

**INYO 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. at the Inyo County Office of Education in Bishop, CA. Roll Call/Quorum - Roll call established a quorum with the following members present via Zoom:

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

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION**

1. C. Langley spoke about the Paiute Cultural Portfolios for 4th, 8th, and 11th grade students. He's been working with a group of folks including Berkley students and members of the south county Paiute tribe. They would like to upgrade the formats and include new information such as water rights and ancient irrigation. Possibly add Adult Ed classes on the subject, and have this informaion available at the Museum of Western Film History. He will invite this group to a future meeting for a presentation.
2. There were no questions submitted via email by members of the public prior to this meeting, and there was one caller listening in via our designated public Zoom phone line during the meeting.

**ACTION SESSION**

1. Consent Agenda – M. Kemp moved, seconded by J. Profita to approve the consent agenda item - the February 11th meeting minutes and the budget transfers prior to March 11, 2021. Motion carried 5-0.
2. Selection of Countywide Honoree for the Community Star Award - B. Simpson nominated Marissa Hobbs Whitney, RN, from the Inyo County Public Health Office. D. Hefner moved, seconded by M. Kemp to approve. Motion carried 5-0.
2. Selection of Board Member to serve on Child Development Annual Agency Self Review - M. Kemp volunteered, and no action was needed. C. Langley and G. Lozito would also like to be included in the preschool visits next year.
3. Approval of 2020-2021 2<sup>nd</sup> Interim Report - M. Kemp moved, seconded by D. Hefner to approve. Motion carried 5-0.
4. Review and Approve Comprehensive School Safety Plan BP #0450 and AR #04509(a,b,& c), and Comprehensive School Safety Plan Annual Update - J. Profita moved, seconded by M. Kemp to approve both as submitted. Motion carried 5-0.

**OPEN SESSION**

1. Board/Superintendent Round Table Report – B. Simpson gave an update about COVID Immunizations in Inyo County Schools and said that all interested parties were receiving their shots, and the County Office staff would be finished soon. There was a discussion about Inyo schools reopening, and B. Simpson mentioned the letter that he sent to the Inyo Register supporting the full reopening of all schools after spring break. This decision is being made in collaboration with Inyo County Health Officer, Dr. James Richardson and Inyo County HHS Public Health Division. The Bishop Unified School Board has a meeting scheduled for later today to discuss this. School Safety Projects are in the works including paging systems and cameras on campus. Special Education has an agreement with HHS for funding for the North Star Counseling Center. SELPA Funding needs an updated formula that is more equitable for small schools - the one in place now is from 1999. The Job Spot's grand opening is scheduled for April 12<sup>th</sup> and the Board will get a tour sometime after that.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Items included: SISC GASB Quarterly Report, Inyo Promise Scholarship Report from UNR, Thank You Letters from Inyo Promise Recipients, and the March Inyo Insight Newsletter. These items were submitted for information only and no action was needed.

**CLOSED SESSION**

1. M. Kemp moved, seconded by J. Profita to convene into closed session to discuss the following items: Gov Code §54957 – Superintendent Evaluation. Motion carried 5-0.
2. M. Kemp moved, seconded by G. Lozito to reconvene into open session. Motion carried 5-0.
3. Board President C. Langley reported that there was no action taken in closed session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m. to the next regular meeting: Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

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