

Regular Meeting
Wednesday, December 8, 2010
2:00 p.m.
Nevada County Superintendent of Schools
Houser Conference Room
112 Nevada City Highway, Nevada City, CA 95959

Minutes

- I. The meeting called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Bob Altieri.
- II. Establish quorum
Roll call was called:
 - Bob Altieri – Present
 - Jack Meeks – Present
 - Marianne Slade-Troutman – Present
 - James Voss - Present
- III. Salute to the flag – Led by Stan Miller
- IV. Additions to the Agenda – None
- V. Adoption of the Agenda
On a motion by James Voss and seconded by Marianne Slade-Troutman, the agenda was adopted as presented.
- VI. Opened public forum – Recognition of members of the audience wishing to address an agenda item may do so at this time or at the time the agenda item is heard. After being recognized by the Board president, please identify yourself. A member of the public may at this time make brief comments regarding items not on the agenda, although no action may be taken.
Trevor Michael offered congratulations to the two board members on their election.
- VII. Closed public forum
- VIII. Presentations: Holly Pettitt, Director of Nevada City School of the Arts handed out the schools annual campaign brochure. Their school offers a multi-media sensory, Art of Living approach to learning. A DVD was shown, “A Matter of Taste”, followed by a fabulous musical presentation by several students in grades 3 through 8. The Board expressed their sincere appreciation for their great performance.
- IX. Swearing in of new Board members: Marianne Slade-Troutman; John V. “Jack” Meeks and Bob Altieri - Holly Hermansen swore in all the Board Members.
- X. Organizational Meeting
As required by law, members of the Board shall at this meeting select a president, vice-president, and fix the dates, time and place of its regular meetings. (E.C. 1009, 35143)
 - A. Nomination and Election of President:
Moved by Slade-Troutman, seconded by Voss to nominate Altieri as President. Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.
 - B. Nomination and Election of Vice-president:
Moved by Slade-Troutman, seconded by Meeks to nominate Voss as Vice-president. Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.
 - C. Nomination and Election of Trustee representative:
Moved by Altieri, seconded by Voss to nominate Slade-Troutman as Trustee Representative. Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- D. Selection of dates, time and place for regularly scheduled Board meetings
- Shall the Nevada County Board of Education adopt the meeting calendar for 2011?
 1. January meeting will be moved to January 19th;
 2. May 11th meeting begins at 12:30 p.m. with lunch followed by the Budget Workshop going from 1:00 p.m. to 2 p.m.;
 3. Junes meeting will be moved to June 22 to prepare for the budget.
 4. August meeting start time will be 4 p.m. to allow for attendance for Scholar Day.

Moved by Voss, seconded by Slade-Troutman to adopt the Meeting Calendar for 2011, noting the above changes. Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

XI. Approval of the Consent Agenda

These items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. They will be acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion, unless a Board member or citizen requests that an item be removed for discussion and separate consideration. In that case the designated item(s) will be considered following approval of the remaining items.

- A. Approval of minutes of the Regular meeting of November 10, 2010
- B. Surplus One portable modular "Mud Hut Portable"

On a motion by Voss, seconded by Slade-Troutman the consent agenda was approved. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

XII. Action Items

- A. Review of FY 2010/11 First Interim Report.

A review of First Interim indicated a more positive revenue projection than budget. However, as recommended to all districts, this amount has been set aside in the ending balance due to the uncertainty we will actually receive the funds. Economic conditions, optimistic revenue projections and projected federal revenue increases are not highly probable and therefore the likelihood we will receive the additional funds is slim. Our fund balance is healthy, we recommend setting aside of additional Board reserves during these uncertain times.

District reviews are getting more challenging, with the loss of one time funds and declining enrollment, balancing District budgets is getting hard. We will continue to work and support them.

The Board appreciates the summary page, and would like to add the actual reserve to page 3.

- B. Approval of Certification of FY2010/11 First Interim Report

Moved by Voss and seconded by Slade-Troutman to approve Certification of the FY2010/11 First Interim Report. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

- C. Approval of Resolution 10-14, Budget Revision to the FY2010/11 Budget

Moved by Slade-Troutman and seconded by Voss to approve Resolution No. 10-14, Budget Revision to the FY2010/11. Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- D. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the Application for a new County-District-School (CDS) Code for Small District Funding Waiver of NCSOS K-8 County Community School per EC §§ 1011, 1013, 1040, 35163, 35164; Government code § 54950 and EC § 48660?

