been a part of the process.

Lynn Groff confirmed that she was on the committee and the public was asked for their opinion on individuals that may be interested.

The Public Session was adjourned at 4:08 p.m. and the Board immediately went into Closed Session.

**CLOSED SESSION**

8. DISCLOSURE OF ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION (Gov. Code 54957.7)

8.1. Public Employment Interviews:

Title: District Superintendent

8.2. Adjourn to Public Session – Report Action Taken

The Closed Session was adjourned at 6:46 p.m. and the Board immediately returned to Public Session.

No Action To Report

Eli stated that there was no action to report.

Lynn Groff asked if the Board had an idea of how long it would be before the new Superintendent was announced. Eli confirmed that the Board would schedule a meeting in July and most likely announce the chosen person at that time.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Public Session was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

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Eli Wingo, President

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Jeff Winfield, Superintendent

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Date

**Next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
Wednesday July 21, 2016  
Upper Campus Study Hall, Twain Harte School**

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