NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, August 11, 2010  
4:00 p.m.  

Nevada County Superintendent of Schools  
Houser Conference Room  
112 Nevada City Highway, Nevada City, CA 95959  

Minutes  

I. Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President Stone.  

II. Establish quorum – A quorum was established by roll call as follows:  

Altieri present  
Meeks present  
Slade-Troutman present  
Stone present  
Voss present  

III. Salute to the flag – Bob Altieri led the pledge  

IV. Additions to the Agenda - None  

V. Adoption of the Agenda – On a motion by Slade-Troutman, and seconded by Voss, the Agenda was adopted as presented.  

VI. Open 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. 

No items were presented.  

VII. Close public forum  

VIII. Introduce new NCSoS Employees – Holly Hermansen introduced Samie White, Administrative Assistant; and Regina Reno, Personnel Analyst. Teresa Hanlon and Kelli Foster were also introduced to the board and are both Business Services Tech III’s working with NCSOS Charter schools.  

IX. Approval of the Consent Agenda  

The following items were listed on the Consent Agenda:  

A. Approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting of July 14, 2010.  

B. Approval of the Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints - During the second quarter of 2010 April-June, there were no complaints filed to be reported,
pursuant to Williams uniform Complaint Procedures [E.C. 1240(H); Board Policy 1010 – Uniform Complaint Procedures].

C. Approval of the 2010-11 Consolidated Application for funding of Categorical Aid Programs, Part 1.

D. Confirmation of School Attendance Review Board (SARB).

On a motion by Altieri and seconded by Slade-Troutman, the Board approved the Consent Agenda. The motion was unanimously approved.

X. Action Items – None.

XI. Discussion / Information items -

A. Discussion was held regarding procedures for students enrolled in preschool programs operated by district other than district of residence. Holly Hermansen presented a form which has been given to all Superintendents to distribute to preschool directors.

B. Open Enrollment Act (Education Code 48350-48361) -
The SBE adopted the Open Enrollment Act, which includes a complex formula identifying 1000 of California's lowest performing schools. The CDE released the list. Districts with schools on this list must notify parents of students attending by the fist day of school; and advise them that they have the right to transfer to another school district. Parents must file a request by January for a transfer for the upcoming school year.

There are 3 Nevada County schools on the Open Enrollment List: Scotten; Ready Springs and Williams.

Open Enrollment Act Regulations should be out in September. Supt. Hermansen will bring this topic back to the Board for discussion then.

XII. Reports

A. Board member reports

1. SARB – Meeks reported that the next meeting is scheduled for August 30th; however it may be postponed until the Fall.

2. Budget Review Committee – Meeks/Slade-Troutman reported that the next meeting needs to be scheduled. Holly Hermansen will confirm.

3. Legislative – Voss – None.

4. NCSBA – Stone reported that they met last week; Paula Campbell, past President of the CSBA spoke at the meeting and advised they will be creating policies and practices that will ensure effective checks and balances are in place for the board and staff. Judge Julie McManus will be the speaker at the Teacher of the Year Dinner on October 7th, 2010.

5. Individual Board member reports – Stone reported that he will not run for reelection; his term ends effective December 2010.
B. Superintendent’s Report

1. Superintendent’s Summer Meeting – 10 superintendents met for the purpose of planning and collaborating. This is a great team building opportunity considering so many changes in Nevada County.

2. NJUHSD – Dave Long & Assoc. has been hired to conduct the Superintendent search to replace Rolf Swenson. Assistant Superintendent’s Karen Suenram and Trisha Delli will be managing the district until a candidate is selected.

3. CSBA update – Stone reported previously.

4. Literacy Project – Judge Julie McManus is interested in creating a literacy program for Juvenile Court. Many kids seen in Juvenile Court are good students, but are required to complete community service for curfew violations, etc. NCSOS, NJUHSD Interact Club are collaborating with Judge McManus on the project.

5. Be Present Campaign – Continuation of the NCSBA/NCSOS to make people more aware of school attendance. Poor attendance leads to less learning and impacts school funding.

6. Scholar Day at Nevada County Fair had a great turnout. Final numbers are not yet in.

C. Staff Reports


2. Curriculum and Instruction – Stan Miller reported for the Safe Schools/Healthy Students Federal Grant in Marina Bemhemeir’s absence. Thanks to the grant, staff trainings for Anti Bullying are taking place; curriculum has been purchased. The goal is to have a core team from each school site trained; in turn the core teams will train their school staff. The school-wide approach to a problem creates a common language across schools which is invaluable.

D. Future agenda items

1. Open Hearing and Resolution for sufficiency of Instructional Materials.

2. 45-day Revise of 2010-11 Budget

3. Approval of 2009-10 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report

XIII. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Treasury report from Nevada County Treasurer and Tax Collector detailing the Portfolio of investments for NCSoS as of June 30, 2010.

B. NCSoS staff phone extensions and e-mail addresses as of August 3, 2010.
C. 2010-11 Nevada County Academic Tournament Schedule

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

Approved: ___________________________  Date: September 8, 2010
Dr. Robert Stone, President

Next Meeting Date:

WEDNESDAY, September 8, 2010, time 5:00 p.m., 112 Nevada City Highway, Nevada City