

**NYE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES  
JULY 26, 2017**

Present: Tim Sutton, President; Mike Floyd, Vice-President; Teresa Stoddard, Clerk; Larry Small, Pam Hiler and Edna Forsgren (via Videoconference), Members; Dale Norton, Superintendent; Dennis Scherz and Evangelyn Visser, Associate Superintendents; Ray Ritchie, Chief Operating Officer (via Videoconference); Kyle Lindberg, Human Resources Director; Jim Fossett, Director of Rural Schools; Marsha Scherz, Director of Curriculum; Shelly Pierson, Director of Alternative Education; Rob Williams, Director of Technology; and Kelly Wood, Executive Secretary

Absent: Mark Hansen, Member; Sam Simatos, Director of Special Education Services; Karen Holley, Director of Grants

Guests: Jodi Martinez, NCS D Food Services; Scott Shakespeare, Scott Winter, and Jennifer Ehrheart, NCS D Principals; Terri Lowell, Sunrise Children's Foundation; Susan Davila and James Oscarson, Desert View Hospital; Ryan Muccic, Valley Electric Association; Phyllis Deal, Pahrump Valley Rotary Club; and Jeffrey Meehan, Pahrump Valley Times.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:38 p.m. at the Southern District Office in Pahrump and videoconferenced to Tonopah District Office and Duckwater. Board members, administrators and guests recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was called. The Clerk read the mission statement and goals.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mrs. Stoddard moved for adoption of the agenda, Mrs. Hiler seconded, and the motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mr. Floyd moved to approve the Consent Calendar, Mrs. Forsgren seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor.

Kelly Wood noted that the June 20, 2017 Minutes had been amended due to a typographical error. Mrs. Stoddard moved to approve the June 20, 2017 Amended Board Minutes, Mrs. Hiler seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor.

RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Norton asked Jodi Martinez to come up to front of room with him and together they recognized Desert View Hospital, Pahrump Valley Rotary Club and Valley Electric Association for donating a pallet of water each to the NCS D Summer Food Program. Mr. Norton stated that the Summer Food Program served 15,626 meals in the Nye County School District area.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Mr. Small made the motion to approve check registers dated 05/19/17 in the amount of \$121,764.55; 06/08/17 in the amount of \$125.29; 06/15/17 in the amounts of \$81,941.75 and \$233,814.52; 06/27/17 in the amount of \$1,108.27; 06/28/17 in the amount of \$4,150.00; 06/29/17 in the amounts of \$155,397.05 and \$112,546.35; 07/06/17 in the amounts of \$48,988.42 and \$28,225.51. Mrs. Hiler seconded and a unanimous vote in favor was recorded.

### SCHOOL REPORTS

None.

### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Ms. Pierson stated that Pathways Schools has moved to Building A by Pahrump Valley High School. There will be an Open House on Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>. She stated that once they were up and running there will be a community Open House. She thanked the maintenance and technology departments for their help and support in the move. Ms. Pierson then noted that the Application for the SY16-17 Alternative Performance Framework for Pathways had been approved by the state. Mr. Sutton asked if Pathways is still rated on a star system. Ms. Visser said they will know more in September but she thinks Pathways will be rated on an old scale for 2016-17 school year and the new scale for the 2017-18 school year. Ms. Pierson stated that there will be a Webinar at the end of the month which will give more information.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Norton introduced Jeffrey Meehan, a reporter from the Pahrump Valley Times, who was attending the meeting. He then went on to introduce Scott Shakespeare, new principal at the Tonopah Schools. He stated that the Tonopah Schools also have a new assistant principal, David Fossett, who could not attend the Board meeting due to a meeting he had to attend in Reno. Mr. Norton then introduced Scott Winter, new principal for J.G. Johnson ES, and Jennifer Ehrheart, new principal at Pahrump Valley HS.

Mr. Norton then reported that from June 21-July 10 he was out of office for a vacation with his family. July 13-17 there were A Team Training/Workshops; July 17-21 he went to New York along with Mr. Scherz and Ms. Visser for the New York City Learning Academy; July 18-19 was the bus drivers training; July 19-21, Secretary Training where he got a chance to speak to that group. July 22<sup>nd</sup> was the Back to School Fair at Desert View Hospital. Mr. Norton stated it was the best one yet and was very organized. He noted there were 700 backpacks given out to students and the immunizations portion stayed open for another two hours after the fair ended to accommodate all the students in line needing immunizations. Mr. Norton stated that the Fill the Bucket program is scheduled August 5<sup>th</sup> to take place at Walmart, Albertsons, and Smith's. On July 24-28 was NYCLA 1003a Kick Off with Hafen, Floyd, Amargosa, Pathways and Round Mountain principals along with District leadership staff; July 25-26 Special Education Staff Training; July 27-28 will be ICAT training; July 28-31 New Teacher Orientation where all Board members are invited to attend; July 24-31 NCSD Kick Off Academy which includes G-Suite, Mastery Connect Advanced and Writing). He commended Marsha Scherz and all who helped her for putting together that professional development. He then stated that August 7<sup>th</sup> will be the first day of school.

