

MINERAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
751 A. STREET
Hawthorne, Nevada 89415
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Tuesday, February 4, 2020

The Mineral County School District held a public meeting on February 4, 2020 beginning at 5:33 pm at the Schurz Elementary School in Schurz, Nevada.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathryn Castagnola, Candice Birchum, Tyler Viani, Keith Neville

MEMBERS ABSENT: Schyler Hagen

ADMINISTRATORS: Karen Watson, Superintendent; on phone

OTHERS PRESENT: Crystal Sasser, Karry Larramendy, Kristen Reeves, Eileen Birchum, Bert Johnson, Sean Rowe, Eileen Birchum, Bert Johnson

CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 pm.

1. Certification of Public Notice, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of a flexible agenda - *NONE*
3. Person or Group Recognition - *NONE*
4. Presentations - *NONE*

CONSENT ITEMS: (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Items listed under the consent calendar will be voted on as a block. If a member of the public or a Board Member wishes to discuss an item in the consent calendar, that item will be removed from the Consent Items and placed with the Action Items for possible action.

1. Minutes: December 16, 2019 and January 7, 2020 – *The December minutes have some changes to be made, they will be brought back to the next meeting.*
2. Payroll Vouchers: 1070,1071,1076, 1078, 1079
3. Payroll Checks: 85127-85178
4. Warrants: 21890-21930
5. Personnel Report

Candice Birchum made a motion to approve the Minutes from January 7, 2020 Payroll vouchers 1070,1071,1076,1078,1079; Payroll Checks 85127-85178; Warrants 21890-21930 and the Personnel Report as presented. Tyler Viani seconded the motion. Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, 4-0-0

ACTION ITEMS: (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

There will be an opportunity for public comment on each **Action Item** following Board discussion on the item and before the Board makes a motion on the item. You may request to speak by raising your hand during the Public Comment period or by completing a **Request to Address the MCSD Board** form prior to the Public Comment period. 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 discretion.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS: (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

1. Correspondence & Announcements - *NONE*
2. Board Member Reports - *NONE*
3. Superintendent Report - *NONE*
4. Principals Report – *NONE*

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1. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval – Update on Sidewalk Project
This will be tabled until the next meeting.
2. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval – Course content concerns at Hawthorne Junior High/Mineral County School District
The kids and parents are still not happy with this situation. Mrs. West is in the classroom, not teaching, but only observing. Keith-We are having a horrible communication problem between the district and the parents. Mr. Taylor has not contacted some of the parents yet about these problems. This is not satisfactory. There has been no outcome. Keith would like the district to set up a meeting between the concerned parents and the Superintendent, the high school principal and a board member.
3. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval – Class Size Reduction Report for the Second Quarter
The Fourth Quarter date needs to be updated to 2020 instead of 2019. The district maintained website has been updated paragraph should only have the Yes checked not both yes and no. Tyler Viani made a motion to approve the Class Size Reduction Report with the amended changes. Candice Birchum seconded the motion. Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, 4-0-0
4. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval – District Performance Plan
Tyler would like to be on the committee. Tyler made a motion to delegate to the Superintendent to create a team of the district performance plan committee and Tyler is part of that committee. Keith Neville seconded the motion. Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, 4-0-0
5. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval – Development of Board Goals
Candice feels the Board should be more focused on Student Achievement at all schools. This needs to be done at a Board Retreat. We need to invite Debb Oliver down to do some training. Would like to work in conjunction with the Administration Team so they are both on the same goal track.
6. **Recommendation:** Discussion – Football Legacy Lights Project
We raised quite a bit of money for the project. The poles and lights have been ordered. We are in the process of getting the wiring for the project. A concrete foundation needs to be poured to put the announcer's booth to store all the electrical switches components. We hope is to start the project sometime around March 1st. The project should only take one week to complete.
7. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval for the Superintendent to Develop a Policy Committee
The policy committee will be revising all the policies before bringing them to the board. Before we can change any policies, Policy BFC needs to be rewritten before any more policies are redone. This item needs to be brought back to the next School Board Meeting at the next meeting.

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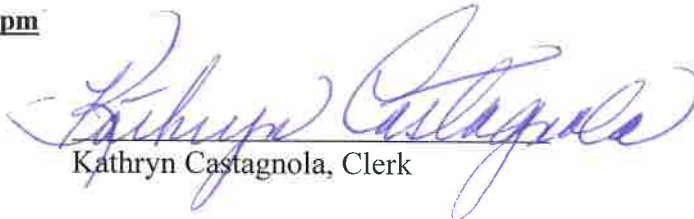
8. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval – Attendance to NASB Workshops
Candice and Schyler will be attending the NASB Workshop on Saturday, February 8th. She will be talking to Debb Oliver about scheduling some training. She would also like the Board Members to attend the Silver State Conference, which is a 2-day conference that is free to the Board Members. She will have more information at the next meeting regarding this topic.
9. **Recommendations:** Discussion and Possible Approval for Lance West to attend the National Indian Education Association (NIEA) Hill Day in Washington DC on February 3-6, 2020.
Tyler Viani made a motion to approve Lance West to attend the National Indian Education Association in Washington DC.
Keith Neville seconded the motion. Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, 4-0-0

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

There is a huge problem with the scoreboard in the high school gym. It has not been working right and we have had electricians from the base work on it. It is working for the time being but we need 2 new ones before zone starts on the 20th. We have ordered 2 new scoreboards that will be delivered by the 17th and will be installed on 18th. The scoreboards were \$6,000 for both of them. The school is also going to be painting the gym before zone starts.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:36 pm

Respectfully submitted:


Kathryn Castagnola, Clerk