NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, June 22, 2011
2:00 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 2:01 p.m.

II. Established quorum

Altieri present
Meeks present
Slade-Troutman present
Michael present
Voss present

III. Salute to the flag led by Monty Martin

IV. Additions to the Agenda - Discussion was held to hold the Presentation before the Closed Session.

V. Adoption of the Agenda

On a motion by Slade-Troutman and seconded by Michael, the agenda was adopted, moving the presentation ahead of the closed session. The Motion was unanimously approved.

VI. Opened public forum

VII. Closed public forum

VIII. Presentations

On behalf of the NCBOE, Assistant Superintendent for Special Education, Monty Martin, presented a certificate and a silver star to Danny Waldrum, Durham School Bus Driver, for his quick actions in saving the life of Magnolia Middle School student Connor DiLorenzo.

IX. Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Case #1

A. Closed Hearing for appeal of interdistrict transfer was convened.
B. CLOSED SESSION of the Board for deliberation
C. Announcement from CLOSED SESSION
   a. The Board voted unanimously to uphold the decision of the district and to deny the interdistrict transfer request.

X. Approval of the Consent Agenda

A. Approval of minutes of the Regular meeting of May 11, 2011
B. Approval of FY2010-11 Program Self-Evaluation, CSPP (Sierra College Preschool Program)
C. Approval of FY2010-11 Program Self-Evaluation, CCTR (Sierra College Toddler Program)

On a motion by Voss and seconded by Michael, the Consent Agenda was adopted as presented. The Motion was unanimously approved.
XI. Action Items

A. FY2010-11 Third Interim

   On a motion by Slade-Troutman and seconded by Michael, the Nevada County Board of Education approved Resolution 11-07, Certification of the third Interim Fiscal Report, referring to column D final approved budget. Roll Call Vote Taken. The Motion was unanimously approved.

B. Resolution 11-09, Blanket Transfer to the FY2010-11 budget.

   On a motion by Voss and seconded by Michael, the Nevada County Board of Education approved Resolution 11-09, Blanket Transfer Resolution to the FY2010-11 budget. Roll Call Vote taken. The Motion was unanimously approved.

C. Flexibility Transfer
   1. Opened public hearing to review the FY2010-11 Flexibility Transfer (Budget Act SBX3-4, 2008-2009 State budgets)
   2. Closed public hearing

   On a motion by Slade-Troutman and seconded by Michael, the Nevada County Board of Education approved Resolution 11-06, FY2010-11 Flexibility Transfer for acceptance of the categorical funds and electing to enact the flexibility provisions of SBX3-4 and use the funds for educational purpose. Roll Call Vote taken. The Motion was unanimously approved.

D. Adoption of FY2011-12 budget
   1. Opened public hearing to view the FY2011-12 consolidated budget of Nevada County Superintendent of Schools, Nevada County Special Education Services, Nevada County SELPA, Special Education Pass Thru, Nevada County Charter School Cooperative, Child Development, Deferred Maintenance, and Forest Reserve Funds (E.C. 1620, E.C. 1622, E.C. 33129)
   2. Closed public hearing

   Donna Fitting, Associate Superintendent – Business Services provided a power point presentation and handout giving an overview of the budget and answered questions from the board.

   On a motion by Voss and seconded by Slade-Troutman, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the FY2011-12 consolidated budget of Nevada County Superintendent of Schools, Nevada County Special Education Services, Nevada County SELPA, Special Education Pass Thru, Nevada County Charter School Cooperative, Child Development, Deferred Maintenance, and Forest Reserve Funds. Motion passed unanimously.

   On a motion by Michael and seconded by Voss, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted Resolution 11-08, to approve the Final budget for 2011-12 as presented. Roll Call Vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

   On a motion by Slade-Troutman and seconded by Michael, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the annual Workers’ Compensation Certification regarding self-insured workers’ compensation claims for FY2011-12. Motion passed unanimously.
E. Resolution 11-05, Transfers Between the County and Districts/Charters

Discussion was held regarding the Transfers Between the County and Districts/Charters. Fitting explained this was a temporary solution to cash flow issues. The Board felt as this is a temporary solution an expiration date should be added. Should this be necessary for FY2011/12, the Board would like to see a policy in place to guide parameters of the resolution.

