

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF
THE SIERRA-PLUMAS JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
February 9, 2010
Downieville School, Downieville, California

This meeting was available by videoconference at Loyalton Elementary School, Loyalton, California

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Mark Lang called the meeting to order at 6:57 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Mark Lang, President
Mr. Mike Moore, Vice President
Ms. Sharon Dryden, Clerk
Mr. Todd York, Member

ABSENT: None

VACANT: One

STAFF: Mr. Stan Hardeman, Superintendent
Ms. Rose Asquith, Business Manager
Ms. Hannah Tomatis, Production Secretary
Ms. Marla Stock, Site Administrator
Mr. James Berardi, Site Administrator
Ms. Penny Berry, Site Administrator
Ms. Marlene Mongolo/Curriculum/SELPA Director

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Approve Amended Agenda: F1g, to include "Approval of" and F1j to read "Job Description 216.3, Edusoft Teacher Trainer"

APPROVED: MSCU/MOORE/YORK

D. INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- a. Race to the Top - We are in position to write a grant should the state of California receive monies. State is applying for approximately one billion dollars, of which \$7,000,000 must be directed to Local Educational Agencies. If granted, our district would receive \$100,000 per year for four years. This money would not be able to be used for teacher salaries, but for textbooks, technology, etc.
- b. District Advisory Committee (DAC) - Next meeting is Tuesday Feb 23, 2010, 1 pm, at the District Office. Mr. Hardeman stated that any person interested in attending not on the committee, please contact Mr. Hardeman to request permission to attend. (DAC is not a public meeting.)
- c. Bond Polling – The results are to be presented at the approved Special Board Meeting on February 18, 2010.
- d. Inter-District Attendance Agreements were discussed.

2. BUSINESS REPORT

There were no comments on the Board Report-Expenditures by Object 07/01/09 to 1/31/10 or the Fifth Month Enrollments for the 2009-2010 School Year.

3. STAFF REPORTS

Penny Berry, Loyalton Elementary School

- Students performed the musical, "Vacation to Mars"
- Mrs. Gress' class completed a "penguin unit"
- The Annual Snowball Blitz (1st Grade reading challenge) is in progress

Loyalton Middle School

- Basketball report for Loyalton Middle School
- Olympic teams debates were held last Friday

Marla Stock, Loyalton High School

- 2009-2010 Valedictorians are Ashley Cabrerra, Alex Folchi, and Kayla Gressel
- National Merit Scholar: Emily Loveridge
- The Drama group attended the Lenaea Festival and received positive feedback performing "Antigone", also to be performed this Thursday at school.
- Shop class built new cabinets in the art room and is working on dugouts and a storage facility.
- Individual Study Program Report: six full time students are participating in the successful program
- Mock Interviews were conducted for Loyalton High School and Downieville seniors
- California High School Exit Examinations (CASHEE) were given last week
- Winterfest King and Prince were chosen: Antonio Lizarde (King)/Lang Weaver(Prince)
- Thanks to Megan Meschery for her expertise and assistance to the basketball program.

James Berardi, Downieville School

- Basketball season was not completed due to lack of participation for various reasons
- CASHEE: 100% participation rate
- Pliocene Ridge School Report: Mr. Berardi and custodians in worked on the roof (vent damage) and cleaned up rooms (library, science room). There is still more work to be done.
- A nutritionist comes to school from the Western Sierra Medical Clinic to discuss health issues with students. Downieville School received \$5000 for afterschool funds and activities and the clinic wants conduct an aerobics class for students and adults.
- School was closed for several days due to water issues and two power outages in town
- One case of chicken pox has been reported.

4. SPTA REPORTS

There were no reports.

5. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

There were no reports.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Lang opened the meeting for public comment at 7:27 pm.

There was no public comment.

