

# Carson City named school board of the year at state convention

## Carson City School District

The Carson City School Board was honored as the state of Nevada's School Board of the Year at the Nevada Association of School Boards' annual conference in Reno the weekend prior to Thanksgiving.

Trustee Stacie Wilke-McCulloch also was named the state's Individual School Board Member of the Year.

In other awards, Trustee Mike Walker was recognized as the state's New School Board Member of the Year, and Andrew Feuling, director of fiscal services for the Carson City School District, and Paul Johnson, White Pine County School District chief financial officer, were jointly honored with the District Level Administrator Impacting Student Achievement award.

The School Board of the Year award recognizes the consistent use and development of skills and programs focused on board-superintendent cooperation and teamwork to improve student achievement. In particular, the cooperation and trust between the school board and Superintendent Richard Stokes during the past 11 years was noted in the award application, which enabled Carson City School District to implement a learner-centered instruction

practice district-wide that has improved student achievement.

Board members include Joe Cacioppo, clerk Donald Carine, Laurel Crossman, Lupe Ramirez, Richard Varner, vice president Mike Walker and president Stacie Wilke-McCulloch. According to the award application, the trustees enjoy a collegial working relationship with each other, staff, students, parents and community leaders.

The trustees also are viewed by the community as a unified body working in the best interest of students. Staff, parents and community members feel included, heard and appreciated.

The Individual School Board Member of the Year award recognizes the consistent use and development of effective boardsmanship skills and acknowledges productive involvement in raising the level of community support for schools and the promotion of leadership and successful practices, which improve student achievement while advancing the course of public education in the community, the district or the state.

The New School Board Member of the Year award recognizes the dedicated service of Nevada's newest school trustees.

The District Level



COURTESY

Carson City School Board trustees Lupe Ramirez, left, Mike Walker, Joe Cacioppo, Stacie Wilke-McCulloch, Laurel Crossman, Richard Varner and Don Carine were honored in November by the Nevada Association of School Boards as the state's 2019 School Board of the Year. The school district and trustees received four out of 19 of this year's NASB awards.

Administrator Impacting Student Achievement award category recognizes the invaluable service provided to Nevada's children by professional school administrators who work at the district office and who impact learning and achievement. With the uncertainty of what the new Nevada K-12 school funding formula (as created by Senate Bill 543 in the 2019 legislative session) would bring, Feuling and Johnson played an instrumental role working with state legislators and

Department of Education officials in the initial development of a new education funding mechanism.

To close out the evening, the association elected four new officers for 2019-20, including Bridget Peterson, Lyon County School District, as president; Laurel Crossman, Carson City School District, president elect; Kathryn Whitaker, Churchill County School District, vice president; and Nicole Bengochea, Humboldt County School District, legislative chair.

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## DEATH NOTICES

**Thomas Robert Fredo**, 79 of Carson City, Nevada passed away on December 5, 2019. Arrangements are in the loving care of Autumn Funerals & Cremations 775-888-6800.

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## WNC launches internship program to help facilitate Nevada Green Business Program

### By Western Nevada College

Western Nevada College has hired Erica Gallegos to manage the GreenBizTracker database and to supervise WNC interns who will be hired for the Nevada

gallons of water saved, tons of waste diverted from the landfill and hazardous materials reduced. Once businesses have completed the checklist, they are recognized or certified and added to an online directory.