

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

3:00 p.m.

Nevada County Superintendent of Schools
Board Room

380 Crown Point Circle, Grass Valley, CA 95945

MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order by Board President Meek.

2. Established quorum

Wendy Baker - present

Shelly Sexton - present

Larry Meek - present

Ashley Neumann - present

Heino Nicolai - absent

3. Salute to the flag

4. Adoption of the Agenda

On a motion by Neumann and seconded by Sexton, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the March 14, 2018 Agenda; all in favor; motion passed unanimously (4-0-1) Aye – Baker, Sexton, Meek and Neumann; Absent – Nicolai.

5. Opened public forum – Recognition of members of the audience wishing to address the Board – no comments made.

6. Closed public forum

7. 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 February 21, 2018 (*page 1*)

On a motion by Sexton and seconded by Neumann the Nevada County Board of Education approved the consent agenda; all in favor; motion passed unanimously (4-0-1) Aye – Baker, Sexton, Meek and Neumann; absent – Nicolai.

8. Staff Reports

A. Alternative Education, *Lisa Sanford*

Sanford provided a handout detailing the population and attendance at EJ and Sugarloaf. EJ is at capacity. Districts are aware and options are being discussed. Preparations are taking place for CAASP and CAST testing. Sierra Harvest is teaming up with EJ to build planter boxes helping to teach students about planting.

B. Educational Services, *Shar Johns*

Johns discussed the Triennial Countywide Plan for Expulsed Students is due the CDE in June. Districts are being surveyed to determine gaps; and how to serve students with IEP's. The plan will come to the Board for approval in May.

STEAM Expo handout provided. Johns is looking for judges to volunteer for April 6th. Email or call if interested.

Johns provided the 2017-18 State of the Schools Report. Baker stated the report is well done and presentation was done in a way that lay people can understand. It's a great publication.

LCAP update was provided. 1st drafts of district LCAP's are being reviewed. The process of document tracking, transferring goals, etc. into the LCAP was successful. Johns provided a handout on goals and metrics which will be used to create goals and actions moving forward.

C. SELPA/Special Education, *Eli Gallup*

SELPA continues to work on the bill back process and how to update the funding model. Special Ed classrooms are being identified.

D. Business Services, *Darlene Waddle*

Progress is being made in the bill back and funding model discussions. Business office staff is doing great with the new financial system, Escape.

9. Superintendent's Report

A. NCCLI Education Day

Supt. Lay was a speaker for NCCLI. This is a great day for community members to learn about Nevada County education.

B. Young at Art

The art is up at the Eric Rood Center. This great display shows the value of the arts in education. Thanks to Judy Nielsen each year in coordinating.

C. Radio Show

Supt. Lay and TRSD Supt. James Berardi are hosting a radio show, "Educationally Speaking" and airs on KVMR, 89.5, on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 6:30 PM, speaking about countywide educational issues, events and programs.

D. Charter Schools Update

Staff continues to monitor EPIC. The concern is replacements for Rick Alvarez and Delilah Martinez once they leave.

Yuba River Charter has a new board president with a background in board experience. There is talk of YRC taking over their business service which is contracted out to NCSOS; NCSOS staff does not recommend this at this point in time. Should YRC decide to move forward with pulling their business services, it would be a Material Revision which would require NCBOE approval.

Twin Ridges Home Study Charter Director, Jaynie Aydin has been placed on paid Administrative Leave pending dismissal. NCSOS staff are communicating regularly and monitoring the issue closely.

- E. ACSA (Association of California School Administrators Region 2 held their annual awards this past week. Shar Johns and Eli Gallup were honored for their outstanding service; both move on for consideration at the state level. Also, Supt. Scott W. Lay received the Sam LaCara Memorial Administrator of the Year award.

10. Action Items

- A. Following review of the Second Interim Fiscal Report of 2017-18, shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the certification of the Second Interim Report? **(page 4)**

Waddle explained that reports have a different look due to the new financial system as they continue to import data into the new software.

Changes in Fund 01 included revenue increasing by \$57,910 from Restricted Grant programs. Significant increases included \$77,000 in Escape implementation costs; and \$25,728 in services provided under the TUPE Tier II Grant.

Changes in Fund 02 included revenue increasing by \$24,201 in Billback to the Districts. Other increases were due to changes in ADA and State and Federal Apportionments.

Board discussion took place; Waddle answered questions of the Board regarding planned deficit spending; NCSOS vehicle purchase; charter coop increase in Prop 39; and local donations for charters.

Baker applauded Forest for having a 1.1 FTE College and Career Advisor.

On a motion by Sexton and seconded by Neumann the Nevada County Board of Education approved the certification of the Second Interim Report for the FY2017-18; all in favor; motion passed unanimously; (4-0-1) Ayes – Baker, Sexton, Meek and Neumann; Absent – Nicolai.

- B. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve audit services FY2017-18, FY2018-19 and FY2019-20 to be provided by Michele M. Hanson, CPA as presented? **(page 48)**

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- C. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the Comprehensive Safety Plan for Earle Jamieson Educational Options; Sugarloaf Mtn. Juvenile Hall; Sierra College Child Development Center; and TKM Family Resource Center, which are operated under the County Office of Education? **(page 57)**

Baker noted page 81 needs updating to reflect Supt. Scott W. Lay as the current Superintendent. Espedal will update.

Espedal advised the document is updated annually based on best practices; and what we see, hear and know, noting there are always so many variables in every situation.

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11. Board Reports

A. SARB – No report.

B. Legislative, *Shelly Sexton*

Sexton reported on SB 1362 (Beall) – a bill that allows the governing board to deny a charter school petition if the petition doesn't contain a description of how they will serve special education students at the same level as neighborhood public schools; and a description of how the charter school will achieve racial and ethnic balance among pupils.

C. Charter Liaison, *Wendy Baker*

Baker and Nicolai toured TRHSC. They plan to attend SMA's board meeting next week. Baker attended the YRC Board meeting, however many items were tabled.

The Board expressed concern over EPIC, asking for a written transition timeline for replacing Rick Alvarez and Delilah Martinez. Supt. Lay will follow up with EPIC.

D. Individual Board Member Reports

Baker reported that Young at Art was fabulous.

Neumann reported that Legislative Action was a great, organized event.

12. Correspondence

A. Young at Art (**page 121**)

13. Adjournment

Next Regular Meeting Date: April 18, 2018, 3:00 p.m., 380 Crown Point Circle, Grass Valley

Larry Meek, Board President
Nevada County Board of Education

April 18, 2018

Date