A farewell reception was held before the opening of the Board meeting for outgoing Board members Dean Smith and Cindy Stetler.

The meeting was called to order at 6:48 p.m. by President Dennis Cullen in Room B-1 at the Emigrant Trail Educational Center.

J. Dennis Cullen  
Dave Campbell  
Tom Griffin  
Dean Smith  
Cindy Stetler

It was moved by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Griffin, to adopt the agenda. Motion unanimously carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Stetler, seconded by Mr. Smith, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 12, 2010. Motion unanimously carried.

Leeann Stewart, Vice President of the Pollock Pines Teachers Association (PPTA), presented flowers to outgoing Board members Dean Smith and Cindy Stetler on behalf of PPTA as a small token of appreciation for their years of service.

Board President Dennis Cullen presented a certificate of commendation to Sierra Ridge 8th Grade student Chance Rosales in recognition of his participation in the Western Slope Honor Band. Chance, who has played the bass clarinet for three years, was the only student from Sierra Ridge selected for this honor.

On behalf of the Mountain Lake Medical Group, Tami Chick accepted an award presented by the district for outstanding community service and support to the children of the Pollock Pines Community. Mountain Lake Medical Group has provided free sports physicals for Pollock Pines students for the last two years.
On behalf of the Pollock Pines-Camino Rotary Club, Carol Abbanat presented a check for $900, representing Mini-Grant funding of $400 for document cameras requested by Joanie Brown and other teachers at Pinewood and $500 for mainstreaming autistic students requested by Paula Rogers at Sierra Ridge. Additional matching funding has been requested from Rotary District.

In addition, $945 was presented to Susan McVey, Sports Boosters President, for girls’ volleyball uniforms. Rotary Club has also committed $1,000 to the Boys and Girls Club, funding to Silver Fork School for a school field trip, funding to Boy Scouts for uniforms, and dictionaries for all third grade students in the Pollock Pines, Camino, and Silver Fork School Districts.

Mrs. Abbanat thanked the community for its generous support of the Pollock Pines-Camino Rotary Club fund raisers which make the mini-grants possible. A total of close to $9,000 has been distributed in support of the children of our community.

President Cullen presented plaques to outgoing Board Members, Dean Smith and Cindy Stetler, in recognition and appreciation of the 16 years of dedicated service each has given the district as Board members.

Chief Fiscal Officer Sean Martin reported that the adopted state budget shows increased funding for education for 2010-11 from the May Revise budget, with the elimination of the ongoing cut of 3.85% to the Revenue Limit and a decrease in the Revenue Limit deficit to offset the negative COLA; however, several significant factors that warrant caution are included:

- Assumptions regarding federal funds are aggressive and optimistic.
- Moody’s, the largest credit rating agency, is projecting a $12 billion deficit in the 2011-12 budget.
- Budget challenges are similar to those in 2007-08 which resulted in significant mid-year cuts to education.

It is recommended that the increase in the Revenue Limit be reserved until the funds are actually received from the state, and the remaining additional allocations of State Fiscal Stabilization
Funds not be budgeted until notification of the actual cash apportionment has been received.

A revised budget which includes the changes from the adopted budget, carryover funds from the prior year, and revised staffing and expense accounts will be presented at the December board meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Stetler, to approve the following items:

**Approval - Individual Services Agreement (ISA) for Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency Services: Guiding Hands School, Inc.**

**Approval - Renewal of Agreement for Professional Services with Larry Talbert for E-Rate Consulting Services**

**Approval - Licensing Agreement with Document Tracking Services for School Accountability Report Cards and Single Plans for Student Achievement**

Motion unanimously carried.

**Approval - It was moved by Mrs. Stetler, seconded by Mr. Smith, to approve the Quarterly Report on Investments for the quarter ending September 30, 2010, as presented. Motion unanimously carried.**

**Board Policies and Administration**

**Approval - Date of Annual Organizational Meeting**

It was moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Griffin, to approve Tuesday, December 14, 2010, as the date of the Board’s annual organizational meeting in conjunction with the regular meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

President Cullen reported that he will be unable to attend this Board meeting.

