

MINERAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
751 A. STREET  
Hawthorne, Nevada 89415  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES  
*Tuesday, July 16, 2019*

The Mineral County School District held a public meeting on July 16, 2019 beginning at 5:31 pm at the Arlo K. Funk District Services Center.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kathryn Castagnola; Tyler Viani; Keith Neville; Candice Birchum

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Schyler Hagen

**ADMINISTRATORS:** Karen Watson, Superintendent; Stephanie Keuhey, Principal HES

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Crystal Sasser; Hope Blinco; Mary Koscinski, Melissa Cardenas, MaryJo Gemelke

**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Mineral County Board of School Trustees was called to order by the Board President, Tyler Viani

1. Certification of Public Notice, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of a flexible agenda – *No change*
3. Person or Group Recognition – *None*
4. Presentations – *None*

**CONSENT ITEMS: (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)**

1. Minutes: June 18, 2019 – *No minutes were attached.*
2. Payroll Vouchers: 1133, 1134, 1140, 1141
3. Payroll Checks: 84656-84707
4. Warrants: 21069-21148
5. Personnel Report

*Tyler Viani made the motion to approve the payroll vouchers 1133, 1134, 1140, 1141, payroll checks 84656-84707; warrants 21069-21148 as presented. Kathryn Castagnola seconded the motion.*

*Vote: Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes. Motion Passed 4-0-0*

**ACTION ITEMS: (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)**

*Tyler Viani made the motion to move into closed session. Keith Neville seconded the motion.*

*Vote: Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes. Motion Passed 4-0-0*

1. **Closed Session:** NRS 241.031(1)(b) for Desirae Demars

**Brief Recess at 5:44pm to 5:46pm**

*Tyler Viani made the motion to move back into open session. Kathryn Castagnola seconded the motion.*

*Vote: Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes. Motion Passed 4-0-0*

2. **Open Session:** Discussion and Possible Approval – A recommendation may be considered pursuant to, but not limited to, termination, suspension, demotion, reduction in pay, reprimand, promotion, endorsement, engagement, retention, or “no action.” Pursuant to NRS 241.031(1)(b) of Ms. DeMars in relation to her job performance.

*Tyler Viani made the motion to uphold the Superintendent’s recommendation. Kathryn Castagnola seconded the motion.*

*Vote: Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes. Motion Passed 4-0-0*

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3. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval – Approval of Out of State Travel for Kara Reuter to attend an Impact Aid Technical Assistance Workshop  
*Tyler Viani made the motion to approve the Out of State Travel for Kara Reuter to attend the Impact Aid Technical Assistance Workshop. Candice Birchum seconded the motion.*  
*Vote: Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes. Motion Passed 4-0-0*
4. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval –Approval of Board Retreat  
**Supporting Information:** Items to be addressed include: a date, location and agenda items for our Board Retreat this summer.  
*The Board Retreat will be in Schurz on August 10, 2019 from 9am to 3pm. Items on agenda will be:*  
*1. Superintendent Evaluation*  
*2. Long and Short Term Goals*  
*3. Communication between the Board and Superintendent.*
5. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval – Approval of 2019-2021 Bargaining Agreement ratification.  
*Tyler Viani made the motion to approve the 2019-2021 Bargaining Agreement ratification of the Mineral County Certified Teachers Association. Kathryn Castagnola seconded the motion.*  
*Vote: Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes. Motion Passed 4-0-0*

**POLICIES: NONE AT THIS TIME**

**ADMINISTRATION REGULATIONS (For Review Only): NONE AT THIS TIME**

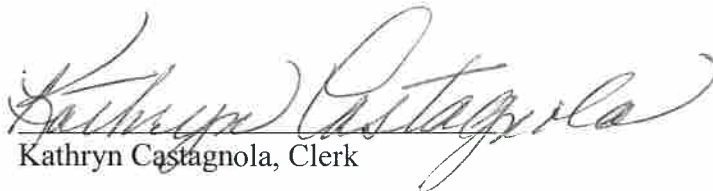
**COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS: (For Discussion Only)**

1. Correspondence & Announcements – *NONE*
2. Board Member Reports – *Keith Neville attended the State School Board Meeting in Winnemucca last month. There are 2 more meetings coming up in September.*
3. Superintendent Report – July 31<sup>st</sup> and August 1<sup>st</sup> she will be hosting the Superintendent meeting for July. The Board Members are invited to the dinner on July 31<sup>st</sup> at the USO Building at 5:30pm. The meeting will be held on August 1<sup>st</sup> from 9am to 12pm at the District Office.
4. Principals Report – Stephanie Keuhey – HES Stephanie wanted to talk to the Board about all the Safety changes that are going on in the District right now. It is going to be a pain for a while and parents are going to complain. They are working on more grant funding. She would like to put a notice in the paper letting the parents know about the security changes going on in the District.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** MaryJo Gemelke attended the Standards Institute in Los Angeles. It was a great opportunity and she is very thankful for attending.

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:16pm**

Respectfully submitted;

  
Kathryn Castagnola, Clerk