

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, August 25, 2021
3:00 p.m.

The Nevada County Board of Education
will hold the regular board meeting via teleconference.
The public portion will begin virtually at 3:00 p.m.

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ANNOUNCEMENT No. 2: The public will have access to the Nevada County Board of Education meeting through Zoom Teleconferencing. For those individuals who wish to make a public comment, please do so by using the Zoom raise your hand feature. A moderator will call on you at the appropriate time. Please note public comments are taken on action, discussion and information items only.

ANNOUNCEMENT No. 3: Should this Board meeting encounter any security breach or inappropriate issues, the meeting will be ended immediately.

M I N U T E S

1. Meeting called to order by Board President Nicolai.

2. Established quorum

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| Heino Nicolai | present |
| Louise Johnson | present |
| Susan Clarabut | present |
| Timothy May | present |
| Julie Baker | present |

3. Salute to the flag

4. Adoption of the Agenda

On a motion by Johnson and seconded by Clarabut, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the August 25, 2021 Agenda; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

5. Opened public forum – Members of the public who wish to make a comment – None.

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 July 14, 2021 (*page 1*)
- B. Annual Report of School Visitations by County Superintendent of Schools Pursuant to Education Code 1240 and the Williams Settlement (*page 3*)

On a motion by Baker and seconded by May, the consent agenda was approved as presented; motion passed unanimously.

8. Superintendent's Report

The latest COVID surge, in Nevada County schools, is impacting the education delivery. Schools are overwhelmed with Independent Study as the only option. Several hundred students as well as staff in the county are in quarantine. Contact tracing is overwhelming as the process can take several hours per student. This past weekend CDPH sent a strike team to help with a vaccine and testing clinic at NJUHSD. School nurses are working tirelessly on an updated quarantine protocol document.

There was hope in having another COVID testing center open, however, NCPH does not have funding; school districts plan to set up, order supplies and train staff. ESSER funds may be used, however they're encumbered; and finding labor to work is difficult. There's a 5 PM meeting scheduled for today to discuss.

Smoke is impacting schools; outdoor activities are being curbed when the AQI goes over 100.

Scholar Day at the fair was held. Letters/tickets were distributed prior to the Delta variant of COVID-19. Nevada County Schools booth was moved outdoors. Masks were worn and there were very positive interactions with the community. Students received free bicycle helmets donated by Nevada County Public Health.

CA Kids Fire Relief Campaign sponsored by Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE), CCSESA and SSDA is being rolled out. The education community is donating gift cards for food, clothing and gasoline. Students are being requested to make cards and write positive letters of support. Gift cards and letters will be hand-delivered to affected school districts who will in turn distribute to students and families affected by the wildfires. Information to donate to *CA Kids Fire Relief* can be found at www.scoe.net.

9. Staff Reports

A. SELPA/Special Education, *Eli Gallup*

Gallup has been busy responding and reacting to issues surrounding COVID-19. There are staffing shortages; and 4 out of 11 classrooms are quarantined.

On a good note, we've developed a new school site at Arete with three new K-3 classrooms. Arete has been wonderful to work with; the site is inclusive for the students.

Gallup continues to work with families, to understand their rights for special needs students; and is working with families to offer as many opportunities as possible.

B. Alternative Education, *Lisa Sanford*

Sanford reported four students are currently enrolled. PD Day was held on August 13 where staff received a refresher on PBIS.

C. Ed Services, *Teena Corker*

Corker and Ed Services staff have been busy implementing professional development, supporting administrators and teachers in Universal Design for Learning (UDL); Differentiated Assistance (DA); and Curriculum Instruction. Carrie Ferrero is working on professional

development in science and math. Prop 64 training has started with the high school at Silver Springs.

2021-22 Countywide Academic Tournament schedule is still being discussed. 2021-22 STEAM Expo will be held virtually. FRC's are up and running and held a successful Sport Summer Camp on the San Juan Ridge this past summer.

Bridgeport Covered Bridge reopening event is scheduled for November 4th by invitation only. Students from the art contest will be invited. Several dignitaries are expected to attend.

LCAPS continue to be reviewed.

Corker's new assistant, Olivia Carson, started.

D. Business Services, *Darlene Waddle*

10. Action Items

A. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the 2021-22 Consolidated Application Report, Part I (*page 6*)

On a motion by Clarabut and seconded by Baker, the Nevada County Board of Education approved the 2021-22 Consolidated Application Report, Part I; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

B. First Reading | Adoption: Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve Board Policy 6158(a) Independent Study; and Administrative Regulation 6158(a) Independent Study? (*page 25*)

On a motion by Clarabut and seconded by Baker, the Nevada County Board of Education approved Board Policy 6158(a) Independent Study; and Administrative Regulation 6158(a) Independent Study; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

The Board meeting ended at 4 PM due to a fire; the NCSOS office was evacuated.

11. Information/Discussion Items

A. Charter Director letter - AB 130 Education Trailer Bill: Charter Term Extensions (*page 53*)

B. Treasury report from Nevada County Treasurer and Tax Collector detailing the Portfolio of investments for NCSOS as of June 30, 2021 (*page 54*)

12. Board Reports

A. Legislative, *Julie Baker*

B. Charter Liaison, *Timothy May and Louise Johnson*

C. Individual Board Report

13. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: September 8, 2020 at 5:00 PM

Heino Nicolai, President
Nevada County Board of Education

September 8, 2021

Date