Mr. Norton handed all members a copy of the Pahrump Life Magazine and stated that two of the girls on the cover were NCSD students. The magazine had an article about Project 150 located at PVHS which is a store with donated items that any student from any background can go and get anything they need. The schools in the rural areas can also let PVHS know if they need anything and any items can be sent in inner district mail to accommodate students in the north.

### BOARD REPORTS

Mrs. Forsgren commented that the Duckwater school and grounds were looking beautiful.

Mr. Sutton asked Rob Williams if he is the person that updates the district website. Mr. Williams stated that for now it is Rachel Owens. Mr. Sutton wanted to thank Ms. Owens because a parent had asked him what the new school times were and when he went on our website they were all uploaded and easy to find.

#### INTRODUCTION OF NEW NCSD PRINCIPALS

Mr. Norton did this during his Superintendent Report.

#### ACT REPORT

Mr. Norton asked if this item could be set aside for the August Board Meeting and Mr. Sutton replied yes.

#### APPROVAL OF GRANTS

None.

#### APPROVAL OF COUNTY VARIANCE FOR NYE COUNTY STUDENT TO ATTEND SCHOOL IN MINERAL COUNTY

Mr. Norton recommended to approve variance. Mr. Floyd moved to approve the county variance, Mrs. Forsgren seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote in favor.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TEMPLATE FOR THE PRODUCTION OF EDUCATION RECORDS

Mr. Norton explained this was pursuant to new legislation. Mrs. Stoddard moved to approve and Mrs. Hiler seconded. Mr. Sutton asked if this should be changed to be a standing agreement with the DCFS as opposed to having one per request. Mr. Norton recommended to change the wording in template to state "pertaining to any student...". Mrs. Hiler moved to approve with changes, Mrs. Stoddard seconded and the motion was passed with a unanimous vote in favor.

#### BOARD SELF EVALUATION

Kelly Wood stated that the Evaluation Tally Sheet was given to all members separately before the meeting. Mr. Norton asked the Board if they would like him to give the Evaluation sheets to his staff members to also evaluate the Board meetings. Mr. Sutton and Mr. Small stated that would be a good idea. Mr. Norton then noted that the cohesiveness of the Board Members has been a strength of this Board. Mr. Sutton stated this was a non-action item.

Mrs. Hiler moved to go into closed session, Mrs. Stoddard seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor. The Board went into closed session at 6:14 p.m.

#### CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO NRS 288.220 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFERRING WITH MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATIVES REGARDING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AND OTHER PERSONNEL MATTERS

Discussion is reflected in Executive Session minutes.

#### DECISION REGARDING POSSIBLE STUDENT RIGHTS VIOLATIONS RELATED TO RESTRAINTS

No restraints.

APPROVAL FOR NCSD BOARD MEMBERS TO ATTEND THE NASB LEGISLATIVE MANDATES TRAINING ON AUGUST 5, 2017; PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2017; AND THE 2017 NASB CONFERENCE ON NOVEMBER 17-18, 2017

Mrs. Stoddard moved to approve the NASB trainings, Mrs. Hiler seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote in favor.

CHANGE OF DATE/ATTENDANCE AREA OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Mr. Norton asked which Members will be attending in Amargosa next month. Mrs. Stoddard, Mr. Floyd, and Mr. Sutton will be attending in Amargosa. Mrs. Hiler and Mr. Small will attend in Pahrump and Mrs. Forsgren will attend via videoconference from Duckwater.

Mr. Norton stated that he would like to set up a couple of Board Workshops to go over the Board Vision. These would take place on a Friday afternoon and two tentative dates are August 18<sup>th</sup> and September 15<sup>th</sup>. He will be asking the Super L Team to attend these workshops as well.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Discussion ensued regarding the need for alternates for some of the committees. Mr. Norton suggested that the Policy Committee does need to have someone assigned as an alternate. Mr. Sutton requested all Board Members to please contact another Member when they know they will not be able to attend a Committee meeting. Mr. Small stated he could be the alternate for the Policy Committee.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Sutton adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

SCHEDULE OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 5:38 p.m. Mrs. Hiler made the motion to go into Executive Session at 6:14 p.m. The motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor. The regular session resumed at 6:55 p.m., and the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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