

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF
THE SIERRA-PLUMAS JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
5:00 PM CLOSED SESSION

October 14, 2014

Immediately following the 6:00 pm meeting of the Sierra County Board of Education
Sierra County Office of Education, 109 Beckwith Rd., Room 4, Loyalton, CA 96118

This meeting was available for videoconferencing at Downieville School, 130 School Street, Downieville, CA

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Mike Moore called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Mike Moore, President
Mr. Tim Driscoll, Vice President-arrived at 5:06 pm.
Ms. Sharon Dryden, Clerk
Ms. Patty Hall, Member
Mr. Allen Wright, Member

ABSENT: None

VACANT: None

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOORE motioned for approval of the agenda with the following changes:
Minutes as corrected, Item #1314-064 is pulled.
HALL seconded.
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D. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION 5:03 pm.

WRIGHT/HALL
5/0

At this time, the meeting opened for any public comments regarding the Closed Session items.
There were no public comments.

E. CLOSED SESSION

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

1. Government Code §54957.6, Conference with Labor Negotiators
Agency Negotiator for the Board: Dr. Merrill M. Grant, Superintendent
Represented Employees: Sierra Plumas Teachers Association
2. Government Code §54956.8, Conference with Real Property Negotiator, Review of
Counter Offer for Loyalton Middle School, 605 School Street, Loyalton CA
Real Property Negotiator for the District: Dr. Merrill M. Grant

F. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION at 6:02 pm.

DRISCOLL/HALL

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ADJOURNED TO BREAK FOR SCOE MEETING

RECONVENED AT 6:51 pm.

REPORT OUT

MOORE reported that the Board reviewed the Sierra-Plumas Classified Employees Collective Bargaining Agreement 2014-2019 and it will be voted on in Open Session, Item 1415-060. The Board also gave direction to the Superintendent to put another offer before the City regarding the real property negotiation (Item 1415-062).

G. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Superintendent's Report

- a. Pat Doyle, Loyalton Elementary School Teacher, Presentation: Yuba River Outdoor Classroom. This presentation was unavailable due to technical difficulty.
- b. Tech Task Force—Drafting a policy to enable Chromebooks to go home with students.
- c. Farm to Table Garden - LES K-6 classes are using the garden and greenhouse; Dr. Grant, Cali Griffin, Amy Filippini and Cheri VanDaam will be attending F.E.A.S.T. in Sloat, CA, on Friday.
- d. Golf Tournament – Gran Fondo and Golf Tournament were successful
- e. County/District Community meetings: At the beginning of 2015, community meetings will be organized and community attendance will be essential.
- f. Downieville fundraising for Headlands provided full funding for each student.

2. Business Report

- a. Board Report-Expenditures by Object 7/1/14 to 9/30/14
- b. First Month Enrollments for the 2014-2015 School Year
- c. Fundraiser Report

3. Staff Reports (5 minutes)

Marla Stock, Loyalton High School Administrator reported on a continued good start of the year.

Cali Griffin, Loyalton High School Ag Teacher reported on aquatics (Truckee), volleyball, FFA activities and ag classes (Floriculture)

Dr. Merrill Grant reported for Downieville on Back to School Night, Headlands fund raising and online learning. Also, a facility maintenance priority is the HVAC system.

4. SPTA Report (5 minutes)

DOYLE announced that he will be stepping down from the SPTA presidency.

5. Board Members' Report (5 minutes)

DRYDEN expressed a Thank you to Sierra Schools Foundation for their continued support.

6. Public Comment

- a. Current location – A parent raised concerns about home-to-school transportation fees.
- b. Videoconference location – There was no comment.

H. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held September 9, 2014
2. Approval of the bill warrants for the month of September 2014
3. Approval of Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints for quarter ending September 30, 2014. It is required per Education Code 35186 section (d) that a school district shall report summarized data on the nature and resolution of all complaints on a quarterly basis to the county superintendent of schools and the governing board of the school district. No complaints regarding textbooks and instructional materials, teacher vacancy or misassignment or conditions of facilities were filed with Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District during the quarter ending September 30, 2014.
4. Rescind appointment of 2014-15 Loyalton High JV Volleyball Coach, Sharon Hastings (due to insufficient number of students to field a team)
5. Review of AR & BP 6145 per Ed Code 35160.5
6. Approval of Dr. Merrill M. Grant to sign Certificate of Authority regarding increase of credit limit for Voyager account, commercial fleet costs
7. Authorization for Superintendent to endorse First Amendment to Vehicle Lease Agreement between Plumas Unified School District and Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District**
8. Authorization for Superintendent to enter into an agreement with Document Tracking Services
WRIGHT/DRISCOLL
DRYDEN requested clarification on Item #6.
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I. ACTION ITEMS

1. Unfinished Business and General Orders

- 1415-056 Approval of Modified Athletic Director Stipend
DRISCOLL motioned to approve the Athletic Director Stipend for \$2500 PER season for three seasons per year, for a maximum of \$7500, retroactive to July 1, 2014
HALL seconded.
5/0

2. New Business

- 1415-057 The Public Hearing to allow comments on the sufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials for kindergarten through 12th grade in each subject and to assure that they are aligned with the state standards adopted pursuant to Ed. Code §60605 or 60605.8 and also meet the reporting and sufficiency

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requirements contained in Ed. Code §60119 opened at 7:26 pm. There was no comment.

