

Humboldt County Board of Education

901 Myrtle Avenue – Eureka, CA 95501

July 8, 2026

4:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME/FLAG SALUTE

President McCullough called the regular meeting of the Humboldt County Board of Education to order at 4:00 PM with a quorum present.

PRESENT: Mary Scott, Dena McCullough, Thom McMahon

ABSENT: Robert Siekmann (joined at 4:01 PM)

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Davies-Hughes, Natalie Carrigan, Corey Weber, Janice Lourenzo, Marika Myrick

2.0 ADJUSTEMENT OF THE AGENDA

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

4.0 PRESENTATION

4.1 Humboldt County Substitute Consortium

Marika Myrick, Credential Services Manager, shared a presentation with the Board.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved/seconded by Scott/McMahon to approve the consent agenda. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

Action was taken on the following consent items:

5.1 Approve Minutes – June 8, 2026, Special Meeting and June 10, 2026, Regular Meeting

5.2 Approve Monthly Remuneration

6.0 ACTION ITEMS

6.1 Review and Possible Adoption of Board Policy 5141.75 – Weather Safety, First Reading

It was moved/seconded by McMahon/Scott to adopt Board Policy 5141.75, Weather Safety and waive the second reading. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

6.2 Review and Possible Approval of Updated Board Policy, Regulation, and Exhibits 1312.4 – Williams Complaint Procedures

It was moved/seconded by Scott/Siekmann to approve updated Board Policy, regulation and exhibits 1312.4, Williams Complaint Procedures. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

6.3 Review and Possible Approval of Updated Board Bylaw 9200 – Limits of Board Member Authority

It was moved/seconded by Siekmann/Scott to approve updated Board Bylaw 9200, Limits of Board Member Authority. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

6.4 Approve the 2026 Proposition 28 Arts and Music Funding Annual Report

It was moved/seconded by McMahon/Siekmann to approve the 2026 Proposition 28 Arts and Music Funding Annual Report. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

6.5 Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between HCOE and Northern United Humboldt Charter School

Davies-Hughes explained that this is the final step in authorizing Northern United Humboldt Charter School.

It was moved/seconded Siekmann/McMahon by to approve the MOU between HCOE and Northern United Humboldt Charter School. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

6.6 Biennial Review and Possible Approval of Updates to Conflict of Interest Code

Davies-Hughes explained that this is a requirement and did not recommend any updates.

It was moved/seconded by Siekmann/Scott not to amend the Conflict of Interest Code. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

6.7 Adopt Resolution Specifying Governing Board Election

It was moved/seconded by Scott/Siekmann to adopt the resolution specifying governing board election. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

7.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

7.1 Discussion Regarding Positions Subject to Compliance with Education Code 1302 – Salary Increase or Bonus of \$10,000 or More

Davies-Hughes explained the requirement to disclose the positions receiving a salary increase or bonus of \$10,000 or more. The reason behind the increase are the step increase, negotiated salary increases, and possible longevity increases.

7.2 Public Disclosure of Represented Employee Bargaining Agreements

Davies-Hughes reported the agreements with both bargaining units. Weber provided impacts to reserves and the impacts on budget.

7.3 Public Disclosure of Non-Represented Employee Agreements

7.4 Discussion Regarding Date and Topics for the 2026 Board Study Session

The Board will reschedule the annual study session to October 14, 2026, 1:00 – 4:00 with October 21, 2026, 1:00 – 4:00 as a backup date. The Board would like a presentation on county run programs at each school, legislative updates, and the Board's ACCBE membership.

7.5 Superintendent's Report

Davies-Hughes highlighted the third annual Education Night at the Crabs, provided an update on 1105 Myrtle Avenue, and shared that HCOE's summer programs were in full swing, with over 90% of students and staff for the Glen Paul program. At the state level, Davies-Hughes spoke about the approval of the state budget and the restructuring of governance for education, with the administration of the CDE shifting to a Governor-appointed commissioner. Davies-Hughes provided a fiscal update on North Coast Schools Medical Insurance Group and presented Trustee Siekmann with recognition from ACCBE for his 50 years of service as a trustee for the Humboldt County Board of Education.

8.0 BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS/REPORTS

Siekmann expressed appreciation to President McCullough for her leadership as

Board President.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

President McCullough adjourned the meeting at 5:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Davies-Hughes', with a long, horizontal, wavy line extending to the right.

Michael Davies-Hughes
Superintendent

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