

NYE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
-M-I-N-U-T-E-S-
July 26, 2010

Present: Harold Tokerud, President; Mike Floyd, Vice-President; Tracie Ward, Clerk; Edna Forsgren, Caroline Hamlin and Mike Swango, Members; Dr. William Roberts, Superintendent; Rod Pekarek, Jerry Hill and Dale Norton, Assistant Superintendents; Ray Ritchie, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer; Bob Whimpey, Maintenance and Operations Supervisor; Pat Garlin, Food Service Coordinator; Jeergen Angst, Technology Supervisor; Lisa Mays, Administrative and Board Services Coordinator; and Kerry Paniagua, Executive Secretary.

Absent: None.

Guests: Zach Broyles, Carpenter Sellers Del Gatto Architects; Dave Wonderly, Maintenance and Operations; Ray Hoffman, B&H Construction; Bob Potter, Bob Palochik and Pete Skorick, Affordable Concepts; Lucy Ivins, Nancy White and Byron Goynes, Workforce Connections; Judith Lister, Manse Elementary; Alice White and Nancy Mendenhall, Clarke Middle School; Pam Moen, Mt. Charleston; Lyndee Presgrove, Hafen Elementary; Ron Hibble, Candidate for Assembly District 36; Kathy Gailey, NCCTA; Gina B. Good, Pahrump Valley Times; Genesee Martin, Mirror; and Cynthia Benton, Pamela Mason, Mary Berg, Willis Garlin, Tim Sutton and Rebecca Daniels, Pahrump.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Pahrump boardroom with a videoconference link to the Tonopah boardroom. Board members, administrators and guests recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was called with all members present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mrs. Ward moved adoption of the agenda. Mr. Swango seconded, and a unanimous vote was recorded.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mrs. Ward made the motion to approve the consent calendar, which consisted of the July 12 minutes. Mrs. Hamlin seconded, and a unanimous vote was cast.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

Mrs. Ward made the motion to approve the warrants, and Mrs. Forsgren seconded. Those voting aye: Mrs. Forsgren, Mrs. Hamlin, Mr. Swango, Mr. Tokerud and Mrs. Ward. Those voting nay: none. Mr. Floyd abstained due to payments to Floyd's Ace Hardware. The motion carried with a majority vote.

REPORTS

Dr. Roberts reported that Silver Rim is now boarded up. Computers have been moved to Tonopah Elementary but not set up yet. The State has not been notified whether its Race to the Top application was accepted. Mr. Hill said a delegation of principals and teachers attended the NWEA conference in

Portland. He thanked Deborah Carle for working on AYP appeals. He met with the Pahrump High Principal concerning Dollars for Scholars as well as scheduling conflicts with Eagle Quest. Great Basin now tests students to make sure they are ready to take college courses. He will be interviewing for two new TOSAs to be funded by RPDP. He explained the Eagle Quest program and said when the students re-enroll in Pathways, a representative continues to monitor the students for a year. Mr. Whippey discussed the appeals submitted to Nye County on parking slots and landscaping for Manse and Pahrump High. The County did not waive plan check fees. There were no board reports.

RECOGNITIONS

None.

PUBLIC INPUT

Judy Lister thanked Mr. Whippey for repairing the concrete planter wall at Manse.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Mrs. Ward was appointed to replace Dennis Keating as Legislative Representative. Mr. Tokerud said he would be the board representative on the Insurance Committee.

CHANGE OF DATE/LOCATION OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Mrs. Ward made the motion to change board meetings to Tuesdays beginning with the August 24 meeting and to start meetings at 5:30. Mrs. Hamlin seconded, and a unanimous vote was cast. A revised calendar will be brought to the board at the next meeting to correct a conflict with the November meeting.

DECISION REGARDING SUBDIVISION MAPS APPROVAL OF GRANTS

Items withdrawn.

AWARD OF BID: MANSE REPLACEMENT SCHOOL

Mr. Wonderly reported that 10 bids were received, and they were very close. They were also 37% lower than the bids on Floyd Elementary three years ago. The low bid amounted to \$180 per square foot. A bid protest was submitted so he recommended tabling the bid award to give the low bidder a chance to respond. Mr. Floyd made the motion to table this item until a special meeting on Wednesday, August 4, at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Swango seconded. Ray Hoffman of B&H Construction stated he was the second low bidder and felt the low bidder didn't submit a responsive bid because he failed to list the underground utilities sub-contractor as required. Robert Potter of Affordable Concepts responded by saying the appeal was not timely and that statutes permit the awarding body latitude to waive irregularities. He said he has a limited license that allows him to perform the underground work. The vote to table was unanimous.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO PARTICIPATE IN PROJECT 5000 KIDS

Lucy Ivins, Project Specialist with Workforce Connections, introduced Byron Goynes and Nancy White who presented the Project 5000 Kids concept. Mr. Goynes said it is funded by the State, Department of Labor and private foundations. The focus is on getting people back to work. They have an adult division and a youth division. The project is a new vision meant to keep kids in school by offering incentives such as mentoring, job shadowing and internships. They want students to be schooled in Nevada and remain in Nevada. Mrs. White did a PowerPoint presentation on Project 5000 Kids. They want to improve the graduation rate and see kids pursue education with a greater sense of purpose with better skills, greater self esteem and an awareness of their options. They requested a collaborative relationship with the school district. Their partners include Las Vegas and Pahrump Chambers of Commerce, Clark County School District and Nevada Public Education Foundation; and they plan to work with America's Promise.

