BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING

DATE: January 8, 2014
TIME: 6:00 p.m. – Regular Session
      5:15 p.m. – Closed Session
LOCATION: Silver Springs High School
          Classroom No. 5
          140 Park Avenue
          Grass Valley, CA. 95945

The mission of the Nevada Joint Union High School District is to provide all
students with educational opportunities that will empower them to reach their
full potential and prepare them for work and lifelong learning.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Katy Schwarz, President
Richard Baker, Vice President
Wayne Klauer, Clerk
Jim Adams, Trustee
Georgie Coulter, Trustee

ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Louise Bennicoff Johnson, Superintendent
Trisha Delli, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel & Pupil Services
Karen Suenram, Assistant Superintendent, Business & Facilities

Any person who wishes to speak regarding an item on the agenda or on a subject within the District's jurisdiction during the public comment section of the agenda must first be recognized by the Board President. Individual speakers will be allowed three minutes to address the Board. The Board shall limit the total time for each agenda item to ten minutes.

Under state law, issues brought forth under "Public Comments" can have no action or discussion and will be referred to the District Superintendent for any necessary follow-up action.

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A. CALL TO ORDER  
The meeting will be brought to order by the Board President.  

ROLL CALL  
The Board Secretary will take roll of members present:  
Katy Schwarz, President: Present ___ Absent ___  
Richard Baker, Vice President: Present ___ Absent ___  
Wayne Klauser, Clerk: Present ___ Absent ___  
Georgie Coulter, Trustee: Present ___ Absent ___  
Jim Adams, Trustee: Present ___ Absent ___  

B. PUBLIC COMMENT  
Public comment on closed session agenda items prior to the Board convening to closed session.  

C. CLOSED SESSION  
1. Student Discipline – Readmission - Expulsion  
2. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release  
3. Conference with Labor Negotiators  
   Government Code Section 54957.6  
   Employee Organizations: CSEA, NJUHSTA, AFT  
   Agency Negotiator: Mary Beth de Goede  
4. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation  
   Government Code section 54956.9(a)  
   Case No. 34-2013-80001580: City of Grass Valley & Grass Valley Redevelopment Agency Successor  
   Agency v. Ana Matosantos, John Chiang, & Does 1-10  

D. RECESS AND RECONVENE (approximately 6:00 p.m.)  

ROLL CALL  
The Board Secretary will take roll of members present:  
Katy Schwarz, President: Present ___ Absent ___  
Richard Baker, Vice President: Present ___ Absent ___  
Wayne Klauser, Clerk: Present ___ Absent ___  
Jim Adams, Trustee: Present ___ Absent ___  
Georgie Coulter, Trustee: Present ___ Absent ___
1. Mandatory Reporting by Board President
2. Student Expulsions/Readmissions
3. Pledge of Allegiance

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by_____ Second by_____ Vote_____
Shall the Board approve the agenda items?

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

This agenda item is included for the purpose of giving anyone in attendance the opportunity to comment on a non-agenda item with the Board of Trustees. There will be a three-minute time limit per person. The audience is not to applaud nor demonstrate disapproval for the comments made. The Trustees may respond by asking for clarification only. No action may be taken at this meeting on any issue raised.

G. REPORTS

1. Reports Student Board Representatives
   a. Nevada Union High School
   b. Bear River High School
   c. North Point Academy
   d. Ghidotti High School

2. Reports from School Principals
   a. Bear River High School – Principal Jim Nieto
   b. North Point Academy – Principal Anita Bagwell
   c. Nevada Union High School –Principal Mike Blake
   d. Silver Springs High School –Principal Marty Mathiesen
   e. Ghidotti High School – Principal Melissa Madigan

3. Reports from Collective Bargaining Units
   a. Nevada Joint Union High School Teachers Association (NJUHSTA) Representative President Allison Cassel
   b. California School Employees Association (CSEA) Representative President Kevin Atkins

H. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

1. Motion by_____ Second by_____ Vote_____
Shall the Board approve the minutes of the December 11, 2013 Regular Board meeting?

I. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA (ROLL CALL VOTE)

Action: Recommendation by the administration that the following consent agenda items regarding regular business items be approved. (Any item may be removed for further discussion and separate action following consideration of remaining agenda items.) Items to be removed from Consent Agenda: ____ ____ ____

Public Comment__________________
Items to be Removed __________________
Board Discussion________________
Motion by_____ Second by_____
(Board Discussion)________________

1. Shall the Board approve following Consent Agenda items? (*):
Roll Call Vote:
President Katy Schwarz: Aye___ No___ Abstain___ Absent___
Vice President Richard Baker: Aye___ No___ Abstain___ Absent___
Trustee Georgie Coulter: Aye___ No___ Abstain___ Absent___
Trustee Jim Adams: Aye___ No___ Abstain___ Absent___
Trustee Wayne Klauser, Clerk: Aye___ No___ Abstain___ Absent___

*a. Accounts Payable Warrants
Shall the Board approve the accounts payable warrants for December 6, 2013 and December 13, 2013?

