

**MINERAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES
Tuesday, February 6, 2018**

The Mineral County School District held a public meeting on February 6, 2018 beginning 5:30 p.m. at Schurz Elementary School in the Main Office Building in Schurz, Nevada.

The regular meeting of the Mineral County Board of School Trustees was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by the Board President, Keith Neville.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Keith Neville
Sheryl Samson
Tyler Viani
Kathryn Castagnola

MEMBERS ABSENT: Schyler Hagen

ADMINISTRATORS: Stephanie Keuhey, Principal HES; Mike Domagala, Principal SES; Jeff Wales, Principal HJH/MCHS; Walt Hackford, Superintendent

OTHERS PRESENT: Staci Emm, Travis Crowder, Christina Aust, Tricia Schumann, Rick Schumann, Tyler Nicholls, Kelly Wales, Michael Domagala, Candice Birchum, Eileen Birchum, Stephanie Keuhey, Kara Reuter, Sean Rowe, Spring Blazewick, Kelly Wales, Jen Frade

CALL TO ORDER:

Secretary Crystal Sasser stated that the agenda had been posted appropriately. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1. Approval of a flexible agenda. Sheryl Sampson made the motion to accept the flexible agenda. Kathryn Castagnola seconded the motion. Vote: Keith Neville-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Sheryl Samson-Yes, Kathryn Castagnola-Yes. Motion Passed 4-0-0

COMMUNICATION AND REPORTS:

1. Correspondence & Announcements
2. Board Member Reports

Kathy Castagnola stated she had toured the new school buses. Sheryl Samson is in the process of opening a SOAR Store in Schurz

3. Superintendent Report
4. Person or Group Recognition

CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Minutes: December 20, 2017
2. Minutes: January 2, 2018
3. Minutes: January 16, 2018
4. Payroll Vouchers: 1079, 1080, 1085, 1086
5. Payroll Checks: 83377 - 83440
6. Warrants: 18653-18799

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Tyler Viani made the motion to accept the consent items (1-6). Sheryl Samson seconded the motion. Vote: Keith Neville-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Sheryl Samson-Yes, Kathryn Castagnola-Yes. Motion Passed 4-0-0

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Class Size Reduction (CSR) Quarterly Report (For Possible Action)

Keith Neville made the motion to accept the CSR report. Sheryl Samson seconded the motion. Vote: Keith Neville-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Sheryl Samson-Yes, Kathryn Castagnola-Yes. Motion Passed 4-0-0

2. Boys and Girls Club request to coordinate on the 21st Century Grant (Travis Crowder and Staci Emm) (For Possible Action)

The school district would like to schedule a meeting next week with the Boys and Girls Club to discuss this request. Readdress at the next meeting.

3. Jen Frade – Request for out of town trips. (Discussion/Possible Action)

Jen Frade spoke to the board about how she would like to take kids to Mammoth on March 1st for a ski trip.

Sheryl Samson made the motion to let Jen Frade take the kids to Mammoth for a ski trip. Kathryn Castagnola seconded the motion. Vote: Keith Neville-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Sheryl Samson-Yes, Kathryn Castagnola-Yes. Motion Passed 4-0-0

4. Review of Policies. (Discussion/Possible Action)

- a. CA – Administration Goals
- b. CB - Superintendent
- c. CBA - Qualifications, Duties and Job Description of the Superintendent
- d. CBB – Recruitment and Appointment of the Superintendent

Schedule a workshop to discuss these policies on March 8th at 5:30. To have ready for the meeting on March 20th.

Sheryl Samson made the motion to have a workshop on March 8th to discuss the policies and have evaluation complete by the March 20th meeting. Kathryn Castagnola seconded the motion. Vote: Keith Neville-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Sheryl Samson-Yes, Kathryn Castagnola-Yes. Motion Passed 4-0-0

5. Set up a date for the Superintendent's Annual Review (For Possible Action)

Will be set up for the meeting on March 20th.

6. Final Revised Certified Negotiation Agreement for 2017/2018 (For Possible Action)

The contract wording has not been changed but cleaned up from the marked up previous version to a professional proper format. Tricia Schumann from the Teacher's Union agreed with the changes.

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Sheryl Samson made the motion to approve the revised certified negotiation agreement with the change of 2018/2019. Keith Neville seconded the motion. Vote: Keith Neville-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Sheryl Samson-Yes, Kathryn Castagnola-Yes. Motion Passed 4-0-0

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. NIAA Coaching Certification Requirement Audit (Information/Discussion)

Keith has concerns with coaches not being qualified before the season starts. Table until next meeting.

2. Review of Policies: (Information/Discussion)

- a. DA Fiscal Management Goals
- b. DB District Budget
- c. DBA Budgeting System
- d. DBC Budget Calendar
- e. DBD Budget Priorities
- f. DBDA General Operation Contingencies
- g. DBE Budget Preparation
- h. DBDB Fund Balance

Policies will be reviewed at the Workshop on March 8th.

3. Attendance Audit for Schurz Elementary School – Daily Average (Information/Discussion)

Mr. Domagala is working on the truancy problem. It is just a select few kids that have the problem.

4. 4 day week attendance. Numbers for staff and students better or worse for 4 days versus 5 days.
(Information/Discussion)

The District is going to do an attendance audit of the Hawthorne schools like they did in Schurz.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

It is the School Board's intention to listen and be responsive to the general public's concerns. Comments from the public regarding topics not on the agenda are invited at this time. You may request to speak by raising your hand during the General Public comment period or by completing a Request to Address the MCSD Board form prior to the General Public Comment period. The Board will answer questions or discuss to the best of their ability items that are introduced. However, by law, the Board cannot take any action, reach a consensus or hear personal attacks at this time. Those who submit the form will normally be called on first. Speaking time will be limited to a maximum of 3 minutes. The President may allow additional time to a given speaker as time allows and in his/her sole discretion.

Tyler Nichols wanted to talk about why Mineral County is having a problem getting new teachers and keeping them. He was promised that he was going to get a signing bonus and still has not gotten it. If you are going to promise something you need to keep that promise. It will keep the teachers happy and in turn make others want to come also. (Make this issue an agenda item for the next meeting).

ADJOURNMENT: 6:30

Respectfully submitted;


Sheryl Samson, Clerk