

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

**MINUTES**  
**May 20, 2020**

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME/FLAG SALUTE**

President Loretta Eckenrode called the meeting of the Humboldt County Board of Education to order at 3:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

**PRESENT:** Loretta Eckenrode, Thom McMahon, Marc Rowley, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann  
(via phone)

**ABSENT:**

**ALSO PRESENT:** Chris Hartley, Superintendent of Schools; Susi Huschle, Colby Smart, Corey Weber, Rosie Slentz, Janine Melanson, Executive Assistant, Melissa Hodgson, Administrative Assistant

Marc led the flag salute.

**2.0 ADJUSTMENT OF THE AGENDA**

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

**3.0 BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS/REPORTS**

The Excellence in Teaching video was great. It's always great to recognize teachers.

**4.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS** *(Members of the public can address the board on non-agenda items.)*

There were no public comments.

**5.0 PUBLIC COMMENT**

5.1 Receive Public Comment on CSEA's 2020-2021 Initial Bargaining Proposal to the Superintendent

**6.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**Voice Vote**

AYES:	Eckenrode, McMahon, Rowley, Scott, Siekmann
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

Action was taken on the following consent items:

- 6.1 Approve Minutes—April 8, 2020
- 6.2 Approve Travel Claims

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

**7.1 Adopt Office of Emergency Services request for Public Assistance**

The request will allow HCOE to bill for the use of Sequoia Conference Center. All the agencies are very appreciative of the use of the space.

It was moved/seconded (Scott/Siekmann) Adopt Office of Emergency Services request for Public Assistance. **The motion carried with the following voice vote.**

**Voice Vote**

AYES: Eckenrode, McMahon, Rowley, Scott, Siekmann  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**7.2 Accept Grant Funding from Humboldt Sponsors for Glen Paul School**

HCOE is appreciative of Humboldt Sponsors. HCOE has been thoughtful with their request of funds. The buggy will be used for preschool students to participate in school events.

It was moved/seconded (McMahon/Scott) Accept Grant Funding from Humboldt Sponsors for Glen Paul School. **The motion carried with the following voice vote.**

**Voice Vote**

AYES: Eckenrode, McMahon, Rowley, Scott, Siekmann  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**7.3 Adopt the Resolution Specifying Governing Board Election**

We have 3 positions up for election in the November 2020 elections. Trustee Siekmann, McMahon, and Rowley. The candidacy period to apply is July 13, 2020-August 7, 2020. Cost per person for elections may be lower because we joined the general election.

It was moved/seconded (Scott/Rowley) Adopt the Resolution Specifying Governing Board Election. **The motion carried with the following voice vote.**

**Voice Vote**

AYES: Eckenrode, McMahon, Rowley, Scott, Siekmann  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**7.4 Receive and File Revisions to Superintendent’s Policies, Administrative Regulation**

**7.4.1 Receive and File Superintendent’s Policy and Administrative Regulation 4030 Non-discrimination in Employment**

**7.4.2 Receive and File Superintendent’s Policy 4218 – Classified Personnel Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action**

We are looking at policies that we don’t have in place and updating any that need to be updated. There will be many policies coming to the Board for review in the next few months.

It was moved/seconded (McMahon/Scott) Receive and File Revisions to Superintendent’s Policies, Administrative Regulation. **The motion carried with the following voice vote.**

**Voice Vote**

AYES: Eckenrode, McMahon, Rowley, Scott, Siekmann  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**7.5 Adopt New Board Policy 6186 – Juvenile Court Schools, as a First Reading**

This is a new policy. There will be 2 readings allowing for public comment.

It was moved/seconded (Scott/Siekmann) Adopt New Board Policy 6186 – Juvenile Court Schools, as a First Reading. **The motion carried with the following voice vote.**

**Voice Vote**

AYES: Eckenrode, McMahon, Rowley, Scott, Siekmann  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**7.6 Receive and File 2020-2021 Tentative Agreement and Public Disclosure Statement for HCSTA**

Colby Smart took the lead with our bargaining team this year. There is a tentative agreement. Each team was very understanding of the current times. This is a one year agreement.

It was moved/seconded (Scott/McMahon) Receive and File 2020-2021 Tentative Agreement and Public Disclosure Statement for HCSTA. **The motion carried with the following voice vote.**

**Voice Vote**

AYES: Eckenrode, McMahon, Rowley, Scott, Siekmann  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**8.0 INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS**

**8.1 State Budget, May Revise Report and HCOE Budget Updates and Superintendent's Report**

In our January 2020 proposed budget things were looking promising with a reasonable COLA increase. Now we are looking at significant cuts to education and other areas of California. Our fiscal department has reviewed school budgets to see which schools or charters may be affected if there is a deferment in June. Corey has meet with the schools and provided them with a plan and options. Next fiscal year there may be deferments in April, May and June. In preparation Corey has created a district borrowing guide for all districts and charters, including options to borrow from the county treasurer. The State will adopt the budget in June and we will be looking at a state budget revision in August or September. Districts are turning in budget adoptions now and Carol Ingrahm is working on the HCOE budget. A review of projections will come to the June meeting along with a resolution to allow for temporary borrowing from the County Office.

**8.3 COVID-19: Humboldt County School Update**

The County Office is reviewing the state budget, being mindful of the health and safety of Staff and students and supporting districts on distance learning efforts and practices. All of these pose unique challenges. If we work together and collaborate we can make this work. When we get back to work and get students educated our economy will recover. Special Education funds are not being cut at this point. Any funds in Special Education will benefit all of us. There has been a discussion with 3 possible scenarios for schools; distance learning, blended learning and students attend when needed. We are working closely with public health to get guidance on extracurricular activities, sports and how many people we can have in one space at time.

**8.4 AJJC Update**

El Dorado SELPA has agreed to work with AJJC. The MOU is signed and ready. They are working on enrollment. Next steps; start looking at the facility, Southern Humboldt is allowing them the use of the facility. This has been a great team with lots of collaboration.

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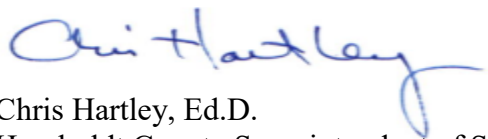
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**9.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. President Loretta Eckenrode.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris Hartley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the letter "y".

Chris Hartley, Ed.D.

Humboldt County Superintendent of Schools

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