

Nord Country School

5554 California Street, Chico, CA 95973

Meeting of the Board of Directors - Wednesday, February 26, 2020, 6PM Regular Meeting Minutes

Board Members

Kristy Dailey, President
Hilary Tricerri, Vice President
Todd Lewis, Treasurer
Janet Ellner, Secretary
Radley Ott, Member
Jesse Scherba, Member
Levi Russell, Member
Sheila Koester, Teacher Rep
Junell Lawrence, Member

- 1.0 Call to Order at 6PM
 - 1.1 Flag Salute
 - 1.2 Attendance: Kristy Dailey, Hilary Tricerri, Todd Lewis, Janet Ellner, Radley Ott, Jesse Scherba, Levi Russell, Sheila Koester, Junell Lawrence, Kathy Dahlgren, Lisa Speegle
- 2.0 Changes/Deletions to Current Meeting Agenda - none
- 3.0 Public Comments on Items not on the Current Meeting Agenda – Lisa Speegle shared with the board that Northern California National Bank declared a distribution of Director's Stock. As a Bank Director, Lisa Speegle benefited from this distribution, receiving 175 shares at roughly \$22 per share. As a Nord Country School employee, Lisa limited her distribution amount to less than 5% of her school salary and is sharing this information with the Nord Country School board to preclude any appearance of a Conflict of Interest. Lisa's ownership in the bank continues to be well under 3% of the total bank stock.
- 4.0 Reports and Presentations
 - 4.1 Principal's Report – Kathy Dahlgren reported that the school continues to experience more than normal enrollment ins and outs as people continue to struggle with life after the Camp Fire, that staff has been meeting in preparation for state testing, that CUSD has a site visit planned for April 1, and that Middle School enrollment for next year is very strong with 23 out of 25 fifth graders planning on staying at Nord.
 - 4.2 Teacher's Report – Sheila Koester shared about classroom activities and events. She also invited board members to come read to students next week during Read Across America week.
 - 4.3 Facilities Report – Lisa Speegle shared that our solar project is struggling with deadlines due to DSA and vendor challenges.
 - 4.4 Safety Report – Kelli Ruley was not present. Kathy Dahlgren reported that a code red drill held recently went very well. It was noted that some of the lights, being on motion sensors, would not remain off. Discussions regarding this potential hazard are being held.
 - 4.5 Technology Report – Kathy Dahlgren shared that chromebooks are breaking down due to their age and we are just hoping to get through testing and the end of the school year with what we have.
 - 4.6 PTO Report – Kathy Dahlgren reported PTO attendance is good. The success of the fall social has led to discussions about an Ice Cream Social in May.
 - 4.7 Pie Auction Report – Sheila Koester reminded the board about ways they can help with the Pie Auction. Tickets and Sponsor tables are selling well already.
- 5.0 Consent Calendar – Radley Ott moved, Hilary Tricerri seconded that the Consent Calendar without item 5.3 be approved as presented. Ayes: Kristy Dailey, Hilary Tricerri, Todd Lewis, Janet Ellner, Radley Ott, Jesse Scherba, Levi Russell. Noes: none. Abstaining: none. Absent: none.
 - 5.1 Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes – January 29, 2020
 - 5.2 Consider Approval of January Financial Reports, Payments to Vendors, and Donations
 - 5.3 Consider Approval of Student Policies BP5010 through BP5070 – Janet Ellner pulled 5.3 for further discussion. The following clarifications/corrections were suggested: BP5010 - change December 1 to December 2 in 2.2.3, change the reference to section 2.3 in section 2.4.6 to a reference to section 2.5 instead. BP5070 –

change 2.1 to reflect the phrase “unconditionally admitting the student” instead of “enrolling.” Discussion ensued regarding BP5050 to ensure that directory information could not be made available to lobbying groups. It was confirmed that this language was not in the policy. Radley Ott moved, Levi Russell seconded that the Student Policies be approved with the noted changes. **Ayes: Kristy Dailey, Hilary Tricerri, Todd Lewis, Janet Ellner, Radley Ott, Jesse Scherba, Levi Russell. Noes: none. Abstaining: none. Absent: none.**

5.4 Consider Approval of Field Trips

6.0 Discussion/Action Items


- 6.1 **Action Regarding Interested-Party Board Positions – Lisa Speegle shared that our material revision to the charter was approved by CUSD at their January Regular Board Meeting. This revision once again allowed us to have a Teacher Representative and once again we are not precluded from having interested parties on the board as long as we do not exceed the 49% threshold. Hilary Tricerri moved, Janet Ellner seconded that Junell and Sheila be returned to their positions on the Nord Board. Ayes: Kristy Dailey, Hilary Tricerri, Todd Lewis, Janet Ellner, Radley Ott, Jesse Scherba, Levi Russell. Noes: none. Abstaining: none. Absent: none.**
- 6.2 **Consider Approval of Waiver Request for Title I School-Wide Plan – Kathy Dahlgren led a discussion regarding the difference between a School Wide Plan and Targeted Assistance. Nord School has historically used a School Wide Plan. As we have now dipped below the 40% FRPM threshold, in order to continue with a School Wide Plan we need to have a Board-Approved Waiver Request. Radley Ott moved, Hilary Tricerri seconded that the board waive the threshold requirement and continue serving students on a School-Wide basis. Ayes: Kristy Dailey, Hilary Tricerri, Todd Lewis, Janet Ellner, Radley Ott, Jesse Scherba, Levi Russell, Sheila Koester, Junell Lawrence. Noes: none. Abstaining: none. Absent: none.**
- 6.3 **Consider Approval of Title I School-Wide Plan – Kathy Dahlgren presented the Plan. After discussion, Jesse Scherba moved, Hilary Tricerri seconded that the School-Wide Plan be approved as presented. Ayes: Kristy Dailey, Hilary Tricerri, Todd Lewis, Janet Ellner, Radley Ott, Jesse Scherba, Levi Russell, Sheila Koester, Junell Lawrence. Noes: none. Abstaining: none. Absent: none.**
- 6.4 **Consider Approval of 2019/20 Consolidated Application for Federal Funding – Lisa Speegle presented the Application for Federal Funding. After discussion, Hilary Tricerri moved, Sheila Koester seconded that the Application be approved as presented. Ayes: Kristy Dailey, Hilary Tricerri, Todd Lewis, Janet Ellner, Radley Ott, Jesse Scherba, Levi Russell, Sheila Koester, Junell Lawrence. Noes: none. Abstaining: none. Absent: none.**
- 6.5 **Consider Approval of the 2019/20 Second Interim Budget Report – Lisa Speegle presented the Budget Report. After discussion, Sheila Koester moved, Levi Russell seconded that the Budget Report be approved as presented. Ayes: Kristy Dailey, Hilary Tricerri, Todd Lewis, Janet Ellner, Radley Ott, Jesse Scherba, Levi Russell, Sheila Koester, Junell Lawrence. Noes: none. Abstaining: none. Absent: none.**
- 6.6 **Update on Nutrition Services Program – Kathy Dahlgren updated the board on progress with moving Nutrition Services in-house. Tracy Nowicki was hired as our new Cafeteria Manager. We will begin serving our own meals on March 30, 2020. No action taken.**
- 6.7 **Ongoing Discussion - LCAP and Strategic Planning – Kathy Dahlgren presented goals and LCAP information for the board’s review. No action taken.**

7.0 Future Agenda Items

- 7.1 Justin Drane proposal

8.0 Adjournment at 7:40PM

APPROVED:



Board of Education
(Secretary)



Administration