*b. Personnel
Shall the Board approve the following personnel items? (All employee final hires are contingent upon fingerprint clearance by Superintendent/Designee and funding source is indicated at the end of each item if it is funded through some means other than the general fund)

1.) Certificated Personnel
A) Continued drama stipend for Amy Linden who resigned from her teaching/librarian position with the Nevada Joint Union High School District, but will continue in her temporary position as drama coach for Bear River High School for the 2013/14 school year;
B) Hire of Allison Cassel, NUHS Frosh Football Study Hall, for a $500 temporary stipend (funded by Football ASB);

2. Classified Personnel
A) Resignation of Chris Espedal, Health Technician/ER Preparedness Coordinator, effective January 15, 2014;

3. Confidential Management Personnel
A) Retirement of Kim Groniek, Account Technician-Payroll, effective June 20, 2014, contingent upon receipt of PARS retirement incentive;

4. Adult Education Personnel
A) Hire of Valerie Dembrowsky, GED/High School Diploma Adult Education Teacher at the Wayne Brown Correctional Facility, 14 hours per week;

5. Temporary/Short Term/Substitute Personnel
A) Hire of Wendy Davis, Substitute Instructional Aide II-Special Education, hours vary, as needed;

*c. Donations
Shall the Board accept the donation of $1,000.00 from Kimberley Zwick and Andrew Bernadett providing funds to the classroom programs of Meegan Toro and Jeff Delli at Nevada Union High School?

*d. Surplus
Shall the Board declare the following technology as surplus and unusable by the District and designate it to be donated to Grass Valley School District: Gateway Server Model #960, Inventory Tags 4063 and 4062?

*e. Budget Calendar
Shall the Board approve the budget calendar for the 2014/15 school year?

*f. Side letter with CSEA regarding Classified Job Description
Shall the Board approve the Side Letter of Agreement with the California School Employees Association, Chapter 165, regarding the changes to the Technology Support Assistant position including an increase in the salary range from 20 to 21?

*g. Confidential Management Job Description
Shall the Board approve the changes to the Account Technician-Payroll job description to be renamed Senior Payroll Technician, as attached?
J. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Personnel Action (Suennam)
Shall the Board approve the hire of Robert Lyons, Director of Technology and Information Systems, effective January 21, 2014?

Board Discussion
Public Comment
(B Board Discussion)
Motion bySecond by
(B Board Discussion)
Vote:

Background:
Dr. Lyons has been recommended by the administration for hire to the Director of Technology position vacated by Curtis Smith. Dr. Lyons has an extensive background in teaching and technology including a doctoral degree in Administrative Leadership for Teaching and Learning, an administrative services credential, and an industrial and technology education credential. Most recently he has worked as the Director of Technology at Western Placer Unified School District and prior to that employment at the American School in Warsaw.

2. Board Policy and Administrative Regulations (Johnson)
Shall the Board approve the policies and administrative regulations in CSBA’s October 2013 Updates and Administrative Regulation #4261.1, Personal Illness/Injury Leave?

Board Discussion
Public Comment
(B Board Discussion)
Motion bySecond by
(B Board Discussion)
Vote:

Background:
The Governing Board held a first reading of these CSBA updates at the December 2013 regular meeting.

3. School Calendar (Johnson)
Shall the Board approve the revision to the Nevada Joint Union High School District calendars to adjust for the use of the snow make up days due to school cancellations on December 9-10, 2013?

Board Discussion
Public Comment
(B Board Discussion)
Motion bySecond by
(B Board Discussion)
Vote:

Background:
On December 9-10, 2013 the District’s schools were closed due to potentially dangerous weather conditions (ice and snow). Therefore the administration has revised the district calendar to use the two snow make up days in April and May of 2014.

K. INFORMATION

1. Previously Approved Out of State Field Trips
NUHS Debate Tournament at Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington, on January 2-3, 2014

L. REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT

1. Update of Strategic Planning Process
2. Scheduling of Quarterly Board Workshop
M. REPORTS FROM BOARD OF TRUSTEES

N. FUTURE MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at Bear River High School at 6:00 p.m. on February 12, 2014. The Board’s closed session will begin at 5:15 p.m.

O. ADJOURNMENT

1. Shall the Board adjourn the meeting at ______ p.m.?
Motion by ______ Second by ______ Vote ______