

**NYE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES  
MAY 22, 2019**

Present: Larry Small, President; Teresa Stoddard, Vice-President; Mark Hansen, Clerk; Tim Sutton, Member; Sean Hastings, Member; Mark Owens, Member; Dale Norton, Superintendent (via videoconference); Evangelyn Visser, Associate Superintendent; Kyle Lindberg, Associate Superintendent; Ray Ritchie, Chief Operating Officer; Susan Schmidt, Human Resources Director; and Kelly Wood, Executive Secretary

Absent: Roger Morones, Member

Guests: Jeff Skelton, Jeff Corbett, Karen Holley, Julieanne Briggs, Robert Williams, Jill Skelton, Sheryl Cipollini, Chelle Wright, Nico Cipollini, Taylor Williamson, Tony Cipollini, Jacob Cipollini, Ben Veloz, Craig Rieger, Tina Rieger, Alex Rieger, Deanna Kolodzieczyk, Matt Kolodzieczyk, Terri Hee, Jeff Hammar, Pahrump; Alli Friel, Erik Pinas, Dana Friel, Delaney Friel, Tonopah; Diane George, Brett Gamble, Amargosa Valley; Carl Hughes, Billie Goecke, Beatty; Lynette Huston, Duckwater; Sonja Miller, Round Mountain; Tom Lyman, Janice Lyman, Gabbs.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m. at the Southern District Office and videoconferenced to all sites. Hafen ES student Julianne Briggs led the Board members, administrators and guests in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was called. The Clerk read the mission statement and goals.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Sutton moved for adoption of the agenda, Mrs. Stoddard seconded, and the motion carried with a vote all in favor.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mr. Sutton moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Mrs. Stoddard seconded and the motion carried with a vote all in favor.

RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Norton and Mr. Lindberg recognized PVHS student Jacob Cipollini and THS student Delaney Friel for being named two of the NIAA Top 10 Athletes in Southern Nevada.

Ms. Schmidt and Mr. Small presented the NCSD Service Awards. They were as follows:

**Amargosa Valley Schools:** Angelique Britton, 20 yrs.; Sherri Miller, 25 yrs. **Beatty Schools:** John Hensyel, 20 yrs.; Aimee C. Senior, 30 yrs.; Billie Goerke, 30 yrs.; Vonnie Gray, 26 yrs. – retirement; Karene Black, 31 yrs. – retirement. **Gabbs School:** Kitty Dummar, 15 yrs. – retirement; Thomas Lyman, 9 yrs. – retirement. **Round Mountain Schools:** Fritche Lage, 20 yrs.; Leslie Nowack, 20 yrs. **Tonopah Schools:** Gayle Gillard, 25 yrs.; Greg Isaak, 25 yrs.; Janice Beaudin-Johnson, 24 yrs. – retirement. **Floyd ES:** Micki Martin, 18 yrs. – retirement. **Hafen ES:** Tamara Dockter, 25 yrs. **J.G. Johnson ES:**

Debbie Whitcotton, 25 yrs.; Patrick Williams, 11 yrs. – retirement. **Manse ES:** David Dispensa, 20 yrs.; Lenna Skelton, 20 yrs. – retirement; Lisa True, 20 yrs.; Cindi Hastings, 25 yrs.; Teresa Linner, 35 yrs. **Maintenance & Transportation:** Patricia Dannenberger, 25 yrs.; Robert Galvan, 30 yrs. **Pahrump Valley HS:** Melodie Barnes, 25 yrs. – retirement; Jennifer Greene, 25 yrs.; Lynette Light, 25 yrs.; Craig Rieger, 25 yrs.; Bonnie Lynn, 30 yrs.; David Harris, 29 yrs. – retirement; Deanna Kolodzieczyk, 12 yrs. – retirement; Martha Reedy, 41 yrs. – retirement. **Rosemary Clarke MS:** Cynthia Allison, 20 yrs.; Jeffrey Hammar, 25 yrs. – retirement; Terri Hee, 25 yrs.; Leticia Ramos, 25 yrs. **Southern District Office:** Kyle Lindberg, 25 yrs.; Carolin Steele, 25 yrs.; Janelle Veloz, 25 yrs. **Special Education Support Services:** Melinda Finnberg, 20 yrs.

