

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SIERRA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 11, 2022

6:00pm Regular Session

Loyalton: Sierra County Office of Education, Room 4, 109 Beckwith Rd, Loyalton CA 96118
Zoom videoconferencing was also available for the public.

In accordance with AB 361, effective October 1, 2021, pertaining to the convening of public meetings in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Sierra County Board of Education suspended the Brown Act teleconferencing posting requirements for any Board members choosing to participate via Zoom videoconferencing.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Vice President CHRISTINA POTTER called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: *Christina Potter, Vice President
Patty Hall, Clerk
Allen Wright, Member
Mike Moore, Member
Nicole Stannard, Member*

ABSENT: *None*

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*HALL/STANNARD
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D. FLAG SALUTE

E. BOARD ORGANIZATION

1. Acceptance of Resignation for Nicole Stannard as President
*MOORE/HALL
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2. The Vice President will call for the election of the President
*STANNARD nominated HALL. Second by MOORE. HALL declined.
STANNARD nominated MOORE. MOORE declined.
MOORE nominated POTTER. POTTER declined.
No President selected. Try again in February.*

F. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Correspondence
 - a. CDPH response to Resolution Calling for State Officials to Not Require the COVID-19 Vaccine for Students and Staff
BERARDI: It highlights, as of right now, that there will be exemptions made available for both personal and medical reasons. We hope that doesn't change if vaccine mandates are imposed.
2. Superintendent's Report
 - a. Acceptance of resignation for Allison Baca, Downieville Schools, Secretary, .25 FTE (2 hours/day), effective December 31, 2021
 - b. Moving Loyalton Elementary School Principal position from County to District
BERARDI: We will wait until July 1 (beginning of next fiscal year) as this needs to be done slowly, if it happens at all, depending on what our research shows.
 - c. Strategic Planning
*BERARDI: I will send dates to the Board to get it started up again in the coming months.
STANNARD: What about the changes with board members in the next year?*

BERARDI: Yes, maybe we need to hold off until we have new board members seated, but we will not wait too long to get it started again.

3. Business Report

- a. Account Object Summary-Balance from 07/01/2021 to 12/31/2021

4. Staff Reports

ADULT ED—JACKSON: Had initial meeting with the City of Loyalton on infrastructure for new building. Received additional \$6200 from North Far North Industry Consortium to go towards the culinary program. Four CPR courses starting this week. EMT refresher course starting next week.

SELPA—BETHKE: No report

5. Board Member Reports

WRIGHT: I have not registered to run for re-election, so officially I will be off the board in December, potentially sooner.

MOORE: Same as Allen, I have not registered to run for re-election. I may or may not stay on through December.

6. Public Comment

LAURIE PETERSON: Asking for clarification on the ramifications of moving the LES Principal position from County to District with seniority, rehire rights, policies, etc.

DARCY CAMERON: Regarding the policy options about masks. None of the options presented tonight appear to reflect the alternatives I discussed with the Loyalton school principals. I feel these need to be re-evaluated and modified.

RANDI DURNEY: Why are we not following the recently updated CDC guidelines? Basketball has been cancelled for the next two weeks. Why are we still taking things away from our children?

MULTIPLE SPEAKERS WERE HEARD SPEAKING AGAINST ANY MASK REQUIREMENTS

G. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held December 13, 2021
2. Approval of Board Report-Checks Dated 12/01/2021 through 12/31/2021

MOORE/WRIGHT

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H. ACTION ITEMS

1. Old Business

- a. Approval of Mask Mandate Policy

STANNARD motioned to approve Option #4 provided in the packets.

Second by POTTER.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

WRIGHT – No

MOORE – No

HALL – No

STANNARD – Yes

POTTER – Yes

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MOORE motioned to approve Option #1. Second by HALL.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

WRIGHT – Yes

MOORE – Yes

HALL – Yes

STANNARD – No

POTTER – No

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2. New Business

- a. Approval of proposed increase on Classified Salary Schedules per California Minimum Wage Law, Effective January 1, 2022

MOORE/HALL

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- b. Approval of utilizing AB 361 for meetings conducted through February 08, 2022

***AB 361 expires at 11:59pm on April 01, 2022** January 2024, but must be voted on every 30 days.*

***This suspends the Brown Act teleconferencing posting requirements for any Board members that choose to participate via Zoom videoconferencing*

***Zoom will be available for the public with or without utilizing AB 361*

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I. ADVANCED PLANNING

1. Next Regular Board Meeting will be held on February 08, 2022, at Downieville School, 130 School St, Downieville CA 95936, beginning with Closed Session as needed at 5:00pm and the Regular Board Meeting at 6:00pm. Masks are required for in-person attendance. Zoom videoconferencing will be available for the public.

2. Suggested Agenda Items

-Call for election of President

-Revisit Mask Mandate Policy for needed/proposed revisions


-Need for a nurse with an RN

J. ADJOURN at 8:03pm

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Patty Hall, Clerk


James Berardi, Superintendent
Secretary to the County Board of Education