

Nord Country School

Meeting of the Board of Directors

5554 California Street, Chico, CA 95973

Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at 6:00 pm

Board Meeting Minutes

Board Members

Richard Aguilera, President
Kelli Ruley, Vice President
Roy Roney, Treasurer
Lexie Aceves, Co-Secretary
Janet Ellner, Co-Secretary
Tom Williams
Kristy Dailey

1.0 Call to Order

1.1 Flag Salute: President Richard Aguilera called meeting to order at 6:06 pm.

1.2 Attendance: Board Members present were Richard Aguilera, Kelli Ruley, Roy Roney, Lexie Aceves and Janet Ellner. Tom Williams arrived at 6:12pm. Kristy Dailey was absent.

2.0 Changes/Deletions to Current Meeting Agenda

Kathy Dahlgren stated the deletion of 5.3 Testing Results. The information was not available and will be presented at a later board meeting.

3.0 Consent Calendar

- 3.1 Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes from Regular Meeting on June 10, 2015
- 3.2 Consider Approval of July Financial Reports, Payments to Vendors and Donation Report
- 3.3 Consider Approval of 2015-16 Contract with Bidwell Cabs for Kids for Transportation Services
- 3.4 Consider Approval of Energy Plan
 - 3.4.1 Consider Approval of lighting contract with RHA
 - 3.4.2 Consider Approval of HVAC contract with Jesse Heating and Air
- 3.5 Consider Approval of P Annual Attendance Report
- 3.6 Consider Approval of Consolidated Application
- 3.7 Consider Approval of Contract with Chico Country Day School for Psychologist services
- 3.8 Consider Approval of Lease Agreement with Inland for New Copier
- 3.9 Consider Approval of Hiring 3 Aides to Fill Vacant Positions

Richard Aguilera requested section 3.1 be pulled for discussion.

Lexie Aceves made a motion to accept the Consent Calendar with section 3.1 pulled.

Janet Ellner seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on.

Richard Aguilera -Aye

Kelli Ruley -Aye

Roy Roney - Aye

Lexie Aceves-Aye

Janet Ellner-Aye

Richard Aguilera asked for any current information concerning the Barona Indian grant which was presented at June's board meeting. Kathy Dahlgren reported the grant application had been accepted but no further information had been received.

Kelli Ruley made a motion to accept section 3.1.

Lexie Aceves seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on.

Richard Aguilera -Aye

Kelli Ruley -Aye

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Roy Roney - Aye
Lexie Aceves-Aye
Janet Ellner-Aye

4.0 Public Comments on Items Not on the Current Meeting Agenda

Janet Ellner asked if anyone had any information about charter school amendment AB787.

Discussion ensued. Richard Aguilera mentioned an article in upgraded magazine with the board about the history of Nord School.

5.0 Discussion/Action Items

5.1 7th Grade Update

Kathy Dahlgren introduced the new 7th grade teacher Miguel Rosso.

Kathy Dahlgren also reviewed all the performed renovations for the 7th and 8th grade portables. She reviewed the various work still needed. Kathy stated the current amount spent for the 7th/8th grade project is at \$240,000 not including the new bathroom which cost \$80,000 or concrete work, which puts the current cost of the project at \$320,000. The original proposed budget was \$300,000. Roy Roney reviewed the process for covering the cost of the project. Roy stated any extra amount the project goes over will be covered by the prudent reserve and will not hurt our financial situation. Discussion ensued.

5.2 Consider Approval of Fundraising and Event Calendar

Lexie Aceves made a motion to approve the Fundraising and Event Calendar as amended.

Tom Williams seconded the motion.

The amendment was to include the Halloween Carnival to the Fundraising and Event Calendar. Kelli Ruley recused herself. Discussion ensued.

The motion was voted on.

Richard Aguilera -Aye

Kelli Ruley –Abstain

Roy Roney - Aye

Lexie Aceves-Aye

Janet Ellner-Aye

Tom Williams – Aye

5.3 ~~Testing Results~~ Item pulled

~~5.3.1 PE Testing~~

~~5.3.2 Classroom and School Wide DIBELS Report~~

~~5.3.3 Update on Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) and Academic Performance Indicator (API)~~

6.0 Reports and Presentations

6.1 Principal's Report

Kathy Dahlgren reported that 169 students are currently enrolled and there are several waiting lists in various grades. The welcome back potluck is August 15th. The first day of school is August 19th and Back to School Night for kindergarten and 7th grade is August 25th and August 26th for 1st through 6th. Kathy stated she has hired three new aides so far but there has been no success in hiring a custodian so the school is going with a janitorial company and will complete their contract soon. The music teacher position is still open. Kathy told the board of the purchase of hard cover library and classroom books for \$1 each

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from the BCOE Resource Library that was closing. Kathy passed out a list of school events and the 2015/2016 school calendar to the board.

6.2 Teacher's Report

Kelli Ruley reported that the teachers have had many trainings over the summer including Science, STEM and Math Coaching. The teachers are busy preparing their classrooms for the new school year.

6.3 PTO Report

Kathy Dahlgren reported that PTO meetings are moving to the 1st Thursday of the month this year. PTO will be helping with the book fair and kindergarten brunch on the first day of school.

6.4 Safety Report

Kelli Ruley reported that there will be a safety meeting before school starts to discuss evacuation sights. Fire alarms have been installed in the new classrooms.

6.5 Technology Report

Kathy Dahlgren reported that Comcast had visited the school concerning the installation of the high speed network. Comcast is delaying the completion date due to the process of obtaining permits from the County, the railroad and PG&E. Kathy stated the teachers have all received updated computers. Kathy also reported that a new phone system for the whole school was donated by a local doctor's office and our cost was only \$1,000 for installation.

6.6 Facilities Report – tour of rooms 11 and 12

Kathy Dahlgren gave the board a tour of rooms 11 and 12.

7.0 Closed Session at 7:15pm

Employee Evaluation

Per Government Code §54957

Title: Principal

8.0 Reconvene to Regular Session

8.1. Call to Order: President Richard Aguilera called meeting back to order at 7:42pm.

8.2. Report Action Taken in Closed Session

Roy Roney made a motion to offer Kathy Dahlgren an employment contract for the 2015/2016 school year reflecting the 3% increase effective July 1st, 2015. The evaluation committee will present its findings to the board at which time the contract may be revisited. Janet Ellner seconded.

The motion was voted on.

Richard Aguilera -Aye

Kelli Ruley –Abstain

Roy Roney - Aye

Lexie Aceves-Abstain

Janet Ellner-Aye

Tom Williams – Aye

9.0 Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.