

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Tuesday, March 3, 2020**

Members present

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

Absent: Don Huffman

1. ORGANIZATION

A. CALL TO ORDER

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

B. FLAG SALUTE

The salute to the Flag was led by Ann Cash.

C. WELCOME VISITORS

Visitors were welcomed to the meeting.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Agenda was approved on a motion by Mrs. Cash and a second by Mrs. Waldinger. Ayes – Mrs. Kresge, Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Mr. Orndorf. Noes – None.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the February 4, 2020 meeting were approved on a motion by Mrs. Waldinger and a second by Mrs. Biederman. Ayes – Mrs. Kresge, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Waldinger, Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Biederman, Mr. Orndorf. Noes – None.

F. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

2. PRESENTATIONS

A. Presentation by Pacific Union College representatives Sandra Troeppe Sargent, Director Health Services and Haley Wesley, Assistant Vice President Marketing on new rankings, statistics, the PUC new scholarship, and their mission with Pacific Union College.

B. Ms. McClure introduced the Napa Infant Program staff. Staff presented on how they support families to prepare their children for preschool. Staff presenting included: Nora Snowden, Jennifer Carter, Veronica Jimenez, Zorana Katechis-Naiburg, Alicia Murillo, Yanett Gonzalez, Maite Bernabeu, and Ermilita Bruce.

Dr. Nemko mentioned the Superintendent's Fund is available to help families who are in need of necessary items for their child.

C. Alonso Medrano, Bilingual Interventions Coordinator for Camille Creek Community School, presented on the Work Experience Education Program that links academic curriculum with real world work. Mr. Medrano noted there are two types of Work Experience Education areas, and they are Exploratory Work Experience (internships), and General Work Experience (paying jobs). The WEE program created with the CDE regulations and with Board approval allows the students to earn elective or academic credit.

D. Jill Barnes, Induction Program Manager, Continuous Improvement department, shared data from Induction and the Local Solutions Special Education Grant. The Induction Program conducts a mid-year program survey, polling candidates, mentors, and administrators in five areas: 1) Mentor Training, 2) Induction Activities, 3) Candidate Growth, 4) Mentor Relationship & Support, and 5) Administrative Support. Induction program data trends, questions, and next steps were identified through conversation with Board members and indicate a high level of program satisfaction for all stakeholders.

E. Jill Barnes, Induction Program Manager, Continuous Improvement department, shared the Local Solutions Grant data showing special education teachers in Napa County have received over \$130,000 in grant funds, with projections to reach almost \$245,000 at the end of the 2019-2020 fiscal year. The Community of Practice supporting special education teachers countywide has met three times, and participants report the experience is valuable to their practice.

3. CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS, AND REPORTS

- Mr. Orndorf reported that he visited Camille Creek a week ago and enjoyed talking with staff and seeing their meeting in action.
- Mr. Schultz noted that the board may have two meetings in June with regard to the district redistricting/moving boundary lines matter for NVUSD. Mr. Schultz explained there will likely be one public hearing. The county committee will study the issue and will then take action to approve or not approve. Voting by district and the map are the two items the Board will vote on.
- Dr. Nemko reported that she met with Dr. Karen Relucio, Director of Napa County Public Health, up-valley superintendents, and Napa Valley College representatives to discuss updates on the Coronavirus.
- Dr. Nemko reported that we have a one million dollar donation promised to us over a five year period for the Calistoga Preschool project. We have other donors who have also pledged financial assistance, so we are getting close to having the required funding to complete the project. The donor has asked that the preschool be named after him. We will meet at the Calistoga Preschool for the April Board meeting starting at 2:50. We will then move to one of the school venues where Calistoga officials and teachers will join us. The Board meeting location to be determined.
- Dr. Nemko reported that we received our first notification with regard to the FOCUS on Children program we launched last week. There have also been several notifications from NVUSD.
- Dr. Nemko reported we received a new CTE grant for \$750,000.00 for work based learning.

- Dr. Nemko reported we are still operating on Learning Upgrade funding that we had remaining from the original grant, and we have not received any new funding. There are still people using the funding for math certifications.
- Dr. Nemko reported on Innovation Ed day at New Tech High on March 1. We are looking into modifying the time frame as it was on Saturday from 9:00 - 3:00. A better time frame may be 8:30-12:00 noon or 9:00-1:00 with morning break, food, and possibly over a two day period.
- Dr. Nemko reported that the Lincoln Theatre has a new endeavor with a speaker series. They plan to invite well known speakers and will pay them for their travel and presentations. They have written us into separate grants to receive \$10,000.00 to be able to have the speaker come to schools or have the students go to the Lincoln Theatre.
- Dr. Nemko reported that she was asked to be on State Superintendent Tony Thurmond's advisory committee along with 18 other people.
- Mrs. Cash reported that she has completed 80 percent of the Masters in Governance Program.

4. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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

B. Consent Agenda Item 4.B. (Board Member Compensation – Don Huffman) was passed on a motion by Mrs. Kresge and a second by Mrs. Cash. *Ayes* – Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Kresge, Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Biederman, Mrs. Cash, Mr. Orndorf. *Noes* – None. Backup information on the consent agenda items was included in the Board packets and is on file in the Superintendent's office.

5. ACTION ITEMS

A. On a motion by Mrs. Kresge and a second by Mrs. Biederman, the Board approved the Work Experience Education Program Application. *Ayes* – Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Kresge, Mrs. Biederman, Mr. Orndorf. *Noes* – None.

B. On a motion by Mrs. Waldinger and a second by Mrs. Cash, the Board approved the Court and Community Schools Comprehensive School Safety Plan. *Ayes* – Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Kresge, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Mr. Orndorf. *Noes* – None.

C. Mr. Orndorf reported that the Personnel Standing Committee recommends a 3.5 percent salary increase for County Superintendent Barbara Nemko, retroactive to January 1, 2020. On a motion by Mr. Orndorf and a second by Mrs. Cash, the Board approved the Personnel Standing Committee's recommendations. *Ayes* – Mr. Orndorf, Mrs. Waldinger, Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Mrs. Kresge. *Noes* – None.

D. On a motion by Dr. Haslip and a second by Mrs. Waldinger, the Board approved the solicitation for bids for the Calistoga Preschool concrete foundation. *Ayes* – Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Kresge, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Mr. Orndorf. *Noes* – None.

E. On a motion by Mrs. Waldinger and a second by Dr. Haslip, the Board approved the American Modular Contract for the Calistoga Preschool Project. *Ayes* – Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Kresge, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Mr. Orndorf. *Noes* – None.

F. On a motion by Mrs. Waldinger and a second by Mrs. Biederman, the Board approved the solicitation for bids for the Camille Creek Project. *Ayes* – Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Kresge, Mrs. Biederman, Mrs. Cash, Mr. Orndorf. *Noes* – None.

G. The Board approved the recommendation for a 5 percent allowable increase for Board compensation under Education Code 1090. On a motion by Mrs. Kresge and a second by Mrs. Biederman, the Board approved the allowable 5 percent increase with an effective date of March 1, 2020. *Ayes* – Mrs. Waldinger, Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, and Mrs. Kresge. Mr. Orndorf said he will donate his stipend increase to the Superintendent’s Fund. *Noes* – None. Not present to vote: Mr. Huffman.

H. On a motion by Mr. Orndorf and a second by Mrs. Waldinger, the Board approved a positive certification of the Second Interim Budget Report. *Ayes* – Dr. Haslip, Mrs. Waldinger, Mrs. Kresge, Mrs. Biederman, Mrs. Cash, Mr. Orndorf. *Noes* – None.

6. SCHEDULED MATTER – Reporting on education legislation:

A. Mrs. Cash reported on Assemblymember Shirley Weber’s AB 1835 Local Control Funding Formula bill to require districts, county office of education, and charter schools to reconcile and report on funds on the actual spending of those moneys. The CDE is developing a tracking system to report on how funds are spent.

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

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

B. Ms. McClure presented a First Reading of Administrative Regulation 5117 Interdistrict Attendance Appeals. Administrative Regulation 5117 Interdistrict Appeals will be presented for a second reading and approval at the April 7 meeting.

C. Mr. Schultz reported the we are in the process of developing the 2020-21 LCAP using the newly adopted LCAP template. The DataZone system will allow us to track many of the LCAP metric in real-time data including academics, discipline incidents and attendance.

D. Coronavirus updates were addressed by Dr. Nemko under Correspondence, Communications, and Reports.

E. Mrs. Kresge informed the Board that she spoke with Susan Decker, proposed facilitator for the board retreat. Possible ideas for the retreat include discussion on how to build a culture of inquiry, how to be an observer on a board meeting, and how to enhance a constructive atmosphere. Ms. Decker’s fee is \$3,500. Mrs. Kresge asked Ellen Sitter to forward Ms. Decker’s email to the Board.

Mrs. Kresge asked Ellen Sitter to send a Doodle Poll to the Board to find a mutually agreeable date for the Board retreat.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

9. NEXT MEETING OF THE NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The next regular meeting of the Napa County Board of Education will be on Tuesday, April 7, 2020.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Nemko, Secretary
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Approved _____ Date _____