President Lang closed the meeting for public comment at 7:27 pm.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items were included on the consent calendar:

1. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held January 12, 2010**
2. Approval of the bill warrants for the month of January 2010**
3. Appointment of Molly Wentling, Loyalton Elementary School, Hall/Playground Supervisor, 1/2 hour daily, effective January 21, 2010
4. Approval of Consolidated Application, Part II**
5. Approval of Allowance of Attendance Because of Emergency Conditions (Form J-13)**
APPROVED/AUTHORIZED: MSCU/YORK/DRYDEN

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. NEW BUSINESS

- a. The presentation of Employer Response to Sierra-Plumas Teachers' Association 2009-10 Initial Proposal for salary and benefits was read at the County meeting. No request for a re-read was made.
- b. The Public Hearing to receive public comment on Employer Response to Sierra-Plumas Teachers' Association 2009-10 Initial Proposal for salary and benefits was opened at 7:28 pm.
There was no public comment.
The Public Hearing was closed at 7:28 pm.
- c. Ratification of the 2009-2010 S-PTA Tentative Agreement for salary and benefits
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- d. Acceptance of resignation of Penny Berry, Loyalton Elementary School and Loyalton Middle School Site Administrator, effective June 30, 2010
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- e. Acceptance of resignation of Bill Loveridge, Loyalton High School teacher, effective June 30, 2010
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- f. Discussion and direction on whether or not to prefund Other Post-Employee Benefits
DIRECTION was given to accrue liability in the general fund and designated reserve.
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- g. Approval of waiver of Valedictorian Requirements, Policy 5127, Graduation Ceremonies and Activities, Honors and Awards, as pertains to Loyalton High School graduating class of 2010
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- h. Adoption of Job Description 211.3, Cafeteria Worker
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- i. Adoption of Job Description No. 211.2, Cook I
MSCU/MOORE/YORK
- j. Adoption of Job Description, 216.3 Edusoft Teacher Trainer
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- k. Approval of budget transfer in the amount of \$5,000 for Downieville Bridge Afterschool & Summer Institute program
MSCU/MOORE/YORK
- l. Authorization for Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District Governing Board *Special Meeting* on February 18, 2010, 3:30 p.m., Loyalton Elementary School, Loyalton, California
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- m. Award Haws, Theobald & Auman the contract to provide auditing services for fiscal years 2009-10, 2010-11 & 2011-12
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- n. Authorize Superintendent to enter into an agreement with Haws, Theobald & Auman to provide audit services for fiscal years 2009-10, 2010-11 & 2011-12
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G. ADVANCED PLANNING

- 1. The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on March 9, 2010, Loyalton Elementary School, Loyalton, California, immediately following the 6:00 pm meeting of the Sierra County Board of Education.
- 2. Suggested Agenda items:
 - a. Certificated Reduction in Force
 - b. Revise Policy 5127

H. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment was opened at 7:40 pm for any public comments regarding the Closed Session item.

- Cathy Stewart asked if the closed session has to do with cuts in programs.

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- Lynn Fillo urged the board to keep in mind the variety of students at Downieville; some go to college, most do not. Vocational classes keep kids off the streets and educate them for jobs.
- Cathy Stewart pointed out that Downieville is already bare bones.
- Kelly Bolle questioned the need for Downieville School to have a custodial staff of one full time and one half time person.
- Cathy Stewart commented that Loylton has a lion's share of the program. She asked the board to be equitable in leaving programs at Downieville.

The Public Comment was closed at 9:48 pm.

I. CLOSED SESSION

Open Session concluded and the Board of Trustees and the Superintendent moved into Closed Session to consider and/or take action upon the following item:

1. Government Code §54957.6, Conference with Labor Negotiators-Certificated Reduction in Particular Kinds of Service

J. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Report Out: The closed session was for Discussion Only

K. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: MSCU/YORK/MOORE
ADJOURNED at 9:12 pm.

Sharon Dryden, Clerk

Stanford J. Hardeman, Secretary, S-PJUSD