

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF
THE SIERRA-PLUMAS JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
November 8, 2016
Sierra County Office of Education, 109 Beckwith Rd., Room 4, Loyalton, CA 96118

A. CALL TO ORDER

President DRISCOLL called the meeting to order at 6:16 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: None

VACANT: None

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
WRIGHT/HALL
5/0

D. INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Superintendent's Report

- a. Mr. Jones discussed the evaluation of Loyalton High School Block Schedule. He indicated pluses and minuses.
- The staff is open to adjustments as they continue to evaluate the new schedule.
 - The teachers that have project-based classes are running into time crunches.
 - Homework concerns have resulted in strategic homework planning.
 - Most students have adapted to the schedule of 50 minute periods/7 periods a day.

- b. The Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District Office will be closed for
- Thanksgiving Holiday, November 24 and 25, 2016
 - Winter Break from December 23, 2106 through January 2, 2017

c. Variance Requests

2. Business Report

- a. Account Object Summary Balance 7/1/16 to 10/31/16
b. Second Month Enrollments for the 2016-2017 School Year

3. Staff Reports (5 minutes)

4. SPTA Report (5 minutes)

Andrea Ceresola, Loyalton Elementary School Site Administrator:
Basketball season begins and tournaments planned.
Learning landscapes completed a bridge allowing students access to the meadow.
Academic assembly on 11/18 as well as a PLC on behavior management.

Cali Griffin, Loyalton High School Ag Teacher:
Two FFA students spoke on their competitions at Lassen.
State Officers here on the 28 and 29, teaching on the 29th.
Banquet this Friday, November 18th.

Tom Jones, Loyalton High School Site Administrator
Quarter 1 evaluation's low number of F's shows RTI systems are effective.
No suspensions this year.
College and Career counseling was a highlight for the first quarter.
New teachers bringing skills and ideas, enhancing the school's learning atmosphere with strong instructional practices.
Site Council met earlier on with one parent resigning and three looking interested in participating.
Looking at ways to improve the 7th and 8th grade culture such as a peace-leader club; middle school dances.
Revving up for WASC - visitation due next year.
Two new instructional aides were hired with one focusing in 7th and 8th grade and the other providing Spanish language translation.

Dr. Merrill M. Grant, Superintendent and Site Administrator for Downieville School, acknowledged the leadership of Robin Bolle for overseeing the school campus and keeping the students safe during the recent search for a presumed kidnapper and her son, eventually arrested near the school. Parents complimented her actions as well as the superintendent and the board of education.
Small School basketball tournament will be held at Downieville.

5. Board Members' Report (5 minutes)
WRIGHT commended the Downieville staff for dealing with the emergency situation last month and also reminded the board that the month before there was a water main issue. The staff is to be applauded with Robin Bolle receiving a standing ovation.
MOORE visited one classroom at LES and at LHS visited math, science, 7th grade class and art.
6. Public Comment
 - a. Current location - None
 - b. Videoconference location - None

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held October 11, 2016
2. Approval of the minutes of the Special Board meeting held October 17, 2016
3. Approval of Board Report – Checks Dated 07/01/2016 through 10/31/2016
MOORE/HALL
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F. ACTION ITEMS

1. New Business

1617-78 Authorization for Sierra County Historical Society to Petition for Sierraville School to be Designated for National Register of Historical Places
DRYDEN/HALL
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Citizens who spoke in favor the Sierraville School designation:
Tim Beals, Sierra County Director of Public Works
William Copren, President of the Sierra Valley Historical Society
Corri Jiminez, Architectural Historian/Historic Preservation Specialist

- 1617-79 Confidential Employees 2016-2017 Initial Proposal for Salary and Health and Welfare Benefits. The proposal was reviewed individually by the Board.
- 1617-80 Approval of Purchasing/Business Services Procedure Manual
MOORE/HALL
5/0
- 1617-81 Approval of Job Description #212.2, Instructional Aide, revision
WRIGHT/HALL
5/0
- 1617-82 Approval of Assignment of Catlin Bellah, .88 FTE Instructional Aide, Loyalton Elementary, effective November 2, 2016
DRYDEN/MOORE
5/0
- 1617-83 Approval of Assignment of Tiffany Muehlberg, .88 FTE Instructional Aide, Loyalton High School, effective November 7, 2016
DRYDEN/MOORE
5/0
- 1617-84 Approval of Assignment of Sarai Mendoza, 1.0 FTE Bilingual Instructional Aide, Districtwide, effective November 14, 2016
DRYDEN/MOORE
5/0
- 1617-85 Authorization to increase custodian position .19 FTE, Loyalton Elementary (from .81 FTE to 1.0 FTE-6.5 hours to 8 hours daily)
WRIGHT/HALL
5/0
- 1617-86 Acceptance of Resignation, Rhonda McBride, Cheerleader Advisor, Loyalton High School, effective November 2, 2016
MOORE/HALL
5/0
- 1617-87 Authorization to fill Cheerleader Advisor, Stipend Position, Loyalton High School, 2016-17
HALL/MOORE
5/0
- 1617-88 Authorization to Proceed with Quit Claim Deed Revision for Sierraville School
MOORE/WRIGHT
5/0

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- 1617-89 Acceptance of Donation: Two Elkay EZH20 Bottle Filling Station RetroFit Kits
HALL/DRYDEN
5/0
- 1617-90 Approval of construction of Storage Shed and Related Costs to Construct, per building standards.
MOORE/HALL
5/0
- 1617-91 Authorization for Superintendent to Enter into an Agreement for Tree Removal, Downieville School, not to exceed \$15,000
HALL/WRIGHT
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BOARD POLICIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS
MOORE motioned to approve 1617-92 through and including 1617-95,
WRIGHT seconded.
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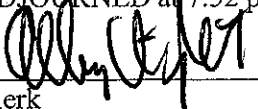
- 1617-92 Approval of Board Policy 0410, Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities, revision
- 1617-93 Approval of Board Policy 4151, 4251, 4351, Employee Compensation, revision
- 1617-94 Approval of Administrative Regulation 4157.1, 4257.1, 4357.1, Work Related Injuries, revision
- 1617-95 Approval of Administrative Regulation 6158, Independent Study, revision (retract section)

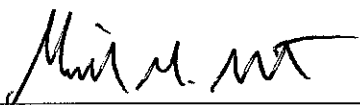
G. ADVANCED PLANNING

1. Next Regular Board Meeting will be held on December 13, 2016, at Downieville School, 130 School Street, Downieville CA 95936, beginning with Closed Session, as needed, at 5:00 pm and the Regular Board Meeting following the Sierra County Board of Education meeting at 6:00 pm.
2. Suggested Agenda items
 - a. 2016-17 First Interim
 - b. Approval of out of state field trip
 - c. Surplus – LHS Vehicles

H. ADJOURN
HALL/WRIGHT

ADJOURNED at 7:52 pm.


Clerk


Dr. Merrill M. Grant, Superintendent