

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, March 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

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| 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 Neumann, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the March ~~February~~ 13, 2019 Agenda; all in favor; motion passed unanimously. (*approved as amended on 4/10/19*)

5. Opened public forum – Recognition of members of the audience wishing to address the Board:

Stephen De Sena, Director, Sierra Montessori Academy, expressed his thanks in the SARB process; he was pleased in the way it affected both parents and students. The process was more educational rather than punitive.

De Sena attended the Parent Safety Summit and appreciated the information offered which was pertinent to SMA's location.

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 13, 2019 (*page 1*)

B. Approval of Consolidated Application – Winter Release for the 2018-19 school year (*page 5*)

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

8. Staff Reports

A. Alternative Education, *Lisa Sanford*

Teena Corker reported for Lisa Sanford. There are currently 17 students at EJ with an 80% attendance rate. Sugarloaf currently has 6 students. Both are preparing for the upcoming SBAC Test.

Teena reported that Lisa will be retiring at the end of the school year. The hiring process will be reviewed for a new principal.

B. Educational Services, *Teena Corker*

1. LCAP Review – Corker provided a handout detailing LCAP data which included categories in the priority areas required to address.
2. CHKS data reports are being reviewed. Sharyn Turner will present to the Board in the near future.
3. STEAM Expo 2019 will include drones this year; and possibly a catapult. The Expo will be in two buildings. Signage is great. Judges are still a need.

C. SELPA/Special Education, *Eli Gallup*

Projects are coming along – Local Plans are currently being presented to LEA Boards for approval. Funding Model is still being addressed.

The embedding of a Sp Ed Mentor Teacher into the classroom is proving great support to the teachers.

Gallup is on the ACSA Sp Ed Committee and attended a 3-day symposium which was well attended.

Gallup accepted a board appointment to the Community Support Network, great opportunity to educate other agencies on how they can support Nevada County schools.

D. Business Services, *Darlene Waddle*

New payroll analyst, Nick Hopkins, started last week. Nick comes to NCSOS with 29 years of experience and is a great addition to NCSOS Staff.

9. Superintendent's Report

A. NCCLI Education Day

Nevada County Community Leadership Institute Education Day consists of leader's through-out the county whom attend one day per month learning about different topics such as health; county government; law enforcement; and education. Supt. Lay facilitates the group on education day. Participants are introduced to public and charter school governance, academic structure and issues facing educators. This year the class of leaders toured Nevada Union High School; Seven Hills; and Peter Sagebiel, Director of Forest Charter, spoke to the group regarding charter schools.

B. Young at Art (*page 19*)

March is *Youth Art Month*. Through May 22, Nevada County student art will be displayed at the Eric Rood Administration Center.

Wanamaker; Nicolai; and Baker attended the State of the Arts launch.

C. Nevada County Educational Forum

NCSOS together with NJUHSD hosted an informal panel style forum for school board members; administrative staff and community leaders to hear and learn firsthand the future of public education. Discussion included what to expect from Governor Newsom and

State Supt. of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond. Charter schools were discussed. The event was well attended and we look forward to holding the forum again in the future.

D. Safety Forum for Parents

Forums were held in three locations: Grizzly Hill; Bear River and Nevada Union High Schools. Local law, fire and school representatives gathered and offered information on wildfires; lockdowns; shelter-in-place; resources when crisis strikes; school safety info for parents; communication during an emergency; tips for parents on being prepared for and responding to potential crises in schools; vaping, tobacco and marijuana risks. The forum was recorded and is on the NCSOS website.

E. Forum for Youth Wellness – March 26th flyer provided. The event brings community leaders, educators and service providers together to focus on the “social emotional wellbeing of the child” including absenteeism and suspensions; family and student engagement; and trauma informed care.

F. The Countywide Speech Tournament for 4th-8th graders was well attended.

10. Action Items

A. Following review of the Second Interim Fiscal Report of 2018-19, and Budget Revision Number Three, shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the certification of the Second Interim Report? *(page 20)*

Waddle answered questions of the Board and provided clarifications of the budget revision and second interim report.

The Board noted that NCSOS has several memberships to education organizations and is interested in the Boards access to them. Supt. Lay will look into access.

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Neumann, following review of the Second Interim Fiscal Report of 2018-19, and Budget Revision Number Three, the Nevada County Board of Education approved the certification of the Second Interim Report; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

B. 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 175)*

On a motion by Sarantopoulos and seconded by Nicolai the Nevada County Board of Education approved 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; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

C. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education Approve the REVISED Earle Jamieson Educational Options and Sugarloaf Mtn. Juvenile Hall 2019-20 School Calendar? *(page 237)*

Changes included adding a snow day and changing a professional development day.

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Sarantopoulos the Nevada County Board of Education Approved the REVISED Earle Jamieson Educational Options and Sugarloaf Mtn. Juvenile Hall 2019-20 School Calendar; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

11. Discussion/Information Items

A. Board Training

Board trainings are provided by different agencies and individuals such as CASBO; CCEE; and Eric Stevens with Girard, Edwards, Stevens & Tucker LLP. Wanamaker will bring the topic back to the Board if she finds a training of interest.

B. EPIC de Cesar Chavez Charter Renewal

Delilah Martinez, EPIC Executive Director, addressed the Board describing the educational services offered by EPIC. EPIC provides an educational plan to an underserved migrant population which focuses on remediation, basic skill development, and credit recovery leading to a high school diploma for students over the age of 18. Direct instruction is offered; and Career Technical Education pathways are offered through partnerships with community colleges.

12. Board Reports

A. SARB, *Heino Nicolai*

Nicolai reported 7 cases heard. A pattern is being noticed of first and second warning letters being sent out one year; and the same letters are sent out the next year. This happens too often resulting in less than ideal outcomes for student impact as the student gets older. Ideally, reaching students at a younger age and having districts be proactive would be more beneficial to all.

B. Legislative, *Ashley Neumann*

Legislation for Charter schools is in the forefront and is moving quickly.

C. Charter Liaison, *Heino Nicolai and Wendy Baker* – No report.

D. Individual Board Member Reports

Wanamaker attended the Nevada County Educational Forum and appreciated the knowledge shared.

Baker attended the State of the Arts event and judged the Speech Tournament.

13. Correspondence – none.

14. Adjournment

Next Regular Meeting Date: April 10, 2019, 3:00 p.m., 380 Crown Point Circle, Grass Valley

Wendy Baker, Board President
Nevada County Board of Education

April 10, 2019

Date