

REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 20, 2016

MINUTES

I CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Lake County Board of Education was called to order at 3:07 p.m. at the Lake County Office of Education, 1152 S. Main Street, Lakeport, CA 95453 by Board President Madelene Lyon. Board Members Browning, Cooper, Hicks and Kinsel were present. Also in attendance were Brock Falkenberg, Lake County Superintendent of Schools; and LCOE staff member Janice Bailey.

II APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Superintendent Falkenberg requested a change in the order of Program Reports listed in Item IV. Mrs. Hicks requested that the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 18, 2016 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

It was moved by Dr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Hicks, to approve the Agenda of the regular meeting of April 20, 2016, as amended.

Aye Browning; Aye Cooper; Aye Hicks; Aye Kinsel; Aye Lyon - Motion Carried 5-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (*Moved from Consent Agenda*)

It was moved by Mrs. Hicks, seconded by Dr. Browning, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 18, 2016, as amended.

Aye Browning; Aye Cooper; Aye Hicks; Aye Kinsel; Aye Lyon - Motion Carried 5-0

III PUBLIC INPUT – There was no Public Input.

IV PROGRAM REPORTS

A. LCAP Update: Mr. Falkenberg thanked Stephanie Wayment for her efforts in the LCAP development for the County Office of Education; and introduced Cynthia Lenners, who will oversee the LCAP process for Lake COE next year. Mrs. Wayment indicated there would be only one document for Board approval in June – the LCAP for the Hance Community School, as Renaissance School has closed, and only an “accountability report” is required for the Creativity School.

Mrs. Wayment introduced Lori LaBrie, teacher-in-charge at Hance Community School. Ms. LaBrie provided an overview of the school program’s successes, expectations and

challenges, including ways of engaging their partners and stakeholders. The Hance LCAP document will come before the Board for approval in June.

B. Technology Update: Blaze King, Director of IT Services, reported to the Board on Lake County internet access and connectivity outside of schools and in the home environment. The lack of access can create an issue as more students use devices at home for research and collaboration. Mr. King noted that reliable information is needed to determine the number of students who do not have adequate internet access. He questioned whether limited connectivity was attributed to low income or geographical access. Mr. King reported that once the need is determined, we must find creative ways to close the gap in this “digital divide.” He also noted the need to train students in “digital citizenship” and responsible use of technology.

Dr. Browning commented on the need to go “paperless” to eliminate unnecessary copies of Board documents. Mr. King will research the purchase of Chromebooks for each Board member. Dr. Cooper noted that training for the Board on whichever device is selected is vital.

V CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 18, 2016
(Removed from Consent Agenda)
- B. Acceptance of Donation from Redbud Health Care District
- C. Acceptance of Donation from St. Helena Hospital Clearlake
- D. Approval of Williams Quarterly Report for April 2016

It was moved by Dr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Kinsel, to approve Items B, C, and D of the Consent Agenda of April 20, 2016.

Aye Browning; Aye Cooper; Aye Hicks; Aye Kinsel; Aye Lyon - Motion Carried 5-0

VI. ACTION & DISCUSSION

A. APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICIES: BP/SP/AR 0420 SCHOOL PLAN/SITE COUNCILS; BP/SP/AR 1312.3 UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES; BP 5131.2 BULLYING; BP/AR 5148 CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT; BP/AR 5148.2 BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS; BP/AR 5148.3 PRESCHOOL/EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION; BP/E 6163.4 STUDENT USE OF TECHNOLOGY

After a *Report from Committee*, it was moved by Mrs. Hicks to approve BP/SP/AR 0420 SCHOOL PLAN/SITE COUNCILS; BP/SP/AR 1312.3 UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES; BP 5131.2 BULLYING; BP/AR 5148 CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT; BP/AR 5148.2 BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS; BP/AR 5148.3 PRESCHOOL/EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION; BP/E 6163.4 STUDENT USE OF TECHNOLOGY.

Following discussion, the original motion was withdrawn after amendments were made to the policies. It was moved by Dr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Kinsel, to approve the policies as amended.

