

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

December 8, 2015

Downieville School, 130 School Street, Downieville CA 95936
5 pm for Closed Session

A. CALL TO ORDER

President TIM DRISCOLL called the meeting to order at 5 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: None

VACANT: None

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOORE/HALL

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D. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION

The meeting opened for public comment at 5:01 pm and closed without comment.

E. CLOSED SESSION

HALL/WRIGHT

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

1. 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
Classified Management Employees
Administration Employees

F. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

ADJOURN FOR BREAK at 5:48 pm.

RECONVENE 6 pm

REPORT OUT – Negotiation topics were discussed.

G. FLAG SALUTE

H. BOARD ORGANIZATION

1. Election of Officers for 2016

a. President

MOORE nominated HALL for president/DRYDEN seconded.
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b. Vice-President

DRYDEN nominated MOORE for vice-president/HALL seconded.
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c. Clerk

HALL nominated WRIGHT for clerk/DRYDEN seconded.
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2. Approval of Sierra County Board of Education Meeting Calendar for 2016

WRIGHT motioned/MOORE
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I. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Superintendent's Report

a. Update on Federal Reauthorization of "No Child Left Behind"

Dr. Grant informed the board of the reauthorization of NCLB to ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) recently passed in the House and Senate. Still reliant on standardized testing, the ESSA requires annual testing in grades 3-8 and then again in high school. This new law will purportedly allow more control at the state level.

b. CCSESA Audit Committee Report - Dr. Grant is a member of this committee representing the single county school districts.

c. Addition of Counseling Services to Sierra County Schools – Dr. Grant is considering adding counseling services from Sierra County in support of our students. DRYDEN expressed concerns regarding the counseling methods of a

non-employee conforming to the district's mission; WRIGHT recommended a trial period. Dr. Grant will proceed slowly and gather information for further discussion.

2. Business Report
 - a. Board Report-Expenditures by Object 07/01/15 to 11/30/15
 - b. The County and District business office will be closed to the public on:
 - December 21 through January 1
3. Staff Reports (5 minutes)

There were no Staff reports.
4. SPTA Report (5 minutes)

There were no SPTA reports.
5. Board Members' Report (5 minutes)

There were no Board Member reports.
6. Public Comment opened at 6:21 pm and closed without comment.

J. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of minutes of the Regular Board meeting held November 10, 2015
2. Approval of bill warrants for month of November 2015
WRIGHT/MOORE
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K. ACTION ITEMS

1. Unfinished Business

1516-30 Discussion and Adoption of Resolution No. 15-005, K- College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016

MOORE/HALL

TRUSTEE DRISCOLL AYE

TRUSTEE DRYDEN NO

TRUSTEE HALL AYE

TRUSTEE MOORE AYE

TRUSTEE WRIGHT AYE

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1516-31 Approval of Educator Effectiveness Spending Plan

MOORE/HALL

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2. New Business

- 1516-32 Appointment of members of the Student Attendance Review Board (Dr. Merrill M. Grant, chairman) as follows:
Sierra County Sheriff, Tim Standley
Jeff Bosworth, Sierra County Chief Probation Officer
Chuck Henson, Sierra County Deputy Probation Officer, Alternate for Jeff Bosworth
Rebecca Dunsing, Sierra County Deputy Probation Officer, Truancy Investigator, (Ex-Officio Member)
Larry Allen, Sierra County District Attorney
J. Lon Cooper, Sierra County Public Defender
Lisa Botzler, Sierra County Child Protective Services
Laurie Marsh, Sierra County Behavioral Health
Kerstin Harrison, Parent Representative

MOORE/HALL

DISCUSSION:

Public Comment: Why do we need SARB?

Dr. Grant answered that the purpose of SARB is to support parents and assist them in enabling their children to attend school consistently, according to law.
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- 1516-33 Approval of S-PTA Friday Night Live Stipends
MOORE motioned to table this item to January/HALL seconded.
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- 1516-34 Adoption of 2015-2016 First Interim Actuals and Criteria & Standards Report as of October 31, 2015
MOORE/HALL
Rose Asquith asked for questions from the board and explained portions of the report.
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BOARD POLICIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

MOORE moved to accept 1516-35 through 1516-39. HALL seconded.
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- 1516-35 Approval of Administrative Regulation 3311, Bids, revision
1516-36 Approval of Administrative Regulation 3512, Equipment, revision
1516-37 Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4154, 4254, 4354, Health and Welfare Benefits, revision

1516-38 Approval of Administrative Regulation 5112.2, Exclusions from Attendance, revision

1516-39 Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5141.31, Immunizations, revision

L. ADVANCED PLANNING

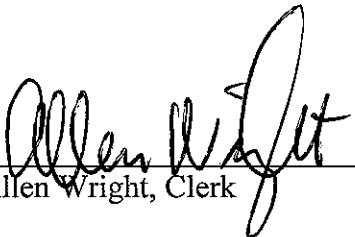
1. Next Regular Board Meeting will be held on January 12, 2016, at Sierra County Office of Education, 109 Beckwith Rd., Room 4, Loyalton, CA 96118 , beginning with Closed Session, as needed, at 5 pm and the Regular Board Meeting at 6:00 pm

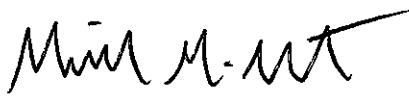
Suggested Agenda Items

1. FNL Stipends
2. Closed Session - Negotiations

M. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 6:50 pm.
WRIGHT/MOORE
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Allen Wright, Clerk


Dr. Merrill M. Grant, Superintendent
Secretary of the Board of Education