

SIERRA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL ATTENDANCE REVIEW BOARD MEETING
August 18, 2016, Sierra County Office of Education
109 Beckwith Road, Bldg 4, California
9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER at 9:05 am.
- II. PRESENT: MERRILL M. GRANT, Ed. D, Chairman
TOM JONES, Administrator, Loyalton High School/Sierra Pass Continuation School
ANDREA WHITE, Administrator, Loyalton Elementary School
J.LON COOPER, Sierra County Public Defender
ROBERT YEGGE, Undersheriff, in proxy for TIM STANDLEY, Sierra County Sheriff
CHUCK HENSON, Sierra County Probation Officer
LAURIE MARSH, Sierra County Behavioral Health

HANNAH TOMATIS, Secretary
- ABSENT: Ex-Officio Member REBECCA DUNSING, Sierra County Deputy Probation Officer, Truancy Investigator
LARRY ALLEN, Sierra County District Attorney
LISA BOTZLER, Sierra County Child Protective Services
KERSTIN HARRISON, Parent Representative
- III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
HENSON/JONES
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- IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of the May 19, 2016, SARB meeting with the following correction:
J. LON COOPER, Sierra County *Public* Defender is added to the members present at the May 19, 2016, meeting.
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- V. APPROVAL OF THE 2016-17 SARB CALENDAR
The calendar was discussed and it was recommended that meetings be scheduled for the following months: August, September, October, November, December, February, March, April and May. There will be no January, June or July SARB meeting. Official approval of the calendar will be placed on the September SARB agenda.
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Public Comment – There was no comment.
- VII. CHAIRMAN REPORT and DISCUSSION

1. Feedback was given from the attendees regarding the Building Bridges Out of Poverty Workshop (Board Members Grant and Marsh attended)

GRANT: Families from different economic backgrounds have various views of the world. Families in poverty live moment to moment as opposed to focusing on future goals. Living in poverty causes one to focus on jobs (day to day) vs. career (future). Some of our students are raised with this belief.
MARSH: Behavioral Health hopes to bring the speaker back to engage other entities/agencies to see how we can put this into practice within our community.

2. Discussion On SARB Effectiveness and Suggestions For 2016-17 School Year

- Attendance to the SARB is consistent.

Input on how to make this more effective?

- Have contact information from other counties, i.e., Plumas Sheriff, Plumas and Lassen Behavioral Health
- HENSON: This program needs more teeth – put on agenda for next meeting where all law enforcement is present.

3. Back to School Report

GRANT: Leadership is stoked about the next year; the district is fiscally sound, facilities are in good shape, enrollment is increasing; Downieville may be up 6 – 10 kids; staffing still lacks a Spanish/English translator and a K-2 teacher is set for this coming year but a full time permanent teacher in that position is still sought.

JONES: The new LHS schedule (block) should help improve attendance by enabling students to attend classes almost daily.

WHITE – New teacher in K-1/positive vibes toward the new schedule of K-3 grades and the facility looks great.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION – 9:30 a.m.

1. CASE REVIEW/PLANNING

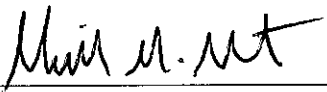
- a. Watch List
- b. School
- c. Law Enforcement
- d. Human Services/Mental Health

IX. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION at 10:11 a.m.

REPORT OUT – Watch list will be reviewed and updated at September meeting.

X. NEXT MEETING DATE will be September 15, 2016 at 9 am.

XI. ADJOURN
HENSON/JONES
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Merrill M. Grant, Ed.D., Chairman