

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting

Thursday, April 21, 2022
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 Nicolai.

2. Established quorum

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 Nicolai and seconded by Johnson, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the March 9, 2022 Agenda as presented; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

5. Opened public forum – Recognition of members of the audience wishing to address the Board – no comments made.

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 March 9, 2022 (*page 1*)

B. During the third quarter of 2022 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 5*)

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

8. Superintendent's Report

The mask mandate was lifted by the State, relieving pressure on educators. School staff are working on rebuilding relationships with parents and students.

Nevada County school districts and charters are seeing changes in leadership: Nevada Joint Union HSD; Twin Ridges ESD; Yuba River Charter; and Sierra Academy of Expeditionary

Learning Charter will all see new Superintendents and Directors beginning the 2022-23 School year. NCSOS is hiring for Differentiated Assistance and SELPA Director.

Programs in schools are thriving including NU's Culinary Center and Ag Mechanics; and the Ready Springs Student Store.

9. Staff Reports

A. Business Services, *Darlene Waddle*

Waddle reported 4 new staff members in the business office. All school districts have positive certifications. The SELPA funding model was brought back.

B. Alternative Education, *Amy Brooks*

There are currently 10 students enrolled and the school climate is positive with both staff and students. LCAP surveys have been given to students and parents with 50% being returned.

C. Educational Services, *Teena Corker*

Ed. Services department is growing and hiring for several positions.

Rosnina Dort, Director of Local Planning Council for Child Care Development Nevada County, is writing a countywide UTK, Pre-K Plan for each LEA site. It's a joint plan to get funds to provide professional development and credentialing support. Beginning 2025 4-year-old children may enroll in public schools.

2022-23 LCAP meetings are scheduled with all districts. Three Charter schools are anticipated to come into Differentiated Assistance in 2022-23.

FRC's are planning their annual summer camp.

Six schools were identified on the Williams List as low performing per data from the State. NCSOS will vet the list.

D. SELPA / Special Education, *Eli Gallup*

Thanks to a grant, four new BCBA's and seven BCBA Tech's were hired. Newly hired is NCSOS's SELPA Data Tech/Admin Assistant/JMCS Data Coordinator. Interviews will soon take place for a SELPA Director.

NCBH and A Team (mental health professionals) are working together quarterly to help students after school.

Brendan Cariaga was recognized as Region 2 ACSA's Teacher Who Makes a Difference.

10. Action Items

- A. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education Approve the Earle Jamieson Educational Options 2022-23 School Calendar? (*page 6*)

On a motion by Baker and seconded by Clarabut, the Nevada County Board of Education Approved the Earle Jamieson Educational Options 2022-23 School Calendar; all in favor; motion carried unanimously.

11. Discussion/Information

- A. Draft *Proclamation Honoring Nevada County Educators and Staff for Their Exemplary Response to the Challenges of the Covid-19 Pandemic* (*page 7*)

The Board suggested the following edits: Title – remove “of” and replace with “during”; paragraph above signatures remove “of our Lord.”

After Proclamation is approved in the May board meeting, distribute to the Board of Supervisors; District and Charter Schools; Private Schools; and all Media.

- B. Consolidated Application Part II: Winter Release for the 2021-22 School Year (*page 9*)
- C. 2021 Geographic Lead Agency Report (*page 22*)
- D. TechTest Jr. 2022 Winners Announcement (*page 46*)
- E. STEAM Expo 2022 Winners Announcement (*page 49*)

12. Board Reports – no reports given.

- A. SARB, *Heino Nicolai*
- B. Legislative, *Julie Baker*
- C. Charter Liaison, *Timothy May and Louise Johnson*
- D. Individual Board Reports

13. Closed Session

The Board will adjourn to a closed session regarding the following confidential matter:

- A. Conference with Real Property Negotiator (G.C. 54956.8): Scott W. Lay
- B. Property: 12582 Squirrel Creek Road, Grass Valley, CA 95945

14. Open Session

- A. Report out from closed session
Nothing to report – no action taken.

15. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: May 11, 2022: Board Budget Work Session 2:00 PM;
Board of Education Meeting 3:00 PM

Heino Nicolai, Board President
Nevada County Board of Education

May 11, 2022
Date