



Nevada Joint Union High School District

Board Meeting Summary

December 13, 2023



Highlights from the Board Meeting

Board Reports

The Bear River High School Girls Volleyball team was recognized for their outstanding season. Coach MacDonald's and Coach Good's mantra of setting high standards and low expectations and doing the little things that make a big difference helped the team claim a 32-0 season. Go Bruins!

North Point Academy students shared a presentation highlighting the Work Experience program at North Point Academy and Principal Karla Aaron, provided a report that included an updated Mission and Vision statement for the school.

NJUHSTA Vice President, Lily Gickler was pleased to let the Board know that although the process was challenging, and staff report feeling undervalued they have come to an agreement in the bargaining cycle. She shared that Superintendent Frisella's recent message was appreciated and they continue to welcome Board members into the classrooms.

CSEA President Bron Faris submitted a letter that expressed their satisfaction with the progress made so far in negotiations. He thanked Superintendent Frisella for his message and looks forward to continuing building relationships.

Superintendent Frisella's report included appreciation for all the hard work of the teams during the negotiation process. He also reported that an interim CBO will be helping the district during the transition to a new CBO and recognized the workload that others are carrying in the meantime. He renewed his commitment to centering efforts around listening to the Student voice and supporting staff.

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Trustee Shaun Chilton (Student Representative)

Trustee Chilton reported the launching of his Listening Tour with visits to Silver Springs and Bear River campuses to hear the students' perspective. He will be visiting Nevada Union, Ghidotti, and NPA after the break and looks forward to forming an advisory group to help him represent the student voice.



President DuWaine Ganskie (Area 4)

Trustee Ganskie was elected to serve a second term as President of the Board. His report included his appreciation for everyone's role in the district and that although our problems are complex, he is looking forward to a fresh new start to the year with grace, passion, and trust for a united district.



Vice President Wendy Willoughby (Area 2)

Trustee Willoughby was elected to serve a second term as VP of the Board. She shared the importance of engaging the student voice in school and the community and is proud of the role our district plays as leaders in the county. She noted her commitment to working to improve student and staff culture across the district.



Clerk Olivia Pritchett (Area 1)

Trustee Pritchett was elected as Clerk of the Board for a second year. She shared her appreciation for Student Trustee Chilton's commitment to his role as a Board member and the importance of the student voice.



Trustee Ken Johnson (Area 5)

Trustee Johnson was elected to serve a second term as the Representative to the Nevada County Transportation JPA. He reported that his recent visits to classrooms were impactful and that he is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all students.



Trustee Geoffrey Nelson (Area 3)

Trustee Nelson continues to serve the district as a Trustee, recognizing the importance of the student voice. He also shared that tone and culture are important when communicating and appreciated the candor from the teachers.

Items of Interest/Action Taken

- ❖ The Board approved the installation of a tree and plaque at Bear River High School in honor of Angelique Roberts.
- ❖ The Gold Country Lions Club Trades Scholarship was established.
- ❖ The First Interim Financial Statements were approved.
- ❖ The following courses were approved:
 - Cr.Writing
 - Adv.Cr.Writing



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