1415-058 Adoption of Resolution No. 14-008, Sufficiency of Textbooks or Instructional Materials DRYDEN/HALL

ROLL CALL VOTE DRYDEN: AYE
 DRISCOLL: AYE
 HALL: AYE
 MOORE: AYE
 WRIGHT: AYE
 5/0

1415-059 The Public Hearing for the purpose of reviewing and assessing ROC/P program per Education Code §52304.1 opened at 6:28 pm.

Marla Stock, Loyalton High School Administrator explained the program. The district applies for Carl Perkins vocational funding which contains the application and two follow-up reports on student participation. Included in the report are Capstone Courses taken closest to graduation. Data reports consist of: (1) Enrollment from last year and (2) a follow up study on last year's seniors who participated.

The core indicators (7) include those students that are enrolled in ROP, or Capstone Course, who completed a sequence (i.e., metals class in Downieville; ag science, animal science, horticulture reported as "Ag Science Capstone Course" in Loyalton).

The follow up includes a Data Report and Graduation Rate. Last year 28 students enrolled and completed capstone courses (14 female/14 male).

The states looks for twelfth graders that completed a Capstone Course with C or higher and also those who scored proficient or above on the CASHEE. Our students scored above state average in reading/language arts, 100% proficient in math 100% in the "C" or higher category.

In observation, Stock commented that these classes make a difference in students' overall performance. Forty-five students are enrolled in ag classes. Mrs. Stock affirmed that combining the 7th and 8th grade with the high school has increased participation.

There was no other comment. The hearing closed at 6:34 pm.

1415-060 Adoption of Sierra-Plumas Classified Employees Collective Bargaining Agreement 2014-2019

WRIGHT/DRISCOLL
5/0

1415-061 Discussion on Home to School Transportation for 2015-16

Dr. Grant explained that our transportation system is currently a fee based service. Whether this continues for next year will be based on a financial evaluation completed after the year's end.

WRIGHT: Commented that a discussion on transportation fees should be part of a community forum.

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DRISCOLL: Reported that he has received concerns from parents about the fees.

1415-062 Acceptance of Counter Offer for 605 School Street, Loyalton, California, 96118
DRISCOLL motioned to deny counter offer and instruct Superintendent to make a final counter offer/Hall seconded.
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1415-063 Authorization for Superintendent to go out to bid for propane provider
DRYDEN motioned to authorize superintendent to go out to bid to seek the most beneficial agreement for the district/HALL seconded.
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BOARD POLICIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS (President)
WRIGHT motioned that the Board approve Items 1415-0064, 0066, 067, 069 through 077. DRISCOLL seconded.
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1415-064 Approval of Administrative Regulation and Exhibit 1312.4, Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures

1415-065 ~~Approval of Board Policy 1330, Use of Facilities~~ – PULLED

1415-066 Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4112.2, Certification

1415-067 Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4112.21, Interns

1415-068 Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4115, Evaluation/Supervision
DRYDEN motioned to table this item until the November meeting to research the uniform evaluation process and 5 year clause/MOORE seconded. 5/0

1415-069 Approval of Board Policy 4315, Evaluation/Supervision

1415-070 Approval of Board Policy 4117.3, Personnel Reduction

1415-071 Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4131.1, Teacher Support and Guidance

1415-072 Approval of Exhibit 4319.21 Professional Standards

1415-073 Approval of Minor Revisions to Select Policies (AR 3542; AR 3554; AR4112.42/4212.42/4312.42; BP 6142.94; AR 6159.4; BB 9223; BB 9230)

TO DELETE:

1415-074 Approval to Delete Board Policy 4131.1, Beginning Teacher Support/Induction

1415-075 Approval to Delete Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4138, Mentor Teachers

1415-076 Approval to Delete Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4139, Peer Assistance and Review

1415-077 Approval to Delete Board Policy 4315.1, Staff Evaluating Teachers


J. ADVANCED PLANNING

1. Next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 12, 2014, at Downieville School, Downieville, CA, beginning with Closed Session, as needed, at 5 pm and the Regular Board Meeting at 6:00 pm.

2. Suggested Agenda items

a. BP and AR 4115

K. ADJOURNED at 7:48 pm.
DRISCOLL/HALL
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Sharon Dryden, Clerk


Dr. Merrill M. Grant, Superintendent