NORTH CONEJOS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
May 20, 2025
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 6:40 pm by Kristin McCarroll, Secretary.

ROLL CALL
Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA/CHANGES TO CONSENT AGENDA
A motion was made by Kimberly Baroz to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Tyler Buhr.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA
A motion was made by Kimberly Baroz to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Jake Cary.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Cade Huffaker and Clint Smith presented the board a letter from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Stake Presidency and Stake Young Men Presidency inviting the school district to encourage coaches, sponsors, teachers, etc. to look at ways to schedule more time for youth to be home with their families and attend church functions and meetings. Specific examples would be to make sure youth are released from practice earlier than normal on Mondays and Wednesdays and as teachers to assign no homework on those nights as well. They acknowledged that efforts to accomplish this have been made in the past and they invited coaches and faculty to increase those efforts and encourage youth to go home or to activities as soon as practice ends.

GUEST PRESENTATIONS

North Conejos 2024-2025 Teacher of the Year

Mrs. Kristin McCarroll recognized Judy Bahr as the North Conejos 2024-2025 teacher of the year. Mr. Edgar expressed gratitude and thanks to Mrs. Bahr for her 30 years of commendable service to the children of the North Conejos School District. He recognized Mrs. Bahr as a teacher that helped him in his beginnings as a school teacher.

North Conejos School District Retirees

Kristin McCarroll presented Judy Bahr with a plaque noting her 30 years of service to the North Conejos School District. Mr. Edgar summarized Mrs. Bahr's 30 years in the school district and expressed gratitude for her dedication and efforts in teaching Manassa Elementary students and doing a very good job over the years. Mr. Denny Fringer and Mrs. Lorrie Crowther were unable to attend the board meeting but were recognized for their 27 and 24 years respectively.

ACHIEVEMENT/ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS

Principal's Report

Please see attached principal reports.

BOCES Report

Kim Baroz reported that there is a BOCES board meeting tomorrow night, May 22nd. Mr. Edgar reported that BOCES will be charging all Valley Districts a base of $2000 with around $40,000 per student attending their program along with the regular assessment. Darren told the board that progress on the new BOCES building has been slowed by some issues that have come up with the renovation of the building.

NCEA
Misty Espinoza reported that there was nothing new to report concerning NCEA. She is working on membership.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT
Mr. Edgar told board members that CHS and NCAP graduation is this Saturday, May 24, 2025 at 10:00am. He asked that board members attending graduation be there by 9:30 a.m.

There has been a push by some students to have a girls' baseball program at Centauri High School. Mr. Jesse Shawcroft and Mr. Edgar have begun discussions on girls' baseball at CHS. We need to not rush into a program before considering all factors.

We are beginning discussions on the CHS/CMS baseball field(s) renovations that will receive funding from the NCSD capital reserve.

Mr. Edgar told board members that district administration will be attending the CASE conference in July. There are some really good things that our administration can learn and take from attending the CASE conference.

ACTION ITEMS

Second Reading of Policies: AC, AC-R-3, AC-E-1, AC-E-2, GBAA, JBB, GCE/GCF, GDE/GDF, JB, JF, GBA, JICDD, JICDE, JFBA, JFBB, JICA, JII
A motion was made by Tyler Buhr to approve the second reading of policies AC, AC-R-3, AC-E-1, AC-E-2, GBAA, JBB, GCE/GCF, GDE/GDF, JB, JF, GBA, JICDD, JICDE, JFBA, JFBB, JICA, JII as presented, seconded by Jake Cary.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed.

Resolution: 2024-2025 Adopted Budget
A motion was made by Jake Cary to approve the Resolution: 2024-2025 Adopted Budget as presented, seconded by Kim Baroz.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed.

Resolution: Approval of 2025-2026 Proposed Budget
A motion was made by Tyler Buhr to approve the Resolution: Approval of 2025-2026 Proposed Budget as presented, seconded by Jake Cary.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed.

CHPS Resolution on Performance Benchmarking
A motion was made by Kim Baroz to approve the CHPS Resolution on Performance Benchmarking as presented, seconded by Tyler Buhr.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed.

Notice of Intent to Participate in the Coordinated Election on November 4, 2025
A motion was made by Tyler Buhr to approve the Notice of Intent to participate in the Coordinated Election on November 4, 2025 as presented, seconded by Jake Cary.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed.

Hiring of NCSD Personnel
A motion was made by Jake Cary to approve the hiring of Brenda Dunn, LJE Kindergarten teacher; Emery McCarroll, LJE Paraprofessional; Brandon Barr, ME SPED teacher; Addison Valentine, ME Kindergarten teacher; Amy Crowther, ME 5th grade teacher; Austin Dillon, CHS Head Boys Basketball coach; Jessica Morales, CHS Head Dance coach, seconded by Tyler Buhr.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed.

Staff Resignations
A motion was made by Kim Baroz to approve the resignations of Ernesto Lopez, CMS/CHS assistant Wrestling coach; Austin Edgar, CMS 6th Grade Math teacher, seconded by Tyler Buhr.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed.

Concurrent Enrollment Teacher Pay
A motion was made by Kim Baroz to approve the Concurrent Enrollment Teacher Pay with the creation of a policy exhibit GCBC-E where the school district will pay $750 for each concurrent class that is instructed each semester. The percentage of pay for each role is defined in policy GCBC-E, seconded by Jake Cary.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed.

Facilities Master Plan: Procurement of A&E Professional Services
A motion was made by Tyler Buhr to approve the Facilities Master Plan: Procurement of A&E Professional Services per recommendation of the interview committee. The committee ranked Neenan as their first choice, seconded by Kim Baroz.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed.

2025-2026 School District Health Insurance Plan
A motion was made by Tyler Buhr to approve the 2025-2026 School District Health Insurance Plan as presented, seconded by Kim Baroz.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed.

2024-2025 School Calendar Change
A motion was made by Kim Baroz to approve the 2024-2025 School Calendar Change of releasing school at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 22, 2025, seconded by Jake Cary.

Kimberly Baroz, aye; Tyler Buhr, aye; Jacob Cary, aye; Nathan Coombs, absent; Kristin McCarroll, aye; Mary Jane Valdez, absent.

The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
None

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The next regular board meeting will be on June 17, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.