

**NEVADA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2017
BOARD ROOM AT 1035 15TH STREET**

PRESENT: BOARD MEMBERS: Marty Chitty, Tori Carsrud, Leanne Harter, Tom Maier. **ABSENT:** Dave Sutherland
STAFF: Steve Gray, Kody Asmus, Joel Fey, Mike Lawler, Chris Schmidt, Brian Schaeffer.
COMMUNITY MEMBERS: Trinity Barker, Izzy Kapustka, Jean Kresse. Jeremy Williamson
OTHERS: Kali Bowers, Kim Hanna, Jean Kresse, Jennifer Schmit.

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

2. Approval of Agenda Dr. Gray asked that action agenda Item 9 be added to consider an agreement with the teachers' association. Motion by Carsrud, second by Harter to approve the amended agenda. Motion Carried 3-0 (Maier had not yet arrived to the meeting).

3. Public Comment - none

4.1 Summer School & Food for Thought Program Story County United Way CEO Jean Kresse, Kali Bowers, Kim Hanna, and Jennifer Schmit reported on the summer school and "Food for Thought" Program held at Central Elementary in the summers. Ms. Kresse said that last summer was fourth summer for Food for Thought. The program includes the summer meal program and activities and programs for students. Reading is a program provided and 106 students were enrolled last summer. Other programs provided included STEM, Reading Literacy, and PE. This summer, the theme is "Build a Better World" which will include a 4-H extension gardening program. Ms. Hanna reviewed the program known as "Super K" to help prepare students for Kindergarten. Ms. Kresse thanked the District for the partnership. The program, this year, will run from June 19 to August 3. She said the program will need advertising and volunteers. Mr. Fey said, without the program, reading would be a big issue for students. He said the students want to come to the summer program.

4.2 2017-18 School Calendar Dr. Gray said the 2017-18 District Calendar is similar to the calendar for the current year. He said there were five Teacher Leadership Program days built in for the current year and three is suggested for next year. Prior to returning to the Board for approval on February 27, there may be need to be a change made for the September 21 High School Conferences - this date may be homecoming week.

5.1 Consider Changes to High School Course Guide 2017-18 The High School Course Guide for 2017-18 was reviewed at the last Board meeting and was returning for Board approval. Motion by Carsrud, second by Harter to approve the High School Course Guide. Motion Carried 4-0.

5.2 Consider Approval of Interfund Loan When the District Auditors were here last fall, they noted a balance in the Nutrition Fund account "Due to General Fund". This amount is the Nutrition Fund payroll being paid over several months. According to the State Auditor, this balance is to be brought to the Board to be approved as a loan to the Nutrition Fund. Chitty noted the balance requested and stated that the Nutrition Program shouldn't be under this amount. Dr. Gray noted that three months ago, expectations were put into place to reverse this and the Nutrition Fund is seeing improvement. Motion by Carsrud, second by Maier to approve a loan of \$331,000 from the General Fund to the Nutrition Fund. Motion Carried 4-0.

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6. Consent Agenda Motion by Harter, second Carsrud to approve the consent agenda as listed below:

- Board Minutes of the meeting of January 23
- Bills
- January Financial Reports
- Appointments: Corey Barloon - Assistant Varsity Softball Coach, John Bass - Head Softball Coach.
- Appointment of Volunteer Coach: Carl Pelzer - Boys' Track
- Resignations: Bethany Batten - Associate, Kyle Hutchinson - High School Assistant Principal/Athletic Director
- Fundraisers

Motion Carried 4-0.

9. Consider Approval of Negotiated Agreement Dr. Gray said it was understood that proposals for salary and benefits with the Teachers' Association would not be exchanged until March, the next meeting of bargaining. However, the understanding of the Association was that contracts approved before the Chapter 20 statute change in the Legislature would be valid. Dr. Gray said a tentative agreement was reached at tonight's regular meeting with the Association: a two-year agreement at a total package raise of 2.52% for both years (2017-18 and 2018-19). Also the tentative agreement included the following:

- The same insurance pool contribution;
- Raising the Assistant Varsity Cross Country Coach from 6% to 8%;
- The early retirement policy stays in place for the duration of the two-year contract;
- Language has been cleaned up for probationary teachers; and
- The insurance pool payment would only be in April.

Dr. Gray asked the Board to approve the agreement so the Association can ratify it on Tuesday, February 14. Chitty complimented the two-year contract so the District would know the salary costs for the second year. Motion by Carsrud to approve the two-year negotiated agreement. Second by Maier. Motion Carried 4-0.

7.1 Board Member Comments Izzy said the girls' basketball team would play the winner of Webster City and Storm Lake for its first post-season game. A Nevada alum has been named student-employee of the year at Iowa State University: Dunc Westphal who works for Riemen Gardens.

7.2 Board Calendar was reviewed. The next regular Board meeting is Monday, February 27, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

10. Adjournment at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Board President

Board Secretary