Regular Meeting

UN ADOPTED

June 11th, 2020

INOY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES

PRELIMINARY ACTION

1. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. via conference call.
Roll Call/Quorum - Roll call established a quorum with the following members calling in:

- Chris Langley, Board President
- David Hefner, Vice President
- George Lozito, Member
- Mary Kemp, Member
- Joe Profita, Member
- Staff: Barry D. Simpson
- Kim Cash
- ICOE Staff: Tom Snyder
- Raquel Dietrich
- Presenters: Lynn Cooper
- Terry McAteer

2. Approval of the Agenda - D. Hefner moved, seconded by M. Kemp to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Inyo Council for the Arts - Lynn Cooper gave a year-end report about the programs that were completed in 2019-2020, and shared information about the programs that had to be postponed/canceled due to COVID-19. Those that were canceled included Community Reads, the rest of the Art Docent Program, Music in the Schools, Community Art Days and Inyo County Student Art Show. All of these programs will hopefully be revisited in the next year.

2. Charter School Consultant - Terry McAteer discussed the following topics related to our Charter Schools - Distance Learning, End of the Year Finances, STRS Audits and Timelines, Ontario Office Staffing, and Charter School Tours for interested Board members and staff of the charters working in our Independence Office. In the next year, T. McAteer spoke about his plans to transition his charter liaison position to Randy Cook, and stated he will officially resign his role as our charter liaison in June 30, 2021.

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

1. There were no questions submitted via email by members of the public prior to this meeting. Five callers listened in on the meeting via our designated Zoom phone line.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public Hearing on Proposed 2020-2021 ICOE Budget – M. Kemp moved, seconded by G. Lozito to open Public Hearing. T. Snyder discussed the ICOE budget and said that even factoring in proposed cuts due to COVID - 19, the budget is balanced for this year and at this point in time ICOE is in good financial health. D. Hefner moved, seconded by J. Profita to close Public Hearing and return to open session. Motion carried 5-0.

2. Public Hearing on Inyo County Office of Education’s expenditure of 2019-2020 Education Protection Account funds (“EPA”/Proposition 30) – M. Kemp moved, seconded by G. Lozito to open Public Hearing. T. Snyder discussed the proposition and said it is not to be used for administrative salaries and benefits. The balance is $996.00 and the funds will only be used for teacher salaries and benefits. G. Lozito moved, seconded by D. Hefner to close Public Hearing and return to open session. Motion carried 5-0.

ACTION SESSION

1. Consent Agenda – J. Profita moved, seconded by G. Lozito to approve the consent agenda items - the May 14th Regular Meeting Minutes and Approval of the Final Budget Transfers for 2019-2020. Motion carried 5-0.

2. Approval of Resolution 2020-05 Authorizing Transfers to Permit Payment - M. Kemp moved, seconded by J. Profita to approve. Motion carried 5-0.

3. Approval of Resolution 2020-06 Approving Authorized Agent Status - G. Lozito moved, seconded by M. Kemp to approve. Motion carried 5-0.

4. Approval of Resolution 2020-07 Authorized Agent for Child Development Contracts - M. Kemp moved, seconded by G. Lozito to approve. Motion carried 5-0.
5. Approval of Resolution 2020-08 Order of Election - G. Lozito moved, seconded by J. Profita to approve. Motion carried 5-0.
6. Approval of Expenditure of Inyo County Superintendent of Schools 2019-2020 EPA Funds on teacher salaries and benefits - D. Hefner moved, seconded by J. Profita to approve. Motion carried 5-0.
7. Reorganization of the Board for 2020-2021 - A suggestion was made by B. Simpson to renew the current positions - C. Langley, President and D. Hefner, Vice President. G. Lozito moved, seconded by M. Kemp to approve. Motion carried 5-0.
8. Approval of CDE COVID-19 Operations Written Report - This report was submitted instead of the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) that has been postponed until December 2020 due to COVID-19 - M. Kemp moved, seconded by J. Profita to approve. Motion carried 5-0.
9. Adoption of Final 2020-2021 Budget - M. Kemp moved, seconded by J. Profita to approve. Motion carried 5-0.
10. Discussion of CSBA Sample Policy #0470 COVID-19 Mitigation Plan - This item was submitted for information only and will be revisited at our August meeting.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

1. R. Dietrich gave an update on Child Development Programs including state preschool, quality programs like Resource and Referral, CCIP, subsidized child care programs and CPIN, and shared some of the challenges that they have faced due to COVID-19. She mentioned that IMACA may be losing over $1 million in their Head Start funding in Inyo and Mono and that would be devastating, but that IMACA seems confident that they will be able to continue their subcontract with ICOE’s Child Development Division to offer preschool slots.

OPEN SESSION

1. Board/Superintendent Round Table Report – B. Simpson shared some information about possible changes that COVID - 19 will have on Inyo Schools in the fall including requiring smaller class sizes, daily temperature screenings, distancing by 6’ in the classrooms, and limited numbers of students allowed on buses. CDC and Public Health guidelines will be followed. Some Inyo districts may have a hybrid schedule including in-person classes and distance learning from home. He discussed the summer classes being offered at most of the districts and said that ICOE will be sponsoring stipends for those teachers willing to work in the summer. He also spoke about having to postpone ICOE’s Summer Camp and 6th-grade Science Camp. The possibility of hosting a spring science camp will be revisited at a later date. There was some discussion about the state budget and that it is still in flux. He will keep the Board posted as more information becomes available. Depending on travel restrictions, if they have been lifted by October 2020, he would like to tour Death Valley schools and hold our October Board meeting in Death Valley.
2. Annual Facility Inspection Report - Our ratings were Fair to Good at all of our facilities, listing mostly minor items such as paint touchups, replacing screens, and fixing doors. All items suggested for maintenance will be dealt with in a timely fashion.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Items included: SISC GASB 45 Trust Statement for Quarter Ending 3-31-20, Inyo Insight, and a Williams Quarterly Uniform Complaint Report. These items were submitted for information only and no action was needed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:46 p.m. to the next regular meeting: Thursday, August 13th, 2020 - in Bishop.

Respectfully submitted, II

Barry D. Simpson, Inyo County Superintendent/Secretary to the Board