

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, February 13, 2019
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 Baker.

2. **Established quorum**

Paula Sarantopoulos	present
Wendy Baker	present
Ashley Neumann	present
Heino Nicolai	present
Katharine Wanamaker	present

3. **Salute to the flag**

4. **Adoption of the Agenda**

On a motion by Sarantopoulos and seconded by Nicolai, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the February 13, 2019 Agenda; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

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

6. **Closed public forum**

7. **Presentations**

A. TUPE's New Parent Ed Video, Marlene Mahurin

Mahurin is the TUPE Project Coordinator and brings *Tobacco Use Prevention Education* to Nevada County schools. Mahurin walked the board through a powerpoint presentation; and *The Tobacco, Vaping & Marijuana, A Parent's Guide to a New Epidemic* video was shown.

8. **Public Hearing – John Muir Charter Schools Renewal Petition (Action)**

A. Opened hearing regarding the renewal of John Muir Charter Schools (EC 47607(b)) (*page 1*)

RJ Guess, John Muir Charter Schools CEO, thanked the Board for supporting JMCS the past 17 years and for considering renewal of the Charter.

JMCS serves young men and women in the California Conservation Corps, Certified Local Conservation Corps, YouthBuild, Job Corps, and Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act programs. Young people who enroll receive training in life and vocational skills in addition to John Muir's full WASC accredited high school education program. Since 1999 over 10,000 students have graduated.

The Board and Supt. Lay expressed their admiration and respect for what JMCS offer students.

- B. Closed public hearing
- C. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the renewal of John Muir Charter Schools Petition for a period of five years from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2024? (*page 2*)

On a motion by Neumann and seconded by Wanamaker, the Nevada County Board of Education approved the renewal of John Muir Charter Schools Petition for a period of five (5) years from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2024; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

9. 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 January 9, 2019 (*page 57*)
- B. School Accountability Report Card for 2017-18
 - 1. Earle Jamieson Educational Options (*page 60*)
 - 2. Sugarloaf Mtn. Juvenile Hall Program (*page 80*)

On a motion by Sarantopoulos and seconded by Nicolai, the consent agenda was approved as presented; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

10. Staff Reports

- A. Alternative Education, *Lisa Sanford*

Sanford provided a handout detailing attendance; graduations; snow days; nutrition and yoga classes being offered to students.
- B. Ed Services, *Teena Corker*
 - 1. LCAP

Training is being offered to districts and charters on the LCAP template.
 - 2. Differentiated Assistance

7 out of 10 districts have been identified; support is being offered while trying to accommodate the schools needs. Also working with districts to develop processes and protocols for those schools identified under ESSA.
- C. School Support and Improvement

STEAM Expo 2019 has expanded as we partner with the Economic Resource Council. Judges are still needed.

Tech Test Jr has 72 students participating in grades 5-8.

School Safety Summits for parents are being held at BRHS; NUHS and at Grizzly Hill School. Law enforcement and first responders will be on hand discussing wildfires, lock-downs, shelter-in-place preparedness and school safety in general.
- D. SELPA/Special Education, *Eli Gallup* – Gallup is currently attending the ACSA Conference.

E. Business Services, *Darlene Waddle* – Work continues on the Funding Model.

11. Superintendent's Report

Supt. Lay advised that Debbie Morris is the new Sp. Ed. Principal and RoJean Cossairt is now the SELPA/Charter Coordinator.

NCCLI Class (Nevada County Community Leadership Institute) event will be held on February 22, 2019; great event that educates leaders in our community of the education system in Nevada County.

Arts in Education event will take place on February 28th.

Career Advisor Liaison, Christina Giffin, is the hub between our schools and local business. Giffin is currently working on grant funding also.

12. Action Items

- A. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the application for a Provisional Internship Permit for Kelsi Bennett for the remainder of the 2018/2019 school year so that the NCSOS Special Education Services can fill an immediate staffing need?
(page 100)

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Sarantopoulos the Nevada County Board of Education approved the application for a Provisional Internship Permit for Kelsi Bennett for the remainder of the 2018/2019 school year so that the NCSOS Special Education Services can fill an immediate staffing need; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

13. Discussion/Information Items

- A. Nevada County Education Policy Forum (page 101)
B. Salary Increase per Education Code Section 1302(A): Director of School Safety (page 102)

14. Board Reports

- A. SARB, *Heino Nicolai*

Nicolai reported that SARB has seen a 33% increase in referrals, with a total of 32 cases to date; and a 53% increase in SARB citations from this date last year. NCSOS is hosting a full-day Attendance Certification Training which is multi-regional.

Board discussion took place regarding SARB letters to parents from the schools. However, it was noted that the content of SARB letters would be under the purview of the school district.

- B. Legislative, *Ashley Neumann*

Charter school reform is in the forefront of discussions.

- C. Charter Liaison, *Wendy Baker & Heino Nicolai*

Baker and Nicolai toured Nevada City School of the Arts campus. Director Holly Pettitt expressed want for racism training.

Baker visited Sierra Montessori Academy - still a concern over declining enrollment and fiscal budget.

- D. Individual Board Member Reports

15. Correspondence

- A. NCSOS Quarterly Investment Report as of December 31, 2018 (page 103)

- B. Writing Tournament Results (*page 134*)
- C. John Muir Charter Schools – WASC Substantive Change Report (*page 136*)
- D. EPIC de Cesar Chavez – WASC Substantive Change Report (*page 140*)

16. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: March 13, 2019, 3:00 p.m., 380 Crown Point Circle, Grass Valley

Wendy Baker, Board President
Nevada County Board of Education

March 13, 2019

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