

**NYE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 27, 2017**

Present: Tim Sutton, President; Mike Floyd, Vice-President; Teresa Stoddard, Clerk; Larry Small, Pam Hiler and Mark Hansen, Members; Dale Norton, Superintendent; Evangelyn Visser, Associate Superintendent; Jim Fossett Interim Associate Superintendent; Ray Ritchie, Chief Operating Officer; Kyle Lindberg, Human Resources Director; Marsha Scherz, Director of Curriculum; Shelly Pierson, Director of Alternative Education; Rob Williams, Director of Technology; and Kelly Wood, Executive Secretary.

Absent: Edna Forsgren, Member; Dennis Scherz, Director of Discipline and Truancy; Sam Simatos, Director of Special Education Services; Karen Holley, Director of Grants.

Guests: Scott Moore, Hafen ES; Sierra McKillips, Manse/Floyd ES; Brittany Perchetti, Tonopah; Dave Stoddard, Molly Stoddard, Ryan Stoddard, Theron Abbiss, Pahrump.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m. at the Pahrump District Office. Mr. Sutton attended via Polycom and asked Mr. Floyd to Chair the meeting. Board members, administrators and guests recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was called. The Clerk read the mission statement and goals.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

PUBLIC INPUT

Brittany Perchetti spoke regarding concerns over the lack of air conditioning at Tonopah Elementary School. She stated that the “portocools” only added humidity to the air which made the heat worse. She stated the community would be willing to raise money to help with funding.

RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Norton announced that a group of Boy Scouts were in the audience observing the meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mrs. Stoddard moved to approve the Consent Calendar, Mrs. Hiler seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor.

SCHOOL REPORTS

Principal Scott Moore gave a presentation regarding Hafen Elementary School. He spoke about the school demographics, goals, NWEA Test results, PLC processes, and successful collaboration work. He stated that his focus will be on better reading for all students and he explained the assessments that they do with the students.

(Mr. Hansen arrived at 5:58 p.m.)

## SCHOOL STAFF PLC/COLLABORATION UPDATE

Rosemary Clarke Middle School's Math Department presented regarding their PLC processes. They handed out papers explaining Quarter Unit Maps and Learning Guides, and how they are used. Mr. Wasmuth, a new 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher spoke of how helpful the collaboration time has been for him as a new teacher. He said at this point without it he would have already been behind and lost. He stated how very helpful it is to new teachers to be able to collaborate with other teachers, especially in their same department to get on the same page regarding the curriculum and processes of the subject being taught. Mr. Sutton asked about the reduction in instruction time for the students. Kristi Hayes stated the periods are only about seven minutes shorter so it hasn't really affected the learning time.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Norton thanked the Boy Scouts and the RCMS Math Dept. for attending the meeting. He then reported that August 31-September 1 he visited the northern schools and read a book to classes in Tonopah, Beatty and Amargosa. September 1<sup>st</sup> was an In-Service Day, September 5<sup>th</sup> he met with Bill Collier from Discover Education and had an interview with Deanna O'Donnel, KPVM-TV regarding ACT scores; Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> attended NASS meeting in Washoe County, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> met with DA Angela Bello and Sheriff Wehrly regarding a Memorandum of Understanding when dealing with investigations; Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> presented to SBOE regarding Victory School with Rob Williams. He stated Mr. Williams did a good job and was proud of the information they presented. Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> was the Administrative Team meetings; Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> he met with Dave Burns from Nevada Succeeds and then attended with Mr. Scherz, the First All Fiber Community event with Governor Sandoval in Beatty. Mr. Norton stated that all the Beatty students attended and he was very proud on how they behaved and presented themselves. Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> he had another interview with Deanna regarding the Amargosa Victory School Press Release; had another visit to the north on Sept. 21-22; Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> attended New York City Leadership Academy program launch with administrators and 1003a principals; and Sept. 26-27 attended the NIAA Board of Control meetings in Las Vegas.

