

MINERAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
751 A. STREET  
Hawthorne, Nevada 89415  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES  
*Tuesday, August 11, 2020*

The Mineral County School District held a public meeting on July 14, 2020 beginning at 5:35 pm at the Mineral County School District.

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Ann Kee, Crystal Sasser, Diane Rodriguez, Jeremy Williams, Karry Larramendy, Kristen Reeves, Cassie Hall, MaryJo Gemelke, Tricia Schumann, Meshanna Huntley, Marty Johnson, Hope Blinco

**CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 pm.**

1. Certification of Public Notice, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of a flexible agenda. (For Possible Action)
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: June 16, 2020, July 14, 2020, July 28, 2020 (The minutes are tabled until the next meeting)
2. Payroll Vouchers: 1002,1003,1146,1147,1151,1152
3. Payroll Checks: 85570-85635
4. Warrants: 22561-22629
5. Personnel Report

*Tyler Viani made a motion approve Payroll Vouchers 1002,1003,1146,1147,1151,1152; Payroll Checks 85570-85635; Warrants 22561-22629 as presented. Schyler Hagen seconded the motion. Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, Schyler Hagen-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.

1. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval for Martin Johnson of JNA Consulting to pursue bond refinancing  
*Schyler Hagen made a motion approve Martin Johnson of JNA Consulting to pursue bond refinancing as presented. Tyler Viani seconded the motion. Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, Schyler Hagen-Yes. 5-0-0*
2. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval of Independent Contractor for School Psychology Services for Holly Qualls.  
*This item is tabled due to incorrect wording.*

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3. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval of the Independent Contractor for School Psychology Services for Suzanne Reoepke.  
*Tyler Viani made a motion approve Independent Contractor for School Psychology Services for Suzanne Reoepke. presented. Schyler Hagen seconded the motion.*  
*Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, Schyler Hagen-Yes.*  
5-0-0
4. **Recommendation:** Discussion and Possible Approval of the 2020-2021 Bargaining Agreement for the Mineral County Classified School Employee Association (MCCSEA)  
*Tyler Viani made a motion approve the 2020-2021 Bargaining Agreement for the Mineral County Classified School Employee Association as presented. Schyler Hagen seconded the motion.*  
*Kathryn Castagnola-Yes, Tyler Viani-Yes, Candice Birchum-Yes, Keith Neville-Yes, Schyler Hagen-Yes.*  
5-0-0
5. **Recommendation:** Discussion of the updating the Jobs for Nevada's Graduates Program  
*Karen read the report from JAG on the status of the JAG Program. The Board would like a status update on what they can do? They would also like a report on the next meeting on the school to careers program.*

**COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS: (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)**

1. Correspondence & Announcements-NONE
2. Board Member Reports-Schyler would like a discussion of the directives of a public meeting.  
*These meeting have become too much of a problem. We are doing the public a disservice.*
3. Superintendent Report-Emergency Management Program has made supply donations of PPE supplies for school. Cloth masks, disposable gloves and thermometers have been dispersed to each school.
4. Principals Report-NONE

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Jeremy Williams-What is the plan for the high school principal? At the current time, Karen is supporting the high school as the administrator. Can you explain what actions are being taken to fix the grades of students from last year. The high school counselor is analyzing the transcripts to get these errors repaired. Request that the administration of the school of what went wrong, why it went wrong and how it won't happen again.*

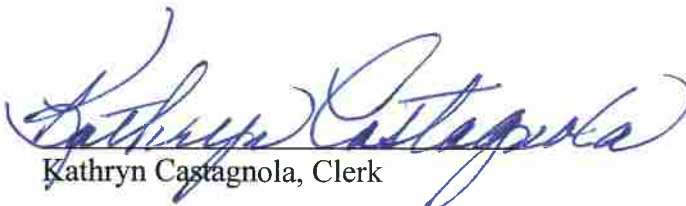
*Karry Larramendy-Questions on the high school student's grades?*

*Kristen Reeves-Questions on the high school students grades, the dual enrollment program. None of the kids were enrolled in the dual enrollment classes when they were supposed to be. What is the school really doing? Please help our kids.*

*Diane Rodriguez-The grant funding was cut for the dual enrollment classes so the school is now paying for these classes. Most of the kids have been signed up already.*

**ADJOURNMENT: 6:41 PM**

Respectfully submitted:

  
Kathryn Castagnola, Clerk