CALL TO ORDER

President Hendrix called to order the regular meeting of the Churchill County School District Board of Trustees at 6:02 p.m. at the Churchill County School District Administration Office, 690 South Maine Street, Fallon, Nevada.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND CHARACTER COUNTS WORD “RESPONSIBILITY”

Tyler Hokenga and Meirra Cavanaugh, 3rd grade students from Mrs. Mori’s class, led the pledge of allegiance and said a few words about the character counts word “Responsibility.”

VERIFICATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA

President Hendrix confirmed the posting of the agenda pursuant to NRS 241.

ROLL CALL

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<td>Trustee Clay Hendrix, President</td>
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<td>Trustee Rich Gent</td>
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REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Trustee Gent moved to accept the agenda as provided, seconded by Trustee Whitaker. There were no public comments. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Becky Dodd commented that several teachers have recently earned their national board certification and requested the Board consider publicly recognizing those teachers.

Karl Marsh reported that the National Science Teachers Association's Regional Conference will be held in Reno on October 11 through October 13. Mr. Marsh suggested that professional development days be scheduled so that science and math teachers could attend this conference at least one day, if not two.
SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

A. Churchill County High School Principal, staff, and students will present information to the Board regarding the high school’s Computer Science Program.

Mr. Lords introduced Mr. Coblentz, Advanced Placement Computer Science Teacher. Jade Beland and Vera Vaz, students taking AP Computer Science Principles, demonstrated the multi-screen computer programs they developed. Mr. Coblentz reported that students are starting to code in Javascript. The high school will offer a Computer Science I class next year, geared toward freshmen, which involves programming in C and C++. The course following that would be the AP Computer Science Principals class that Jade and Vera are currently taking, which is Javascript based. Another course that will roll out next year is Computer Science A, which is an AP course, also java based. The high school is hoping to eventually create an internship or advanced studies class for seniors who want to work on a big project independently and would report to Mr. Coblentz several days a week. The Computer Science Program would then be a four year program, which does not exist anywhere else in the State of Nevada.

B. Staff will provide the Board with a presentation regarding Edgenuity software.

Kimi Melendy, Director of Educational Services, provided an overview Edgenuity, the District’s online education software program (handouts provided). The District is using the core curriculum, the concept and credit recovery, and the test preparation modules. These courses are part of a much more rigorous curriculum than the software previously used by the District for online education. The handout provided a list of courses available to students. High school teachers worked very hard last summer to go through the courses and customize the program so that the courses match the lessons in the classroom. Each quarter has the same standards taught online as in the classroom. The middle school is customizing their class this year in preparation for next year.

Ms. Melendy demonstrated the Edgenuity software by looking at a mock student in the program. This allowed the Board to see what a student sees utilizing the program. Ms. Melendy logged into Edgenuity as a mock teacher so the Board could see how teachers monitors student progress. Ms. Melendy also demonstrated what parents see when they log into Edgenuity to monitor their child’s progress. Board members asked staff questions about the software.

C. Update regarding District-related matters.

Dr. Sheldon reported on her attendance at an inter-agency planning commission meeting. According to the Churchill Economic Development Authority and the Chamber of Commerce there have been several contractors and looking at the possibility of construction. The Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe is moving forward with 33 three and four bedroom duplexes near the theater. The area off of Coleman Road has been purchased by a Canadian company and contains 160 lots that are already platted with infrastructure is in place. They are going to build a couple of houses to see what the market will support.

Dr. Sheldon stated that in the Board’s folders is a flyer for the Yellow Bus Tour scheduled for February 8. The tour is being advertised within the community. Attendees will tour Northside, the middle school, and the high school, followed by lunch at the high school,
provided by the culinary arts students, and a question and answer period. There will be another tour in April. Dr. Sheldon requested Board members interested in going on the tour to let Kristin Sheldon know so they can be added to the list of attendees.

Dr. Sheldon reported that Carol Lloyd, Churchill County Library Director, recently received books from a donor. Ms. Lloyd read the book to students at Northside Early Learning Center and each student took home a copy of the book. Rotary has a literacy focus, so Ms. Lloyd asked Rotary if they would donate $800 so that she could purchase Northside students another book. At the meeting a number of individual members stepped up and contributed a total of $800 dollars from their own pockets. Dr. Sheldon stated that the community is in support of its schools.

Dr. Sheldon updated the Board regarding a recent Consultation meeting with the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe, held to update the Tribe on the Indian Education grant. It has been a very positive relationship. The Tribe has asked that the Board hold a study session with them at their headquarters.

