

Nicasio School District

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Regular Meeting of the Nicasio School District Board of Trustees

Wednesday, March 30, 2022 5pm

5555 Nicasio Valley Road, Nicasio, California

This meeting was held via videoconference pursuant to Executive Order N-25-20 issued by California Governor Gavin Newsom on March 12, 2020. Videoconference access information was posted on the District website:

<http://www.nicasioschool.org/index.php/school-board/board-meetings>

1. Opening Business

- a. Call to Order at 5pm
- b. Roll Call *Present (via videoconference): Trustees Elaine Doss and Mark Burton Absent: Trustee Daniel Ager Also in attendance (via videoconference): Interim Superintendent Nancy Neu, Principal Barbara Snekkevik, Chief Business Official Margie Bonardi and District Secretary Mikki McIntyre.*
- c. Patriotic Moment in honor of the Peace Corps, established by President Kennedy in March, 1961. During the past 61 years, more than 241,000 Peace Corps volunteers have delivered health care, education and other basic human services to 143 developing countries around the world.
- d. **Approval and Adoption of Closed Session Agenda**
Action: M/S: Doss/Burton to approve and adopt Closed Session Agenda **Vote: 2/0** Ayes: Burton and Doss; Noes: None
- e. Public Comment on Closed Session Topic(s) *There were no public comments.*

2. CLOSED SESSION

- a. The following Closed Session item is listed below in compliance with Government Code 54957.6 of the Brown Act:
 - (i) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
- o Recess to Closed Session to consider and/or take action upon any item on the Closed Session Agenda at 5:03pm

3. Reconvene in OPEN SESSION

- a. Adjourn Closed Session and Reconvene in Open Session at 5:20pm
- b. Report Out *There was no reportable action taken.*

4. Approval and Adoption of Open Session Agenda

Action: M/S: Doss/Burton to approve and adopt Agenda **Vote: 2/0** Ayes: Burton and Doss; Noes: None

5. Reports

- a. Trustee/Superintendent/Principal Announcements
 - Interim Supt. Neu reported the following:
 - o Two candidates have filed to run in the upcoming election for the Marin County Superintendent of Schools seat currently held by Mary Jane Burke, who is not seeking re-election.
 - o Countywide superintendents are still meeting regularly with Drs. Willis and Santora regarding Covid. Marin County Public Health and MCOE officials have done a phenomenal

job throughout the pandemic. At this time, masking is not required, but is a personal choice. There have been issues of mask-related harassment in some districts.

- Marin County is proceeding with its housing element update, which takes place every eight years. Ken Lippi provided a presentation on how underutilized school sites could be developed for staff housing. Four Marin districts are currently considering such projects, which would help districts' ability to recruit and retain employees. Senator Mike McGuire has really taken a lead on this issue.
- Principal Snekkevik presented the following report:
 - Events & Activities: March's Life Skill: Perseverance; End of 2nd Trimester, March 4; Professional Development Day, March 7; ELPAC testing; "Go Green" Spirit Day, March 17; Doll Project in K/1/2, March 24; All-School Assembly, March 30; April's Life Skill: Sense of Humor
 - Staff Updates: On-going Public Health Liaison meetings; Professional Development Day, March 7; Kristy Snaith new TUPE Coordinator & Food Safety Manager; Meeting with Marin County Free Library directors (Barbara)
 - Site Updates: Playground structure currently closed. Visit with Miracle Play Group representative, March 21; Visit with Clark Electrical, March 21; Delivery of compost bins from Zero Waste Marin; New school mural
 - Upcoming Events; Open House, March 31; Crazy Mismatch Spirit Day, April 1; Spring Break, April 4-8; NSF Fundraiser Dinner/Dance, May 7

6. **Public Comment** *There were no public comments.*

7. **Consent Agenda**

- a. Approval of Minutes: March 3, 2022 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
- b. Quarterly Report on William Uniform Complaints
- c. Memorandum of Understanding Between MCOE and Nicasio School District for Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) 2021-22
- d. Memorandum of Understanding Between Nicasio School District and Kristy Snaith for TUPE Coordinator Services 2021-22
- e. Approval of Interdistrict Transfer Requests Out of NSD for 2022-23
 - IDTX # 22-23-01
 - IDTX # 22-23-02

Action: M/S: Burton/Doss to approve Consent Agenda with two typographical corrections as noted **Vote: 2/0** Ayes: Burton and Doss; Noes: None

8. **Action**

- a. Indoor Mask Requirement *Discussion* Interim Supt. Neu explained that when the state's masking mandate was dropped last month, the county was still in favor of masking and issued wording that masks were "strongly recommended." District staff were directed to report any related public feedback to the Board. An informal survey of students and parents yielded the following observations:
 - The school respects all personal and family choices regarding masks;
 - 70% of middle school students, 27% of Gr. 3/4/5 and 35% of Gr. K/1/2 students remain masked for part of all of the school day.

Interim Supt. Neu said she doesn't see any reason to recommend a mask requirement change. Unvaccinated staff members are tested regularly and symptomatic students must test before returning to school. Principal Snekkevik added that the school has plenty of test kits available and masks are provided for anyone who wants one. Interim Supt. Neu noted that MCOE anticipates a COVID surge after spring break.

No action was taken.

- b. Updated Brown Act Teleconferencing/Virtual Meeting Requirements (AB 361) *Discussion:* Interim Supt. Neu said that the Board voted previously to conduct its meetings via Zoom through the month of March. To continue doing so, while getting harder to justify, is still possible because of the ongoing pandemic. Trustee Burton suggested conducting at least one meeting in person during the current academic year, possibly in June. In the meantime, he proposed the next meeting (May 5) be held in person with a Zoom option for those who want to attend remotely. Interim Supt. Neu said this would be a good model for district staff. She noted that the Zoom option for public attendance does not require an action by the Board.
No action was taken.

9. **Correspondence**

- a. Nicasio School CA2100582 Water Partnerships and Regionalization Opportunities, Sarah Mahdi, Water Resource Control Engineer, State Water Resources Control Board, March 8, 2022
b. Notice of Upcoming Road Sealing, Bradley Kurz, Senior Engineer, Marin County Dept. of Public Works, February 28, 2022

10. **Conclusion**

- a. Agenda items for upcoming Board Agenda
- May 5th meeting will be held in-person, with a Zoom option for the public.
 - Acceptance of NTA Sunshine Notice
 - NVFD Emergency Trailer Storage on District Property
 - Interim Supt. Neu will not be in attendance at May 5th meeting. Another superintendent will be present.
 - Trustee Burton will be out of the country on May 5th, but may be available for meeting via Zoom
 - Future meeting: Discussion of atmospheric water makers as a drinking water solution
- b. Adjournment
Action: M/S: Burton/Doss to adjourn meeting at 6pm **Vote: 2/0** Ayes: Doss and Burton; Noes: None

Respectfully Submitted,

Mikki McIntyre

☐ Unadopted ☒ Adopted

Mark Burton, Board Clerk