

Humboldt County Board of Education
901 Myrtle Avenue – Eureka, CA 95501
Annex Conference Room

April 20, 2022
2:00 PM
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President McMahon called the meeting of the Humboldt County Board of Education to order at 2:00 PM with a quorum present.

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

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Davies- Hughes, Colby Smart, Natalie Carrigan

2.0 CONSIDERATION OF INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER REQUEST APPEALS

OPEN SESSION

(2.1) Interdistrict Appeal Hearing for Student 2022-2023 #01 (M.B.) Eureka City Schools (ECS)

President McMahon reviewed the appeal process and asked for introductions.

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

Student, M.B addressed the Board from 2:05 – 2:08 PM

Board questions

Superintendent Fred Van Vleck of Eureka City Schools addressed the Board from 2:09–
2:11 PM

Board questions

M.B was given the opportunity to respond at 2:12 PM

Additional questions from Board

Superintendent Roger McDonald of Northern Humboldt Union High School District addressed the Board from 2:16 – 2:17 PM

Moved to closed session at 2:17 PM

CLOSED SESSION

(2.2) Board Deliberation re: Interdistrict Appeal Hearing for Student 2022-2023 #01 (M.B.) Eureka City Schools (ECS)

OPEN SESSION

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

At 2:46 PM Rocker Heppe/Scott moved/seconded to remand the decision back to Eureka City Schools for further consideration based on new evidence. The motion carried with a 5:0 vote.

AYES: Scott, Eckenrode, McMahon, Rocker Heppe, Siekmann
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

(2.4) Interdistrict Appeal Hearing for Student 2022-2023 #02 (S.W.) Eureka City Schools (ECS)

At 2:51 PM President McMahon reviewed the appeal process and asked for introductions

Board acknowledged receipt of both parties' written appeals

Parent, Jennifer Waites, addressed the Board from 2:55 – 2:57 PM.

Superintendent Fred Van Vleck of Eureka City Schools addressed the Board from 2:58 – 3:00 PM

Board questions for both parent and Eureka City Schools

Jennifer Waites responded to Board questions.

Superintendent Van Vleck responded to Board questions.

Moved to Closed Session at 3:10 PM.

CLOSED SESSION

(2.5) Board Deliberation re: Interdistrict Appeal Hearing for Student 2022-2023 #02 (S.W.) Eureka City Schools (ECS)

OPEN SESSION

(2.6) Board Report Out of Closed Session

At 3:29 PM Scott/Siekmann moved/seconded the appeal to be granted with a 3- 2 vote.

AYES: Scott, Rocker Heppe, Siekmann
NOES: Eckenrode, McMahon

3.0 ADJOURNMENT

President McMahon adjourned the Special Meeting at 3:31 PM

Respectfully submitted,


Michael Davies-Hughes (Jun 16, 2022 17:38 PDT)

Michael Davies-Hughes, Superintendent of Schools

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