

# **REGULAR MEETING OF THE NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

## **Tuesday, April 2, 2019**

### **Members present**

Janna Waldinger, Sindy Biederman, Don Huffman, Steve Orndorf, Ann Cash, Jennifer Kresge, Jim Haslip

## **1. ORGANIZATION**

### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

President Kresge called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

### **B. FLAG SALUTE**

The salute to the Flag was led by Josh Schultz, Deputy Superintendent.

### **C. VISITORS**

Visitors were welcomed to the meeting.

### **D. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

At the request of Mr. Huffman, the order of presentations was changed to: 2.A. Camille Creek Golden Moment; 2.B. College and Career Readiness presentation; and, 2.C. Community Programs Prevention, Health & Wellness. The Agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Huffman and a second by Mrs. Biederman. *Ayes* - Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Kresge, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Dr. Haslip, Mr. Huffman, Mr. Orndorf. *Noes* - None.

### **E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Minutes of the March 5, 2019 meeting were approved on a motion by Mrs. Waldinger and a second by Mrs. Biederman. *Ayes* - Mr. Huffman, Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Kresge, Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Biederman, Mrs. Cash, Mr. Orndorf. *Noes* - None.

### **F. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC**

There were no comments from the public.

## **2. PRESENTATIONS**

A. The Golden Moment presentation by Camille Creek student Angelo Romero showcased the wooden sailboat he made with the help and guidance of Ray Drazek, Maintenance/Custodian. Mr. Drazek, who helps in the hobby class twice a week, noted what the students are doing with construction and welding is incredible. Mr. Drazek is very pleased to be able to help and wants this class to be successful.

Dr. Nemko thanked Mr. Drazek for helping the students with these amazing projects.

B. Gillie Miller, Director of College & Career Readiness, introduced teacher Phillip Jenschke, who teaches engineering and robotics at Napa High, and three of his students who call themselves the Cellar Rats. The Cellar Rats displayed and activated their robot for the Board.

Ms. Miller announced that they just received a letter from the NCCER Certified Training Facility and with the assistance of teacher, Dave George, our American Canyon High School construction program is now certified. We can now certify our

students in six different modules so students can earn certification in this nationally recognized certification course.

C. The Community Programs Prevention, Health & Wellness team presented on Prevention Health and Wellness approaches to vaping and tobacco use in Napa County. Presenting were Chris Wedding, Program Manager, and Program Coordinators Johana Navarro, Stevi Dalbey, Loralyn Taylor, and Vanessa Rubio. A PowerPoint presentation provided an overview of the program and what students are doing to get the word out that vaping is dangerous.

Sara Sitch, Director, Community Programs, reported that the Community Programs Prevention, Health & Wellness team has been working hard with our district partners on vaping. They are pleased to have a couple of grants that support this work.

Ms. Sitch noted that they have proclamations coming from the Mayor of Santa Rosa and the Mayor of Napa for AmeriCorps members because of the recent successful AmeriCorps week.

### **3. CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS, AND REPORTS**

- Dr. Nemko announced that she scheduled a meeting with Bill Dodd on April 11 at 3:45 in his office. Dr. Nemko invited the Board to have lunch in her office to review topics for discussion prior to the meeting with Senator Dodd at 3:45.
- Dr. Nemko invited the Board to attend the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Challenge at NVUSD Ed Center at 6:00 on April 11.
- Dr. Nemko invited the Board to the Teacher of the Year/Classified School Employees of the Year Community Celebration on May 22 at 4:00 at the NCOE.
- Dr. Nemko reported that we have been in conversation with Napa Valley College regarding taking over the preschool program. Andi Knowlton and some of her staff have looked at the facility and are working on sorting out the logistical details.
- Dr. Nemko reported that she and Josh Schultz met with a group from ACSA who have formed a teachers' pension group. They do not charge for the service as they get paid by all the different companies who they invest with. We will investigate more and will have them come and talk to our employees.
- Dr. Nemko noted a letter we received from CDE saying they have our first interim report, and we will be able to meet our financial obligations.
- Dr. Nemko showed the Board the sweet letters she received from Canyon Oaks for reading to them on Dr. Seuss Day.
- Dr. Nemko reported that she visited Highline Public Schools in Seattle last week. While there she visited Puget Sound Skills Center which serves high schools around the area in specialized career and technical learning. They offer a multitude of programs including auto body technology, construction, fashion design, law enforcement, nursing assistant, dental assistant, as well as many other programs. Dr. Nemko was especially impressed with the translator/interpreter program and asked Gillie Miller to look into this as a potential program.
- Mrs. Waldinger handed out invitations to the May 17 *If Given a Chance* celebration to honor seven high schools seniors.

