

**Nevada County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, January 12, 2022
3:00 p.m.**

The Nevada County Board of Education will hold the regular board meeting via teleconference. The public portion will begin virtually no earlier than 3:00 p.m.

To join the Zoom meeting, please visit <https://nevco-org.zoom.us/j/99638628548>

Meeting ID: 996 3862 8548

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ANNOUNCEMENT No. 1: This meeting is being held pursuant to the procedures established in Assembly Bill 361 amending elements of the Brown Act effective October 1, 2021. All Board members may attend the meeting by teleconference. This meeting will be a virtual meeting only. The public may observe and address the meeting via Zoom.

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

A G E N D A

All times approximate

1. Meeting called to order

2. Establish quorum

3. Salute to the flag

4. Adoption of the Agenda

5. Open public forum – Public comments are taken on action, discussion and information items only; or during this time for items not on the agenda which are within the jurisdiction of the Nevada County Board of Education. Individuals wishing to make a public comment may do so now or at the time the agenda item is heard. At this time, comments are limited to three (3) minutes each.

6. Close public forum

7. Approval of the Consent Agenda

5 min.

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 December 14, 2021 (*page 1*)

B. During the fourth quarter of 2021 October-December, there were no complaints filed to be reported, pursuant to Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures (E.C. 1240(H); Board Policy 1010 – Uniform Complaint Procedures) (*page 4*)

8. Superintendent's Report 10 min.

9. Staff Reports 10 min.

- A. Alternative Education, *Amy Brooks*
- B. Educational Services, *Teena Corker*
- C. SELPA/Special Education, *Eli Gallup*
- D. Business Services, *Darlene Waddle*

10. Action Items 10 min.

- A. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve re-authorizing remote teleconference meetings for the period of January 12, 2022 through February 11, 2022 because the Board determines at this time the meeting will be held during a proclaimed State of Emergency, and State or Local Officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing? (*page 5*)

11. Discussion/Information Items 10 min.

- A. Charter Oversight Visitations 2021-22 (*page 8*)
- B. Nevada County Board of Education Meeting Calendar for 2021 (*page 10*)
- C. Link to NCSoS Arts Profile highlighting work on the goals in the Strategic Arts Plan this year resulting from a CCSESA Arts Initiative mini-grant:
<https://ccsesaarts.org/rural-arts/nevada-county/>

12. Board Member Reports 5 min.

- A. Legislative, *Julie Baker*
- B. Charter Liaison, *Louise Johnson and Timothy May*
- C. Individual Board member reports

13. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: February 9, 2022 at 3:00 PM

This agenda was posted at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting at the Nevada County Superintendent of Schools office, 380 Crown Point Circle, Grass Valley; EJ, 112 Nevada City Hwy., Nevada City; and TKM, 400 Hoover Lane, Nevada City.

Posted: 1.7.2022
Date

Notice: The agenda packet and supporting materials, including materials distributed less than 72 hours prior to the scheduled meeting, can be viewed at the Nevada County Superintendent of Schools office – located at 380 Crown Point Circle, Grass Valley, California. For more information, please call 530.478.6400.

Notice: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to access the Board meeting room or to otherwise participate at this meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, contact the Nevada County Superintendent of Schools office at 530.478.6400 ext. 2003 at least 48 hours before the scheduled Board meeting so that we may make every reasonable effort to accommodate your needs. [G.C. §54953.2, §54954.2(a)(1); Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, §202 (42 U.S.C. §12132)]

**Nevada County Board of Education
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Tuesday, December 14, 2021
3:00 p.m.**

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MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order by Board President Nicolai.

2. Establish 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 Clarabut and seconded by Baker, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the December 14, 2021 Agenda as presented; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

5. Opened public forum – Members of the public who wish to make a comment – no comments.

6. Closed public forum

7. Presentation

A. Foothills Fresh – The Future Nevada County Schools Food Program, by Aimee Retzler, Sierra Harvest

8. Action Items

A. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the FY 2021-22 Budget Revision Number One and First Period Interim Report? (*page 1*)

Waddle walked the board through the Budget Revision Number One and First Period Interim Report.

