

# Nord Country School

## Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Wednesday, April 10, 2013 6:00 pm  
Nord Country School  
5554 California Street, Chico, CA 95973

### Board Members

Kelli Ruley, President  
Robert Cann, Vice President  
Marcia Worden, Secretary  
Richard Aguilera, Treasurer  
Lexie Aceves  
Luke Messenger  
Vivian Appleby

### 1.0 Call to Order

**1.1 Flag Salute:** President Kelli Ruley called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm with the flag salute.

**1.2 Attendance:** Board Members present were Kelli Ruley, Marcia Worden, Richard Aguilera, Vivian Appleby, Lexie Aceves, Robert Cann and Luke Messenger.

**Guests:** Kathy Dahlgren.

### 2.0 Closed Session

Employee Evaluation

Per Government Code §54957

Title: Principal

### 3.0 Reconvene to Regular Session

**3.1. Call to Order** Regular session was called to order by Kelli Ruley at 6:12 with the flag salute.

#### **3.2. Report Action Taken in Closed Session**

Kelli Ruley reported that there was a vote to accept the report and offer a contract for next year.

### 4.0 Call to Order

**4.1 Flag Salute:** President Kelli Ruley called the meeting to order at 6:12 pm with the flag salute.

**4.2 Attendance:** Board Members present were Kelli Ruley, Marcia Worden, Richard Aguilera, Vivian Appleby, Lexie Aceves, Robert Cann and Luke Messenger.

**Guests:** Kathy Dahlgren, Lisa Speegle, Junell Lawrence, Sheila Koester Katrina Gutierrez, Janet Ellner and Patty Roche.

#### **4.3 Approve Agenda:**

Kelli noted a change in the numbering of the agenda that was sent out.

Lexie Aceves moved to accept the agenda.

Vivian Appleby seconded the motion.

Luke Messenger asked if 9.31 and 9.4 could be tabled to the next meeting. Rob Cann suggested the board wait until that time and decide then. It was agreed to wait to change these items.

Kathy Dahlgren asked to strike 9.1 from the agenda due to computer problems.

Kelli Ruley asked if 8.0 could be moved up to accommodate members of the audience who wanted to be there for that discussion.

Marcia Worden made a friendly amendment to move 8.0 up to 6.0.

Lexie Aceves accepted Marcia Worden's friendly amendment and accept the agenda with 8.0 moved to 6.0 and strike 9.1 from the agenda. Vivian Appleby accepted the amendment to the motion.

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

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## 5.0 Consent Calendar

### 5.1 Approval of minutes of Regular Meeting on March 13, 2013

Lexie Aceves moved to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 13, 2013 with the corrections noted by Patty Roche. Luke Messenger seconded the motion.

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

## 6.0 Financial Report (\* - moved from 8.0)

**6.1 Financial Reports** Lisa Speegle went over to the current year budget and next year's proposed budget.

### 6.2 March Payments to Vendors

Lexie Aceves moved to accept payments to vendors. Richard Aguilera seconded the motion. Motion was voted on. Ayes - 5 Nays - 0 Abstain - 2  
Luke Messenger and Kelli Ruley recused themselves.

### 6.3 March Donations

Luke Messenger questioned why some names of people who donated were not mentioned. The names mentioned were people who wrote checks.

Richard Aguilera moved to accept March Donations. Marcia Worden seconded the motion.

Motion was voted on. Ayes - 5 Nays - 0 Abstain - 2 Rob Cann and Lexie Aceves recused themselves.

**6.4 2013/2014 Budget (Discussion Only)** Lisa Speegle went over the Budget Planning Figures for next year. The beginning of a good school budget is enrollment. She went over what went in to determining the figures.

She went over the revenues calculations in State Funding. She noted that the State system is changing and we don't know how that will affect our funding.

She went over the expenditure calculations for next year.

#### 6.4.1 Title 1 and 2 Funding (Discussion Only)

#### 6.4.2 Summer School (Discussion Only)

Kathy Dahlgren talked about how the students have been progressing and to go the whole summer with nothing could be detrimental. She would like to consider having intervention groups during the summer. By next meeting Kathy will have some ideas of how this will be paid for. We are going to have a free Summer Food Lunch Program offered by CUSD.

