

**NEVADA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2019  
BOARD ROOM AT 1035 15TH STREET**

**PRESENT:** BOARD MEMBERS: Tori Carsrud, Joe Anderson, Mark Crawford, Leanne Harter. **ABSENT:** Tom Maier.  
**STAFF:** Steve Gray, Kody Asmus, Chris deNeui, Kevin Ericson, Amanda Myers, Randi Pool, Brian Schaeffer.  
**COMMUNITY MEMBERS:** Addy Gross, Isla Martin, Cooper Wheelock  
**OTHERS:** Brett Van Waus

**1. Call to Order** at 6:30 p.m.

**2. Approval of Agenda** The Board noted additional personnel for the consent agenda. Motion by Harter, second by Crawford to approve the agenda as amended. Motion Carried 4-0.

**3. Public Comment** - none

**4.1 Central Elementary Cub Pride** Elementary instructors Randi Pool and Amanda Myers said that students meet as the Elementary School Cub Pride Committee each week from Tuesday through Friday, giving up free time during lunch and recess. Three students from the Cub Pride Committee gave the Board oral reports: Addy Gross described the videos that the Committee prepares, Cooper Wheelock described the videos schedule, and Isla Martin described the production of the videos. The Board then viewed one of the videos. Ms. Poole said she was proud of how students handled the responsibility in the committee and the problem solving. Ms. Myers said that the Cub Pride Committee members are selected by application – this year, 30 applications were narrowed to 15 students interviewed for the committee.

**4.2 IASB Policy Changes - 1st Reading** The Board reviewed the policy changes suggested by the Iowa Association of School Boards to the following: 604.6 “Post-Secondary Education, 704.3 “Investments”, 705.1 “Purchasing”, and 710.2 “F/R Eligibility”. New suggested Policy 804.2 “Emergency Operations” was also reviewed.

**4.3 Legislation: HF 306 (Funding) & HF 307 (Transportation Equity)** Schaeffer reviewed information on legislation signed by the governor last week for school funding. HF 306 provided a 2.06% increase in both Per Pupil Cost and Categorical Fundings for Fiscal Year 2019-20. Schaeffer explained that the District had lost 7.8 students from the 2018 enrollment count which was not enough to activate the budget guarantee for the 2019-20. The District would be facing funding 2.1% lower than the current school year. HF 307 provided transportation equity of \$19 million for all schools. The Legislative Services Agency estimates that 190 school districts will have the transportation costs lowered to \$381 per pupil enrolled. Nevada’s per pupil transportation cost for 2018-19 was \$351.21, so there probably won’t be any aid for 2019-20.

**5.1 Continuation of Sharing Agreements** Dr. Gray said he recommends continuing the sharing agreements for 2019-20 with the Colo-NESCO District for the following:

- Technology Department: purchased service from Nevada for \$35,000
- Transportation Director & Bus Maintenance: .5 FTE for Nevada, .5 FTE for Colo-NESCO
- Curriculum Director: .8 FTE for Nevada, .2 FTE for Colo-NESCO
- Librarian: .1 FTE purchased service from Colo-NESCO

Motion by Crawford, second by Anderson to approve the continuation of the sharing agreements with Colo-NESCO. Motion Carried 4-0.

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**5.2 2019-20 School Calendar (Start Date August 23, 2019)** The Board reviewed the proposed calendar for the 2019-20 school year. Carsrud suggested adding language to the calendar noting that make-up days beyond June 5 will be considered by the Board if more than three make-up days are needed. The Board asked questions about hours vs. days for the calendar. Harter said she likes having the parent-teacher conferences all the same dates in all buildings. Motion by Harter, second by Crawford to approve the 2019-20 school calendar. Motion Carried 4-0.

**5.3 2018-19 Calendar Adjustment** Dr. Gray said that there has been much discussion about how to make up now eight weather days of school cancelled. He notes that many teachers start their continuing education graduate classes on Monday June 10. Here is the updated school hours calculation:

**Missed: 7 delays/dismissals & 8 closures**

1,135.6	Hours in the 2018-19 calendar
-14	Seven 2-hour delays/dismissals
-19.8	If June 7 is last day, waive three days
1,101.8	<b>Balance</b>
-1,080	State Requirement
21.8	<b>Hours that still could be missed and meet the State Requirement</b>

Carsrud said she did an informal poll: no one wanted to have school beyond June 7 due to the pool, camps, and summer classes. Harter was concerned about losing instructional time. Motion by Crawford, second by Anderson to approve the 2018-19 calendar adjustment with Friday, June 7 as the last day. Anderson noted that the 2018-19 calendar can be revisited again, if necessary. Motion Carried 4-0.

**6. Consent Agenda** Motion by Harter, second by Anderson to approve the consent agenda items:

- Board Minutes of the meeting of January 28
- Bills
- Appointments: John Bass – Head Softball Coach; Jordan Bentley – HS Social Studies Instructor, Middle School Football Coach; Michael Christiansen – Assistant Boys’ Track Coach; Shawn Crain – Assistant Girls’ Track Coach; Olivia Denham – HS PE/MS-HS Health Instructor, Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach; Justin Evans – Assistant Girls’ Soccer Coach; Meg Hanson – MS Art Instructor; Zach Lillquist – MS Baseball Coach; Tanner Messerli – Dance Team Coach; Matt Myers – Assistant Soccer Coach; Zack Lillquist – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball; Traye Pelzer – MS Baseball Coach; Haley Primrose – Flag Line Coach; Mark Rhodes – Assistant Girls’ Soccer Coach; Travis Temple – Assistant Elementary Principal; Jordan Thompson – Jr Varsity Baseball Coach, Head Baseball Coach, Middle School Football Coach; Patrek Tufts – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Instructor; Dan Tuhn – Assistant Varsity Girls Basketball Coach;
- Resignations: Carla Erwine – MS Associate; Sharon Hadden – Elementary Associate; Catie Neuman – Assistant HS Volleyball Coach; Dan Tuhn – MS Basketball Coach
- Fundraisers: 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Grade K Kids Food Drive; Friends of Karen Niblock – fundraiser meal; Elementary Earth Day Project – t-shirt sales
- High School Course Guide 2019-20
- Early Graduation Application upon successful completion of requirements: for student Colesen Smith

Motion Carried 4-0.

**7.1 Board Member Comments** none

**7.2 Board Calendar** was reviewed. The next regular Board meeting is Monday, March 11, 2019 at 6:30

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p.m.

**8. Closed Session: Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i)** Motion by Harter, second by Crawford to go into closed session at 7:38 p.m. as provided in Section 21.5(1)(i) of the open meetings law to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose performance is being considered to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation. Roll Call Vote: Harter – aye; Carsrud – aye; Anderson – aye; Crawford – aye. Motion Carried 4-0.

Motion to go out of closed session at 8:38 p.m. by Anderson, second by Crawford. Motion Carried 4-0.

**9. Adjournment at 8:39 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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Board President

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Board Secretary