

NEVADA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2017 BOARD ROOM AT 1035 15TH STREET

PRESENT: BOARD MEMBERS: Marty Chitty, Tori Carsrud, Leanne Harter. ABSENT: Tom Maier, Dave Sutherland.
STAFF: Steve Gray, Justin Gross, Dave Kroese, Chris Schmidt, Brian Schaeffer.
COMMUNITY MEMBERS: Mark Crawford, Jeremy Williamson
OTHERS: Susan Greenhorne, Jennifer Swanson

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

2. Approval of Agenda The Board noted additional personnel for consent agenda. Motion by Carsrud, second by Harter to approve the agenda as amended. Motion Carried 3-0.

3. Public Comment Susan Greenhorne, the local coordinator for CIEE, the Congress of International Educational Exchange, spoke about the program. She said 24 schools in area participate in CIEE with 1700 students placed across the country. She asked that the Board consider a probation period to try CIEE with one foreign exchange student being placed. CIEE offers students three programs - students can be placed for one semester, one school year, or one full year. Ms. Greenhorne said students are two types: either non-grant (looks at GPA) or grant (students come from third-world countries). Work with students who will participate in CIEE starts 18 months ahead with several levels of testing. CIEE also would provide programs for Nevada students, including "Gap Year Abroad", summer programs of 3-4 weeks, and a teacher's program. A German student was introduced who is in the program at Colo-NESCO as a student and is a Boy Scout in Nevada. Ms. Greenhorne asked the Board to think about CIEE as a possibility.

4.1 Presentation of Preliminary FY18 Budget on March 27, 2017 Dr. Gray said the presentation of the Fiscal Year 2018 budget is scheduled for the Board meeting on March 27.

5.1 Consider Approval of Annual Audit Report After a Board review of the audit report for the year ended June 30, 2016, Chitty noted the Nutrition Fund was running a deficit. Harter asked if other schools were struggling with their Nutrition Fund. Dr. Gray said most Nutrition Funds are struggling and said Nevada's has been trending in the right direction for last five months. He said the Board will be provided an update at end of the school year. Chitty said the auditors have always praised the District for good financial records and most of the findings in the audit report were minor items. Harter complimented the Business Office for receiving the Association of School Business Officials' Certificate Of Excellence. Carsrud complemented Schaeffer. Motion by Carsrud, second by Harter to accept the District audit report for the year ending June 30, 2016. Motion Carried 3-0.

5.2 Consider 2017-18 School Calendar Dr. Gray noted the only change made in the 2017-18 school calendar from the last Board meeting was the High School conferences were moved a week to avoid Homecoming week. The start date for school will be August 23, 2017. Motion by Harter, second by Carsrud to approve the 2017-18 District school calendar. Motion Carried 3-0.

5.3 Consider FY18 Compensation for Non-Teachers Dr. Gray said he was recommending a 2.53% salary increase for non-teachers. Motion by Carsrud, second by Harter to approve the Fiscal Year 2018

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compensation for non-teachers. Motion Carried 3-0.

5.4 Consider Repairs to HVAC - HS Gym & Auditorium Mr. Kroese noted a written report in Board materials which described HVAC problems at the High School gym and auditorium. Two of eight units have had similar failures on the load side of the glycol coil bundle. These units are both five years old and are out of warranty. Mr. Kroese said he would like approval to replace both units at a highly discounted rate well below wholesale pricing. Chitty complemented the pricing and noted, for graduation in the gym, it was important to keep the gym cool. Dr. Gray said he recommended the work be paid with \$37,000 in PPEL reserves. Carsrud asked if there would be any unforeseen costs. Mr. Kroese said he hopes to have all costs accounted for. Motion by Harter, second by Carsrud to approve the HVAC repair using PPEL funds. Motion Carried 3-0.

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

- Board Minutes of the meeting of January 23
- Bills
- Appointments: Keegan Patterson - Middle School One-on-One Associate.
- Retirement: Sue Morrival - High School Secretary on June 30.
- Transfer: Tonya Van Dam from Middle School Special Ed Instructor to Elementary Special Ed Instructor.

Motion Carried 3-0.

7.1 Board Member Comments Carsrud noted the Nevada girls in the State Basketball Tournament and wished them good luck.

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

8. Closed Session - Real Estate Motion by Carsrud to go into closed Board session at 7:07 p.m. as provided in Section 21.5(1)(j) of the Iowa Code to discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the District would have to pay or lower the price the Board would receive for that property. Second by Harter. Roll Call vote: Carsrud - aye; Chitty - aye; Harter - aye. Motion Carried 3-0.

Motion by Harter to go out of closed session at 7:37 p.m., second by Carsrud. Motion Carried 3-0.

9. Adjournment at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Board President

Board Secretary