#### 6.4.3 Draft of New Salary Schedule (Discussion Only)

Kathy Dahlgren went over how the steps are achieved. Steps are not just the years of teaching. Rewarding the teachers for all their extra work is important. She went over how they can earn points to move up a step. Lisa presented the board with salary schedules based on a percentage increase as well as a step increase.

Luke Messenger encouraged the board to look at a percentage raise. There was a discussion on Step Raise and Percentage raise.

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Both salary schedules include a 2% increase in classified and administration salaries.

## 7.0 Reports

**7.1 Facilities Report:** Luke is still working on the list to complete the rm. 5 project.

### 7.2 Principal's Report

Kathy Dahlgren reported that we have 141 students. 96.5% attendance.

She went over the upcoming events.

A Title 1 Coordinator has been hired.

Expulsion Policy needs to be readdressed. Kathy Dahlgren will get the current policies to the board along with recommendations.

### 7.3 Teacher's Report

Kelli Ruley told the board what each classroom was doing. Grades 2-6 are getting ready for STAR testing.

### 7.4 Technology Report

Kathy Dahlgren told the board that she is looking at doing something with the 6th grade laptops. We had a donation of laptops and she wants to see if Trevor can work on them.

### 7.5 Safety Report

Kathy Dahlgren told board that the next meeting will be April 26th and they will be working on the Evacuation Plan.

### 7.6 PTO Report

Sheila Koester gave a report on what the PTO has been doing. The Flower bulb sale made a \$1,387 profit that will go toward the new playground. They donated \$200 for the prizes for the egg drop.

The next meeting will be Tuesday at Cafe Sol. The candidate for Board-Parent Rep will be there and following the presentation there will be the election.

PTO purchased 2 garden benches to honor Ernie. They will be presented either at Garden Day or Promotion.

#### 7.6.1 Parent Survey Results

Sheila Koester went over the results of the Parent Survey.

## 8.0 Policy Review

### 8.1 Facilities Policies

#### 8.1.1 Deletion of 6010, 6040, 6060

Kelli Ruley clarified that the Policies sent out were numbered with old policy numbers. #1 = 6010, #4 = 6040 and #6 = 6060.

Richard moved that the board take a closer look at #4 (6040) and come back and make some recommendations. Lexie Aceves seconded the motion.

Motion was voted on. Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Abstain – 0

6060 - Luke Messenger moved that the board work on the language in #6 (6060).

Rob Cann seconded the motion.

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Motion was voted on. Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Abstain – 0

6010 Luke Messenger moved to delete #1 (6010). Lexie Aceves seconded the motion.

Motion was voted on. Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Abstain – 0

Kelli noted that last month's minutes should be changed Policy 6010 should be changed to 6020 and 6020 should be changed to 6030.

Lexie Aceves accepts the friendly amendment to accept change to 5.1 Approval of March 13, 2013 Minutes.

Vivian Appleby agreed. Motion was voted on. Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Abstain – 0

## 9.0 General Business

### ~~9.1 P2 Attendance Report~~ Strike from tonight's agenda

### 9.2 2013/2014 Calendar

Kathy Dahlgren presented the proposed School Calendar for the 2013/14 School year.

Richard Aguilera moved to accept the calendar for 2013/14 with the adjustment of Labor Day is September 2nd. Vivian Appleby seconded the motion.

Motion was voted on. Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 Abstain – 2 Lexie Aceves and Kelli Ruley recused

### 9.3 Pie Auction

Kelli Ruley reported that the Pie Auction brought in \$43,350.02 and the tentative profit will be \$37,836.21

Luke Messenger asked that the names of people who donated to Pie Auction be added to the donation list. It is important to recognize those people.

Luke Messenger moved to move 9.3.1 and 9.4 to another time. Vivian Appleby seconded the motion.

Motion was voted on. Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 Abstain – 0

### 8.3.1 Amount to Playground Fund (Tabled to future meeting)

### 9.4 Strategic Plan (Discussion Only) (Tabled to future meeting)

## 10.0 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)

## 11.0 Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.