

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 12, 2018

→ **5:00 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	Absent - excused
Paula Sarantopoulos	present
Larry Meek	present
Ashley Neumann	present
Heino Nicolai	present

3. Salute to the flag

4. Adoption of the Agenda

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Sarantopoulos, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the September 12, 2018 Agenda; all in favor; motion carried, 4 Ayes - Sarantopoulos, Meek, Nicolai; Neumann; 1 Absent - Baker.

5. Opened public forum – Recognition of members of the audience wishing to address the Board – Stacy Stroppini will speak to the *Safety and Security at Nevada County Schools* item during the time which it is agendized.

6. Closed public forum

7. Public Hearings

- A. Opened public hearing to review FY2018-19 Sufficiency of Instructional Materials, grades 7- 12 (EC §60119) (*page 1*)
No comments were made.

- B. Closed public hearing

8. 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 trustee 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 August 8, 2018 (*page 2*) (*pulled from consent to amend*)~~
- B. Annual Report of School Visitations by County Superintendent of Schools Pursuant to Education Code 1240 and the Williams Settlement (*page 5*)

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Sarantopoulos, the minutes of 8/8/18 were pulled from the consent agenda to allow for corrections; the motion carried 4 ayes – Sarantopoulos, Meek, Neumann and Nicolai; 1 absent – Baker.

On a motion by Sarantopoulos and seconded by Nicolai the consent agenda was approved, as amended, the motion carried 4 ayes – Sarantopoulos, Meek, Neumann and Nicolai; 1 absent – Baker.

(8.A.) Approval of Minutes of the Regular meeting of August 8, 2018 (*page 2*)

The following corrections were made:

Agenda Item 11.B. Neumann made the motion, cross out Baker

Agenda Item 11.A. Baker made the motion, cross out Neumann; and Ashley Neumann was appointed, cross out Wendy Baker.

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Sarantopoulos the Nevada County Board of Education approved the August 8, 2018 minutes as amended; the motion carried 4 ayes – Sarantopoulos, Meek, Neumann and Nicolai; 1 absent – Baker.

9. Staff Reports

A. School Safety Updates, *Chris Espedal*

At the conclusion of the 2017-18 school year safety updates and walkthroughs took place at TKM; Sierra College CDC; and Earle Jamieson to help tighten up security. Several improvements were made including lock changes; sign-in sheets; and Sierra College agreed to increase the CDC's receptionist to a fulltime position which helps in security.

Staff trainings with students and law enforcement were held and included fire drills; evacuations with and without students; and active shooter drills. An MOU is in place between NCSOS and NCSO for evacuation to a safe area. NCSOS hosted a forum for parents which included presentations; demonstrations; and opportunities for parent input. The collaboration led to a school nurse training for tourniquet application which resulted in Dignity Health donating kits for each participating school. In addition, law enforcement with emergency personnel and staged victims, held a 3-day active shooter drill on 3 different school campuses running over 320 different drills. Law enforcement is aware of TKM Special Needs students, as well as other sites where special needs students are housed; teachers are trained to yell out "special needs class". Critical incidence response training was held which included natural and man-made disasters. Nevada Union HS held a Safety Week event.

Chris is currently sending out "*What if...*" emails to Superintendents; Charter Directors; TKM; and the Sierra College CDC which include talking points and resources, prompting conversation among staff.

Board discussion followed with Chris explaining the main push is situational awareness; to have a plan in place based on what you hear, see and know; to use the skillset you have with the resources available; and communicate to staff and students.

B. Alternative Education, *Lisa Sanford*

Lisa provided a handout detailing attendance and population at EJ and Sugarloaf. Alt Ed continues to focus on Trauma Informed Care. In addition, they are reading "The Art of Connection" to improve relationships. Sierra Harvest continues to be a great partner. Counseling is available through several agencies including Victor Services; CORR; Living Well; and County Health.

