

HUMBOLDT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
901 Myrtle Avenue, Eureka, CA 95501

MINUTES
September 8, 2021

A G E N D A

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME/FLAG SALUTE

President Thom McMahon called the meeting of the Humboldt County Board of Education to order at 3:02 p.m. with a quorum present

PRESENT: Loretta Eckenrode, Thom McMahon, Sheila Rocker-Heppe, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Chris Hartley, Colby Smart, Carly Wallace, Corey Weber, Rosie Slentz, Sharrone Blanck, Melissa Hodgson

Flag salute

2.0 ADJUSTMENT OF THE AGENDA

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS (*Members of the public may address the board on non-agenda items at this time.*)

None

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved/seconded (Eckenrode/Scott) to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried with the following hand vote.

Hand Vote

AYES: Loretta Eckenrode, Thom McMahon, Sheila Rocker-Heppe, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Action was taken on the following consent items:

- 4.1 Approve Minutes - August 11, 2021
- 4.2 Approve Travel Claims
- 4.3 Adopt Proclamation in Support of Red Ribbon Week
- 4.4 Adopt Proclamation in Support of School Bus Safety Month
- 4.5 Accept Donations to Student Events/REEF

5.0 PUBLIC REPORTS AND HEARING

- 5.1 Sufficiency of Standards-Aligned Textbooks and Instructional Materials - Humboldt County Office of Education Schools

Item was opened and closed with no public comment

6.0 ACTION ITEMS *(The Board is asked to receive/discuss/take action)*

- 6.1 Adopt Resolution Regarding the Sufficiency/Insufficiency of Instructional Materials

It was moved/seconded (Scott/Eckenrode) Adopt Resolution Regarding the Sufficiency/Insufficiency of Instructional Materials. The motion carried with the following hand vote

Hand Vote

AYES: Loretta Eckenrode, Thom McMahon, Sheila Rocker-Heppe, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

- 6.2 Adopt Resolution Designating Lincoln's Day Holiday 2021-2022

It was moved/seconded (Eckenrode/Scott) Adopt Resolution Designating Lincoln's Day Holiday 2021-2022. The motion carried with the following hand vote

Hand Vote

AYES: Loretta Eckenrode, Thom McMahon, Sheila Rocker-Heppe, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

- 6.3 Approve Bus Replacement Plan

It was moved/seconded (Eckenrode/Scott) Approve Bus Replacement Plan. The motion carried with the following hand vote

Hand Vote

AYES: Loretta Eckenrode, Thom McMahon, Sheila Rocker-Heppe, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

6.4 Approve Bus 108 Donation to ECS

This was the second bus that we were looking to surplus, but experienced mechanical issues. HCOE would like to donate the bus to ECS for them to use for parts for their busses.

It was moved/seconded (Scott/Eckenrode) Approve Bus Replacement Plan. The motion carried with the following hand vote

Hand Vote

AYES: Loretta Eckenrode, Thom McMahon, Sheila Rucker-Heppe, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

6.5 Approve Exemption to the CalPERS 180-Day Separation from Service Requirement

The ECS board has approved the exemption, with HCOE board approval the employee will be approved to work prior to the 180-day separation. Currently we are in a workforce crisis, the state is working on passing legislation to make exemptions like these.

It was moved/seconded (Rocker Heppe/Scott) Approve Exemption to the CalPERS 180-Day Separation from Service Requirement. The motion carried with the following hand vote

Hand Vote

AYES: Loretta Eckenrode, Thom McMahon, Sheila Rucker-Heppe, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

6.6 Receive and File Surplus Property Report

Many of these items are either obsolete or broken. Anything of value would be going out to bid. All electronics will go to E-Waste

It was moved/seconded (Scott/Eckenrode) Receive and File Surplus Property Report. The motion carried with the following hand vote

Hand Vote

AYES: Loretta Eckenrode, Thom McMahon, Sheila Rucker-Heppe, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

6.7 Adopt Resolutions Approving PERS Golden Handshake Window Periods - HCOE
11/1/2021-1/31/2022 and 6/1/2022-8/31/2022

Included in the collective bargaining agreements windows are set as an incentive to add 2 years service credit.

It was moved/seconded (Eckenrode/Scott) Adopt Resolutions Approving PERS Golden Handshake Window Periods - HCOE 11/1/2021-1/31/2022 and 6/1/2022-8/31/2022. The motion carried with the following hand vote

Hand Vote

AYES: Loretta Eckenrode, Thom McMahon, Sheila Rocker-Heppe, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

6.8 Adopt Resolutions Approving STRS Golden Handshake Window Periods - HCOE
11/1/2021-1/31/2022 and 6/1/2022-8/31/2022

It was moved/seconded (Scott/Eckenrode) Approving STRS Golden Handshake Window Periods - HCOE 11/1/2021-1/31/2022 and 6/1/2022-8/31/2022 . The motion carried with the following hand vote

Hand Vote

AYES: Loretta Eckenrode, Thom McMahon, Sheila Rocker-Heppe, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

7.0 INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS *(The Board is asked to receive/discuss; however, the board may decide to take action at their discretion)*

7.1 Interdistrict Transfer Follow-up

2022-2023 IDT transfer agreement was sent out to the districts to sign and adopt at a board meeting in October

Our Follow-up conversation includes:

- An understand of methods and policies that we can formalized to direct questions back to districts
- Looking at alternative language that makes the language more inclusive and understandable for parents
 - Including Spanish
- Looking at public awareness
- Are there alternatives or better models for the hearings
 - Possibly exploring other county offices
 - Noting this is not the norm in our state and only 2 other county offices have an agreement (Sonoma and Marin)

7.2 Superintendent's Report

Our Welcome Back event was held via zoom with a guest speaker, Senator McGuire. It was an amazing event. We continue our work with Public Health to ensure all districts are receiving all the information and help they need to navigate all our students being back on campus. HCOE is working to create a COVID response team by adding additional Nurses and medical technicians.

Since April HCOE has been in a transition process. Many offices have moved to ensure we are providing the best service possible. Our personnel and JPA offices have moved closer to our business office. M&O and IT have been amazing in assisting with the transition. The process was thoughtful and creative.

Dr. Hartley has been working with Sheriff Honsal on funding through OES to receive generators. HCOE will be receiving 90 generators that we will be distributing to every school.

Discussion on Agnes Johnson Charter School (AJJ)

8.0 HUMBOLDT COUNTY TEACHER OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION (3:45 p.m.)

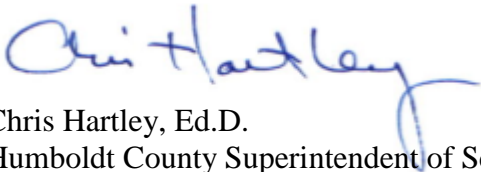
Diane Blanchard was unable to attend, we will reschedule for October

9.0 BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS/COMMENTS

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

4:03 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Chris Hartley, Ed.D.
Humboldt County Superintendent of Schools

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