## BOARD REPORTS

None.

## APPROVAL OF GRANTS

None.

## APPROVAL OF 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR START/END DATES

Two options were presented for approval. Mr. Norton stated the approval would just be for the start/end dates and the rest of the important dates gets plugged in afterward. He recommended to go with Option 1. Discussion ensued. Mrs. Hiler made a motion to approve Option 1, Mr. Small seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote in favor.

## QUALITY COUNTS

Mr. Sutton had to leave the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and asked that this item be tabled until the next Board meeting.

APPROVAL OF COUNTY VARIANCE FOR ESMERALDA COUNTY STUDENT TO ATTEND NYE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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

APPROVAL OF INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR MULTILINGUAL EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATIONAL UNLV PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY/STUDY

Marsha Scherz stated this was presented at the August 30<sup>th</sup> Board meeting but we needed a formal approval from the Board to participate. Mrs. Stoddard made a motion to approve, Mrs. Hiler seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Mrs. Hiler made the motion to approve check registers dated 07/27/17 in the amount of \$267,265.11; 008/08/17 in the amount of \$18.69; 08/21/17 in the amount \$102.30; 08/23/17 in the amount of \$47,395.74; 08/24/17 in the amounts of \$319,873.18 and \$134,027.30; 08/28/17 in the amount of \$20,604.43; 08/30/17 in the amount of \$8,399.78; 08/31/17 in the amount of \$255,896.23; 09/08/17 in the amounts of \$151,954.04 and \$545.02; 09/13/17 in the amount of \$42,362.34; and 09/14/17 in the amount of \$151,444.26. Mr. Hansen seconded and a unanimous vote in favor was recorded.

APPROVAL OF SOUTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM 2016-2017 STATE REPORT

Mrs. Scherz explained the report. Mrs. Stoddard made a motion to approve, Mr. Small seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor.

APPROVAL OF TEST ADMINISTRATION & SECURITY: PROCEDURES AND PROFESSIONAL EXPECTATIONS MANUAL 2017-2018

Mrs. Scherz explained the report. Mr. Sutton asked if it had changed from last year and Mrs. Scherz stated it had in order to meet state standards. Mrs. Hiler moved to approve, Mr. Hansen seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote in favor.

APPROVAL OF PROGRESSIVE PLANS OF DISCIPLINE

Ms. Visser presented in Mr. Scherz' absence. She stated all plans were made consistent for all the schools to be in alignment. Mr. Hansen moved to approve, Mrs. Stoddard seconded and the motion carried with unanimous vote in favor.

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 6:34 p.m.

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

Discussion is reflected in Executive Session minutes.

DECISION REGARDING POSSIBLE STUDENT RIGHTS VIOLATIONS RELATED TO RESTRAINTS

No restraints.

REGULATION 0920R BOARD OF TRUSTEE DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Mr. Norton explained this regulation was revised to reflect the new legislative bill on professional development for Board members. Mr. Small asked if a spreadsheet could be created to keep track of hours taken and hours needed, Kelly Wood stated she would create one.

CHANGE OF DATE/ATTENDANCE AREA OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Mr. Norton stated some concern with having quorum at the November 8<sup>th</sup> meeting scheduled to take place in Round Mountain. He stated that videoconferencing only works in one very small room and it is not reliable. He could have his staff travel there but does not want to have everyone make the trip if they will not have quorum. Ms. Visser stated the community would like to see the Board there. Mr. Hansen stated he could take the day off work to attend but would have to return that to Pahrump that same evening. Mr. Norton asked that the Board think about it for discussion at the next meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup>.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

None.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Stoddard moved to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Hansen seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor. Mr. Floyd adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

SCHEDULE OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m. Mrs. Hiler made the motion to go into Executive Session at 6:34 p.m. The motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor. The regular session resumed at 6:59 p.m., and the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

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