

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEEETING OF THE
SIERRA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Date: February 13, 2018

Downieville School, 130 School St., Downieville, CA 95936

5 pm for Closed Session

6 pm for Regular Session

A. CALL TO ORDER

President PATTY HALL called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Ms. Patty Hall, President
_____, Vice President
Ms. Sharon Dryden, Clerk
Mr. Mike Moore, Member
Mr. Allen Wright, Member

ABSENT: None

VACANT: Trustee, Area 3

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA with the following change: Item L, b is removed because it does not apply to the Sierra County Board of Education.

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D. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION

At this time, the meeting opens for any public comments regarding the Closed Session items.

E. CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Trustees, Superintendent Dr. Merrill M. Grant and Business Manager Nona Griesert moved into Closed Session to discuss the following items:

a. Government Code §54957.6, Conference with Labor Negotiators

Agency Negotiator for the Board: Dr. Merrill M. Grant, Superintendent
Employee Organizations:

Represented Employees: Unrepresented Employees:

Sierra-Plumas Teachers' Association Classified Employees

Confidential Employees

Administrative Employees

F. RETURN TO OPENSESSION at 5:38 pm and ADJOURN FOR BREAK.

G. 6 pm - RECONVENE

H. FLAG SALUTE

I. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION – MOORE reported that the board discussed negotiations which involved salary increases for teachers, classified and administrative employees. No action was taken.

J. RECESS TO THE SIERRA-PLUMAS JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEETING at 6:03 pm.

K. RECONVENE SIERRA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING at 6:50 pm

L. BOARD ORGANIZATION

a. Superintendent gives Oath of Office to Board Trustee, Area 3, Provisional Appointment – Oath was given. Ms. Jenny Gant was welcomed to the Sierra County Board of Education as Trustee for Area 3, Calpine and a portion of Plumas County.

~~b. Superintendent appoints Vice President of the Sierra County Board of Education~~

M. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Superintendent's Report

- a. California County Superintendents Educational Services Association (CCSESA) Quarterly Meeting Report. Discussion focused on issues such as differentiated assistance, which applies differently to this district. The \$60 million recently allocated to county offices of education. We were not included in that allocation because of our single district status. A request was made to provide funding.
- b. SELPA Update – Heidi Bethke, School Psychologist, led a recent meeting with the Special Education team focused on seeking the best emphasis for the students. One possibility is a regional program in Loyalton. A Downieville student will be receiving educational support out of Sierra County.
- c. A Transportation Aide-Special Education is assigned to transport a student to Placer County
- d. Classified Salary Schedule, Revised - presented to reflect the transportation aide.

2. Business Report

- a. Account Object Summary-Balance from 07/01/17 to 01/31/18
DRYDEN: Asked for details regarding increase in category 5200, Travel and Conference. Ms. Griesert will provide an explanation at next board meeting

3. Board Members' Report (5 minutes)
4. Public Comment-
Current location: A highly regarded member of the public queried, "When do we get the dirt on negotiations?" Public discussion of negotiations will be held during the 'Action Items' section of this meeting.
Videoconference location: Megan Meschery reported on behalf of the Sierra Schools Foundation: Recent fundraising contributions will allow the foundation to discuss ways to create more sustainable projects for the kids. The foundation is always looking for input from community, teachers and school board members. We are zeroing in on how to bring in more arts and music education. Looking for ways to collaborate with Sierra Arts Council and other outside organizations.

N. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of minutes of the Regular Board meeting held January 9, 2018
2. Approval of Board Report-Checks Dated 01/01/2018 through 01/31/2018
3. Authorization to Submit Consolidated Application
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O. ACTION ITEMS

1. New Business
 - a. PUBLIC COMMENT - Collective Bargaining Agreement Disclosure Statement

This is an opportunity for members of the public to directly address the governing board on the Collective Bargaining Agreement, Items "b" through "e" listed on this Agenda under Action Items
 - b. Presentation of the Tentative Agreement to Sierra-Plumas Teachers' Association 2017-2018 Negotiations for salary and benefits (see backup material.) The Tentative Agreement was presented. There were no public comments.
 - c. Presentation of the Sierra-Plumas Classified Employees' 2017-2018 Initial Proposal for salary and benefits
The Initial Proposal was presented. There were no public comments.
 - d. Presentation of the Confidential Employees' 2017-2018 Initial Proposal for salary and benefits
The Initial Proposal was presented. There were no public comments.
 - e. Completion of Bargaining Sierra-Plumas Teachers Association, 2017-2018

Negotiations

MOORE motioned to accept the terms and conditions of the Tentative Agreement of the Sierra-Plumas Teachers Association, 2017-18

DRYDEN seconded.

4 Aye

1 abstention - GANT

- f. First Reading, Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District 2018-2019 Calendar (No approval at this time. First Reading only. Will be up for approval in March.)

BOARD POLICIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

MOORE motioned to approve Items 'g' through and including 'm'. DRYDEN seconded.

4 Aye

1 abstention - GANT

- g. Board Policy 4119.21, 4219.21, 4319.21, Professional Standards, revision
- h. Administrative Regulation 4144, Complaints, revision
- i. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4200, Classified Personnel, revision
- j. Board Policy & Administrative Regulation 5144.1, Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process, revision
- k. Board Policy 5144, Discipline, revision
- l. DELETE Board Policy/Administrative Regulation/Exhibit 6162.52, High School Exit Examination
- m. DELETE Board Bylaw 9150, Student Board Members, revision

P. ADVANCED PLANNING

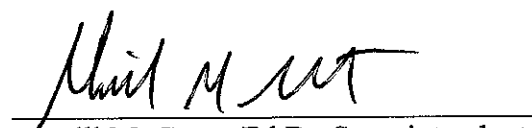
1. Next Regular Board Meeting will be held on March 13, 2018, at Sierra County Office of Education, 109 Beckwith Rd., Loyalton, CA 96118, beginning with Closed Session, as needed, at 5 pm and the Regular Board Meeting at 6:00 pm

Q. ADJOURN at 7:36 pm.

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Sharon Dryden, Clerk


Merrill M. Grant, Ed.D., Superintendent