- Dr. Nemko will be meeting with Solano County to organize student TED Ed talks at the school level. The goal is to have a community evening where the students will present.
- Mr. Orndorf reported that the AmeriCorps event at Snow Elementary was wonderful, and noted how professional all the AmeriCorps members were.
- Mr. Huffman reported that after 40 years Marty James, sports reporter for the Napa Valley Register, is retiring. Mr. Huffman suggested that we look into a way to honor Mr. James perhaps with a commendation from Senator Bill Dodd.
- Mr. Schultz reported that we received a territory transfer request which requires a public hearing in the two districts concerned. Once Mr. Schultz has further information, he will share it with the Board.

#### **4. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

A. Consent Agenda Item 4.A. (Temporary County Certificates) was passed on a motion by Mr. Huffman and a second by Mr. Orndorf. *Ayes* – Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Biederman, Mr. Orndorf, Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Kresge, Mr. Huffman. *Noes* – None.

B. No action was taken on Consent Agenda Item 4.B. (Board Member Compensation).

#### **5. ACTION ITEMS**

A. On a motion by Mrs. Waldinger and a second by Dr. Haslip, the Board approved the recommended revisions to Board Bylaw 9323 – Meeting Conduct. *Ayes* – Mr. Orndorf, Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Kresge, Mr. Huffman. *Noes* – None.

B. Mr. Orndorf reported that the Personnel Standing Committee recommends a 2.75 percent salary increase for County Superintendent Barbara Nemko, retroactive to January 1, 2019. On a motion by Mrs. Cash and a second by Dr. Haslip, the Board approved the Personnel Standing Committee’s recommendations. *Ayes* – Mr. Orndorf, Mrs. Waldinger, Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Mrs. Kresge, Mr. Huffman. *Noes* – None.

C. On a motion by Mrs. Waldinger and a second by Mrs. Biederman, the Board approved the adoption of Resolution 2019-6: Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators. *Ayes* – Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Cash, Dr. Haslip, Mr. Orndorf, Mrs. Biederman, Mrs. Kresge, Mr. Huffman. *Noes* – None.

D. On a motion by Mr. Huffman, with the modification to the title to include California Complete Count Census 2020, and a second by Mrs. Waldinger, the Board approved to adopt Resolution 2019-7: California Complete Count Census 2020. *Ayes* – Mr. Orndorf, Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Kresge, Mr. Huffman. *Noes* – None.

#### **6. SCHEDULED MATTER**

A. Mrs. Cash read a Napa Valley Register commentary by Dan Walters on the achievement gap and LCFF and suggested that Dr. Nemko submit a letter with additional information on the importance of quality preschool.

**7. INFORMATION ITEMS**

A. The Board accepted the Personnel Activity Report as presented.

B. Mr. Schultz, on behalf of Lucy Edwards, reported no complaints under the Williams Uniform Complaints Procedures Quarterly Report.

Mr. Schultz reported that the NCOE received a uniform complaint from a preschool parent whose child attends Napa Junction saying her child has not been assessed by the program. Andi Knowlton, Director of Early Childhood Development, is addressing the matter with the parent.

C. Mr. Schultz presented the 2019-20 Preliminary Budget to the Board noting that the preliminary budget is a first glimpse of NCOE’s anticipated revenues and expenditures for the coming fiscal year. Mr. Schultz noted that the purpose of the document is to keep the Board informed of the budget development.

D. The LCAP update was tabled to the May 7 meeting.

E. Mr. Schultz reported that Julie McClure, Allen Rossi, Caroline Wilson, and Nancy Dempsey along with the architects and facility consultants drove to several school sites today to look at modular school buildings. The conclusion is we could get a beautiful modular school that would meet the needs of our budget.

We removed the trees in front of the Napa Child Development Center (NCDC) to make room for the upcoming site work. We are moving forward with the move of the NCDC to the Napa Preschool Program (NPP). Further good news, NVUSD is making a classroom available for one class to move onto their campus.

F. The Board agreed to have the Staff Appreciation Luncheon on May 7 from 1:00 to 2:30 with the Board meeting following at 3:30.

H. Mrs. Kresge suggested that a board retreat be held in the fall and that she has contacted the presenter.

**8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** (1) Marty James recognition, and (2) Invitation to Canyon Oaks robotics parents.

**9. NEXT MEETING OF THE NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The next regular meeting of the Napa County Board of Education will be on May 7, 2019.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Nemko, Secretary  
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