

MEETING OF THE NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Tuesday, January 4, 2022

Members present

Don Huffman, Janna Waldinger, Gerald Parrott, Jean Donaldson, Sindy Biederman
Remote Attendance: Jennifer Kresge, Ann Cash

1. ORGANIZATION

A. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Don Huffman called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

B. FLAG SALUTE

The salute to the Flag was led by Jean Donaldson.

C. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Board President Huffman read the instructions for public participation via teleconference.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

Instructions for Comments by the Public for Items not on the Agenda and Comments by the Public for items on the Agenda were read.

E. WELCOME TO VISITORS

Visitors were welcomed to the meeting.

F. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Agenda was approved on a motion by Mrs. Waldinger and a second by Mrs. Biederman. A roll call vote was taken: *Ayes* – Mr. Parrott, Mrs. Waldinger, Mr. Huffman, Mr. Donaldson, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Mrs. Kresge. *Noes* – None.

G. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes from the December 7 and December 10, 2021 meetings were approved on a motion by Mrs. Waldinger and a second by Mr. Parrott. A roll call vote was taken: *Ayes* – Mr. Parrott, Mrs. Waldinger, Mr. Huffman, Mr. Donaldson, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Mrs. Kresge. *Noes* – None.

H. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC

Public comment was given.

2. PUBLIC HEARING AND PRESENTATIONS

Public Hearing opened at 3:40 p.m.

A. John Tuteur, County Registrar of Voters, provided an overview on the redistricting process of the Napa County Board of Education trustee area based on the 2020 census, and proposed draft trustee area maps. Mr. Tuteur instructed the Board to give him direction as to any changes they want to see in the final map which will

be the subject of the February 1, 2022 final map hearing. Mr. Tuteur reminded the Board that today's meeting is also held to obtain public comment on Map 92276 which is still the only map on the districtr site.

Sophia Garcia, GIS and Outreach Director at Redistricting Partners, presented some of the draft plans that have been submitted publicly, a draft map for the Board, traditional redistricting principles, communities of interest, review of all the districtr submissions that have been received to date, and the next steps in the process.

Mr. Huffman asked for public comment. No public comment was given.

The Board reviewed each of their respective trustee areas.

Public Hearing closed at 4:34 p.m.

3. CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS, AND REPORTS

- Dr. Nemko reported that Congressman Mike Thompson recently held a press conference at Camille Creek regarding improving access to high-speed internet in Napa County. The Camille Creek culinary class was preparing lunches at the time, so Congressman Thompson was able to tour the kitchen.
- Dr. Nemko reported that photos of the NCOE After School ACE program were featured in the Register this week.
- Dr. Nemko reported on the recent ribbon cutting at Camille Creek. The community was invited to attend.
- Dr. Nemko reported that we will be receiving \$90,000 from the State to provide funding to help institute universal transitional kindergarten. The NCOE will hire a consultant to run that process.
- Dr. Nemko reported that we were offered the possibility of facilitating a program called *Pictures of Hope*. The program is the creation of Linda Solomon who visits homeless shelters and surprises children with digital cameras and gives them a photo assignment to capture their dreams and express their creativity.
- Dr. Nemko reported that the NCOE will be receiving a reimbursement credit of approximately \$50,000 from Holly and Associates regarding the Camille Creek project.
- Dr. Nemko reported that the NCOE Footsteps2Brilliance (F2B) panel was just installed at the Story Book Walk at Shenandoah Park in American Canyon. Parents can scan the QR code, and it takes them right to the registration page for F2B, which is a free service provided by NCOE to all families in Napa County.

4. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. On a motion by Mrs. Waldinger and a second by Mrs. Biederman, the Board approved Consent Agenda Item 4.A. (Temporary County Certificates). A roll call vote was taken: *Ayes* – Mr. Parrott, Mrs. Waldinger, Mr. Huffman, Mr. Donaldson, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Mrs. Kresge. *Noes* – None.

B. There was no action taken on Board Compensation.

5. ACTION ITEMS

A. On a motion by Mrs. Waldinger and a second by Mrs. Biederman, the Board approved to table the School Accountability Report Card (SARC) to the February meeting. A roll call vote was taken: *Ayes* – Mr. Parrott, Mr. Donaldson, Mrs. Waldinger, Mr. Huffman, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Kresge, Mrs. Biederman. *Noes* – None.

B. On a motion by Mr. Donaldson and a second by Mr. Parrott, the Board amended the 2022 Board Calendar to have the second board meeting in June on Tuesday, June 14 to approve the LCAP and Budget, and the December meeting to be December 13 to meet the requirement for holding the annual organizational meeting. A roll call vote was taken: *Ayes* – Mr. Parrott, Mr. Donaldson, Mrs. Waldinger, Mr. Huffman, Mrs. Cash, Mrs. Biederman, Mrs. Kresge. *Noes* – None.

6. SCHEDULED MATTER

Mrs. Kresge reported on an email she received from Dr. Nemko regarding Senate Bill 830 Pupil Instruction.

Dr. Nemko explained that schools used to be funded by enrollment, and then they went to funding by attendance which means schools lose funding every time a student is absent. The new Bill proposes membership rather than attendance, and something between the difference of what schools would have gotten if they counted enrollment and what they will get if they count attendance.

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. The Board accepted the Personnel Activity Report as presented.

B. Mr. Schultz reviewed Investment options for NCOE's OPEB funding in the California Employers' Retiree Benefit Trust.

C. Mr. Schultz presented the Budget Calendar noting the Preliminary Budget will be brought to the Board for review and approval in April.

D. Mr. Schultz reported no complaints for the Williams Uniform Complaints Procedures Quarterly Report.

E. Dr. Nemko reviewed the Napa County Board of Trustees Board Goals that was created a few years ago where the Board considered taking different months to attend district board meetings. The Board agreed to review again the Board Goals at the March meeting.

F. Ms. McClure updated the Board on having a student of the month to celebrate at the Board meetings. Ms. McClure noted that she will work on a calendar and bring it back to the Board at a later date.

G. Ms. McClure updated the Board on COVID distribution kits to the districts, ongoing surveillance testing for staff working with children, reporting to OSHA, and the number of cases among staff.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

9. NEXT MEETING OF THE NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The next regular meeting of the Napa County Board of Education will be on Tuesday, February 1, 2022.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Nemko, Secretary
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Approved _____ Date