**Approval - The Single Plan for Student Achievement – Pinewood**

Principal Ralph Haslam presented an overview of The Single Plan for Student Achievement for Pinewood School, which included its purpose, methods of development, areas of focus, and goals. Following Mr. Haslam’s presentation, it was moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Stetler, to approve the revision of The
Single Plan for Student Achievement for Pinewood School. Motion unanimously carried.

Adoption - Amended Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5144.1

It was moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Griffin, to adopt amended Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5144.1, “Suspension and Expulsion Due Process.” Motion unanimously carried.

Discussion - Sports Physical Requirement

Superintendent Monsma presented information regarding sports physicals for elementary and middle school students. Two years ago, Schools Insurance Authority (SIA) issued guidelines requiring sports physicals for all elementary and middle school students. New guidelines from SIA state that although sports physicals at this level are strongly encouraged, they are not required by law; however, this would be the safest and best thing to do from a risk management strategy. Based on this change in SIA guidelines, several districts in El Dorado County will no longer require sports physicals for elementary and middle school students; however, Black Oak Mine Unified School District will continue to require the physicals. After reviewing the information and a short discussion, it was the unanimous consensus of Board members to adopt a policy requiring sports physicals for the district’s elementary and middle school students. The new Board Policy will be brought back for a first reading at the December Board meeting.

Personnel

Approval - Employment of Dawn Adams

It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to approve the employment of Dawn Adams, Media Technician, 6.0 hours per day, four days a week, effective October 12, 2010. Motion unanimously carried.

Approval - Temporary Employment of Lauren Wascher

It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to approve the employment of Lauren Wascher, Temporary Fourth Grade Support Teacher, 4.25 hours per day, effective October 18, 2010, through the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year. Motion unanimously carried.

Acceptance - Retirement of Bobby Gray

It was moved by Mrs. Stetler, seconded by Mr. Smith, to accept the retirement of Bobby Gray, Custodian, effective October 13, 2010. Motion unanimously carried.
Staff Reports and Announcements

Principal Ralph Haslam, M&O/Food Service Supervisor Phil Karnitz, and Transportation Supervisor Stacy Barraque had submitted written reports of activities and programs at their sites.

In addition, Sierra Ridge Principal Rich Callaghan reported:
• The fall band concert will be Thursday, November 18, at 7:00 p.m.
• It is very gratifying to know that Sierra Ridge is one of only 116 middle/high schools in the State and the only school in El Dorado County invited to apply for California Distinguished School for the 2010-2011 school year. Sierra Ridge staff will be going through the application process which has a deadline of December 17.

Superintendent’s Reports, Announcements, and Communications

The Superintendent reported on the following:
• California Distinguished School – Because of the rigorous eligibility criteria which must be met before a school is nominated to apply for Distinguished School honors, all submitted applications deemed complete will move forward in the process as a state nominee. The County Office of Education will assist us in the application process which will begin next week. The generous support of the Pinewood staff is apparent and appreciated.
• Enrollment – Enrollment is currently 710; 394 at Pinewood and 316 at Sierra Ridge. This is up ten students from October.
• El Dorado County Board of Education – Our district’s annual presentation to the El Dorado County Board of Education was made today. This is our opportunity to talk about the wonderful things happening in our district. The new recording studio in which students are being trained about recording and playing music was one of the exciting new things happening in our district which was discussed.
• District Christmas Party – The District Christmas Party will be held Thursday, December 16, 4:30 p.m., at the Apple Mountain Golf Resort.

Board Members’ Reports and Communications

Future Board Agenda Topics
No future Board agenda topics were suggested.
Other Board Member Reports

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Smith, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried with four Ayes, zero Noes, and one Abstention (Mr. Campbell).

1. Approval of Warrants

Closed Session

At the hour of 7:55 p.m., President Cullen concluded the open portion of the meeting, and there was a short recess before the Board met in closed session regarding the Superintendent’s evaluation.

Actions from Closed Session

There were no actions from Closed Session.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Stetler, to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 p.m. Motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin Monsma
District Superintendent and Secretary to the Board

APPROVED:

J. Dennis Cullen, President

DATE: __________________