If a student is expelled from 3 R, there is nothing in place to insure they have continued instruction. We are required to have a plan in place for students expelled at the middle school level. This allows us to provide an Independent Study Program and acts as a bridge to reentering school while also providing a layor to instruct the student. We have applied at the state level; we need the Boards approval before taking action. Clarification was made that this is for a CDS Code only, not for a Small District Funding Waiver.

Moved by Voss and seconded by Slade-Troutman to approve the Application for a new County-District-School Code for the NCSOS K-8 County community School per

EC §§ 1011, 1013, 1040, 35163, 35164; Government code § 54950 and EC § 48660. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

- E. Approval of Resolution 10-15, In Support of Full Funding of County Mental Health Services for Students with Disabilities.

Moved by Slade-Troutman and seconded by Meeks to approve Resolution 10-15, In Support of Full Funding of County Mental Health Services for Students with Disabilities. Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

XIII. Discussion Items

- A. Establish Charter Liaison – In light that the Charter Petitions will be up for renewal, it was suggested we add a “Charter Liaison” position to the NCBOE which will help to keep the Board more informed. The Board embraced the idea, with Voss and Altieri very interested in volunteering. Samie will create a master list of all the Charter schools which will include the date/time/location of their board meetings; will contact the Charters advising them of the new position; and request that Voss and Altieri be placed on a list to receive Agendas/Minutes.

XIV. Reports

A. Board Member Reports

- i. SARB, Meeks – no cases, no report
- ii. Budget Review Committee, Meeks/Slade-Troutman – Donna suggested to increase reserve set aside. We have a statutory limit, which is a minimum level. Business will bring a proposal to increase the Board Desired Reserves 3-5% from the ending fund balance. This will help cash flow as well. Most districts have additional Board reserves also for similar reasons.
- iii. Legislative, Voss – After the Governor takes office we will have a better idea of the future; Education is important and a priority, but they may not be able to do much.
- iv. NCSBA – Holly attended and will report out at the next meeting.
- v. Individual Board Reports – none.

B. Superintendent’s Report

- i. 3-R School Update – Stan will report on this
- ii. YELP! – Aligned with Judge McManus at Juvenile Court; they are looking for volunteers to help train teens before going out to read to kids.
- iii. SIG Wellness Program – Hula Hoops, jump ropes; pedometers; and a Friday 7:00 a.m. walk will help staff on several levels; relieves stress; creates laughter; and an opportunity to get healthy during breaks and after work.
- iv. TTUSD Update – Their meeting was held with three new board members. The MOU is being finalized. Peter Sagebiel has been working to get back the \$250k.
- v. The Board is cordially invited to the Christmas Potluck being held on December 17, 2010 from 11:30 – 1:30 p.m.

C. Staff Reports

- i. Business Services, Fitting – Busy with completing 1st Interim Reports; we took care of Ready Springs and Pleasant Valley; NCSD will start recruiting soon. Across the state, counties have to step in to help districts.
- ii. Curriculum & Instruction, Miller – 3R School continues to find innovative ways for student instruction. Nine students are currently enrolled with one teacher and Stan acting as teacher/principal until they find a replacement. Students are from PVSD; TRHS; and UHSD. These students are more at risk for being expelled. Students are provided 1 shirt as their uniform, additional are available

if needed; no jeans allowed. A plan to learn bike repair at the Bike Shop is being addressed and they help in the community.
Brown Act Training – Stan held training with 35 board members and directors attending.

D. Future agenda items

Board Member Vacancy – A vacancy announcement has been placed in the newspaper. If more than one application is received Slade-Troutman and Voss will screen and conduct interviews at the next board meeting in public session. The applicant/s will be interviewed and a decision will be made in open session.

XV. Correspondence - None

XVI. Closed Session at 4:00 p.m.

A. Real Estate Negotiations
(G.C. 54956.8)

XVII. Open Session at 4:20 p.m.

Report out from closed session. There is nothing to report out; no action taken.

XVIII. Adjournment at 4:25 p.m.

Next Meeting Date: January 19, 2011, 2:00 p.m., 112 Nevada City Highway, Nevada City