

**NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 13, 2023**

→ 5:00 p.m. ←

Nevada County Superintendent of Schools
Boardroom
380 Crown Point Circle, Grass Valley, CA 95945

MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order by Board Vice-President Susan Clarabut.

2. Established quorum

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

3. Salute to the flag

4. Adoption of the Agenda

On a motion by Johnson and seconded by May, the Nevada County Board of Education adopted the agenda as presented; motion passed (Ayes – May, Clarabut, Johnson; Absent – Nicolai, Baker).

5. Opened public forum – Members of the public who wish to address the Board –

No comments.

6. Closed public forum

7. Public Hearings

5:00 p.m.

A. Opened public hearing to review FY2023-24 Sufficiency of Instructional Materials in the Nevada County Alternative Educational programs, grades 7- 12 (EC §60119) (*page 1*)

No comments.

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 trustee 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 August 16, 2023 (*page 2*)

On a motion by May and seconded by Johnson, the Nevada County Board of Education approved the Consent Agenda as presented; motion passed (Ayes – May, Clarabut, Johnson; Absent – Baker, Nicolai).

9. Superintendent's Report

The school year had a nice start. Enrollment is up in primary grades. Staff are in place and at work. The recruiting fairs are working. Darlene and Chris Espedal have been doing a lot of facilities work. The 911 I-Beam, as well as the remaining statue at 112 Nevada City Hwy, were successfully moved to the main office.

Supt. Lay attended the CCBE (California County Boards of Education) Conference with Board member Johnson. Supt. Lay discussed the possibility of tying in JMCS and EPIC Charter site visits next year as the location of the CCBE conference is near the sites.

The Latino Festival is tomorrow, September 14th. *Teachers of the Year Awards* dinner is October 5th. Anne Perdue of Penn Valley Union School District will be celebrated as the *Nevada County Teacher of the Year*; and *District Teachers of the Year* will be celebrated.

Several Nevada County School Food JPA Superintendents are scheduled to visit the Natomas Culinary Program. The main purpose of the JPA is to provide healthier food options to all Nevada County students while using local vendors.

Supt. Lay reported on Special Ed/SELPA noting most non-public school agency contracts are gone which is great financially for districts. NCSOS has great teachers, para-educators, and itinerant staff in place.

Supt. Lay advised the Board he will not be able to attend the October board meeting as he will be visiting his daughter in Korea.

10. Staff Reports

A. Educational Services, *Christine McCormick*

McCormick reported the Latino Family Festival was bigger and even better than last year. The event is a celebration of the Latino heritage in the community which included county agencies with resources and over 50 vendors.

Williams site reviews are completed. LCAP review is moving along as we prepare for the new template.

The *Teacher of the Year* and *Classified School Employee of the Year* will be honored in the Constitution Day Parade on Sept. 17th. AAUW is honoring Tech Trek recipients on Sept. 16th.

B. Business Services, *Darlene Waddle*

The business office is busy helping districts with year end closing; training new staff; and mentoring district business managers with closing books.

C. SELPA/Special Education, *Eli Gallup* – Supt. Lay reported earlier in Gallup's stead.

11. Action Items

A. Shall the Nevada County Board of Education approve Resolution 23-06, Sufficiency of Instructional Materials for grades 7-12 for Nevada County Alternative Educational Programs FY2023-24?

(ROLL CALL VOTE) (page 5)

Supt. Lay explained that while JMCS is running Earle Jamieson, NCSOS continues to infuse money into the program and felt it would be best for our Board to review this item.

On a motion by Johnson and seconded by May, the County Board of Education approved Resolution 23-06, Sufficiency of Instructional Materials for grades 7-12 for Nevada County Alternative Educational Programs FY2023-24, by roll call vote, motion passed (Ayes – May, Clarabut, Johnson; Absent – Baker, Nicolai).

12. Information/Discussion Items

A. 2023-24 Nevada County Academic Tournament Schedule (page 7)

13. Board Reports

- A. Legislative, *Julie Baker* – no report.
- B. Charter Liaison, *Timothy May and Louise Johnson* – no report at this time.
- C. Individual Board Reports

Johnson attended the CCBE Annual Conference and presented an overview of the new County Boards Trustee Handbook. The session was well attended. Johnson also conducted a table talk session. Over 30 new Board members attended and learned about their roles and responsibilities as County Board Members.

Johnson also attended a Safety Session where “*Think-on-your-Feet Peet*” was presented. Johnson believes the NCSOS safety program, under the guidance of Chris Espedal, is much better, more mature.

14. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: Wed., October 11, 2023 at 3:00 PM

Susan Clarabut, Vice-President
Nevada County Board of Education

October 11, 2023

Date