Aye Browning; Aye Cooper; Aye Hicks; Aye Kinsel; Aye Lyon - Motion Carried 5-0

B. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSAL FROM CITY OF CLEARLAKE REGARDING SALE OF FORMER PEARCE FIELD AIRPORT PROPERTY

It was moved by Mrs. Kinsel, seconded by Dr. Browning, to form a Committee consisting of Trustees Mark Cooper and Madelene Lyon; the County Superintendent of Schools; and the Senior Director of Business Services to meet with the City of Clearlake to review the proposal for the sale of the former Pearce Field airport property.

Aye Browning; Aye Cooper; Aye Hicks; Aye Kinsel; Aye Lyon - Motion Carried 5-0

C. DISCUSSION ITEM – UPGRADE/EXPANSION OF TAYLOR OBSERVATORY/STEM CENTER

Mr. Falkenberg reviewed a letter received from *FOTO - Friends of Taylor*, regarding their commitment of \$100,000 to the Lake County Office of Education for proposed upgrades and expansion of the Taylor Observatory. The proposed expansion would create a regional STEM center at the site, along with a solar planetarium. Additional funding from the Office of Education would be required to meet these goals. The Board will review the funding restrictions and stipulations at the May Board meeting.

VII SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- Superintendent Falkenberg announced he would be attending the Board Meeting for Middletown Unified School District later this evening to make a presentation to the 2011 California Teacher of the Year, Ms. Jennifer Kelly. The California Department of Education provided a replacement trophy as Ms. Kelly’s original award was destroyed, along with her home, in the Valley Fire.
- The annual Children’s Festival and Advocacy Walk was held in Lower Lake on Saturday, April 9. Mr. Falkenberg commended Healthy Start Director Jolene Chappel and her staff for their efforts. The event was well-attended, despite the poor weather.
- The Hero Project Hullabaloo is scheduled for June 11 at the Konocti Education Center.
- Mr. Falkenberg has been in conversation with North Coast Opportunities (NCO) regarding the possibility of developing the property adjacent to the LCOE parking lot for a Head Start preschool program. The current Lakeport center has been displaced and they are looking for a new location.
- The second session of the FCMAT workshop on LCAPs for Board Members will be held at 5:30 p.m. in the Kesey Room on April 28.
- The enrollment at Marymount California University is significantly lower than expected. The *Friends of Marymount University* is forming a subgroup, *Friends of Friends*, to assist in fundraising and outreach. Invitations to their May 10 kick-off event are forthcoming. The graduation ceremony at Marymount CA University will be held at 5:30 p.m. on May 11.

- The annual University Admit Dinner will be held on Monday, May 9, at Kelseyville High School. This event honors graduating seniors who have been admitted to a four-year college/university; as well as students graduating from the local community colleges.
- After doing an informal search on EdJoin, Superintendent Falkenberg found 60 teaching positions open in Lake County for the upcoming school year. The Beginning Teacher Program at Sonoma COE is transitioning to a teacher training program. Mr. Falkenberg recently worked with Lake County district representatives to attend interviews for special education teachers completing the program. Two candidates were offered positions.
- Mr. Falkenberg advised the Board of an audit finding for Upper Lake High School District.

VIII BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- Dr. Browning reported that he may be unable to attend the April 28 workshop as his wife will be recovering from surgery.
- Mrs. Kinsel reported that she will be in attendance on April 28 and will be attending tonight's Middletown Unified School District Board meeting.
- Dr. Cooper asked the Board to consider topics for future trainings tailored for Board members. Topics suggested included discipline and guidelines for expulsion.
- Mrs. Lyon shared the new book by local author, Gene Paleno. It is a great resource for Lake County history.

IX FUTURE BUSINESS

The next regular meeting of the Lake County Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, May 18, 2016, at 3:00 p.m. at the Lake County Office of Education, 1152 S. Main Street, Lakeport, CA 95453.

X ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting of the Lake County Board of Education adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Submitted by,

BROCK FALKENBERG
 Secretary to the Board
 Lake County Superintendent of Schools