Mrs. Ward made the motion to approve participation in the project. Mr. Swango seconded, and there was a unanimous vote in favor.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF 2010-11 DISTANCE EDUCATION PROGRAM APPLICATION

Mr. Hill provided a revised application due to changes in the law. Plans must be submitted every three years. Each school participates in distance education, some for credit recovery through Odyssey. Mrs. Ward moved approval of the application, and Mrs. Forsgren seconded. There was a unanimous vote cast.

AWARD OF BID: MILK & DAIRY PRODUCTS

Mrs. Garlin said Milk and More was the only bidder, and their price came in lower than before. Mrs. Ward made the motion to award the bid to Milk and More. Mrs. Forsgren seconded, and a unanimous vote was registered.

AWARD OF BID: PIZZA

Mrs. Garlin reported that Dominos Pizza was the lone bidder, and the price was the same as last year. She said Dominos is the only vendor that meets the specifications of the wellness policy and that pizza is too labor intensive to be made in-house. Mrs. Ward made the motion to award the bid to Dominos, and Mrs. Forsgren seconded. There was a unanimous vote in favor.

APPROVAL OF CAPITAL PROJECTS PLAN, SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS & DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY

Mrs. Ward made the motion to approve the capital projects plan, schedule of indebtedness and debt management policy. Mr. Floyd seconded, and a unanimous vote was recorded.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF 2010-11 SALARY SCHEDULES

Mr. Ritchie said there were no raises reflected in this year's schedules. The only changes were due to the increase in minimum wage and to titles. Step increases are included. Mrs. Ward made the motion to approve the salary schedules. Mrs. Hamlin seconded, and a unanimous vote was registered.

APPROVAL OF LIST OF EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES FOR WHICH PAY TO PARTICIPATE WILL APPLY

Mr. Ritchie had sent the list of activities to board members so they could indicate which activities should be charged the \$35 fee. There was a tie on band. The Leadership Team recommended not charging those attached to credits but recommended that cheerleading and drill team be charged a fee. Flag team would be considered part of band. Mr. Tokerud asked why cheerleaders would be charged for more than one season. Mr. Norton said the master contract splits cheerleading into separate seasons. Mr. Floyd asked if kids paid fees to be in band. Mr. Ritchie explained there were no fees; however, students purchase their own instruments. Mr. Swango disagreed with not issuing refunds after the roster is published since a student could be injured and not be able to finish the season. Mr. Swango made the motion to approve everything recommended on the list but to allow refunds if a student gets hurt and can't finish the season. Mrs. Ward seconded. Mr. Tokerud asked for a report on the fees collected and how many didn't participate due to the fee. Mr. Ritchie explained that by all reports participation was already down in the schools over the year before. Mr. Swango amended his motion to include the \$35 fee. Mrs. Ward amended her second, and a unanimous vote was registered.

DISCUSSION REGARDING AMENDED BUYOUT PROPOSAL

Dr. Roberts said the Executive Director of the Department of Taxation had verbally told him that he would not approve the medium-term obligation for operational expenses. Another option is to use the anticipated interest from the Educational Endowment Fund (approximately \$350,000) and only offer one year of

PERS. Mr. Ritchie said he wouldn't know the exact amount of interest until Mr. McArthur finishes auditing the County. Mrs. Forsgren felt the District is running out of time with school about to start and suggested waiting until next March to make buyout offers.

DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING APPOINTMENT TO AREA VII

The board verified that advertising will take place and a replacement appointed on August 24.

DISCUSSION REGARDING PERSONNEL ITEMS

DISCUSSION REGARDING LEGAL ITEMS

DISCUSSION REGARDING NEGOTIATIONS

Discussion is reflected in Executive Session minutes.

APPROVAL OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Dr. Roberts said he would bring updates on any additional funding or legislative issues as well as information on Race to the Top.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Swango moved to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. Mrs. Forsgren seconded, and a unanimous vote was cast.

SCHEDULE OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Ward made the motion to go into Executive Session at 8:13 p.m. Mr. Swango seconded, and a unanimous vote was recorded. The regular session resumed at 8:33 p.m., and the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

By _____
Clerk

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