

Humboldt County Board of Education

901 Myrtle Avenue – Eureka, CA 95501
Annex Conference Room

December 18, 2024
3:00 PM

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 3:00 PM with a quorum present.

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

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Davies-Hughes, Colby Smart, Corey Weber, Katie Cavanagh,
Ariel Aaron, Stacy Young, Janice Lourenzo, Jenn Belveal, Natalie
Carrigan

2.0 ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

(2.1) Administer Oath of Office – Dena McCullough and Robert Siekmann

(2.2) Appointment of Board Officers

It was moved/seconded by Scott/Siekmann that Eckenrode/McMahon serve as President and Vice President. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

(2.3) Adopt Board Meeting Dates for Calendar Year 2024

It was moved seconded by Mahon/Scott to adopt the proposed meeting dates for 2025. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

(2.4) Authorize Board Member Remuneration for Calendar Year 2024

It was moved seconded by Siekman/McMahon to increase the monthly remuneration by 4% for a total of \$247.72. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

3.0 ADJUSTMENT OF THE AGENDA

Superintendent Davies-Hughes acknowledged the error on the agenda in items 2.3 and 2.4. It was moved/seconded by Scott/Siekmann to correct the items to reflect calendar year 2025. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

Stacy Young shared the Schools to Dance program with the Board.

5.0 PRESENTATION

(5.1) California School Dashboard

The Board received a presentation on the California School Dashboard from Colby Smart and Janice Lourenzo.

6.0 CONSENT AGENDA

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

Action was taken on the following consent items:

- (6.1) Approve Minutes – November 13, 2024 Regular Meeting
- (6.2) Approve Monthly Remuneration

7.0 ACTION ITEMS

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

(7.1) Receive 2024-2025 First Interim Financial Report

Internal Business Manager, Jenn Belveal, explained and presented an overview of the first interim financial report.

It was moved/seconded by McCullough/Scott to receive and file the 2024-2025 first interim financial report. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

(7.2) Adopt Resolution to Provide Short-Term Cash Loans to School Districts and Charter Schools in Humboldt County

Assistant Superintendent Weber explained the resolution was updated to include charter schools as eligible for receiving short-term cash loans.

It was moved/seconded by Scott/McMahon to adopt the resolution to provide short-term cash loans to school districts and charter schools in Humboldt County. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

(7.3) Approve the Intent to Apply for the Count, Play, Explore Professional Learning and Coaching Grant

Director of Early Childhood Education, Genevive Macias, shared the intention of the funds should the grant be received.

It was moved/seconded by Scott/Siekman to approve the intent to apply for the Count, Play, Explore Professional Learning and Coaching Grant. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

8.0 INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS

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

(8.1) Discussion and Possible Nomination to the CSBA Delegate Assembly

Eckenrode indicated a willingness to serve if there were no other candidates in the region. It was moved/seconded by Scott/Siekman to nominate Loretta Eckenrode to serve on the CSBA Delegate Assembly. Ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0, abstain 0. Motion carried.

(8.2) Superintendent's Report

Davies-Hughes commended the staff and students of Humboldt County for the December 5, 2024, earthquake response.

Davies-Hughes acknowledged the annual holiday dinner and thanked the HCOE leadership team for hosting.

Davies-Hughes highlighted the recent Glen Paul School graduation ceremony and the transportation department's participation in the trucker's parade.

9.0 BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS/REPORTS

Mary Scott announced that Stacy Young is taking her singing group to perform at Carnegie Hall.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Eckenrode adjourned the meeting at 4:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Michael Davies-Hughes, Superintendent

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