C. Educational Services, *Teena Corker*

- i. LCAP – LCAP's are being reviewed; all approved except SAEL.
- ii. Professional Development Day – Sept. 17 – Six districts participating. Anonymous survey will be sent out.
- iii. Federal Program Monitoring – FPM is for Sugarloaf. It's a monumental task with many staff working on it.
- iv. Summer Supports Grant Program – Eight districts applied. All want to see student growth.
- v. Network Improvement Community Project – 25 teachers working on project.
- vi. STEAM Expo 2019 – April 6

vii. Educational Services Programs update

D. Business Services, *Darlene Waddle*

Business office is implementing the absence tracking system for NCSOS staff and subs.

E. SELPA/Special Education, *Eli Gallup*

Special Ed classes have all been moved; new configuration and new campuses. New sites include Scotten, Williams Ranch and Deer Creek.

Working on billing structure and bill back to districts to be cost effective.

SELPA's updated funding model was approved; currently working on local plan set of policies and procedures. Eli is mentoring four new Sp. Ed directors in our region.

10. Superintendent's Report

A. Start of School

Supt. Lay reported this is the 1st year Nevada County schools are flat with enrollment. Districts are seeing growth in the primary grades.

B. Charter Schools Update

SMA is experiencing difficulties with new leadership without administration experience. Supt. Lay has offered to mentor the director and will keep the Board apprised.

TRHSC offered the Director position to a candidate. Supt. Lay continues to meet with the Interim Director Kelley Soper monthly and will continue throughout the transition with the new Director.

YRC – Supt. Lay is looking to schedule a visit to the new site.

C. CSR3 – Summer Planning Meeting

Great collaborative meeting with the NCSOS Admin team all in attendance. Focus is on Differentiated Assistance and working together as a region.

11. Action Items

A. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve Resolution 18-04, Sufficiency of Instructional Materials for grades 7-12 for FY2018-19?

(ROLL CALL VOTE) (page 8)

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Neumann the Nevada County Board of Education approved Resolution 18-04, Sufficiency of Instructional Materials for grades 7-12 for FY2018-19; the motion carried 4 ayes – Sarantopoulos, Meek, Neumann and Nicolai; 1 absent – Baker.

B. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve Resolution 18-05, Temporary Cash Transfer Agreement (Short Term Borrowing Agreement) between Nevada County Superintendent of Schools, the Nevada County Board of Education and Nevada City School of the Arts?

(ROLL CALL VOTE) (page 9)

On a motion by Sarantopoulos and seconded by Neumann the Nevada County Board of Education approved Resolution 18-05, Temporary Cash Transfer Agreement (Short Term Borrowing Agreement) between Nevada County Superintendent of Schools, the Nevada County Board of Education and Nevada City School of the Arts; the motion carried 4 ayes – Sarantopoulos, Meek, Neumann and Nicolai; 1 absent – Baker.

C. Revision to Board Policy (BP) 6173 Education for Homeless Children; Administrative Regulations (AR) 6173 Education for Homeless Children; and Exhibits (E) 6173 Education for Homeless Children. (page 12)

Shall the Nevada County Board of Education Approve Policy revisions to BP 6173, AR 6173 and E 6173 Education for Homeless Children?

On a motion by Neumann and seconded by Nicolai the Nevada County Board of Education Approved Policy revisions to BP 6173, AR 6173 and E 6173 Education for Homeless Children; the motion carried 4 ayes – Sarantopoulos, Meek, Neumann and Nicolai; 1 absent – Baker.

- D. Revision to BP 6174 Education for English Language Learners; and addition of AR 6174 Education for English Language Learners. *(page 29)*

Shall the Nevada County Board of Education Approve Policy revision to BP 6174 Education for English Language Learners; and approve the addition of AR 6174 Education for English Language Learners?

On a motion by Sarantopoulos and seconded by Neumann the Nevada County Board of Education Approved Policy revision to BP 6174 Education for English Language Learners; and approved the addition of AR 6174 Education for English Language Learners; the motion carried 4 ayes – Sarantopoulos, Meek, Neumann and Nicolai; 1 absent – Baker.