## SCHOOL REPORTS

Kyle Lindberg, Interim Principal at Pahrump Valley High School, handed out copies of his presentation. He reported on the PLC process and ACT scores, and noted that Chronic Absenteeism is down 5%. He talked about the CEP program (free breakfast and lunch) for next year as well as starting a closed campus next year. He stated PVHS will be a closed campus except for Seniors that are on track to graduate, not listed as a chronically absent student, and no major discipline. He went on to talk about the free Dual Credit Courses GBC will be offering, CTE opportunities in the community and the graduation rate. He reported that the culture at the high school is changing with staff being present and being seen, Shout-Outs, and the addition of student honorary hall monitors and lunch monitors. He then noted that this year's graduating class is the largest in PVHS history with 265 students.

Mr. Skelton reported for Hafen ES and thanked the Board for allowing staff to have PLC time which he noted has made a big difference. He stated the school went through a big change with reflection, in that they can't take things personally because everything is about the students. He then introduced the new school counselor, Jeff Corbett who continued the report. He spoke about the main focus of the School Performance Plan, PLC's, PBIS, and the continuing focus and plan. Some of the results they have seen are 25% decrease in discipline referrals, 10% decrease in chronic absenteeism, 28 students went off intervention plans, and parents/students love the friendly attitude. They have several reward programs such as student of the month, student banners, monthly student celebrations, etc. Mr. Small thanked Mr. Skelton for bringing a student to lead them in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Skelton noted that student was very excited to do it. Mr. Hastings stated he would love to be invited to any school events they may have in the future. Mr. Sutton asked if the 25% reduction in referrals was in any particular category, and Mr. Corbett replied mostly bullying but also bus referrals as well. Mr. Skelton stated his staff gets on the bus to remind the students of the norms right on the bus.

## PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2019-2020 TENTATIVE BUDGET

Mr. Ritchie went through the budget and explained it in detail.

## PUBLIC INPUT

None.

## ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

None.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Norton reported that on May 1-3 he attended the Coherence Lab in Aspen, CO with Joe Gent and Karen Holley. He stated they are committed to continue the work across NV for Pre-K. May 6-7 in Carson City for the meeting with the Governor regarding the funding formula concerns. May 10<sup>th</sup> was the Budget Workshop; May 13<sup>th</sup> was an L Team meeting along with AP interviews, and the position was

offered to Desiree Veloz. He noted they reached out to the 2<sup>nd</sup> person in line, regarding other positions available. May 14<sup>th</sup> he attended the ANet Stepback meeting; May 15-16 the B# Summit in Reno; May 17<sup>th</sup> an NASS conference call; May 20<sup>th</sup> an L Team meeting regarding the UVA/Bedrock report which he will present at the June Board meeting. May 21<sup>st</sup> he attended the Gabbs graduation, which was the biggest one he can remember; he stated this was the first of four upcoming graduations throughout the District.

### BOARD REPORTS

Mrs. Stoddard wanted to comment on how much our teachers care for our students. She stated that her son and daughter had piano recitals to which their teachers unexpectedly attended. She also stated that her daughter came home from school today with a present from her Kindergarten and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade teacher which was a picture of her daughter from Kindergarten and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, and then a current one from 5<sup>th</sup> Grade graduation from elementary school. She stated all students of that teacher received one and she really appreciated the thoughtfulness.

Mr. Hastings reported that on May 10<sup>th</sup> he attended the Manse ES parent/child lunch and spent time with students that may have not had parents attending. He stated he enjoyed it and enjoyed playing with the kids.

Mr. Small stated he attended the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade field trip, and as they were getting off the plane when they arrived the flight attendant commented on how well behaved the students were. He noted Mr. Hammar will be missed but highly recommends for students and parents to take this trip if they can.

