

Humboldt County Board of Education

901 Myrtle Avenue – Eureka, CA 95501

Teleconference Location:

629 45th Avenue – San Francisco, CA 94121

April 16, 2025

2:00 PM Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearings

3:00 PM Regular Meeting

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME/FLAG SALUTE

President Eckenrode called the regular meeting of the Humboldt County Board of Education to order at 2:34 PM with a quorum present.

PRESENT: Thom McMahon, Loretta Eckenrode, Dena McCullough, Robert Siekmann

ABSENT: Mary Scott

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Davies-Hughes, Colby Smart, Corey Weber, Katie Cavanagh, Ariel Aaron, Natalie Carrigan, Felicia Doherty, Stacy Young, Janice Lourenzo, August Deshais, Genevive Macias.

2.0 CONSIDERATION OF INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER REQUEST APPEALS

OPEN SESSION

(2.1) Interdistrict Appeal Hearing for Student 2025-2026 #04 (D.S.) – Eureka City Schools (ECS)

President Eckenrode reviewed the appeal process and asked for introductions.

Board acknowledged the receipt of both parties' written appeal records.

Student, D.S. addressed the Board from 2:38 PM to 2:39 PM. Parent, Mike Stengl, addressed the Board from 2:39 PM to 2:40 PM.

Board questions.

Dr. Colby Smart, Deputy Superintendent, read a statement from Lisa Claussen, Director of Student Services for Eureka City Schools (ECS) from 2:41 to 2:44 PM.

Student and Parent were given opportunity to respond.

Roger Macdonald, Superintendent, Northern Humboldt Union High School District Superintendent, addressed the Board from 2:49 PM to 2:50 PM.

Board questions.

The Board moved to closed session at 3:08 PM.

CLOSED SESSION

- (2.2) Board Deliberation RE: Interdistrict Appeal Hearing for Student 2025-2026 #04 (D.S.) (FESD)

OPEN SESSION

- (2.3) Board Report Out of Closed Session (Cal. Educ. Code Section 35146)

At 3:22 President Eckenrode reported that it was moved/seconded by McCullough/McMahon to deny the appeal of Student 2025-2026 #04 (D.S.) The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

Ayes:	McMahon, Eckenrode, McCullough, Siekmann
Noes:	None
Absent:	Scott
Abstain:	None

CLOSED SESSION

The Board was informed that the appeal was resolved between the family of the student and the district prior to the Board meeting.

- (2.4) ~~Interdistrict Appeal Hearing for Student 2025-2026 #05 (J.P.) — McKinleyville Union School District (MUSD)~~
- (2.5) ~~Board Deliberation RE: Interdistrict Appeal Hearing for Student 2025-2026 #05 (J.P.) (MUSD)~~

OPEN SESSION

- (2.6) ~~Board Report Out of Closed Session (Cal. Educ. Code Section 35146)~~

Trustee Scott joined the meeting at 3:24 PM.

3.0 ADJUSTMENT OF THE AGENDA

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

5.0 PUBLIC HEARING

Northcoast Preparatory Academy Charter Renewal

President Eckenrode opened the public hearing at 3:27 PM.

Adam Hess, Director of Northcoast Preparatory Academy, shared public comment with the Board.

President Eckenrode closed the public hearing at 3:32 PM.

6.0 PRESENTATION

(6.1) Community Schools – Felicia Doherty, Program Manager, School Support

Felicia Doherty shared a presentation with the Board.

(6.2) Early Childhood Education – Genevieve Macias, Early Education Director

Genevieve Macias, Early Education Director, shared a presentation with the Board.

7.0 CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved/seconded by Scott/McMahon to approve the consent agenda. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

Action was taken on the following consent items:

(7.1) Approve Minutes—March 12, 2025

(7.2) Approve Monthly Remuneration

(7.3) Adopt Proclamation in Recognition of Day of the Teacher

(7.4) Adopt Proclamation in Recognition of Classified Employee Week

(7.5) Receive and File Quarterly Williams Compliance Report

(7.6) Receive and File Cooperative Paper Bid for 2024-2025

8.0 ACTION ITEMS

The Board is asked to receive/discuss/take action on the following items.

(8.1) Appoint Supervisor of Attendance for Fortuna Elementary School District

It was moved/seconded by McCullough/Scott to approve Tim Grimmett as supervisor of attendance for Fortuna Elementary School District. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

(8.2) Receive and File Potential Cost for the 2024-2025 PERS Golden Handshake

It was moved/seconded by Scott/McCullough to receive and file the potential cost for the 2024-2025 PERS Golden Handshake. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

(8.3) Cast Vote for the California School Board Delegate Assembly

The Board did not take action on this item.

(8.4) Review and Possible Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5145.13 Response to Immigration Enforcement

It was moved/seconded by Scott/McMahon to approve Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5145.13. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

- (8.5) Review and Possible Approval of Board Policy 0410 Nondiscrimination in Office of Education Programs and Services

It was moved/seconded by McMahon/Scott to approve BP 0410. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent, abstain 0. Motion carried.

- (8.6) Review and Possible Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5145.3 Nondiscrimination/Harassment

It was moved/seconded by Scott/McMahon to approve BP and AR 5145.3. Ayes 4, noes 1, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

- (8.7) Review and Possible Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements

The Board decided to take this as a first reading and approve during the May meeting.

- (8.8) Adopt 2023-2024 School Accountability Report Card (SARC) for Court and Community Schools Arcata Educational Resource Center

It was moved/seconded by McCullough/Scott to adopt the 2023-24 SARC for Arcata Educational Resource Center. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

9.0 INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS

The Board is asked to receive/discuss; however, the Board may decide to take action at their discretion.

- (9.1) Review 2025-2026 Proposed Board Budget

Superintendent Davies-Hughes reviewed the proposed budget and explained the increase as the cost of a full board policy review workshop by CSBA.

- (9.2) Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Davies-Hughes tabled the report.

10.0 BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS/REPORTS

Trustee McCullough acknowledged Dr. Smart's articles in the Times Standard. President Eckenrode expressed appreciation for the CSBA County Board Governance Workshop attend by President Eckenrode, Trustee Siekmann, and Superintendent Davies-Hughes.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Eckenrode adjourned the meeting at 4: 28 PM

12.0 DEDICATION OF THE DR. GARRY T. EAGLES CONFERENCE ROOM 4:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Davies-Hughes, Superintendent

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