

MINUTES OF THE  
SIERRA-PLUMAS JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEETING  
April 11, 2017  
CLOSED SESSION 5:00 p.m.  
REGULAR SESSION immediately following the 6:00 pm meeting  
of the Sierra County Board of Education  
Downieville School, 130 School St., Downieville, CA 95936

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**B. ROLL CALL**

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

ABSENT: None

**C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

DRISCOLL/HALL  
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**D. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION**  
There was no comment.

**E. CLOSED SESSION**

The Board of Trustees and Superintendent Dr. Merrill M. Grant moved into Closed Session to discuss the following item:

1. Government Code §54957, Public Employee Performance Evaluation - (Annual)  
*Title: Superintendent*

The Board of Trustees, Superintendent Dr. Merrill M. Grant and Nona Griesert, Business Manager, moved into Closed Session to discuss the following item:

2. Government Code §54957.6, Conference with Labor Negotiators  
Agency Negotiator for the Board: Dr. Merrill M. Grant, Superintendent  
Employee Organizations:  
Represented Employees: Sierra-Plumas Teachers' Association  
Unrepresented Employees: Sierra-Plumas Classified Employees  
Confidential Employees  
Administrative Employees

**F. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION 5:57 pm**  
WRIGHT/HALL  
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ADJOURN FOR SIERRA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING at 5:57 pm

G. RECONVENE AT 6:47 pm

H. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

MOORE reported that the Superintendent Evaluation is complete  
Negotiations discussed request from SPTA and gave direction to superintendent

**1. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- a. LCAP meetings are schedule for public input
- b. Downieville WASC is complete. Positives: Independent nature of the school with broad academic reaching; good feelings all around; thank you to the parents who stepped up and made them feel welcome

**2. BUSINESS REPORT**

- a. Account Object Summary-Balance from 07/01/16 to 3/31/17. There were no comments or questions.
- b. The Seventh Month Enrollments for the 2016-2017 School Year were presented.
- c. The California Department of Education Positive Certification letter was acknowledged.

**3. STAFF REPORTS**

There were no reports.

**4. SPTA REPORTS**

- Andrea Ceresola, Loyalton Elementary School Site Administrator:  
Sports Club dinner and awards; invitation to science fair and taco feed on this Thurs 5-7 pm
- Tom Jones, Loyalton High School Site Administrator:  
Report on 2016-17 Schedule Survey Results  
How do the students like the schedule? In favor 70/30  
Overloaded with homework? 60/40;  
45% have retained more information; 24% said they have not.  
Continuity of have the class every day is promoting student achievement: 7.5 F's last year; this year 4; 500 A's last year; 600 this year.  
"The Rapping Dad", Ranked #1 on school campuses, brought a message of overcoming adversity.  
The presentation was a result of a great partnership between our schools and Sierra County.  
Upcoming science departmental meeting re: science standards and what resources we have  
Sports - baseball, softball, track and golf  
Testing after spring break
- Robin Bolle, Lead Teacher at Downieville School:  
Special guest speaker with a career in the legal field, inspired the students  
Golf; tennis; drama and costume design; WASC people spoke with the students  
Rainbow trout hatched and will be released after spring break;  
Banff Festival supported the juniors and seniors with bake sale profits  
PLC training NextGenScience and Renaissance Program  
April 25 open house

**5. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

- HALL: Reported that she chaperoned a field trip to Chico;  
During the WASC visit, everyone worked as a team.
- WRIGHT: WASC started on Sunday with a get together; one member commented that we are rich in technology

## 6. PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comment opened at 7:14 pm and closed without comment.

### I. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held March 14, 2017
2. Approval of Board Report – Checks Dated 3/01/17 through 3/31/17
3. Approval of assignment to teach core subjects out of credential authorization for the 2016-2017 school year:
  - o Megan Meschery, LHS Film Production, 1 section, EC 44263
  - o Susan Baker, LHS Choir, 1 section, EC 44258.2
  - o Augustine Corcoran, Downieville Schools, Yearbook, 1 section, EC 44263
4. Approval of Assignment of Tom Potter, 2016-17 Golf Coach, Downieville School
5. Approval of Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints for quarter ending March 31, 2017. 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 3/31/2017.