On a motion by Voss and seconded by Michael, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted Resolution 11-05, Transfers Between the County and Districts/Charters adding an expiration date of July 31, 2011. Roll Call Vote taken. Motion passed unanimously.

F. Appointment of Les Atchison to the Muir Charter School Board of Trustees

On a motion by Voss and seconded by Slade-Troutman, the Nevada County Board of Education approved the appointment of Les Atchison to the Muir Charter School Board of Trustees. Motion passed unanimously.

G. 5-Year renewal of the Los Angeles Education Corps (LAEC) Charter School

Supt. Hermansen referred the Board to Executive Director, Noel Rauda-Trout’s letter explaining their current status and revisions to the charter. LAEC has made great progress and remains in good standing. When revisions to the charter have been completed, it will be brought to the board for review.

On a motion by Slade-Troutman and seconded by Michael, the Nevada County Board of Education approved a 5-Year renewal of the Los Angeles Education Corps (LAEC) Charter School. Motion passed unanimously.

H. Sierra Montessori Academy extension for one year term from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

Supt. Hermansen explained that this year is the final year in a series of 1 year renewals over the past 4 years. As the school still faces significant challenges, they have overcome several issues. Their enrollment has increased and the new site may result in even more students. The leadership has provided consistency; they have applied for and received their 501c3 status; and financial reserves have been met.

On a motion by Slade-Troutman and seconded by Voss, the Nevada County Board of Education approved to extend the term of the Charter for Sierra Montessori Academy for one year from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012. Motion passed unanimously.

XII. Information Item

A. Authorization to Establish a Fund Balance Policy under GASB 54

Donna Fitting explained that the changes being made under GASB 54 is only a change in presentation and style; not substance, and that all government agencies are making this change. On June 20, 2011, Superintendent Policy 3100.01 was created to reflect the changes.

XIII. Reports

A. Board member reports

1. SARB, Meeks – Finished for the year
3. Legislative, Voss – No report
4. NCSBA, Michael – Teacher of the Year dinner will be held on Oct. 27, 2011. The next meeting will be 8/4/2011
5. Charter Schools Liaison, Altieri/Voss – Will report out in July
6. Individual Board member reports – No report.
B. Superintendent's Report
   1. *ILP; foster Youth; and Indian Education* – Mary Jane Ryan Connelly recently retired. Administration will meet to discuss the outlook of these crucial programs.
   2. *Expulsion Appeals from Sierra County* – no report yet.
   3. *NCSOS Retirees* – Larry Mason, Adapted Physical Education Teacher and Mary Jane Ryan-Connelly, Foster Youth Services retired this year.
   4. *Upcoming events* – none

C. Staff Reports
   1. *Business Services, Fitting* – Nothing further to report
   2. *Curriculum & Instruction, Miller* –
      a. Yuba River Charter is now occupying Nevada City Elementary.
      b. Nevada City School of the Arts will be expanding into the YRC facility.
      c. An application for CSBA’s *Golden Bell Award* has been submitted on behalf of Mary Jane Ryan-Connelly’s Grandparent Education and Family Self Help Support Group. This 20 year+ program for those raising children not their own meets 9 months out of the year; with 15-20 people attending monthly consistently. The Board suggested a Press Release showcasing the program itself.
   3. *Safe Schools/Healthy Students (SS/HS) Grant, Bernheimer* – No report

D. Future agenda items - None

XIV. CORRESPONDENCE
   1. Letter, Superintendent Hermansen response to PRSD Board member Roger White, School District Consolidation
   2. Letter, Captain John Oldham Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, Donation of books to schools in Nevada County
   3. News Article, The Union, Walking and Rolling to School Helps Promote Fitness

Adjournment at 4:21 p.m.

Next Meeting Date: WEDNESDAY, July 13, 2011, 2:00 p.m., 112 Nevada City Highway, Nevada City

Approved: _______________________________ Date: July 13, 2011

Robert Altieri, President