

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

1152 South Main Street

Lakeport, CA 95453

REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 13, 2017 MINUTES

I CALL TO ORDER

The Regular meeting of the Lake County Board of Education was called to order at 1:10 p.m. by Board President David Browning. Board Members Cooper, Hicks, Kinsel and Lyon were present. Also present were Brock Falkenberg, Lake County Superintendent of Schools, and LCOE staff members Cynthia Lenners, Michelle Buell, Lynn Thomasson, Gilbert Rangel and Janice Bailey.

II APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Ms. Kinsel, seconded by Mrs. Hicks, to approve the Agenda of the regular meeting of December 13, 2017.

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

III PUBLIC INPUT – There was no Public Input.

IV APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Dr. Cooper, seconded by Ms. Kinsel, to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting on November 15, 2017.

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

V ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

A. ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT

It was moved by Ms. Kinsel, seconded by Mrs. Lyon, that Dr. Cooper be elected to serve as Board President for 2018.

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

B. ELECTION OF BOARD VICE PRESIDENT

It was moved by Dr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Lyon, that Ms. Kinsel be elected to serve as Board Vice President for 2018.

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

It was noted that the new officers would serve the *calendar* year.

E. ESTABLISH MEETING DATES & TIMES FOR 2017

January 17, 2018	August 15, 2018
February 21, 2018	September 19, 2018
March 21, 2018	October 17, 2018
April 18, 2018	November 14, 2018
May 16, 2018	December 12, 2018 (Organizational Meeting)
June 6, 2018 (5:00 pm - Additional meeting for LCAP Review)	
June 20, 2018	

It was moved by Dr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Lyon, to approve the meeting dates for 2018. The meetings are scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m. unless otherwise arranged ahead of time, or as required by Education Code for the purpose of Public Hearings.

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

VI PROGRAM REPORTS

A. LCAP Update – Assistant Superintendent Cynthia Lenner reported on the Data Dashboard released by the California Department of Education on December 7. The Dashboard reflects how each district and school in the state is rated against the state priorities. Ms. Lenner shared sample reports from the Dashboard. Districts become eligible for differentiated assistance and support if subgroups are in the “red” category in two state priorities. Lake County has two districts eligible for this assistance. Meetings with the leadership teams of the identified districts are being scheduled.

B. AMERICORPS SUPPORT OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION IN LAKE COUNTY – Director of AmeriCorps, Gilbert Rangel, presented information on how the AmeriCorps Program is providing support for the social and emotional development in preschoolers. AmeriCorps members are working in each of the eight LCOE preschool programs. Mr. Rangel stated the members have a duty in the community to serve, to teach, to learn and to lead. The AmeriCorps Program is about helping students achieve academically and socially.

VII ACTION & DISCUSSION

A. DISCUSSION ITEM - REVIEW OF FIRST INTERIM BUDGET REPORT

Michelle Buell, Senior Director of Business Services, and Lynn Thomasson, Assistant Director of Business Services, presented the First Interim Budget Report and fiscal outlook for the Lake County Office of Education. Per Education Code 1240, the First Interim Budget Report shall be reviewed by the County Board of Education and approved by the County Superintendent.

Dr. Cooper expressed his appreciation of the detailed report presented. The Board thanked Ms. Buell and Ms. Thomasson for their efforts.

VIII SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Superintendent Falkenberg provided an update on the teacher preparation programs now offered through the County Office of Education. All twenty slots have been filled in the grant-funded program to support classified employees in their efforts to become teachers. Each participant will receive up to \$2800 per year to help defray their education fees. The “Be a Teacher” program, in conjunction with Mendocino County Office of Education, through the North Coast School of Education at Sonoma COE, will begin in January with the first cohort focus on Education Specialist Mild/Moderate credentials.
- Mr. Falkenberg reported on his ongoing conversation with Sonoma State University to provide extension courses in Lake County. SSU is not interested in the Lucerne Castle property but is working with both Mendocino and Woodland Clearlake Campus community colleges.
- A ceremony was held at the Lake County jail yesterday to recognize the high school graduation of an inmate. LCOE continues to provide the HiSET exam for high school graduation equivalency at the local jail.
- Twenty students recently graduated the CNA program sponsored by the Office of Education. Dr. Cooper would like to track the graduates and their job experiences.
- Mr. Falkenberg will be meeting with a group from the Arts Council regarding grant opportunities designed to expand the arts in local schools.
- Kelseyville Superintendent McQueen will present an updated MOU for the lease of the Taylor Observatory property to his school board. Upon approval, it will be sent to the Lake County Board of Education for review and approval. FOTO has authorized construction of a new concrete slab on the property for use as a star deck and hopes to utilize a portion of their past contribution to LCOE for property improvements as payment for the construction.

IX BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- Mrs. Hicks shared her recent shipboard vacation experiences.
- Dr. Browning announced the impending birth of his granddaughter.
- Mrs. Hicks shared a document she found online of a final exam for 8th graders, dating back to 1895. The test demonstrated much more rigor than current exams.
- Ms. Kinsel reported that her freshman daughter at Middletown High School is participating in the Mock Trail preparation and competition.
- Ms. Kinsel has attended recent Middletown Unified School District community meetings to discuss cost saving strategies and ways the district could become more efficient. Mr. Falkenberg commended Superintendent Stone and the Middletown Board for seeking public input.
- Dr. Browning reported on the CSBA Delegate Assembly meeting recently held in San Diego. He announced upcoming the upcoming events: Legislative Action Day on March 13; the County Board Advanced Governance Workshop on March 23-24; and the Leadership Meeting to be held in San Francisco in July.
- Mrs. Lyon thanked Dr. Browning for representing Lake County so well.

X FUTURE BUSINESS

The next regular meeting of the Lake County Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. at the Lake County Office of Education, 1152 S. Main Street, Lakeport, CA 95453.

XI ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting of the Lake County Board of Education adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Submitted by,

BROCK FALKENBERG
Secretary to the Board
Lake County Superintendent of Schools