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### J. ACTION ITEMS

#### 1. Unfinished Business and General Orders

1617-144 Adoption of Resolution No. 16-008, Pertaining to Request for Leave of Absence

DRYDEN/WRIGHT

TRUSTEE DRISCOLL AYE

TRUSTEE DRYDEN AYE

TRUSTEE HALL AYE

TRUSTEE MOORE AYE

TRUSTEE WRIGHT AYE

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#### 2. New Business

1617-145 Adoption of Resolution No. 16-009, Changing Bank Account Authorized Signatory

DRYDEN/WRIGHT

TRUSTEE DRISCOLL AYE

TRUSTEE DRYDEN AYE

TRUSTEE HALL AYE

TRUSTEE MOORE AYE

TRUSTEE WRIGHT AYE

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- 1617-146 Adoption of Resolution No. 16-010, Changing Office of Public Construction Authorized Signatory  
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TRUSTEE DRISCOLL AYE  
TRUSTEE DRYDEN AYE  
TRUSTEE HALL AYE  
TRUSTEE MOORE AYE  
TRUSTEE WRIGHT AYE  
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- 1617-147 Acceptance of Endorsement from Sierra-Plumas Classified Employees' Association that Toribio Ramirez meets the requirement for the Retirement/Golden Handshake effective August 10, 2017  
DRYDEN/HALL  
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- 1617-148 Acceptance of retirement letter from Toribio Ramirez, Plant Maintenance Worker, Loyalton High School, effective August 10, 2017  
HALL/DRISCOLL  
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- 1617-149 Authorize to fill 1.0 FTE, Plant Maintenance Worker, Loyalton High School  
HALL/DRISCOLL  
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- 1617-150 Acceptance of retirement letter from Kim McKinney, Teacher, Loyalton High School, effective June 9, 2017  
DRYDEN/HALL  
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- 1617-151 Authorization to fill 1.0 teaching position, Math Teacher, Loyalton High School  
HALL/DRYDEN  
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- 1617-152 Accept letter of resignation from Catlin Bella effective March 31, 2017; instructional aide Loyalton Elementary, 5.25 hours daily  
HALL/DRISCOLL  
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- 1617-153 Authorization to fill instructional aide position, Loyalton Elementary, 5.25 hours daily  
HALL/DRISCOLL  
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- 1617-154 Approval of unpaid Leave of Absence for Elizabeth Elorza, August-November 2017, for purpose of student teaching; noon supervisor 1.0 hour daily  
HALL/WRIGHT  
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- 1617-155 Approval of Single Plan for Student Achievement: Downieville Schools  
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- 1617-156 Approval of declaration of surplus and disposal of 2009 Dell Vostro 1000 Computer, S-  
PJUSD Asset Tag #35801  
DRISCOLL/HALL  
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- 1617-157 Approval of 2017-2018 Shortened Instructional Days  
HALL/WRIGHT  
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- 1617-158 Approval of 2017-2018 School Calendar  
HALL/DRISCOLL  
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APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS (President)  
WRIGHT motioned to approve items 1517-150 to and including 1617-165. HALL seconded.  
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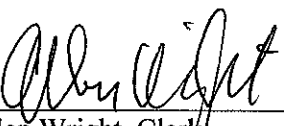
- 1617-159 Board Policy 0460, Local Control and Accountability Plan  
1617-160 Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3260, Fees and Charges  
1617-161 Exhibit 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9, Employee Notifications  
1617-162 Board Policy 5111, Admission  
1617-163 Board Policy 5111.1, District Residency  
1617-164 Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5113, Absences and Excuses  
1617-165 Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5141.52, Suicide Prevention

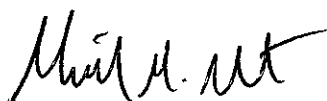
**I. ADVANCED PLANNING**

1. The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on May 9, 2017, Sierra County Office of Education, 109 Beckwith Rd., Loyalton, CA 96118, immediately following the 6:00 pm meeting of the Sierra County Board of Education.
2. Suggested Agenda items:
  - a. SmartWatt/Boiler

**J. ADJOURN**

HALL/DRISCOLL  
ADJOURNED at 7:20 pm.

  
Allen Wright, Clerk

  
Dr. Merrill M. Grant, Superintendent