Mr. Sutton stated he attended the PVHS award ceremony and thought it was a great event. He thanked Mr. Lindberg for doing a great job. Mr. Owens noted he was there too and agreed.

### APPROVAL OF THE 2019-2020 FINAL BUDGET

Mr. Hansen made a motion to approve. Mr. Sutton seconded and the motion passed all in favor.

### APPROVAL OF STUDENT SUPPORT VEHICLE BID

Mr. Ritchie referred the Board to the information attached as backup. Discussion ensued regarding the bids. Mr. Sutton moved to approve to award the bid to Saitta Trudeau. Mr. Hansen seconded and the motion passed all in favor.

### APPROVAL OF GRANTS

Ms. Holley presented two grants for approval: Carl Perkins Reserve and Nevada Education Broadband Grant. Mrs. Sutton made a motion to approve. Mrs. Stoddard seconded and the motion passed all in favor.

### APPROVAL OF THE FY 2020 CLASS SIZE REDUCTION REPORT

Ms. Visser explained the chart attached as backup, and discussed the numbers and goals. Mr. Sutton made a motion to approve. Mr. Hansen seconded, and the motion passed all in favor.

### APPROVAL OF COUNTY VARIANCE REQUESTS FOR ESMERALDA COUNTY STUDENTS TO ATTEND NYE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mr. Norton stated the variance was for the next school year and he recommended approval. Mrs. Stoddard made a motion to approve. Mr. Hastings seconded, and the motion passed all in favor.

APPROVAL OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR ADMISSION OF NON-RESIDENT PUPILS FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Mr. Norton explained that this was for this current school year, that White Pine County did not get this to us in a timely manner. Discussion ensued regarding the history of the tuition agreement. Mrs. Stoddard made a motion to approve. Mr. Hastings seconded, and the motion passed all in favor.

Mr. Hansen moved to go into closed session, Mr. Owens seconded and the motion carried with a vote all in favor. The Board went into closed session at 7:34 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO NRS 288.220 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFERRING WITH MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATIVES REGARDING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AND OTHER PERSONNEL MATTERS; OR NRS 241.030(1)(1) TO CONSIDER THE CHARACTER, MISCONDUCT, COMPETENCE, OR PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH OF A PERSON.

Discussion is reflected in Executive Session minutes.

DECISION REGARDING STUDENT RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

None.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Mr. Sutton made the motion to approve check registers dated 04/03/19 in the amounts of \$131,194.47 and \$1,210.21; 04/04/19 in the amount \$4,324.11; 04/08/19 in the amount of \$202.18; 04/10/19 in the amount of \$246,773.94; 04/11/19 in the amounts of \$2,243.05 and \$24,756.11; 04/17/19 in the amounts of \$186,538.38 and \$188,875.10; 04/18/19 in the amount of \$154,446.18; 04/24/19 in the amounts of \$108,887.38 and \$2,972.19 and \$2,512.00 and \$6,739.89; 04/25/19 in the amount of \$87,877.81; 04/26/19 in the amount of \$450.00; 04/29/19 in the amounts of \$4,830.33 and \$114,036.50; and 04/30/19 in the amount of \$865.08. Mrs. Stoddard seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote in favor.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Mr. Sutton stated there were hearings on the effort to revise the funding formula – the Nevada Plan which is extremely complicated and about 65 pages long. He stated it is out there if anyone is interested in reading it. Discussion ensued.

CHANGE OF DATE/ATTENDANCE AREA OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Mr. Small noted there was an error on the agenda. The next Board meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2019, not July 17, 2019. There were no changes made.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Sutton stated that he is listed as the NASB Director, but feels he cannot devote the time that is necessary to that position. He asked if someone would like to take it over. Mr. Small stated as Board President he will volunteer to be the NASB Director. Mrs. Stoddard will remain the Alternate. Mr. Sutton made a motion for Mr. Small to take over as NASB Director. Mr. Hansen seconded, and the motion carried with a vote all in favor.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Small adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

SCHEDULE OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m. Mr. Hansen made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:51 p.m. The motion carried with a vote all in favor. The regular session resumed at 8:16 p.m., and the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk