NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
August 18, 2020
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; Tanner Bagwell, 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
A motion was made by Mary Jane Valdez to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Chuck Finnegan.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell, 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 Garth Crowther to approve the agenda with the addition of action items 12j. approval of CHS Volleyball assistant coach, 12k. CHS/CMS/LJE/ME school picture photographer, 12l. CHS sponsors, 12m. CHS part time remote teacher, seconded by Tanner Bagwell.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell, aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

FALCON AWARD
None

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
None

Wendy Helms – Little Treasures
Little Treasures is North Conejos School Districts Colorado pre-school program. Wendy Helms advised the board on COVID19 procedures and their start up plan. They have lowered enrollment this year and will offer in class and on-line opportunities. They are hoping for an alternative student count date in November.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/ACTIVITIES

Principals Reports
Denny Fringer reported that Manassa Elementary has been prepping for starting school with COVID19 and hopes that they will stay safe and remain in-person as long as possible. They are doing the best they can to the extent possible. Manassa will have approximately 40 remote learners. Enrollment is down a little.

Ricky Salazar reported that La Jara Elementary has basically the same plan as Manassa Elementary. LJE will follow guidelines to the best of their ability. His goal is to stay open for as long as possible and keep everyone safe.

Katie Montague gave the board a handout of Centauri High School starting procedures with COVID19.

Susan Hamilton told the board that there are close to 151 remote learners registered in all schools with 48 of those North Conejos Alternative Program on line learners. Teachers will be managing their class rooms and remote learners. This is a big change for staff.

BOCES Report
Brandon Thomas reported there will be a meeting tomorrow night August 19, 2020.

NCEA Report
None

Administration Report
Mr. Wilson reported watching many people step up with the COVID19 issues and the building of a new high school.

The new bus we purchase last year is now here.

North Conejos School District RE-1J received official approval from the state on our 4-day school week.

A handout of COVID19 protocol will be sent home with all students. This handout has also been posted on our district website and on our district facebook page. Parents will be key to keeping our schools open as they are the first in line to evaluate their children's health and well-being.

A bus opt in form will be given to all students to take home and return to their school. All students must complete and return the bus opt in form if they use any district transportation.

There have been a number of Title IX changes. They will be presented in the meeting this evening as emergency policies. Mr. Wilson will be giving staff further training on the Title IX policies.

All staff new to the district have been trained.

There have been a number families going to home school that may return at a later date. School administrators are asking the state to have a 2nd student count day.

Student chromebooks are expected to be here by mid-September.

Middle school sports are on hold for the time being. Mr. Wilson will let the board know when things change.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

BEST Update
Mr. Wilson gave board members a hand out from DCS showing what has been accomplished on the new high school as of August 17, 2020. Bradbury Stamm is currently getting bids from sub-contractors.

School Re-Open Plan
The school re-open plan has been on the district website for a few weeks. This plan will be an ever changing plan with the changes coming weekly from the state. NCSD has tried to cover it all, but there will probably be mistakes made and changes that come.

CASB Policies ADC, GBA, GCE/GCR, GDE, GDF, IKA, JB, JF, JFBE, JEBB, JICDD, JICEA, JICEC, LBD
These policies were presented for discussion per CASB recommendation.

CHSAA Directives
CHSAA has to follow the Governor and his mandates. Currently we can have open gyms that are not mandatory but where attendance is voluntary.

ACTION ITEMS

Emergency Approval of Policies Related to Reopening Schools EBBA, EBBA-R, EBCE, GBAB, IC/ICA, GBGA, JH, JLCC, JICEA, JICEC, LBD and Policies Reflecting Title IX Changes, AC, AC-E-1, AC-E-2, AC-R-1, AC-R-2, JBB, JII

A motion was made by Chuck Finnegan to emergency approve Policies Related to Reopening Schools EBBA, EBBA-R, EBCE, GBAB, IC/ICA, GBGA, JH, JLCC, JICEA, JICEC, LBD and Policies Reflecting Title IX Changes, AC, AC-E-1, AC-E-2, AC-R-1 (option 2 superintendent as compliance officer), AC-R-2, JBB, JII, seconded by Garth Crowther.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Teacher Aide Approvals for the 20-21 School Year
A motion was made by Mary Jane Valdez to approve the 2020-2021 teacher aides Brenda Dunn, La Jara Elementary and Shauni Gilleland, Manassa Elementary that are to be paid with CPP monies, seconded by Brandon Thomas.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

CHS Math On-Line Teacher Approval for the 20-21 School Year
A motion was made Chuck Finnegan to approve the CHS Math On-Line teacher, Margaret Muniz, who will have a 3/7 contract, seconded by Brandon Thomas.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Part Time Health Educator/Aid Approval for the 20-21 School Year
A motion was made by Garth Crowther to approve the part time health educator Maesyn Ries and part time health aid Ruth Ortega, seconded by Chuck Finnegan.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Staff Resignations
A motion was made by Mary Jane Valdez to approve the resignation of Stephanie Parrish, CHS Cheer Coach, seconded by Brandon Thomas.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Resolution to Approve the Return to School Opening Plan
A motion was made by Tanner Bagwell to approve the Resolution to return to school opening plan as presented, seconded by Brandon Thomas.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

BOCES MOU Approval
A motion was made by Brandon Thomas to approve the BOCES MOU as presented, seconded by Chuck Finnegan.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

CHSAA Membership Approval
A motion was made by Chuck Finnegan to approve the CHSAA membership as presented, seconded by Garth Crowther.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Approve 20-21 Little Treasures Pre-School Plan
It was not necessary to approve the Little Treasures Pre-School Plan. It was just required for Wendy Helms to advise the board of their plan for the year.

Approve CHS Volleyball Assistant Coach
A motion was made by Tanner Bagwell to approve Maesyn Ries as the CHS C Team Volleyball coach, seconded by Mary Jane Valdez.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Approve CHS/CMS/LJE/ME School Photographers
A motion was made by Chuck Finnegan to approve The Photo Company as school picture photographer and Valley Vibrant Photography as sports picture photographer, seconded by Brandon Thomas.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed

CHS Sponsors
A motion was made by Garth Crowther to approve Lee Ann Lesueur as CHS Chess sponsor and Kristi Jarvies as a CHS Junior class sponsor, seconded by Brandon Thomas.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

CHS Part Time Teacher
A motion was made by Mary Jane Valdez to approve Mike Rodriguez as CHS part-time Spanish remote teacher, seconded by Tanner Bagwell.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
A motion was made by Mary Jane Valdez to go into executive session with Mr. Curt to discuss privileged information and personnel issues, seconded by Brandon Thomas.

Joseph Baroz, aye; Tanner Bagwell aye; Garth Crowther, aye; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Brandon Thomas, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Topic 1 – 5 minutes

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Next regular board of education meeting will be Tuesday September 15, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.