

NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

June 21, 2022

District Administration Building

6:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting scheduled for 6:30 pm at the District Administration Office was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chuck Finnegan, President.

ROLL CALL

Nathan Coombs, aye; Garth Crowther, absent; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Harman Hostetter, aye; Steven Johnson, 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 Steven Johnson to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Mary Jane Valdez.

Nathan Coombs, aye; Garth Crowther, absent; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Harman Hostetter, aye; Steven Johnson, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

A motion was made by Mary Jane Valdez to approve the agenda with the addition of item 10e, bank/bond signature approval, seconded by Harman Hostetter.

Nathan Coombs, aye; Garth Crowther, absent; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Harman Hostetter, aye; Steven Johnson, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

There were no citizens to address the board

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/ACTIVITIES

Principals Report

Principals presented to the board their 2021-22 school discipline reports. Please see attached school discipline reports.

BOCES Report

The BOCES modular trailer will no longer be housing students. Mr. Wilson reported that we will take care of our own students. A plan is still up in the air with BOCES and North Conejos School District. We will need a written proposal from BOCES to form a plan to move forward. There will be a meeting July 6th with BOCES and we would like a proposal before this meeting. NCSd will need a contract detailing an agreement with BOCES defining administrative rolls with NCSd, BOCES and possible out of district students. This will be a priority for Mr. Darren Edgar, incoming superintendent.

NCEA

No Report. Bonnie Keller retired at the end of the school year and we will need a new NCEA representative.

Administration Report

Mr. Wilson reported to the board that NCSd lost another student recently. Funeral services will be held this Thursday at 10:00 a.m. for Mathias Hernandez at Centauri Middle School.

The speakers in the new gym have been reset. NCSd will supply a wrestling light in the gym that was not included in the BEST grant.

ASP training was held June 17th and 18th. It was an excellent training. We will need to add another ASP this coming year.

NCSd has done much for the safety of students and staff. Each building has armed security personnel. We have implemented Life Spot with training all employees, buildings have locked doors and we need to make sure doors are not propped, and have security systems in place in all buildings. We need to be prepared in advance of any possible incident.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

BEST Update and Statue

BEST summary has been sent to all board members. The proposed completion date remains October 4th 2022. The gym floors, weight room, and a few classrooms flooded with the rain that came. Mr. Wilson reports that we are waiting on reports from Bradbury Stamm. Our insurance carrier CIDSIP will be on site Monday with an engineer and make recommendations. Owners Reps report that this a warranty item with defects. They believe Bradbury Stamm will replace the floors. The board encourages complete replacement of both gym floors. They are still seeking answers to the cause of the flooding, but believe it was the drains.

CHS Graduation Protocol & Guidelines

Mrs. Katie Montague would like a policy stating that the graduation caps and gowns cannot be altered. She recommends graduates only wear school issued gowns and caps with no alterations and would like this put into district policy/procedures. Mr. Wilson asked the board to support Mrs. Montague's request. She will get a policy/procedure to the board for approval.

Future Decisions – Facilities

Mr. Wilson recommended the board tour the district facilities. He recommends that the CHS shops get cement and CMS get updated lighting. CDOT is making progress on the CHS/CMS entrance and exit. He recommends that both elementary school facilities be assessed.

Family & Medical Leave Insurance (FAMLI) Local Government Participation Information

Mr. Wilson handed out the CASB recommended process to opt out of FAMLI. He has been consulting with our attorney Caplan & Earnest on this. Mr. Wilson, personally, doesn't think this is going to work, but we need to take the necessary steps so that the board can take action before January 1, 2023. We need to keep this as a discussion item in the coming months.

ACTION ITEMS

NCSD Staff Resignations

A motion was made by Steven Johnson to approve NCSD staff resignations of Mindy Russell, CMS PARA; Cheyenne Siemering, CHS English; and Lucia Muniz, CHS Math, seconded by Harman Hostetter.

Nathan Coombs, aye; Garth Crowther, absent; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Harman Hostetter, aye; Steven Johnson, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

2022-2023 New Staff Hires

A motion was made by Nathan Coombs to approve the hiring of Ilene Laugin, ME SPED teacher; Brenda Bagwell, ME teacher; Brandi Rogers, ME teacher; Amber Ullery, CMS PE teacher; Brenda Martini, CMS computer teacher, seconded by Steven Johnson.

Nathan Coombs, aye; Garth Crowther, absent; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Harman Hostetter, aye; Steven Johnson, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Second Reading CASB Update Policies JICDE, JICDE-E-1, JICDE-E-2

A motion was made by Mary Jane Valdez to approve the second reading of CASB policies, JICDE, JICDE-E-1, and JICDE-E-2, seconded by Nathan Coombs.

Nathan Coombs, aye; Garth Crowther, absent; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Harman Hostetter, aye; Steven Johnson, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed.

Resolution 2022-2023 Adopted Budget

A motion was made by Mary Jane Valdez to approve the 2022-2023 Adopted Budget Resolution, seconded by Steven Johnson.

Nathan Coombs, aye; Garth Crowther, absent; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Harman Hostetter, aye; Steven Johnson, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

The motion passed

Bank/Bond Signature Approval

A motion was made by Harman Hostetter to approve all bank/bond signatures for Darren Edgar on all North Conejos School District bank accounts, CD's, credit cards, etc. and to remove Curt Wilson from all accounts, seconded by Nathan Coombs.

Nathan Coombs, aye; Garth Crowther, absent; Chuck Finnegan, aye; Harman Hostetter, aye; Steven Johnson, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, aye.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

The next regular board of education meeting will be Tuesday August 16, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.