

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting

Wednesday, May 11, 2022
2:00 p.m. Budget Workshop; 3:00 p.m. Board of Education Meeting

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 Baker and seconded by Johnson, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the May 11, 2022 Agenda as amended, adding Agenda item 4.5 Budget Workshop at 2:00 PM; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

4.5 Budget Workshop

Waddle walked the Board through a PPT presentation detailing County Office Operational Funding; Community School Funding; Office Support Funding; Operational General Fund Revenue; County Operational Programs; Discretionary Programs; General Fund Expenditures and the Unrestricted Budget Summary.

Waddle then discussed and presented the 2022-23 Revenue Summary (General Fund) Original Budget Report.

Supt. Lay and Waddle noted that Earle Jamieson Educational Options is costing too much to run and future options are being discussed.

5. Opened public forum – Recognition of members of the audience wishing to address the board
– No comments.

6. Closed public forum

7. Public Hearing – Twin Ridges Home Study Charter Material Revision

A. Opened public hearing regarding the material revision to Twin Ridges Home Study Charter: Specifically, pursuant to California Education Code Section 47607(b), TRHS seeks to increase its enrollment projection from 195 students to 215 students beginning in the 2022-23 school year, with further growth of approximately 20 students per year until it reaches an enrollment of approximately 300 students in the 2026-27 school year.

This Material Revision is requested to meet the growing demand for the Charter School's home study program designed to serve children who need or desire an alternative learning model to traditional site-based education. *(page 1)*

No comments made.

B. Closed public hearing

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 April 21, 2022 *(page 91)*

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

9. Superintendent's Report

Nurses Day comes with great appreciation of Sharyn Turner, NCSOS's Health Services Coordinator; and Cindy Boone, NCSOS's Special Education Nurse.

COVID numbers are spiking. NCSOS main office encountered an outbreak and are currently on a 10-day remote working schedule.

Raise Them Up event is taking place this Saturday at Twin Cities Church. This is a Foster Youth Services and Child Welfare Services Free sponsored event for all.

During the NJUHSD meeting tonight, a new Superintendent may be appointed. Scott Mikal-Heine is the new Superintendent/Principal for Twin Ridges Elementary School District. John Baggett is the new Superintendent for Nevada City School District. Yuba River Charter and Sierra Academy of Expeditionary Learning are in the process of looking for successors.

10. Staff Reports

A. Business Services, *Darlene Waddle*

Business Office is busy with reports and has hired a new staff member, Nicole Bedell.

B. Educational Services, *Teena Corker*

Continuous Improvement Instructional Specialists have been hired, Carrie Ferrero for Math and Science, and Nancy Jackson for ELA and Arts.

Corker has been busy with program budgets, reports and plans for year end. And the 2022-23 Academic Tournament Schedule is set.

C. SELPA / Special Education, *Eli Gallup*

Supt. Lay reported for Gallup who is at a Special Ed Staff Meeting. Several classes have closed due to COVID and inability to staff.

D. Alternative Education, *Amy Brooks* – no report.

11. Action Items

- A. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve Resolution 22-01, Notice of Election and Specifications of the Election Order for election to be held on November 8, 2022? (Roll Call Vote) *(page 94)*

On a motion by Baker and seconded by Johnson, the Nevada County Board of Education approved Resolution 22-01, Notice of Election and Specifications of the Election Order for election to be held on November 8, 2022; all in favor; motion carried unanimously.

- B. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the Notice of Board Member Election to be held on November 8, 2022? *(page 95)*

On a motion by Baker and seconded by Clarabut, the Nevada County Board of Education approved the Notice of Board Member Election to be held on November 8, 2022; all in favor; motion carried unanimously.

- C. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve the Material Revision to Twin Ridges Home Study (TRHS) Charter, specifically seeking to increase its enrollment projection from 195 students to 215 students beginning in the 2022-23 school year, with further growth of approximately 20 students per year until it reaches an enrollment of approximately 300 students in the 2026-27 school year?

Jennifer Dearduff, TRHS Director, spoke to the material revision. The TRHS Charter Board plans to revisit each year. Currently there are 85 students waitlisted. The program serves students who would most likely not attend traditional public schools.

Clarabut had several concerns in the charter regarding special education. Dearduff noted the concerns and advised that in practice, they would never discriminate or steer students away from the program. Dearduff noted this is the verbiage which was adopted in the original charter and when the charter comes up for renewal all concerns will be addressed, and the charter amended.

Regina Reno, NCSOS HR Director, also requested Dearduff to consider updating the teacher credentialing verbiage at renewal.

On a motion by Clarabut and seconded by Baker, the Nevada County Board of Education approved the Material Revision to Twin Ridges Home Study (TRHS) Charter, specifically seeking to increase its enrollment projection from 195 students to 215 students beginning in the 2022-23 school year, with further growth of approximately 20 students per year until it reaches an enrollment of approximately 300 students in the 2026-27 school year; all in favor; motion carried unanimously.

- D. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education Approve a Proclamation Honoring Nevada County Educators and Staff for Their Exemplary Response to the Challenges During the COVID-19 Pandemic? *(page 96)*

On a motion by Johnson and seconded by May, the Nevada County Board of Education Approved a Proclamation Honoring Nevada County Educators and Staff for Their Exemplary Response to the Challenges During the COVID-19 Pandemic; all in favor; motion passed unanimously.

12. Discussion/Information

- A. Treasury Report from Nevada County Treasurer and Tax Collector detailing the portfolio of investments for NCSOS as of March 31, 2022 *(page 98)*
- B. Third Quarter Williams Review Report FY 2021-22 *(page 138)*

13. Board Reports

- A. SARB, *Heino Nicolai*

Nicolai reported some no-shows at SARB. The SARB Board continues to reach out to families by offering services.

B. Legislative, *Julie Baker*

Baker reported on bills to watch: SB-1236 School districts: governing boards: pupil members; and AB 1718 Elementary and secondary education: visual and performing arts and world languages: instructional materials and professional development.

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

No new visits were made. There are plans to attend Bitney's senior project presentations.

D. Individual Board Reports

Johnson volunteered at the ACSA State Conference Booth educating new retirees on how to stay engaged. As President of the NJUHSD Foundation, Johnson helped award \$63,000 in scholarships for the 2021-22 school year. For CalRTA, Johnson created Teacher Appreciation gifts to deliver to schools.

14. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: June 8, 2022 – LCAP & Budget Public Hearings

Heino Nicolai, Board President
Nevada County Board of Education

June 22, 2022

Date