

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, January 13, 2010
2:00 p.m.

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

MINUTES

OTHERS PRESENT: Supt. Hermansen, Donna Fitting, Stan Miller, Judy Nielsen, Britta Skavdahl, Mary Jane Ryan-Connelly, Melissa Markum, Aimee Dorion, Kristen McGrew, members of the public

I. Meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. by Stone.

II. Establish quorum – Quorum was established by roll-call vote as follows:

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

III. Salute to the flag

IV. Additions to the Agenda: none

V. Adoption of the Agenda: Moved by Voss, seconded by Altieri to adopt the agenda.
Motion passed.

VI. Opened public forum

VII. Closed public forum

VIII. Presentations

A. FY2008-09 Audit Report:

Jeff Jensen presented the 2008-09 audit report to the Board.

X. Action Items

A. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education accept the FY2008-09 Auditors Report as presented at the regular Board meeting of January 13, 2010?

Moved by Altieri, seconded by Slade-Troutman to accept the FY2008-09 Auditors Report as presented at the regular Board meeting of January 13, 2010. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Presentations (continued)

B. Introduction of new NCSOS employees Melissa Markum, Aimee Dorion, Sonia Delgado, and Kristen McGrew

Three new Indian Education employees; Indian Education Coordinator and two tutors, feel strongly that education is the path to success. With new leadership comes new direction and priorities. Kristen McGrew is the county-wide coordinator for the Safe Schools/Healthy School grant. She spent 23 years on the

Grass Valley School District site council and ran the School Readiness Program for 7 years.

- C. Pleasant Ridge Union School District: Superintendent Dr. Britta Skavdahl
Superintendent Skavdahl showed a budget process she is guiding in the district to address the needed reductions.

IX. Approval of the Consent Agenda

Item A was removed for further consideration. Moved by Altieri, seconded by Voss to adopt item B of the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

- A. Approval of minutes of the Regular meeting of December 9, 2009
Moved by Slade-Troutman, seconded by Voss to amend the minutes, reflecting motion was made by Stone on item IX.B. of the organizational meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Moved by Slade-Troutman, seconded by Voss to approve the minutes of December 9, 2009 as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

X. Action Items

- B. Second reading and approval of Board Policy 0001, Philosophy & Goals
Moved by Slade-Troutman, seconded by Voss to approve Board policy 0001, Philosophy & Goals. Motion passed unanimously.
- C. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve Resolution 10-02, Resolution for Pursuance of Sierra College Toddler Program
Moved by Slade-Troutman, seconded by Altieri to approve Resolution 10-02, Resolution for Pursuance of Sierra College Toddler Program. Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

XI. Discussion Items

- A. Armory/Imaginarum/Mud Hut: facility & programs update
The Imaginarium program is going out to schools as students are no longer admitted in the facility. The Mud Hut has moved operations to AS*IF Studios. There are a variety of options to consider before any moving decisions are made, regarding philosophy, services, budget, and field act.
- B. Governor's 2010 Budget report
The Governor has presented his proposed budget. The special session of the legislature has until February 22, 2010 to respond to the 3-year consecutive \$20 billion annual deficit. It is anticipated that cuts to ADA will be an additional \$200-\$225, bringing total Nevada County ADA cuts from \$6400 to approximately \$4900.

XII. Reports

- A. Board member reports
 1. Standing committee assignments were reviewed. Public Relations will no longer appear on the agenda.
 2. Public Relations, Altieri: Altieri is available to assist when needed.
 3. SARB, Meeks: no report.
 4. Budget Review Committee, Meeks/Slade-Troutman: no report.
 5. Legislative, Voss: Voss urged the Board, as constituents, to communicate with legislators regarding educational issues.
 6. NCSBA, Stone: NCSBA continues to work on attendance campaign. Schools are reporting significant drops in attendance due to illness.
 7. Individual Board member reports: none

- B. Superintendent's Report – Supt. Hermansen gave the following report:
- GVSD Superintendent Search Update: The brochure will go out at the end of January. Applications will be accepted thru the month of February. Interviews will take place in late March thru early April. The staff on-line survey had a 50% response rate. Two input meetings were conducted successfully.
 - Race to the Top: NCSOS submitted a required letter of intent to participate in this federal program. If granted, NCSOS may develop a plan to target special education, charter schools, and early childhood education.
 - Upcoming events – none
- C. Staff Reports
1. PEER Court update, Heinzelman: The Board was encouraged to attend Peer Court. Family Law Judge McManus has presided for one year. Incentive for low level offenders: if they choose to use Peer Court the offense stays off record. Helena serves as the coordinator and liaison between the offender/family, courts, juvenile hall, school districts, probation, mentors, and community service providers. Nevada County judges contributed \$500 to this program in honor of Shirley Veale's retirement.
 2. Business Services, Fitting: no report.
 3. Charter School Coop, Miller: Miller and Fitting will be conducting charter school oversight visits during February and March. The Charter School Coop is considering restructuring their pooled special education program.
 4. Curriculum & Instruction, Miller: CPIN Transition to Kindergarten workshop for preschool and kindergarten teachers is 1-27-10. County-wide math instruction is moving forward with a focus to build capacity of elementary school teachers.
- D. Future agenda items
- 3R School report
 - Nevada County Reads

XIII. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Nevada County Board of Education meeting calendar for 2010, as approved
2. Union newspaper article regarding Mud Hut status dated 1-4-10
3. E-mail dated 1-4-10 from CSBA regarding "Lead your governing team into 2010"

Adjournment: meeting adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

Approved: _____
 Dr. Robert M. Stone, President

Date: _____

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, February 10, 2010, 2:00 p.m., 112 Nevada City Highway,
 Nevada City

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