2023 - 2024 Meeting Minutes

Upland Teachers Association

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Representative Council

February 26, 2024

Call to Order

A meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 4:02 pm by Debbie Glenn. Moved by Danny Lawrence and Andrea Maddox-Butler to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

Officers Present:

President: Debbie Glenn Vice President: Anne Smith Treasurer: Danny Lawrence Secretary: Carla Hegler

Site	Director(s)	Representatives
Baldy View		
Cabrillo		Marci McMahon
Citrus	Andrea Maddox-Butler	Cody Castro Denise Guerrero Diane Schlitt
District Office		Stephanie Ellis
Foothill Knolls	Dawn Vieira	Jacqueline Delaney
Hillside HS	Sean Piscioneri	
Magnolia		
Pepper Tree	Michele Brooks	Pamela Glaspell Tim Collier
Pioneer Jr.HS	Sarah Barry	Kelly Rushing
Sierra Vista		
Sycamore	Janet Jankoski-Pelkey	Kathy Phelps
Upland Elem.	Connie Delaney	
UHS	John McNally	Stacie Bangle, Wendy Marquez, Steve Wiedefeld
Upland Jr.HS	Maria Sanchez	Tim Cagley
Valencia	Lori Jacobson	Liz Rynear
Other	Antonio Gonzalez - Direc	ctor of Equity and Acces

Agenda Items	Notes
Minutes	The minutes from the January Rep Council meeting were approved.
Treasurer's Report	Beginning balance January, 2024 \$308,138.65 Ending balance January, 2024 \$308,980.93
Communications	None
President's Report	 Sick Students / Health Office Students who are sick will be kept in the Health Office and parent/guardians called. Students who have vomited while at school should be sent to the health office - they will be evaluated, to determine the cause They may return to class if the cause was determined to be related to something other than sickness.
	 Elementary School Fundraising District rules for fundraising need to be followed at all levels. Restructuring of "ASB" is needed at the elementary level - need a standardized process for fundraising All administrators, office managers, and teachers who will be fundraising should attend a yearly training
	 SBA Conflicts District will look at scheduling conflicts more closely next year The administrations' 7 Wednesdays might be used for data review next year Continue to notify of scheduling conflicts
	Peppertree Staff Bathrooms District is aware of the issue and it is a high priority Budget concerns may delay a resolution
	 Elementary Summer School The Summer Bridge program will be run by UUSD and not Catapult this year. Pay will go into STRS
	High School Collab Classes Administration was made aware of collab classes at UHS being filled at a higher number that non-collab classes and will seek to avoid that in the future
	 Specialist Rooms at Sites District was only aware of space issues at Sierra Vista Currently there are issues at Sycamore, Citrus, Valencia, and Foothill Knolls as well. That will be shared with the District.

Retired Unit Members Passing

- District does not always receive information from families if a retired member has passed.
- Please notify UTA in the event you or anyone at your site receives knowledge of a former unit member passing

CTA Disaster Relief Fund

- In the event of a natural disaster, current CTA members can apply for assistance from CTA
- Funded strictly by donations
- If you would like to donate please email Anne Kartun at the UTA office for a form
- Donations can be made through payroll deduction in any amount, even as low as \$1.00 per month and donations are tax deductible

NEA Representative Election

- We received three nominations to be a UTA's delegate to the NEA Representative Assembly for 2024
- According to the UTA Standing Rules and CTA Election Rules, no election is required when the number of candidates is equal to or less than the number of allotted delegates for a chapter. UTA is allotted 4 delegates.

A motion was made to elect by acclamation Debbie Glenn, Anne Smith and Kimberly Guicharnaud as UTA Delegates to the NEA Representative Assembly.

- Moved by Janet Jankoski-Pelkey and seconded by John McNally
- Motion carried. Unanimous votes, no nay votes or abstentions

WHO Awards (We Honor Ours)

- UTA needs to update information in order to award the appropriate points to members. They have not been updated in a few years.
- Points are awarded for serving in any capacity as a UTA leader/representative, serving on UTA committees, attending UTA/CTA/NEA conferences or workshops, etc.
- If you have participated as a UTA Representative/Director, Board Member, committee member or attended any UTA/CTA/NEA conferences/workshops since 2018-2019, please email Anne Kartun at <u>upland_teachers@upland.k12.ca.us</u> to get your points credited.
- This year, UTA will be honoring Greg Lander with this award posthumously, as he had earned the WHO award previously, but did not get the opportunity to receive it. His family members will accept it on his behalf at the Awards Dinner.

Greg Lander Memorial Scholarship

A motion was made to make a one-time donation of \$2500 to the Greg Lander Memorial Scholarship.

- Moved by Stacy Bangle to make a one-time \$2500 donation to the Greg Lander Memorial Scholarship and seconded by Sean Piscioneri
- Motion carried. Unanimous votes, no nay votes or abstentions
- Anyone interested in donating can use the following link to make a personal donation:

https://uplandhef.org/gregory-lander-memorial-scholarship/

CTA Programs

- Read Across America
 - Started by CTA 25 years ago
 - CTA website has downloadable bookmarks and poster
 - Please send any pictures of Read Across America activities in your classroom or at your site to Debbie Glenn for sharing
 - Here is the link for more information: cta.org/get-involved/california-reads
- Music and Arts Grants for Teachers given by **California Casualty**
 - Teachers can apply for a \$250 grant to use for music or art programs.
 - Go to this link for more information: just4members.com/musicarts/
- Disability Insurance The Standard
 - Any unit member can acquire disability insurance through The Standard - a CTA endorsed vendor
 - New teachers within 270 days of employment can apply for disability insurance with no health questions asked
 - Payment is made through payroll deduction
 - March 12 there will be a Q & A Zoom for new hires interested in more information
 - Here is the link to register for the Zoom workshop: https://standard.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMuc-quqj8iHN
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 - UTA will consider a membership drive for all other teachers in the fall of next year
- Voter Guide
 - CTA has recommendations on ballot measures and/or candidates running in the 2024 California March primary election
 - For those interested, information can be found at: https://www.cta.org/our-advocacy/election-2024

Committees

DACC (District & Association Collaborative Committee)

Elementary Report Card Comments

- Comments have been discussed at DACC and continued to be addressed
- Reordering the comments should take place before 2nd Trimester report cards.
- Continue to only use comments from the drop-down menu, no typed comments

Ron Clark Academy

- The District is NOT requiring any one or any site to use the house system or any other RCA programs or ideas
- o RCA conference funded by Teacher Effectiveness Grant

• 1:1 Technology

- Interest survey will be sent to parents
- Teachers will receive a survey asking for input

• Teachers Retiring or Otherwise Leaving

 Teachers leaving the District will be informed as to what materials are required to be left in the classroom or at the school site when they leave employment

Food Waste

 New rules and regulations based on new state laws are being implemented regarding the disposal of food waste at school sites

Special Ed

Nothing new to report at this time

Negotiations

- UTA is meeting to look at survey results this week
- Hoping new 3-year contract negotiations to begin in March

Open Forum

Health Issues

 Questions concerning teachers being told they are required to inform and advise students regarding menstrual issues

Special Ed Codes in Aeries

Special Ed codes in Aeries have been changed, causing some confusion

School Office Emergency Contact

• Concerns when staff is calling the office for an emergency situation, calls are going unanswered

Foothill Knolls Collab Concerns

Questions regarding collab and co teach classes

6th Grade moving to Jr. High

Surrounding districts (most, if not all, of San Bernardino County)

	 Donating Sick Days The donation of sick days to another unit member can only be done legally using the Catastrophic Leave Bank
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 5:42p.m.