1. Meeting called to order by Board President Baker.

2. Established quorum

Wendy Baker present
Ashley Neumann present
Heino Nicolai present
Katharine Wanamaker present
Susan Clarabut present

3. Salute to the flag

4. Adoption of the Agenda

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Wanamaker, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the February 12, 2020 Agenda; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

5. Open public forum

Recognition of members of the audience wishing to address the Board – no comments.

6. Close 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 January 15, 2020 (page 1)

B. School Accountability Report Card for 2018-19

1. Earle Jamieson Educational Options (page 4)
2. Sugarloaf Mtn. Juvenile Hall Program (page 25)

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

8. Staff Reports

A. Alternative Education, Amy Brooks

Brooks reported attendance at both EJ and Sugarloaf are at 10 students each. Victor services; and Nevada County Probation Officers are meeting with and visiting students at EJ to help make school climate positive.

B. Ed Services, Teena Corker
1. LCAP – District Superintendents and Charter Directors have been trained on the new template.

2. Differentiated Assistance – School Site Council is working on a new SPSA. Four of ten districts are in differentiated assistance vs. last year there were seven out of ten. NCSOS is offering four different institutes to help improve student outcomes.

3. Bridgeport Restoration Project – The opening has been postponed due to structural concerns. However, this doesn't affect the contest.

   A new science coordinator has been hired. The coordinator will be working with 3rd-5th graders and will work on the grant with Sierra Streams and UC Davis.

   STEAM Expo is March 28th. Deadline for submissions is March 6th.

4. Arts Strategic Plan – The arts education committee is currently working on a strategic plan and will then attend the CCSESA’s Arts Initiative Colloquium for rural communities in Sacramento.

C. SELPA/Special Education, Eli Gallup

   Gallup held a well-attended training for EPIC Charter staff in special education and 504 best practices.

   Charis Non Public School (NPS) will be opening a day school for boys grades 7 and up. It’s a good continuum of services as students won’t need to go out of county. The focus is on Nevada County students.

D. Business Services, Darlene Waddle – No report.

9. Superintendent’s Report

   Supt. Lay informed the board of the recent tragic passing of past board member Jack Meeks.

   Union Hill School Districts Supt. Dave Curry is retiring and the UHSD board has asked NCSOS to do the new superintendent job search.

   Briar Patch will soon offer an apple sales campaign to help fund school gardens.

   Nevada County Schools Job Fair is coming up on March 21st.

10. Action Items

A. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education Vote for a Region 4 County Delegate Representative to the California County Boards of Education (CCBE) Board of Directors and the California School Boards Association (CSBA)? (page 46)

   The board had a very thoughtful discussion, reviewing each candidate’s backgrounds, strengths and advocacy.

   On a motion by Baker and seconded by Clarabut the Nevada County Board of Education Voted for Dave Patterson as Region 4 County Delegate Representative to the California County Boards of Education (CCBE) Board of Directors and the California School Boards Association (CSBA); motion passed (4-Ayes: Baker, Clarabut, Neumann and Nicolai; 1-Nay: Wanamaker).

11. Discussion/Information Items - none

12. Board Reports

   A. SARB, Heino Nicolai

      The hearings are seeing younger age students. We are hearing more dialog between students, parents and agencies.
B. Legislative, Ashley Neumann

The focus is on Proposition 13 and parent concern with lack of sex ed transparency.

C. Charter Liaison, Heino Nicolai and Kate Wanamaker

Wanamaker and Nicolai both visited Twin Ridges Home Study Charter. They were super impressed. TRHSC is using the space well; kids were happy and the director has a great relationship with the teachers.

D. Individual Board Member Reports

Nicolai attended and helped staff a table which the ERC had at the Chico State University Job Fair looking to bring young talent into Nevada County.

Baker attended the Nevada County Arts Council meeting.

13. Correspondence

A. Writing Tournament Results (page 54)

14. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: March 11, 2020, 3:00 p.m., 380 Crown Point Circle, Grass Valley

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Wendy Baker, Board President
Nevada County Board of Education

March 11, 2020

Date