Dr. Sheldon stated that it was with mixed feelings that she announce that she would be retiring at the end of the school year. She thanked the Board for their support and commented that the District has an amazing staff throughout the District and that teachers are doing awesome things in the classroom. Dr. Sheldon stated that she presented information about the District at the interagency meeting and didn’t touch on a quarter of the information. A lady at the meeting commented that she went on a Yellow Bus Tour, used to work at the District, and that she learned a lot from Dr. Sheldon’s presentation. Dr. Sheldon thanked the Board for the opportunity of serving the Churchill County School District.

**BUSINESS SERVICES UPDATE**

A. Budget to Actual Report (written report provided)
B. Quarterly Workers’ Compensation Report (written report provided)
C. Quarterly Student Funds Report (written report provided)
D. Quarterly Board Budget Report (written report provided)
E. Quarterly Travel Reports (written report provided)
F. Update regarding general business items

There were no questions.

**EDUCATIONAL SERVICES UPDATE**

A. The latest Student Enrollment Data will be provided to the Board of Trustees (written report provided)

There were no questions.
UPCOMING BOARD EVENTS
A. Saturday, February 3, NASB Training 8:30-12:00, Hyatt Place, Reno
B. Friday-Sunday, April 7-9, 2018, National School Board Association 2018 Conference, San Antonio, TX
C. Friday-Saturday, April 20 4pm to April 21 4pm, NASB Professional Development, Reno (location to be determined)

CONSENT AGENDA
A. Approval of Recommended Personnel Action (Attachment A)
B. Approval of Vouchers
C. Approval of Student 18-01 for Exemption from Receiving Immunizations based on Religious Reasons (NRS 392.435)
D. Approval of Proposed 2018-19 Board Calendar
E. Approval of Class Size Reduction Report, Quarter 2
F. Approval of Modifications to Policy 4216.0 – Classified Personnel – Duties and Responsibilities – Second Reading
G. Approval of Modifications to Policy 5135.0 – Student Fundraising and Crowdfunding – Third Reading
   1. For Review Only: Regulation 5135.0 – Student Fundraising and Crowdfunding – Second Reading
H. Approval of Modification to Policy 5246.0 – Pregnant Students – Second Reading
I. Approval of Modifications to Policy 5247.0 – Physical Examinations (Renamed form Regulation 5247.0) – Second Reading
J. Approval of Modifications to Policy 5248.0 – Showering Policy – Second Reading
K. Approval of Modifications to Policy 5500.0 – Churchill County School District Athletic Code – Second Reading
   1. For Review Only: Regulation 5500.0 – Churchill County School District Athletic Code
L. Approval of Modifications to Policy 5500.1 – Churchill County School District Athletic Program Policy – Second Reading
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M. Approval of Modifications to Policy 5500.2 – Participation on Independent/Outside Teams (NIAA Policy 2060.1) – Second Reading
N. Approval of Modifications to Policy 5500.4 – Concussions and Other Head Injuries
   1. For Review Only: Regulation 5500.4 – Concussions and Other Head Injuries – Second Reading
O. Approval of Modifications to Policy 5500.0 – Board Funding for National Student Travel – Second Reading

Trustee Whitaker moved to approve items A-O on the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Gent. There were no public comments. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS BY BOARD MEMBERS
Trustee Schank reported on her recent visit to the Old Annex building at the middle school where she observed the progress made to the music room.

Trustee Gent reported on his attendance at the January 11 Safety and Security Committee meeting. Drills are up to date for all of our schools and the Fallon Police Department is preparing to conduct an active shooter training the end of February. The Safe to Tell Program
will be changed to the Safe Voice Program, due to a copyright infringement, and is expected to be online in the near future.

OLD BUSINESS

A. For Discussion and Possible Action: Modification to Policy 2000.0 – Board of Trustees; Section 9000 – By-laws of the Board, and Policy 9000 – Policy Guide Manual Review.

Sharla Hales explained the changes to Policy 9000.0, which contains information that Trustee Schank explained at the last Board meeting. Policy 9000.0 is an existing policy that covers much of what Trustee Schank wanted covered. The title of the 9000.0 section was By-Laws of the Board, but Ms. Hales thought it should be changed to Governance. Several minor changes were noted and the policy will return for second reading at the next Board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

A. For Discussion and Possible Action: The Board will receive additional information regarding the proposed Blended Learning program at the Churchill County Middle School and may possibly approve a pilot program for the 2018-2019 school year.

Amy Word, Nate Waite, and Maureen Park provided a presentation to the Board regarding the proposed Blended Learning program at the Churchill County Middle School. The middle school presented this concept to the Board in November and have since introduced the idea to staff, held an in-depth meeting with interested teachers, and interviewed interested candidates. There were 18 teachers interested and 8 teachers were interviewed. A team of teachers was selected. Amy Word, Nate Waite, Kimi Melendy, and the team of teachers selected will visit a Blended Learning Community located within a middle school in Las Vegas as a school within a school. The group will see what the daily agenda is like, ask about the bumps in the road as they introduced the Blended Learning Community to their staff and students, ask for tips, and observe students. The next step is to take this concept to the community to see if there is interest from parents and students.