On a motion by Johnson and seconded by Clarabut, the Nevada County Board of Education approved the FY 2021-22 Budget Revision Number One and First Period Interim Report; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

- B. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education adopt the Educator Effectiveness Block Grant 2021? *(page 76)*

On a motion by Johnson and seconded by May, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the Educator Effectiveness Block Grant 2021; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

- C. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve utilizing the Teleconferencing option provided in AB 361 for the January 12, 2022 Board Meeting because the Board determines at this time the meeting will be held during a proclaimed State of Emergency, and State or Local Officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing?

On a motion by Baker and seconded by May, the Nevada County Board of Education approved utilizing the Teleconferencing option provided in AB 361 for the January 12, 2022 Board Meeting because the Board determined at this time the meeting will be held during a proclaimed State of Emergency, and State or Local Officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

9. Organizational Meeting

As required by law, members of the Board shall at this meeting select a president, vice-president, and fix the dates, time and place of its regular meetings. (EC § 1009 and EC § 35143)

- A. Nomination and Election of President

On a motion by Johnson and seconded by Clarabut, the Nevada County Board of Education nominated Heino Nicolai as President; motion passed; (Ayes – Baker, Johnson, May, Clarabut; Abstain – Nicolai).

- B. Nomination and Election of Vice-president

On a motion by Johnson and seconded by Baker, the Nevada County Board of Education nominated Susan Clarabut as Vice-President; motion passed; (Ayes – Baker, Johnson, May, Nicolai; Abstain – Clarabut).

- C. Nomination and Election of Trustee Representative

On a motion by Nicolai and seconded by Baker, the Nevada County Board of Education nominated Susan Clarabut as Trustee Representative; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

- D. Selection of dates, time and place for regularly scheduled Board meetings *(page 82)*

- Shall the Nevada County Board of Education adopt the meeting calendar for 2022?

On a motion by Clarabut and seconded by Johnson, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the meeting calendar as presented for 2022; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

- E. Board Member Assignments

- SARB – Heino Nicolai
- Legislative – Julie Baker
- Charter Liaison – Tim May and Louise Johnson

10. Approval of the Consent Agenda

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A. Approval of minutes of the Regular meeting of November 10, 2021 (page 83)

B. Approval of School Attendance Review Board Slate (SARB) (page 87)

On a motion by Baker and seconded by Clarabut, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the Consent Agenda; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

11. Superintendent's Report

Supt. Lay reported canceling the all staff holiday gathering due to weather and unsafe road conditions.

Parents attending school sporting events have been reminded to be thoughtful and adhere to COVID safety protocols.

Supt. Lay expressed thanks to Nevada County Public Health Officer Dr. Scott Kellermann as he leaves the position the end of December.

12. Staff Reports

A. Alternative Education, *Lisa Sanford*

Sanford reported 4 students enrolled currently, with 5 new students starting in January. Amy Brooks will be returning in January. Nutrition classes are ending. Career Café hosted local painting contractor and had a strong impact on the students. The contractor gave t-shirts, buckets and offered summer jobs. Students are enjoying yoga classes. Sanford is looking into Nevada County Arts. The Board expressed their thanks to Sanford for filling in during Brooks' absence.

B. Educational Services, *Teena Corker*

The Ed Svcs. Team continues to support Superintendents, Directors and Teachers. They have met with districts in Differentiated Assistance to plan for continues improvement. Trainings are taking place on midyear reports. Charter oversight visits are almost complete.

C. Business Services, *Darlene Waddle* - staff is doing great; nothing new to report.

D. SELPA/Special Education, *Eli Gallup*

Gallup continues to work with districts, currently training staff at a higher level. Staff shortages and non-experience continues to be a challenge.

Gallup and Johnson attended the Region 2 ACSA meeting where Supt. Lay received the honor of *Superintendent of the Year*, and Teena Corker received the honor of *Administrator of the Year for Curriculum Instruction and Accountability*.

13. Discussion/Information Items – none

14. Board Member Reports

A. Legislative, *Julie Baker* – no report; legislature is in recess.

B. Charter Liaison, *Timothy May and Louise Johnson* – site visits canceled due to weather.

C. Individual Board member reports

Johnson attended the first in-person Region 2 ACSA meeting where Sierra Streams Institute presented their forest project curriculum, explaining how they are in the field with Nevada County students doing hands on science.

15. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: January 12, 2022

Heino Nicolai, Board President
Nevada County Board of Education

January 12, 2021

Date

Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints

[Education Code § 35186]

District Name: Nevada County Office of Education

Person completing this form: Scott W. Lay
 Title: Superintendent

Quarterly Report Submission Date: January 2022 (for Oct-Dec 2021)
 April 2022 (for Jan-Mar 2022)
 July 2022 (for Apr-Jun 2022)
 October 2022 (for Jul-Sep 2022)

Date for information to be reported publicly at a governing board meeting: Jan. 12, 2022

Please check the box that applies:

- No complaints were filed with any school in the district during the quarter indicated above.
- Complaints were filed with schools in the county programs during the quarter indicated above. The following chart summarizes the nature and resolution of these complaints.

| General Subject Area | Total # of Complaints | # Resolved | # Unresolved |
|--|-----------------------|------------|--------------|
| Textbooks and Instructional Materials | 0 | | |
| Teacher Vacancy or Misassignments | 0 | | |
| Facilities Conditions | 0 | | |
| TOTALS | 0 | | |

 Signature of County Superintendent

Scott W. Lay
 Print Name of County Superintendent

January 12, 2022
 Date

Subject:

Governor Newsom Signs Executive Order in Response to COVID-19 Pandemic



GAVIN NEWSOM

GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
Wednesday, January 5, 2022

Contact: Governor's Press Office
(916) 445-4571

Governor Newsom Signs Executive Order in Response to COVID-19 Pandemic

SACRAMENTO – Governor Gavin Newsom today signed an executive order to protect Californians amid increasing COVID-19 case rates and hospitalizations driven by the fast-spreading Omicron variant.

The order extends the sunset of [AB 361](#), which the Governor signed in September to extend the flexibilities provided in a prior executive order enabling public agencies to meet remotely during the COVID-19 emergency.

Under the order signed today, state bodies are permitted to continue holding public meetings via teleconference through March 31, 2022.

The text of the Governor's executive order can be found [here](#).

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Governor Gavin Newsom
State Capitol Building
Sacramento, CA 95814

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-1-22

WHEREAS on March 4, 2020, I proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS on March 12, 2021, I issued Executive Order N-25-20, paragraph 11, and on March 17, 2020, I issued Executive Order N-29-20, paragraph 3, waiving certain requirements that public meetings of state bodies occur in-person; and

WHEREAS on June 11, 2021, I issued Executive Order N-08-21 to roll back certain provisions of my COVID-19-related Executive Orders and to clarify that other provisions remained necessary to help California respond to, recover from, and mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS paragraph 42 of Executive Order N-08-21 specified that the waiver of requirements that public meetings of state bodies occur in-person would be valid through September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS on September 16, 2021, I signed into law Assembly Bill 361 (AB 361), which amended the Government Code and Education Code to provide additional flexibility for state bodies to conduct public meetings via teleconference through January 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS since Thanksgiving, the statewide seven-day average case rate has increased by 805% and the number of COVID-19 hospitalized patients has increased by 154%; and

WHEREAS this surge is being driven by the recent emergence of the Omicron variant, which has recently been estimated to account for approximately 70% of cases sequenced nationally; and

WHEREAS early data suggest that the Omicron variant is more transmissible than the Delta variant; and

WHEREAS requiring large numbers of individuals to gather, and potentially travel long distances, for in-person public meetings could potentially, and unnecessarily, expose numerous people to COVID-19, further contribute to the ongoing surge in cases caused by the Omicron variant, compound disruptions to our economy, and undermine public health measures during the current State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS when the Legislature considered AB 361 this past fall, the Omicron variant had not emerged, and the virus had not demonstrated the ability to evade immunity; and

WHEREAS in light of the present surge in cases due to the Omicron variant, and to protect the public health and safety, it is necessary to temporarily extend the flexibilities for state bodies to conduct teleconferences under AB 361 beyond January 31, 2022, to provide state bodies the option of conducting public meetings remotely to reduce the risk of in-person exposure to members of the staff body, staff, and members of the public; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with the statutes specified in this Order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes, and in particular, Government Code sections 8567, 8571, and 8627 do hereby issue the following Order to become effective immediately:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The sunset dates in Education Code section 89305.6, subdivision (g), and Government Code section 11133, subdivision (g), are suspended until March 31, 2022.
2. This Order shall expire at 11:59 p.m. on April 1, 2022.

I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the State of California, its agencies, departments, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 5th day of January 2022.