- E. First reading and adoption - AR 5144.2 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities) *(page 43)*

Shall the Nevada County Board of Education Adopt AR 5144.2 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities)?

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Sarantopoulos the Nevada County Board of Education Adopted AR 5144.2 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities); the motion carried 4 ayes – Sarantopoulos, Meek, Neumann and Nicolai; 1 absent – Baker.

- F. Revision to BP 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Policy (UCP); First reading and adoption of AR 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Policy (UCP); and revision to the Annual UCP Notice *(page 50)*

Shall the Nevada County Board of Education Approve Policy revisions to BP 1312.3 UCP; adopt the AR 1312.3 UCP; and approve the revision the Annual UCP Notice?

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Neumann, the Nevada County Board of Education Approved Policy revisions to BP 1312.3 UCP; adopted the AR 1312.3 UCP; and approved the revision the Annual UCP Notice; the motion carried 4 ayes – Sarantopoulos, Meek, Neumann and Nicolai; 1 absent – Baker.

- G. First reading and adoption to Williams Uniform Complaint Policy and Procedures: BP 1312.4 Williams UCP; AR 1312.4 Williams UCP; and E 1312.4 Williams UCP. *(page 72)*

Shall the Nevada County Board of Education Adopt BP 1312.4 Williams UCP; AR 1312.4 Williams UCP; and E 1312.4 Williams UCP?

On a motion by Sarantopoulos and seconded by Nicolai the Nevada County Board of Education Adopted BP 1312.4 Williams UCP; AR 1312.4 Williams UCP; and E 1312.4 Williams UCP; the motion carried 4 ayes – Sarantopoulos, Meek, Neumann and Nicolai; 1 absent – Baker.

12. Information/Discussion Items

- A. None

13. Board Reports

- A. SARB, *Heino Nicolai* – first hearing scheduled for September 24th.
B. Legislative, *Ashley Neumann*

Neumann highlighted Bills to watch: SB 328 – Pupil Attendance: school start time; and AB 1974: Pupils Collection of debt.

- C. Charter Liaison, *Wendy Baker* – Baker is representing the BOE at the Sierra Montessori Academy Charter Board Meeting tonight.
- D. Individual Board Reports

14. Correspondence

- A. GVSD Board Resolution #18-02 Certifying Nevada County Bond Election (*page 84*)
- B. EPIC de Cesar Chavez DASS Certification notification of application (*page 90*)
- C. Response to Stacy Stroppini regarding Grand Jury Report and NCSOS Response, “*Safety and Security at Nevada County Schools.*” (*page 91*)

Stacy and Jack Stroppini thanked Chris Espedal and the Board for the additional information regarding safety and security at Nevada County Schools.

Supt. Lay clarified that NCSOS does not have authority to create individual school district plans. NCSOS creates a safety plan for EJ and NCSOS Special Ed students and works with the District of Residence for off-site students. That being said, NCSOS offers Chris Espedal’s services to make sure everything possible is being done for the safety of students and staff in Nevada County schools.

Board President Meek noted that each district is responsible for their own students; and they have their own Board who are required to approve their districts safety plan. However, NCSOS offers help; support; and up to date best practices to the school.

Board member Neumann thanked the Stroppini’s for bringing their concerns to the Board.

- D. CSBA Call for Nominations for Directors-at-Large Asian/Pacific Islander and Hispanic (*page 93*)
- E. Letter of Concern from SMA Parent, Nicole Greene (*page 94*)

Supt. Lay attended an SMA Board meeting and was handed this letter by Greene; it was also shared with SMA.

15. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: Wed., October 10, 2018, 3:00 p.m., 380 Crown Point Circle, Grass Valley

Larry Meek, Board President
Nevada County Board of Education

October 10, 2018

Date