

Nord Country School

5554 California Street, Chico, CA 95973

Meeting of the Board of Directors - Wednesday, October 26, 2022, 6PM Regular Meeting Minutes

Board Members

Hilary Tricerri, President
Radley Ott, Vice President
Augie Heath, Treasurer
Janet Ellner, Co-Secretary
Katrina DuVal, Co-Secretary
Levi Russell, Member
Jesse Scherba, Member
Sheila Koester, Teacher Rep
Junell Lawrence, Member

1.0 Call to Order at 6:02pm

1.1 Flag Salute

1.2 Attendance: Hilary Tricerri, Radley Ott, Augie Heath, Janet Ellner, Jesse Scherba, Sheila Koester, Junell Lawrence, Kathy Dahlgren, Allison Ward, Amber Hayes, Lisa Speegle, and members of the public

2.0 Changes/Deletions to Current Meeting Agenda – none

3.0 Public Comments on Items not on the Current Meeting Agenda – none

4.0 Reports and Presentations

- 4.1 Principal's Report – Kathy Dahlgren reported enrollment staying strong at 211. A new custodian was hired and appreciation goes to Ed Johnson and Jesse Meza for all their help in the interim. Girls and boys basketball signups are in progress, while cross-country is winding up. The math grant is going well. Stone Soup is scheduled for Nov 16 and Friendsgiving for 11/17. The board asked that Kathy relay thanks to Tammy Vallejo for all she is doing feeding our kids.
- 4.2 Teacher's Report – Sheila Koester reported on all the various things happening in classrooms.
- 4.3 Facilities Report – none
- 4.4 Safety Report – Kathy Dahlgren reported that drills continue as scheduled and are successful.
- 4.5 Technology Report – Kathy Dahlgren reported that another dozen chromebooks are coming and will be used as backup units for when others are damaged or broken.
- 4.6 PTO Report – Megan Kressin (PTO President) reported that meetings are well attended, with 15 to 20 folks coming each month. After accounting for funds encumbered, PTO has \$6700 remaining to spend. The Harvest Festival raised roughly \$1800. PTO earmarked \$3500 for the school for an ice machine. A coffee fundraiser is planned next along with more restaurant take-overs.
- 4.7 Overview of Upcoming Charter Renewal – Allison Ward presented information about AB1505 and the new charter renewal process.
- 4.8 Succession Planning Committee Report – Radley Ott shared that the committee is interested in exploring adding an Assistant Principal position to the admin team. The recommendation is to fly the position this winter/spring for a 7/1 start date. A job description will be developed and brought to the board for approval.

5.0 Consent Calendar – Sheila Koester moved, Jesse Scherba seconded, that the Consent Calendar be approved as presented except item 5.4 which was pulled by Janet Ellner. Ayes: Hilary Tricerri, Radley Ott, Augie Heath, Janet Ellner, Jesse Scherba, Junell Lawrence. Noes: none. Abstaining: none. Absent: Levi Russell, Katrina DuVal.

5.1 Consider Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from September 28th, 2022

5.2 Consider Approval of September Financial Reports, Payments to Vendors, and Donations

5.3 Consider Approval of Budget and Fiscal Policies BP2010 through BP2040

5.4 Consider Approval of MOU with BCOE for After School Program Services (ASES) – Janet Ellner pulled item 5.4 to ask if it would be possible to assess how successful the academic support provided by BCOE in the ASP is being. Two thoughts for measuring this success were suggested – getting teacher feedback on

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homework turn in rates for attendees versus non-attendees and using ASP attendance as a subgroup for tracking test score results. Staff is going to investigate these options. After discussion, Janet Ellner moved, Sheila Koester seconded, that the MOU with BCOE for ASP Services be approved as presented. Ayes: Hilary Tricerri, Radley Ott, Augie Heath, Janet Ellner, Jesse Scherba, Junell Lawrence. Noes: none. Abstaining: none. Absent: Levi Russell, Katrina DuVal.

6.0 Discussion/Action Items

- 6.1 Update on Drinking Water – Kathy Dahlgren updated the board on plans to treat the well water in November. After treatment, we will determine if water taste has improved and reassess any further needs at that time. No action taken.
- 6.2 Information on 2016 Strategic Plan – Kathy Dahlgren updated the board on the Strategic Planning outcomes from 2016 and how they will inform upcoming planning sessions. This effort will be done in preparation for working on our rechartering process. No action taken.
- 6.3 Consider Approval of Retaining RGA Architectural Services for Room 5 Expansion – Lisa Speegle presented a proposal from RGA for Planning Services regarding a potential expansion to Room 5. After discussion, Radley Ott moved, Janet Ellner seconded that the proposal be approved as presented and that Pie Auction funds be used to pay for the planning services. Ayes: Hilary Tricerri, Radley Ott, Augie Heath, Janet Ellner, Jesse Scherba, Junell Lawrence. Noes: none. Abstaining: none. Absent: Levi Russell, Katrina DuVal.
- 6.4 Governance and Brown Act Training Video Presentation – Lisa Speegle reported that all board members have successfully completed both trainings and that certificates of successful completion have been received for everyone. No action taken.

7.0 Future Agenda Items – none

8.0 Adjournment at 7:21pm

APPROVED:



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