

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

December 13, 2022

The Regular Session for the County meeting was held immediately after the Annual Organizational Meeting of the 6:00pm District meeting.

Downieville: Downieville School, 130 School St, Downieville CA 95936

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 that chose to participate via Zoom videoconferencing.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Vice President CHRISTINA POTTER called the meeting to order at 6:26pm.

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: *Patty Hall, Clerk, Area 1 (via Zoom)*
Annie Tipton, Area 2
Christina Potter, Vice President, Area 3 (via Zoom)
Kelly Champion, Area 4
Dorie Gayner, Area 5

ABSENT: *None*

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

HALL/TIPTON

5/0

D. Approval of utilizing AB 361 for meetings conducted through January 10, 2023

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

~AB 361 expires January 01, 2024

~Zoom may be available for the public with or without utilizing AB 361

HALL/GAYNER

5/0

E. ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING—BOARD ORGANIZATION

1. Accept the Officers elected for the District Board as the same Officers for the County Board if changing to joint meetings

TIPTON/HALL

5/0

OR

Election of Officers for 2023 if continuing with separate County and District meetings

The Secretary of the Board/County Superintendent will call for the election of a President. After the election is completed, the Secretary will turn the meeting over to the newly elected President. The President will then call for the election of the Vice President and the Clerk of the Board.

- a. President
- b. Vice President
- c. Clerk of the Board

2. The President (*KELLY CHAMPION*) will appoint the County Superintendent, James Berardi, as Secretary of the Board and direct the Secretary to inform the appropriate agencies of the Sierra County Office of Education of the newly elected officers.
3. Approval of the Sierra County Board of Education Meeting Calendar for 2023:
 - a. Option 1 (joint), Option 2 (re-order) or Option 3 (traditional)
GAYNER motioned to approve Option 1 for joint meetings with the change of the June meeting to the 21st, same as in the District meeting. Second by *HALL*.
5/0
 - b. Schedule of Annual Governance Matters
TIPTON motioned to approve the schedule with the addition of the Superintendent Evaluation process starting in March, same as in the District meeting. Second by *HALL*.
5/0

F. PRESENTATION by TCSIG & Risk Strategies regarding Intent to withdraw from Schools Excess Liability Fund (SELF) Joint Powers Authority (JPA)
Guest speakers: Lynn Whitlock with TCSIG and Paul Harrison with Risk Strategies

G. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Superintendent's Report
 - a. Sierra County Office of Education and Sierra County Schools for Adults MOU with Sierra County Social Services – for Implementation of CDA Access to Technology Grant
 1. Classroom Specialist (Personal Device Education Specialist), .5 FTE
BERARDI: \$110K grant. Part of the grant funds will be used to hire a part-time position to help with technology education.
 - b. Facility use at Adult Education and Old Middle School gym location
BERARDI: The parking lot is being cleaned up and worked on as best as we can in a timely manner.
2. Business Report
 - a. Account Object Summary-Balance from 07/01/2022 to 11/30/2022
 - b. The Sierra County Office of Education will be closed to the public for Winter Break: December 23, 2022, through January 6, 2023
3. Staff Reports
SELPA—BETHKE: Nothing to report this month.
ADULT ED—JACKSON: We have a graduation ceremony for three students this Thursday at 6pm at the District Office, Room 4.
4. Board Member Reports
POTTER—Welcome to the new board members! I'm excited to move forward with the new board. It will be an exciting next year.
HALL—I can ditto that one.
TIPTON—I'm excited to get started and work with all of you and learn a lot.
GAYNER—Yes, welcome. Looking forward to Friday's training and getting on the same page.
CHAMPION—I'm really excited. I think we have a strong group. I have some goals, but I understand there is some other stuff that needs to happen in order to reach those goals. I will be working as hard as I can outside of family and work. I also hope that we can work towards engaging more public input in meetings.

5. Public Comment

PAMELA—Speaking about handicap parking accessibility at Adult Ed campus and Old Middle School gym. It is not easy for my husband to get into the Old Middle School gym currently. Thank you to Richard and Annie for helping out!

H. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held November 08, 2022

GAYNER/POTTER

4/0 (1 abstention - CHAMPION)

2. Approval of Board Report-Checks Dated 11/01/2022 through 11/30/2022

TIPTON/GAYNER

5/0

I. ACTION ITEMS

1. New Business

a. Adoption of Resolution No. 23-004C, Intent to withdraw from SELF JPA

TIPTON/HALL

ROLL CALL VOTE:

HALL – Aye

TIPTON – Aye

POTTER – Aye

CHAMPION – Aye

GAYNER – Aye

5/0

b. Adoption of the 2022-2023 First Interim Actuals and Criteria and Standards Report as of October 31, 2022

Overview given by GRIESERT.

CHAMPION/GAYNER

5/0

c. First reading of the 2021-2022 Sierra County Office of Education Special Education School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

TIPTON/HALL

5/0

BOARD POLICIES, ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS, EXHIBITS, BOARD BYLAWS

Board Bylaw 9310: “The Superintendent or designee shall develop and present a first reading at a public Board meeting and action may be taken on the proposed policy.

The Board may require additional readings if necessary.”

d. 9320—Meetings and Notices

1. Board Bylaw – review for possible changes depending on which Board Calendar is approved for 2023

TIPTON motioned to approve with edits by JACOBSEN to reflect change to joint meetings. Second by GAYNER.

5/0

CSBA generated and recommended updates:

~~All updates were reviewed by District Office staff~~

- e. 4118—Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action (*Certificated Staff*)
 - 1. Board Policy, *revisions*
 - 2. Administrative Regulation, *revisions*
- f. 4216—Probationary/Permanent Status (*Classified Staff*)
 - 1. Board Policy, *revisions*
- g. 4218—Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action (*Classified Staff*)
 - 1. Board Policy, *revisions*
 - 2. Administrative Regulation, *revisions*
- h. 4119.1~4219.1~4319.1—Civil and Legal Rights (*All Staff*)
 - 1. Board Policy, *revisions*
- i. 4140~4240~4340—Bargaining Units (*All Staff*)
 - 1. Board Policy, *revisions*
- j. 4161.2~4261.2~4361.2—Personal Leaves (*All Staff*)
 - 1. Administrative Regulation, *revisions*
- k. 4161.5~4261.5~4361.5—Military Leave (*All Staff*)
 - 1. Administrative Regulation, *revisions*

GAYNER motioned to approve e-k as presented. Second by TIPTON.

5/0

J. ADVANCED PLANNING

- 1. Next Regular Board Meeting will be held on January 10, 2023, at Sierra County Office of Education, Room 4, 109 Beckwith Rd, Loyalton CA 96118, beginning with Closed Session as needed at 5:00pm and the Regular Board Meeting at 6:00pm. Zoom videoconferencing may be available for the public.
- 2. Suggested Agenda Items


None

K. ADJOURN at 7:41pm

HALL/GAYNER

5/0


Dorie Gayner, Clerk


James Berardi, Superintendent
Secretary to the County Board of Education