Nord Country School

Meeting of the Board of Directors 5554 California Street, Chico, CA 95973

Wednesday, February 10, 2016 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 6:01 pm.
- 1.2 Attendance: Board Members present were Richard Aguilera, Kelli Ruley, Roy Roney, Janet Ellner, and Kristy Dailey. Lexie Aceves was absent. Tom Williams arrived at 6:20.

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

2.0 Changes/Deletions to Current Meeting Agenda

3.0 Consent Calendar

- 3.1 Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes from Regular Meeting on January 13, 2016.
- 3.2 Consider Approval of January Financial Statements, Payments to Vendors and Donation Report
- 3.3 Approve State and Federal Taxes (990 Forms)
- 3.4 Consider Approval of the School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

Janet Ellner made a motion to accept the Consent Calendar.

Kristy Dailey seconded the motion.

The motion was voted on.

Richard Aguilera - Aye

Kelli Ruley - Aye

Roy Roney - Aye

Lexie Aceves-Absent

Janet Ellner - Aye

Tom Williams - Aye

Kristy Dailey – Aye

4.0 Public Comments on Items Not on the Current Meeting Agenda

Kathy Dahlgren announced the parent surveys have been turned in and will be presented at next month's meeting.

5.0 Discussion/Action Items

5.1 Middle School Update

Kathy Dahlgren reported that Allen Chambers has had to split the project application into two applications due to regulation changes. Allen is going to DSA for approval on February 18th. The projects will be advertised and the bid packets will be available after the approval.

5.2 Consider Approval of Revised Bylaws

Kelli Ruley revisited the revised bylaws. Discussion ensued. Kelli stated she will further revise the bylaws to reflect changes discussed and present at the next board meeting for approval. Discussion ensued with regards to term limits.

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5.3 Review Progress in Meeting our LCAP Goals

Kathy Dahlgren reviewed the Local Control Accountability Plan including the progress towards meeting our goals, goals met and proposed ideas for the future. Discussion ensued.

5.4 Review Educator Effectiveness Block Grant Spending Plan

Kathy Dahlgren reported that there are excess state funds which led to a one time funding grant for staff development that is broad based. Possible uses for the monies were discussed. Kathy presented a spending plan to be approved by the board at the next board meeting.

5.5 Pie Auction

Kelli Ruley updated the board on the progress of the pie auction on March 13, 2016. Discussion ensued.

6.0 Reports and Presentations

6.1 Principal's Report

Kathy Dahlgren reported 165 students are currently enrolled at Nord Country School. A new office manager has been hired. Her name is Stephanie Hammons.

Kathy announced a board training will take place on February 23rd in Paradise.

March 2nd is Dr. Suess Day.

6.1.1 Chico Unified School Bond - Information

Kathy updated the board on the most recent meeting. The latest development is an issue about the legal percent charter schools can be given from the district from the bond. CUSD states only 10% and Charter Schools are asking for the proportional percent of the student population they educate in the district.

6.1.2 School Wide DIBELS Report

Kathy reviewed the middle of the year Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy (DIBELS) testing results. The students who did not perform well on the test were further tested to determine the specific areas they need support in. There will be intervention groups created to assist these students.

6.2 Teacher's Report

Kelli Ruley presented and read the 2nd grade book that was published.

Kelli reported on the family STEM night and it was a great success.

The 4th graders are learning how to identify rocks and minerals.

The 6th graders are very busy with a cribbage tournament, Egyptian Wax Museum as well as Whiskeytown Environmental Camp and Mt. Lassen Snow Shoeing trip in March.

6.3 PTO Report

Kristy Dailey reported that PTO's Spring fundraiser will be Chico bags. Many parents are involved in the preparation of the Pie Auction. The next meeting will be at Mountain Mike's Pizza.

6.4 Safety Report

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Kelli Ruley reported the first code red of this year. A few minor email glitches were discovered and will be rectified. The new office manager was able to participate and learn her role in the drill.

6.5 Technology Report

6.5.1 BIIG K – 12 High Speed Network Success!

Kathy Dahlgren reported after much delay the high speed network is completely set up. The project was very expensive but thanks to the grant we received we did not have to pay for the project.

6.5.2 Computer Update

The new bandwidth for the school with the new fiber optic wire has drastically increased the ability for teachers to stream videos, perform online work and conduct online testing with their students that was impossible to perform previously.

6.6 Facilities Report

Kathy Dahlgren reported that occupancy sensors will be installed in the next few weeks. That will be one of the last projects for this year using the prop 39 monies. Next year we will look into the possibility and benefit of solar panels.

Kathy announced Junell Lawrences' retirement party on Sunday, February 21st from 1pm to 3pm.

7.0 Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm.