NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
April 10, 2018
District Administration Building
6:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at the District Administration Office was called to order at 6:30 pm by Joseph Baroz, President.

ROLL CALL
Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

PREDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA/CHANGES TO CONSENT AGENDA (Attachment #1-5)
A motion was made by Mary Jane Valdez to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Chuck Finnegan.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA
A motion was made by Robert Chavez to approve the agenda with no additions, seconded by Chuck Finnegan.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

FALCON AWARD

This month's Falcon Award was presented to La Jara Elementary Physical Education teacher Kim Meis. Kim is the NCSD Teacher of the Year. Her enthusiasm is contagious and she has a genuine love for her kids. Mrs. Meis is positive, caring, professional, and teaches to all students. Kim will be retiring at the end of this school year and she is a teacher who started hard and will definitely finish hard. The District will miss Mrs. Meis and we thank her for her dedication and service to our school community.

ARCHITECT PRESENTATION – DPS ARCHITECTS

Mr. Wilson has been in communication with Mr. Dan Kimmee of DPS Architects. He was unable to attend due to a death in the family. Mr. Benjamin Gardner and Ms. Julie Walleisa shared a power point with board members. They spoke to their experience and how they've worked with schools in developing a master plan and working with the Colorado BEST grant and that process. They detailed their work with the Montezuma/Cortez school district and feel confident they can help North Conejos School District with a master plan and possible new high school.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/ACTIVITIES

Achievement Reports: (Attachment #6)

Please see attached principal reports.

BOCES Report

Brandon Thomas reported that most of the meeting was discussing safety and security. Matt Nehring presented on school ratings and how they were skewed and not really fair to all schools.

NCEA Report:

No report this month.

Administration Report:

Mr. Wilson told board members that the district has a number of CD's that are collecting very low interest rates and with their permission would like to move those CD's to get better rates when they come due this fall.

NCSD received a check for $2000.00 from SLV Federal Bank to thank the District for their business.

There will be a drug awareness presentation on April 18th at the CMS gymnasium. Mr. Wilson encouraged board members to attend. There will be more presentations on this topic in August when we hold our student registration to reach out to our school community concerning drugs and the resulting concerns in our schools and community.

Mr. Wilson shared with the board the number of vacancies in the district and the number of applications that have been received thus far. There is a teacher shortage and it may be challenging to fill positions.

School funding looks hopeful for the coming year, but we will have to wait and see what actually plays out. It looks as if the PERA employee contribution may go up by 3% and not sure what will happen with the employer contribution yet.

There will be a mock security event in our district on May 10th.

Mr. Wilson bought two more spaces with Community Solar.

We are hoping to get more information on our health insurance next week.

The Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) provides an alternative to household applications for free and reduced price meals for economically disadvantaged students in local educational agencies and schools. Sites that elect this option agree to serve all students free lunches and breakfasts for four successive school years and claim the meals based on a percentage of identified students multiplies by a USDA-defined multiplier factor. Sites which have an identified student percentage of 40% or greater are eligible for this option. Our food service director, Amber Martinez, has worked diligently on this to see if NCSD qualifies. We have not met the required 40%.

Through Keith Christen and Scott McCarroll's excellent work guiding the SkillsUSA Centauri High School Chapter, Centauri High School is one of eight national finalists in the Workplace skills component of the SkillsUSA Framework.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

GOCO Update

Due to the mild winter Robins Construction has taken on other jobs and that has pushed back the start date for the track. We are looking at some time the end of May. Jesse Shawcroft was asked to keep in constant communication with Robins Construction so we don't get pushed back any further.

AEC Renewal Application
Susan Hamilton told board members that we have to renew the Alternative Education Program Campus every spring. She needs signatures from the board president, Superintendent, and program director to complete the 18-19 form and send it in.

Food Service Audit/Application (Attachment #7)
NCSD food service was audited this year. Amber Martinez pulled every lunch application and worked very hard to clean this up. Safety procedures were put into place with more eyes on each application so we will have a cleaner audit in the future. We may owe a financial penalty for any violations that were found.