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

SHIRLEY WEBER, PH.D.
Secretary of State



TO Nevada County Board of Education

FROM The Charter Oversight Team:
Teena Corker, Assoc. Supt., Ed. Serv.
Darlene Waddle, Chief Business Officer
Eli Gallup, SELPA Director

DATE January 12, 2022

SUBJECT Charter Oversight Visitations 2021-22

The county office, in accordance with the California Charter Schools Act, conducts regularly scheduled visits and meetings, including frequent attendance at board meetings. The purpose of oversight visitations is to monitor each school's progress in achieving the academic, organizational and fiscal objectives set forth in its charter against the *Criterion for Renewal: Sound Educational Program and Capacity to Implement*.

We are fortunate to have a cooperative approach to the oversight process and positive relationships with all our school leaders and board members. Schools provide additional evidence to support renewal and make corrections or adjustments, as needed, in order to increase the likelihood of the school's success.

It is the intent of the county office that this process serves to ensure the fairness and transparency of its recommendations on renewal, so that a charter school is never surprised by any recommendation.

We recognize that much of the evidence necessary to evaluate a school's success and/or deficiencies is not always available in written documentation, therefore, site visit protocols focus on qualitative factors, including classroom visitations, meetings with school administrators, and may include conversations with staff, parents and/or students and reviews of student work.

Our charter site visitations address the following areas of operation:

- **Educational Program:** overview of the educational program, English Learner and Special Education services, curricular materials and processes, professional development, teacher credentials and staffing, assessment and use of data.
- **Facilities:** condition, adequacy, and compliance of facilities.
- **Fiscal:** attendance, record-keeping, payroll, budget, accounting and financial reporting, annual audit, financial condition and inventory.
- **School Operations:** training, handbooks, admissions, discipline, health and safety, parent notifications, and policies.
- **Governance:** board management, board meetings, policy development and stakeholder involvement.

Typically, each charter provides the county office team with a binder comprised of all documentation under each category. We review all these documents with the charter leadership team.

After the visit, the county office prepares a written report with the team's findings with references to supporting evidence. We allow some time for the school to respond to any recommendations or follow-up reports as needed. The report and all additional documentation become a part of the body of evidence that is considered when the school enters the renewal process.

In addition to working closely with the charter schools on their oversight visitations, the county office provides support in multiple areas such as:

- school improvement through the continuous improvement process (differentiated assistance),
- Local Control Accountability Plan development, feedback and review to help meet the intended LCFF/LCAP purposes of aligning resources with priorities, increasing transparency to educational partners and developing systems to track and report budgeted expenses and outcomes,
- fiscal support by providing trainings and budget meetings, and
- special education support for educators in a continual effort to support students with disabilities.

We are pleased to report that through the oversight process with the charter schools, Forest Charter, Bitney Prep High School, Twin Ridges Home Study, Yuba River, Nevada City School of the Arts, John Muir and EPIC de Cesar Chavez all meet satisfactory expectations in program operations, service to students and fiscal responsibility. We are working interactively with those that have a few areas of follow-up reporting to provide.

Nevada County
Board of Education
Meeting Calendar for 2022

Regularly scheduled meeting dates for the Nevada County Board of Education are generally held the second Wednesday of each month at 3:00 p.m. in the *Board Room, located at the Nevada County Superintendent of Schools office at 380 Crown Point Circle, Grass Valley, California, 95945, unless otherwise noted.

* See Agenda for format style during COVID-19

| Date | Time | Notes |
|--------------|---------|--------------------------------|
| January 12 | 3:00 PM | |
| February 9 | 3:00 PM | |
| March 9 | 3:00 PM | |
| April 13 | 3:00 PM | |
| May 11 | 3:00 PM | 2 PM Budget Work Session |
| June 8 | 3:00 PM | LCAP & Budget Public Hearings |
| June 22 | 3:00 PM | |
| July 13 | 3:00 PM | |
| August 17 | 3:00 PM | * |
| September 14 | 5:00 PM | *State Instructional Materials |
| October 12 | 3:00 PM | |
| November 9 | 3:00 PM | |
| December 14 | 3:00 PM | |

* Sep: The regularly scheduled meeting for the month of September meets the requirement of public review of availability of State instructional materials for NCSOS Alternative Ed Programs (Ed Code 60119)

*Aug: August 17 accommodates Scholar Day at the Nevada County Fair