

**NEVADA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2022

GATES MEMORIAL HALL AT 825 15TH STREET

PRESENT: BOARD MEMBERS: Marty Chitty, Joe Anderson, Leanne Harter, Amici Hayek, Tom Maier
STAFF: Steve Gray, Kevin Ericson, Brian Schaeffer.
COMMUNITY MEMBERS: Josie Kelly

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

2. Approval of Agenda The Board noted that item 5.4 “Press Box HVAC” was to be removed and one additional personnel item was to be added in the Consent Agenda. Motion by Maier, second by Harter to approve the agenda as amended. Motion Carried 5-0

3. Public Comment - none

5.1 Annual Meeting Items

a. Certified Annual Report (CAR) The CAR was filed with the State as required on Wednesday, September 14. The original deadline for this was Thursday, September 15 which was extended by the State (after the District’s CAR was filed timely) to Tuesday, September 27. For Fiscal Year 2021-22, the expenditures exceeded the revenues: \$20,172,983 in revenues and \$20,576,106 in expenditures and for a difference of (\$403,123). Most of the overall increase in expenditures was the increase in costs in all areas of the District (see the breakdown of expenditures by function for the General Fund and the comparison of totals from 2020-21). The District Solvency Ratio dropped from 15.23% in Fiscal Year 2021 to 13.64% in Fiscal Year 2022, still well above the 10% suggested by IASB.

b. District Depositories Resolution For the 2022-23 school year, Nevada Community School District will utilize the following depository institutions, Availa Bank, First Interstate Bank, South Story Bank & Trust, and State Bank & Trust Company, all of Nevada. The maximum deposit amounts will be set at \$3,000,000 each at First Interstate Bank, South Story Bank & Trust, and State Bank & Trust Company and \$12,000,000 at Availa Bank.

c. Appointment of District Legal Counsel Administration recommended that the District continue to retain Ahlers & Cooney for legal representation.

Motion by Hayek to approve the Certified Annual Report, the District Depositories Resolution, and the Appointment of District Legal Counsel. Second by Harter. Motion Carried 5-0

5.2 FY 2023 Line-Item Budget Schaeffer reviewed the Fiscal Year 2023 Line-Item Budget to be approved by the Board. Revenues for the General Fund totaled \$20,103,222 and Expenditures for the General Fund totaled \$19,993,345. Chitty noted that the Education Stabilization Funds provided by the Federal Government would expire in September 2023. Those receipts in this Line-Item Budget are \$939,041. Motion by Maier, second by Anderson to approve the Fiscal Year 2023 Line-Item Budget. Motion Carried 5-0

5.3 Modified Allowable Growth – Special Education The Special Education for 2021-22 was calculated in the Special Ed Supplement report to the State is \$473,252. Administration requested that this amount

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be requested as Modified Allowable Growth for the 2023-24 Budget Year. Motion by Harter, second by Maier to approve the Modified Allowable Growth of \$473,252. Motion Carried 5-0

5.4 Press Box HVAC - removed from agenda

5.5 IASB Legislature Priorities The Board discussed the five items requested by the Board to be Legislative Priorities for the Iowa Association of School Boards for 2023. These items were: (#3) Preschool, (#8) Mental Health, (#19) School Funding Policy, (#22) Property Taxes, and (#30) Expanding Ed Opportunities. Motion to approve the five Legislative Priorities as selected by the Board by Maier, second by Harter. Motion Carried 5-0

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

- Board Minutes of the meeting of September 19
- Bills
- Appointments: Malinda Cox – Special Ed Associate at Middle School
- Adjustment: Mary Handsaker (Elementary Nurse) salary
- Pay App for Middle School Renovation Project: \$42,350 for Estes Construction
- Annual Committee Approval (see minute book for this list)
- Fundraisers: Middle School Student Council – Fun Nights; Early Kindergarten Bake Sale for Community Cupboard

Motion Carried 5-0.

7.1 Board Member Comments Anderson said that the Story County Conference Board met and approved the assessor’s annual budget. He also attended the Ames Assessor’s Board meeting where the new Assessor updated the Board on her first six months. Student Board member Josie noted that the FFA had its pumpkin and mum sales and that all fall athletics were doing well.

7.2 Board Calendar was reviewed. The next regular Board meeting is Monday, October 17, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

8. Adjournment at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Board President

Board Secretary