

Nord Country School

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Wednesday, October 9, 2013 6:00 pm

Nord Country School

5554 California Street, Chico, CA 95973

Board Members

Kelli Ruley, President
Robert Cann, Vice President
Lexie Aceves, Co-Secretary
Janet Ellner, Co-Secretary
Richard Aguilera, Treasurer
Luke Messenger
Tom Williams

1.0 Call to Order

1.1 Flag Salute President Kelli Ruley called meeting to order at 6:01pm.

1.2 Attendance Board Members present were Kelli Ruley, Richard Aguilera, Lexie Aceves, Robert Cann, and Janet Ellner. Luke Messenger arrived at 6:03 and Tom Williams arrived at 6:08.

Guests: Kathy Dahlgren, Lisa Speegle, Sheila Koester Patty Roche and Junell Lawrence.

1.3 Approve Agenda

Robert Cann moved to approve the agenda.

Lexie Aceves seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on. Ayes - 5 Naves- 0 Abstain- 0

2.0 Consent Calendar

2.1 Approval of minutes of previous meeting: Regular Meeting on September 11, 2013

Robert Cann moved to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of September 11, 2013.

Janet Ellner seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on. Ayes - 5 Naves- 0 Abstain- 0

3.0 Reports

3.1 Principal's Report

Kathy Dahlgren reported current student enrollment is at 149 students but on Monday it will be at 150. She mentioned the upcoming Harvest Festival and Halloween Carnival. Kathy updated the board on school interventions. Dawn Buchanan finished Nord Country School's audit and everything looks good, the board will receive the audit report next month.

3.2 Teacher's Report

Kelli Ruley reported that kindergarten will be going to the pumpkin patch, 1st grade is studying wheat and almonds, 2nd grade is learning about Earth Science, 3rd grade is studying space, 4th is working on inferences, 5th grade is studying the United States and 6th is finishing up unit on Prehistoric man.

3.3 Facilities Report

Kathy Dahlgren reported the certification and close of file report from DSA for room 5 and the water tank. Next month Luke Messenger and Tom Williams will present ideas for sidewalk and ramp project for the playground area.

3.4 Technology Report

Kathy Dahlgren stated not much to report until we reach the Common Core section of the agenda.

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3.5 Safety Report

Kathy Dahlgren reported that the school has performed a fire drill and earthquake drill.

3.6 PTO Report

Kathy Dahlgren presented the PTO treasurer report and the Chico Bag fundraiser made over \$1,800.

Sheila Koester announced that the Winter PTO fundraiser will be kids artwork printed on items people can purchase.

4.0 Financial Report

4.1 Financial Reports

Lisa Speegle presented a change to the budget with the REAP award being \$903 less. The budget is also lowered due to the hiring of a new intervention aide. The bottom line is still at \$41,000 despite those changes.

4.2 Credit Card

Kathy Dahlgren presented the information for a school credit card from Northern California National Bank to make purchases instead of employees using personal accounts and waiting to be reimbursed. The credit card would have a \$3,000 limit. The account would be tracked in financial reports and paid off entirely every month.

Robert Cann moved to accept acquiring a Nord Country School Credit Card.

Richard Aguilera seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on. Ayes - 7 Naves- 0 Abstain- 0

4.3 September Payment to Vendors

Richard Aguilera moved to accept the September payments to vendors.

Robert Cann seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on. Ayes - 6 Naves- 0 Abstain- 1
Tom Williams recused himself.

4.4 September Donations

Lexie Aceves moved to accept the September donations.

Janet Ellner seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on. Ayes - 7 Naves- 0 Abstain- 0

5.0 General Business

5.1 After School Program

The After School Program was discussed.

5.2 Violin/Music contract

Richard Aguilera moved to accept the violin/music contracts.

Lexie Aceves seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on. Ayes - 7 Naves- 0 Abstain- 0

5.3 Common Core

Nord Country School will be spending Common Core monies on staff development, technology, text books and materials that align with Common Core standards.

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Robert Cann moved to accept the Common Core Expenditure Plan.

Lexie Aceves seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on. Ayes - 7 Nays- 0 Abstain- 0

Kathy Dahlgren stated that STAR testing is changing to Smarter Balance testing. No STAR testing this year. Grades 3 through 6 will perform Language Arts or Math testing for Smarter Balance this year as a test of the new program with no results given to schools or parents.

Kathy presented preliminary information for 25 laptops, 1 cart and headphones for \$20,000. She will get other quotes and bring the information to the board next month.

5.4 Prop 39 Resolution

Kathy Dahlgren presented the Prop 39 resolution information. Which is a grant to improve energy efficiency and is around \$50,000 each year for two years.

Richard Aguilera moved to apply for the Bright Schools Program.

Robert Cann seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on. Ayes - 7 Nays- 0 Abstain- 0

The board signed the Bright Schools Program Resolution.

6.0 Public Members Who Wish to Address the Board of Directors on items not on the agenda (Speakers are asked to please limit their comments to 5 minutes per speaker)

Kathy Dahlgren presented PBIS reports. Kathy Dahlgren handed out two policies to go over in November.

7.0 Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm.

Approved November 13, 2013

Signed _____ Lexie Aceves, Board Co-Secretary