Nate Waite provided a brochure, played a video in support of the program, and showed the Board the website created for the Blended Learning Community.

Dr. Sheldon reported that Ozzie Henke stated that he and his staff could handle the modifications to the Blended Learning space over the summer but may need to sub out the electrical. There will be no changes to the middle school’s budget, though they would need some furnishings such as flexible seating. Fortunately, the District’s phones and cameras for the high school were under budget so there is capacity within the Capital Projects Fund for the program.

Mr. Waite stated that they were looking at 120 to 130 students and three teachers and would use existing staff to support the program.

Several Trustees voiced concern and asked questions regarding the transparency of the application process and how students would be accepted into the program. Mr. Waite stated that if there are more than the 130 students interested in the community then they would use a lottery system.
Trustee Hyde asked how teachers were being prepared for this community. Ms. Maureen Park, proposed teacher for the Blended Learning Community, explained her experience and interest in the community. MS. Word stated that, in addition to having a team drive shared space for staff to share ideas and articles, teachers will tailor their class to Nevada standards utilizing the Edgenuity curriculum. Staff plans to take an Edgenuity class to see what it is like from a student’s perspective. Dr. Sheldon thanked staff for collaborating together and building this program.

Trustee Hyde moved to approve the Blended Learning Program at the middle school for a pilot program for the school year 2018 and 2019, seconded by Trustee Whitaker.

Trustee Whitaker commented that Clayton Christensen wrote about Disruptive Innovation where you innovate by disrupting what is normally being done to create something that is better. Trustee Whitaker felt that the group was ready to provide opportunities for students to succeed.

Becky Dodd asked how this program was different than the online program currently in the District as Edgenuity is already a major part of this program. Mr. Waite explained that Edgenuity is enhanced with teachers who would look at data and set aside time to work with students on their weaknesses. The District already has Defined STEM, which helps students apply what they are learning to science, and once they get a hang of Defined STEM they develop their own projects. Learning is enhanced because of the variety and the different parts of the whole learning community area. Ms. Word commented that teachers help students set goals, check on their progress, and connect with students, an essential part of online education at the middle school.

There were no additional comments from the public.

The motion passed unanimously.

**POLICIES (First Reading)**

The Board will receive information on, discuss, and may take preliminary action on the following policies.

A. Policy 4116.0 – Licensed Personnel – Duties and Responsibilities
B. New Policy 4142.0 – Code of Civility and Ethical Standards
C. Policy 5136.1 – Safe & Drug Free Schools and Communities – Violence Prevention and Substance Abuse Policy
   1. For Review Only: Regulation 5136.1 – Safe & Drug Free Schools and Communities – Violence Prevention and Substance Abuse Regulation
D. Policy 8150.0 – Board Members’ Code of Ethics
E. New Personnel Policy: General Harassment

These policies will return to the next Board meeting for second reading.

Sharla Hales, legal counsel, stated that there was a gap in policy as the District did not have a general policy regarding harassment. The legislature included harassment in the definition for bullying for students, which worked fine for the student policy, but there also needs to be a policy prohibiting harassment on the part of employees. This policy was created based on a sample policy from PoolPact, with some minor changes.
PUBLIC COMMENT

Margaret Lowndes commented about staff being held accountable for their actions with respect to her grandson. Dr. Sheldon told Ms. Lowndes that she would be happy to meet with her.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AS REQUESTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND CLARIFICATION OF REQUESTED AGENDA ITEMS

Trustee Hyde would like a discussion at the next meeting regarding sending Trustees to the Impact Aid Conference in the spring.

Trustee Strasdin requested discussion regarding a date/time to meet with the Tribe and a report on the high school’s batting cage.

Trustee Whitaker requested discussion in preparation for the superintendent search.

Trustee Schank would like the Board to recognize Sara Camper and her Café program at the high school, a report from the grounds department, and a report from the maintenance department.

President Hendrix requested a report regarding the goals for offering summer school and credit recovery. Dr. Sheldon stated that the District did not have funding until three weeks before last year’s summer school; the District already has funding for this year’s summer school and planning will start in the spring.

SET DATE AND TIME FOR NEXT BOARD “AGENDA SETTING” MEETING

Trustees Hendrix, Whitaker, and Schank will meet on February 6 at 4:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Gent made a motion, seconded by Trustee Hyde, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:09 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

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Carmen, Schank, Clerk of the Board

Prepared by Debra Shyne