

**NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Wednesday, April 8, 2020**  
**3:00 p.m.**  
**Nevada County Superintendent of Schools**

The Nevada County Board of Education  
will hold the regular board meeting virtually by Zoom online.  
The public portion will begin virtually at 3:00 p.m. on Zoom online.  
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## M I N U T E S

**1. Meeting called to order** by Board President Baker.

**2. Established quorum**

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

**3. Salute to the flag**

**4. Adoption of the Agenda**

**On a motion by Wanamaker and seconded by Neumann, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the April 8, 2020 Agenda; amending Agenda Item 13.C. by removing Wendy Baker and inserting Heino Nicolai; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.**

**5. Opened public forum** – Recognition of members of the audience wishing to address the Board – RJ Guess, CEO, John Muir Charter School, stated it was nice to see how great the Board and NCSOS are adapting in this changing world.

**6. Closed public forum**

**7. Public Hearing – EPIC de Cesar Chavez Charter High School Material Revision (Action)**

A. Opened hearing regarding the material revision to EPIC de Cesar Chavez Charter High School: To include additional grade(s), 10-12, to the EPIC Charter beginning retroactively on January 22, 2020 (*page 1*)

B. Closed public hearing

C. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the Material Revision of EPIC de Cesar Chavez Charter High School Petition, to include additional grade(s), 10-12, to the EPIC Charter beginning retroactively on January 22, 2020?

Delilah Martinez, Executive Director for EPIC, noted this change better reflects the cohort graduation rate and addresses needs of the unique student population.

Neumann questioned compliance with Immunization requirements, citing SB 276 and SB 277; and pointing out if a student was 18 years and applied at

NUHS, immunizations would be required. Neumann would like to get something in writing from our legal counsel. However, it was noted this could cost \$300-500. Staff can do further research.

Discussion was held, EPIC and JMCS exclusively serve California Conservation Corps, YouthBuild, WIOA populations; the age requirement is 18 years; they are adults; and immunizations are not required. NCSOS staff will research further.

**On a motion by Neumann and seconded by Wanamaker the Nevada County Board of Education approved the Material Revision of EPIC de Cesar Chavez Charter High School Petition, to include additional grade(s), 10-12, to the EPIC Charter beginning retroactively on January 22, 2020; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.**

## **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 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 March 11, 2020 (*page 12*)

B. During the third quarter of 2020 January-March, there were no complaints filed to be reported, pursuant to Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures (*E.C. 1240(H): Board Policy 1312.3 – Uniform Complaint Procedures*) (*page 16*)

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

## **9. Staff Reports**

A. Alternative Education, *Amy Brooks* (*page 17*)

B. Educational Services, *Teena Corker* (*page 18*)

C. Business Services, *Darlene Waddle* (*page 20*)

D. SELPA / Special Education, *Eli Gallup* (*page 21*)

## **10. Superintendent's Report**

Supt. Lay thanked NCSOS staff who were uprooted from the office to work from home and are keeping the office fully functioning, coming in only when necessary. Changes are happening quickly.

Approximately 90% of California schools are closed; the remainder will most likely be closed by next week. Nevada County schools were closed through the end of the school year; and were one of the first to implement Distance Learning. Teachers and classified staff at sites have done a great job transitioning.

There are some issues faced with Distance Learning. About 15% of the students have not responded; schools are reaching out to those students individually. Approximately 30-35% of teachers and students do not have reliable internet. Paper packets are offered, as logistics are being worked out for the process. Grading is being discussed. Equity is an issue. Counselors are reaching out to students and mental health resources are being offered. Food distribution is going well.

Zoom meetings are being held on several levels with multiple agencies to keep everyone informed.

## **11. Action Item**

- A. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education Approve the Earle Jamieson Educational Options and Sugarloaf Mtn. Juvenile Hall 2020-21 School Calendar? (*page 22*)

The calendar is aligned with the NJUHSD calendar. Wanamaker noted there are 5 emergency days worked into the calendar, however, the legend notes 4. The calendar was pulled to get clarification if the April 5, 2021 date should be an emergency day or not.

**Neumann moved and Wanamaker seconded to approve the Earle Jamieson Educational Options and Sugarloaf Mtn. Juvenile Hall 2020-21 School Calendar; all opposed; motion failed unanimously.**

- B. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve Resolution No. 20-02, Declaration of the Rights of All Students to Equity in Arts Learning? (*page 23*)

**On a motion by Clarabut and seconded by Neumann, the Nevada County Board of Education approved Resolution No. 20-02, Declaration of the Rights of All Students to Equity in Arts Learning; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.**

**12. Discussion/Information** - none.

**13. Board Reports**

- A. SARB, *Heino Nicolai* – SARB has been canceled for the remainder of the year.

- B. Legislative, *Ashley Neumann*

Neumann reported there are new laws looking to take away funds from homeschool charters. Neumann also questioned immunization requirements. Corker offered to reach out to her colleagues for answers.

- C. Charter Liaison, *Heino Nicolai* ~~*Wendy Baker*~~ and *Kate Wanamaker* (*Amended at adoption of agenda.*) – No report

- D. Individual Board Reports

Baker wanted to thank previous board meeting public forum speakers, Dan Prout and Terry McLaughlin, for their handwritten notes regarding PP+ Curriculum discussion.

Neumann had a few items to report:

1. The website version of last month's Agenda memo in the board packet needs to be corrected. Would like to have it changed. Supt. Lay advised it was being worked on.
2. Neumann would like confirmation that STD testing is going to be noticed on both the boys and girls side of juvenile hall. Supt. Lay needs a picture of the notice to move forward.
3. Neumann asked if any Board member was interested in touring any local facility students are referred to in PP+. Neumann will bring up the item after the *Stay at Home Orders* are lifted.
4. Because of the Stay at Home Order, regarding the PP+ curriculum, is this something that we can allow parents to talk with their kids at home and do it online? Supt. Lay advised that would be up to EJ Principal Brooks.

Also, Neumann would like to offer this to all Nevada County schools. Neumann asked how to share a document from previous principals and superintendents which states that they got something from NCSOS saying that PP+ was suggested strongly. Purpose of sharing would be that if NCSOS suggested a curriculum, wouldn't they also help facilitate utilizing this at home.

Supt. Lay reminded Neumann that the Board has no jurisdiction over other districts; and that the original curriculum adoption two years ago, which

Neumann was referring to, was a collection of all the representatives from all the districts coming together as a task force; and as a collective recommended the PP+ curriculum to all the districts and charters. The county office did not recommend the curriculum.

5. Neumann would like to have our legal counsel advise what the staff liability is when excusing students from campus without parent's knowledge for confidential medical services. Supt. Lay noted that no district, NCSOS teacher or staff has posed this question; if the question were to be sent to legal counsel, other school districts wouldn't necessarily follow suit.

**14. Correspondence - none**

**15. Adjournment**

Next Meeting Date: May 13, 2020: Board Budget Work Session 2:00 PM;  
Board of Education Meeting 3:00 PM,  
Via Zoom

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Wendy Baker, Board President  
Nevada County Board of Education

May 13, 2020  
Date