



MINERAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
751 A. STREET
Hawthorne, Nevada 89415
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, March 18, 2025

The Mineral County School District held a public meeting on Tuesday, March 18, 2025 beginning at 5:34 PM at the Mineral County School District.

Tyler Viani read: I would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on or broadcasted on traditional lands of the Paiute People, and pay our respect to elders both past and present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Juanita Diede, Kristin Reeves, Tyler Viani, Candice Birchum

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATORS: Stephanie Keuhey, Superintendent, Claire Hayhurst, Principal HES

OTHERS PRESENT: Kenneth Tedford, Kaiti Gentry, Drew Schaar, Theresa Vinson, Janis Horn, Jessica Walch, Patrick Hughes, Daniel Norcom, Christopher Bodingan, Melanie McFalls, Gianna McFalls, Cathay Norcom, Tahlyah Norcom

CALL TO ORDER: 10:19 AM

1. Certification of Public Notice, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of a flexible agenda. (For Possible Action)

Tyler made a motion to move action items 5 and 6 back to the top, everything else down. Juanita Diede seconded the motion. Juanita Diede-Y; Candice Birchum-Y; Kristin Reeves-Y; Tyler Viani-Y. Motion passed 4-0-0

3. Person or Group Recognition - **Cristoper Bodingan and Technology Department - Move to the next meeting.**
4. Presentations - *NO*

CONSENT ITEMS: (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

1. Minutes: February 18, 2025
2. Payroll Vouchers: 1052, 1053,1058,1059, 1062, 1063, 1065, 1069, 1072, 1073, 1078, 1079, 1086, 1087,1090,1092,1093
3. Payroll Checks: 89665-90225
4. Warrants: 29166-29331
5. Personnel Report – Information Only

Tyler Viani made a motion to approve the minutes February 18, 2025; Payroll Vouchers: 1052, 1053,1058,1059, 1062, 1063, 1065, 1069, 1072, 1073, 1078, 1079, 1086, 1087,1090,1092,1093; Payroll Checks: 89665-90225; Warrants: 29166-29331 and the Personnel Report for information only. Juanita Diede seconded the motion.

Juanita Diede-Y; Candice Birchum-Y; Kristin Reeves-Y; Tyler Viani-Y. Motion passed 4-0-0

ACTION ITEMS: (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

1. Recommendation: Discussion and Possible Approval of the Designation of Auditing Firm for the year ending June 30, 2025. (Jim Sciarani)

Tyler Viani made a motion to approve. Juanita Diede seconded the motion.

Juanita Diede-Y; Candice Birchum-Y; Kristin Reeves-Y; Tyler Viani-Y. Motion passed 4-0-0

2. Discussion Only: Anti-Bullying Make School Safe Again. (Tahlyah Norcom)

Presentation by Tahlyah Norcom about Bullying. There will be a Bullying event on March 31 in Schurz.



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3. Recommendation: Discussion and Possible Approval for 15 employees to travel to Denver, Colorado for UnboundEd Standards Institute.

Supporting Information: The reemployment of a retired public employee is limited to positions of extreme need pursuant to NRS 286.523. A retired public employee can fulfill the open Elementary Teacher positions until a full time teacher is hired. However, the Critical Need Designation is required for these individuals. The number of openings for the position and the number of qualified candidates for those opening after all other efforts of recruitment have been exhausted: 2 SPED teachers, 4 Elementary teachers, 1 science teacher, 1 APEP Teacher, 5 long term sub teacher positions and 1 Pre-K teacher for a total of 14 positions.

Tyler Viani made a motion to approve. Kristin Reeves seconded the motion.

Juanita Diede-Y; Candice Birchum-Y; Kristin Reeves-Y; Tyler Viani-Y. Motion passed 4-0-0

4. Recommendation: Discussion and Possible Approval of 14 Critical Need Positions for Mineral County School District. This document was read into the minutes by Kristin Reeves. GPC: Drew Schaar

Tyler Viani made a motion to approve. Candice Birchum seconded the motion.

Juanita Diede-Y; Candice Birchum-Y; Kristin Reeves-Y; Tyler Viani-Y. Motion passed 4-0-0

5. Recommendation: Discussion and Possible Approval of Questions for the Board Survey.

GPC: Tahlyah McFalls, Drew Schaar, Kenny Tedford

The Board needs to bring 1 to 3 questions to the next meeting.

6. Recommendation: Discussion and Possible Approval to Purchase bus cameras.

Candice Birchum made a motion to approve. Kristin Reeves seconded the motion.

Juanita Diede-Y; Candice Birchum-Y; Kristin Reeves-Y; Tyler Viani-Y. Motion passed 4-0-0

7. Recommendation: Discussion and Possible Approval of the TNTP School Improvement Contract.

This item was tabled.

8. Recommendation: Discussion and Possible Approval of the Catapult School Improvement Contract Amendment.

This item was tabled.

10 minute recess

9. Discussion Only: District Strategic Plan Update

Stephanie Keuhey gave the Board a presentation.

GPC: Gianna McFalls

10. Discussion Only: Update on Policy Committee - *The next meeting will be on Friday, March 21, 2025.*

11. Discussion Only: Update on the door install at HES and SES. *Waiting back from the Engineering firm. Update on the 2nd meeting in April.*

12. Closed Session: Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 241.015(2)(b)(2) and Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 288.220 to receive information from legal counsel relative to general pending litigation and to discuss negotiations.

13. Open Session: Discussion and possible action relative to pending litigation and/or negotiations.



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COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS: (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

1. Correspondence & Announcements
2. Board Members - *Juanita Diede - She is having a Career Fair on April 1st. Attended the Legislative Day. Talked to senators.
Candice Birchum - Bargaining units was very informative.*
3. Superintendent - *Recruiting fairs have been going well. She was on the AASA JI Visa teachers panel. They talked about the program. The conference was overall refreshing. Every state is dealing with this. She will be attending the Indian Ed Summit next week. Still working on getting information on HUDL*
4. Principals - *Claire Hayhurst, Principal HES - Award assembly tomorrow. HES is ordering a Rocky Mascot. Working on staffing for next year. Only 1 staff member is missing. Trying to get the PTA back up.*

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kenny Tedford - Community Chest has a "Hidden in Plain Site" program at the Fire Station from 9:00am to 3:30PM.

Letter from Patrick Hughes read in the minutes.

Janis Horn - Community. Behavior is a big concern. The teachers need help. Tyler said we will address the letter and what needs to be done. Stephanie will work with the admins to address the concerns.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:41 PM

Respectfully submitted:



 Kristin Reeves, Clerk