

# Nord Country School

5554 California Street, Chico, CA 95973

**Meeting of the Board of Directors - Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 6PM**

## Regular Meeting Minutes

### Board Members

Hilary Tricerri, President  
Radley Ott, Vice President  
Augie Heath, Treasurer  
Janet Ellner, Co-Secretary  
Katrina DuVal, Co-Secretary  
Levi Russell, Member  
Jesse Scherba, Member  
Sheila Koester, Teacher Rep  
Junell Lawrence, Member

- 1.0 Call to Order at 6:03pm
  - 1.1 Flag Salute
  - 1.2 Attendance: Hilary Tricerri, Augie Heath, Janet Ellner, Katrina DuVal, Jesse Scherba, Sheila Koester (arrived at 6:15), Junell Lawrence, Kathy Dahlgren, Amber Hayes, Allison Ward, Lisa Speegle, members of the public.  
Absent: Radley Ott, Levi Russell
- 2.0 Changes/Deletions to Current Meeting Agenda – Hilary Tricerri moved Item 6.4 Approval of Admin Salary Schedule to after closed session.
- 3.0 Public Comments on Items not on the Current Meeting Agenda – none
- 4.0 Reports and Presentations
  - 4.1 Principal's Report – Kathy Dahlgren reported that all students had PE Day and Water Fun Day. Open house was 5/17 along with the 3rd grade play. 5/25 is the awards ceremony and 5/26 is Kindergarten and 8th grade graduation. Teachers have staff development day 5/30 and 5/31. We have 218 students enrolled for next year. Still working on hiring and have more interviews coming up.
  - 4.2 Teacher's Report – Sheila Koester reported on all of the different events happening on campus.
  - 4.3 Facilities Report – Lisa Speegle reported that the team met to further discuss improvements in the walkway from room 6-10. Possibility to eliminate ramps. Measure K approved the options and now it is going to CUSD. The team also met with a civil engineer about the blacktop project.
  - 4.4 Safety Report – Nothing to report
  - 4.5 PTO Report – Kathy Dahlgren reported that they had their last meeting. They had an election for new officers. They celebrated teacher appreciation week the first week of May.
  - 4.6 Charter Renewal – Allison Ward reported that the law passed and we have another year for charter renewal. Several charter leaders went to the Chico Unified school board and Kathy Dahlgren presented about our low absenteeism.
  - 4.7 Strategic Planning Update – Kathy Dahlgren reported she met with Jovani Tricerri. He suggested breaking the goals up into committees with admin, staff and board member representatives.
  - 4.8 Succession Planning Committee Report – Nothing to report
- 5.0 Consent Calendar – Hilary Tricerri pulled item 5.1. Jesse Scherba moved, Augie Heath seconded that the consent calendar be approved as presented with the exception of items 5.1. Ayes: Hilary Tricerri, Augie Heath, Janet Ellner, Katrina DuVal, Jesse Scherba, Sheila Koester, Junell Lawrence. Noes: none. Abstaining: Sheila Koester on item 5.3. Absent: Levi Russell and Radley Ott.
  - 5.1 Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from April 26, 2023 – Hilary Tricerri noted some corrections in the minutes. After discussion, Janet Ellner moved, Jesse Scherba seconded to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes with the suggested amendments. Ayes: Hilary Tricerri, Augie Heath, Janet Ellner, Katrina DuVal, Jesse Scherba, Sheila Koester, Junell Lawrence. Noes: none. Abstaining: none. Absent: Levi Russell and Radley Ott
  - 5.2 Consider Approval of April Financial Reports, Payments to Vendors, and Donations
  - 5.3 Consider Approval of 2023/24 Teacher Contracts

- 5.4 Consider Approval of Math Placement Update
- 5.5 Consider Acceptance of Federal and State Informational Returns
- 5.6 Consider Approval of 23/24 Extended Learning Opportunity Program Contract with BCOE
- 5.7 Consider Approval of Administration Stipends for Summer School Supervision

6.0 Discussion/Action Items

- 6.1 Presentation of 2023-2024 Draft Budget – Lisa Speegle presented the draft budget for 2023-24. Particularly upsetting is the governor’s proposal to cut current year and future funding to fund the COLA and new programs. Looked at the projected enrollment, ADA and our expenditures. No action taken.
- 6.2 Presentation of 2023-2024 Draft Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) – Allison Ward presented on how our goals were created with the influence of the goals from the strategic plan. No action taken.
- 6.3 Discussion on Appointment of the Education Board Representative – Kathy Dahlgren led a discussion regarding Education Representative for the Board. A few names were suggested and contacts will be made. No action taken.
- 6.4 Consider Approval of Admin Salary Schedule for 2023/2024 School Year (moved to after 8.0 closed session) – Lisa Speegle presented options for Admin Salary Scale based on input from the board in May. After discussion, Jesse Scherba moved, Katrina DuVal seconded that we adopt the step 8 version of the salary schedule and remove the CBO position from the schedule Ayes: Hilary Tricerri, Augie Heath, Janet Ellner, Katrina DuVal, Jesse Scherba,, Junell Lawrence. Noes: none. Abstaining: Sheila Koester. Absent: Levi Russell and Radley Ott.
- 6.5 Consider Approval of Camera Installation Project – Allison Ward presented a project to install security cameras on campus. After discussion, Junell Lawrence moved, Jesse Scherba seconded that we approve the installation of the camera installation on campus with pie auction funds if no other grant project funds are secured. Ayes: Hilary Tricerri, Augie Heath, Janet Ellner, Katrina DuVal, Jesse Scherba, Sheila Koester, Junell Lawrence. Noes: none. Abstaining: none. Absent: Levi Russell and Radley Ott

7.0 Call to Order, Closed Session at 7:48pm (attended by board members and those being evaluated only)

- 7.1 Evaluation of Kathy Dahlgren, Principal/Superintendent
- 7.2 Evaluation of Lisa Speegle, Chief Business Officer

8.0 Return to Open Session at 8:25pm

- 8.1 Announcement of Action Taken in Closed Session – both Kathy Dahlgren and Lisa Speegle received positive evaluations. Kathy Dahlgren will be offered a contract for 2023/24 at the June board meeting. Lisa Speegle announced her retirement as of June 30, 2023.

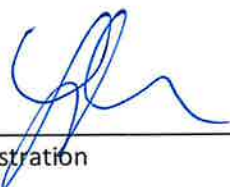
9.0 Future Agenda Items

- 9.1 Discussion of the community and educational rep.

10.0 Adjournment at 9:19pm

APPROVED:

  
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Board of Education

  
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Administration