

**INYO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES**

**PRELIMINARY ACTION**

1. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.
2. Board declared incumbents C. Langley, G. Lozito, and J. Profita the elected winners, and Superintendent Simpson administered their Oaths of Office.
3. Roll Call/Quorum - Roll call established a quorum with the following members present:  

Chris Langley, President	David Hefner, Vice President	Mary Kemp, Member
George Lozito, Member	Joe Profita, Member	
Staff: Barry D. Simpson	Kim Cash	ICOE Staff: Tom Snyder

Presenters: Inyo Council for the Arts - Lynn Cooper, Elle Pace, and Jane Pace
4. Approval of the Amended Agenda - adding Board Resolution to Item C. 1 – D. Hefner moved, seconded by J. Profita to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION**

1. There were no questions submitted via email by members of the public prior to this meeting, and there were no comments from the public during the meeting.

**PRESENTATION**

1. B. Simpson presented retiring Board Trustee Mary Kemp with a plaque and a custom yard sculpture, recognizing her 19 years of service to the Inyo County Board of Education. Board members spoke about her dedication, caring, and insights that Mary shared with the children, families, and educators in Inyo County. We all wished her well with her future endeavors.
2. Inyo Council for the Arts - Lynn Cooper, Elle Pace, and Jane Pace came to share about the great art programs that they are working on including School Art Days, Poetry Out Loud, and the Art Docent Program. So far, all of the Bishop TK, K, and 1st-grade students were treated to hands on art projects, and they were given bags with take home projects and art materials. The Community Reads Program will be paused for now, but they will consider themed School Art Days that could be built around books for the children. The next scheduled School Art Day is in Big Pine on December 16th for all TK-5th students. J. Pace would like to revive the Brummitt-Taylor Music Program and expand the Poetry Out Loud competition this year.

**ACTION SESSION**

1. Consent Agenda – G. Lozito moved, seconded by M. Kemp to approve the consent agenda items - the November 17th minutes and the budget transfers prior to December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Motion carried 5-0.
2. Reorganization of the Board and Election of Officers - D. Hefner nominated C. Langley to remain in the Board President position, and C. Langley nominated D. Hefner to remain in the Vice President position. M. Kemp moved, and J. Profita seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
3. Business - Approval of 2022-2023 First Interim Report - D. Hefner moved, seconded by M. Kemp to approve. Motion carried 5-0. Approval of the Integrated Pest Management Plan - M. Kemp moved, seconded by J. Profita to approve. Motion carried 5-0.
4. Child Development - Approval of the Board Resolution for CDE Continued Funding Application - G. Lozito moved, seconded by J. Profita to approve. Motion carried 5-0. Approval of Child Care Employee Discount Policy - This policy would grant ICOE employees and their families a discount for tuition for our child development programs. J. Profita moved, seconded by D. Hefner to approve. Motion carried 5-0.

**OPEN SESSION**

1. Board/Superintendent Round Table Report – B. Simpson shared some information about upcoming events including the California County Superintendents Meeting in January. (CCS - Formerly CCSESA) This meeting will be in person in Monterey. There is a possible Death Valley Schools visit in February which will include Art Days for all students. He also shared projections about the State Budget, and a potential Workforce grant that ICOE staff will be working on.
2. ICOE will host an Inyo Associates Dinner at the Sierra Adventure Center in March.
3. Facilities Update - we are still looking for a suitable building for the new North Star Counseling Center, and will discuss any new possible sites after our January 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.
4. We are working on a county-wide Board training that will focus on team-building, and we will have more information at a future meeting.
5. Capitol Advisors will be holding a Budget Webinar on January 31<sup>st</sup>. A registration link will be sent to Board members.
6. The Small School Districts Association Conference will be March this year in Sacramento and Board members are invited.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Correspondence included two letters from students about their UNR Nevada Bound trips, and a list of education jobs available in Inyo County. These items were submitted for information only and no action was needed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m. to the next Regular Meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 12, 2023, in Bishop.

Respectfully submitted,

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