ACTION ITEMS

Repeal Policies GCOA-R, GCOC, GCOC-R for the first reading (Attachment #8)
A motion was made by Robert Chavez to repeal policies GCOA-R, GCOC, GCOC-R for the first reading, seconded by Chuck Finnegan.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Revise Policies GCQA-R, GCOE, GCQC/GCQD, GCQE, GCQF and Adopt Policies GCQF-R, GCO-R, GCQC/GCQD-R for the first reading (Attachment #9)
A motion was made by Garth Crowther to approve the revision on policies GCQA-R, GCOE, GCQC/GCQD, GCQE, GCQF and Adopt Policies GCQF-R, GCO-R, GCQC/GCQD-R for the first reading, seconded by Mary Jane Valdez.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Revise policies GBGE, GBGF, GBGF-R, GCB, GCBA, GCBA-E-1, GCBA-E-2, GCCAA, GCCAA-E, GCG/GCGA, GCID, GCKA, GCKB, GCL, GCM for the second reading
A motion was made by Chuck Finnegan to approve the revision of policies GBGE, GBGF, GBGF-R, GCB, GCBA, GCBA-E-1, GCBA-E-2, GCCAA, GCCAA-E, GCG/GCGA, GCID, GCKA, GCKB, GCL, GCM for the second reading, seconded by Robert Chavez.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Repeal Policies GCBA-E-3, GCC, GCC-R, GCC-E, GCCA, GCCAC/GCCBC, GCCBC, GCG[GCE], GCG-R for the second reading
A motion was made by Robert Chavez to approve the repeal of policies GCBA-E-3, GCC, GCC-R, GCC-E, GCCA, GCCAC/GCCBC, GCCBC, GCG[GCE], GCG-R for the second reading, seconded by Mary Jane Valdez.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Revise policies EEA, GCE/GCF, GCE/GCF-R, GDA, GDE/GDF, GDE/GDF-R, JFABD-R, JLC, JRA/JRC, JRA/JRC-E-2 per CASB recommendation for the second reading
A motion was made by Robert Chavez to approve the revision of policies EEA, GCE/GCF, GCE/GCF-R, GDA, GDE/GDF, GDE/GDF-R, JFABD-R, JLC, JRA/JRC, JRA/JRC-E-2 per CASB recommendation for the second reading, seconded by Garth Crowther.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Repeal Policies GDAA, GDAA-E-2 per CASB Recommendation for the second reading
A motion was made by Garth Crowther to repeal policies GDAA, GDAA-E-2 per CASB recommendation for the second reading, seconded by Chuck Finnegan.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

ASP Approval (6)
A motion was made by Garth Crowther to rehire the ASP's for the 2018-2019 year as currently employed, seconded by Chuck Finnegan.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

E-Rate Resolution (Attachment #10)
A motion was made by Robert Chavez to approve the resolution for Schools and Libraries Universal Services (E-Rate) for 2018-19. This resolution authorized filing of the Form 471 applications for funding year 2018-19 and the payment of the applicant's share upon approval of funding and receipt of services, seconded by Mary Jane Valdez

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Go into executive session with Mr. Curt Wilson and others as needed, to discuss privileged information and personnel issues.

A motion was made by Mary Jane Valdez to go into executive session with Mr. Wilson and others as needed, to discuss privileged information and personnel issues, seconded by Brandon Thomas.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

2018-2019 NCSD Teacher Contracts
A motion was made by Chuck Finnegan to non-renew Laurel Heimstra and Matthew Wellmann and to renew all other teaching contracts as presented, seconded by Mary Jane Valdez.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

2018-2019 CHS Sponsorship Contracts
A motion was made by Chuck Finnegan to approve the 2018-2019 CHS sponsorships as presented, seconded by Brandon Thomas.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

2018-2019 CHS Coaching Contracts
A motion was made by Chuck Finnegan to delay approval of the CHS and CMS coaching contracts until the next board meeting, seconded by Brandon Thomas.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

2018-2019 NCSD Classified Staff Contracts
A motion was made by Mary Jane Valdez to approve the 2018-2019 classified staff contracts as presented, seconded by Robert Chavez.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

2018-2019 NCSD Administrator Contracts
A motion was made by Robert Chavez to approve the 2018-2019 administrator contracts as presented, seconded by Garth Crowther.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

NCSD Vehicle Purchase
A motion was made by Garth Crowther to approve $39,000 from SB267 monies to purchase a new suburban for the school district, seconded by Robert Chavez.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Robert Chavez, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

A Special Board meeting will be held April 17, 2018 @ 6:30pm

Next regular board of education meeting will be May 15, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Topic 1 17 minutes
Topic 2 – 1 hour 44 minutes

Meeting adjourned at 10:24 p.m.