

Humboldt County Board of Education

901 Myrtle Avenue – Eureka, CA 95501
Annex Conference Room

Teleconference Location:
629 45th Avenue – San Francisco, CA 94121

June 11, 2025
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 3:02 PM with a quorum present.

PRESENT: Loretta Eckenrode, Mary Scott, Thom McMahon, Robert Siekmann,
ABSENT: Dena McCullough
STAFF PRESENT: Michael Davies-Hughes, Colby Smart, Corey Weber, Ariel Aaron,
Katie Cavanagh, Mendie Ballester, Janice Lourenzo, Augustin Amaro,
Stacy Young, Lex Rohn, Jen Belveal, Rosie Slentz, August Deshais,
and Doug Lee

2.0 ADJUSTMENT OF THE AGENDA

Due to technical difficulties, item 4.1 was tabled until a later time in the meeting.

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

4.0 PRESENTATION

(4.1) California State Seal of Biliteracy - Agustin Amaro

This item followed item 6.1.

The Board received a presentation on the California State Seal of Biliteracy from Agustin Amaro, Learning Specialist.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved/seconded by McMahon/Scott to approve the consent agenda. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

Action was taken on the following consent items:

- (5.1) Approve Monthly Remuneration
- (5.2) Adopt Resolution to Provide Short-Term Cash Loans to School Districts in Humboldt County
- (5.3) Adopt Special Reserve Fund Appropriation Resolution
- (5.4) Approve Regular Meeting Minutes – May 14, 2025

6.0 ACTION ITEMS

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

- (6.1) Approve the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) for Court & Community Schools

Janice Lourenzo, Director, School Support, noted minor updates made to the LCAP after the June 9, 2025, Public Hearing.

It was moved/seconded by Scott/McMahon to approve the updated LCAP for Court & Community Schools. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

- (6.2) Adopt the 2025-2026 Humboldt County Office of Education Budget

It was moved/seconded by McMahon/Scott to adopt the 2025-26 HCOE budget. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

- (6.3) Accept Education Protection Account (EPA) Funds

It was moved/seconded by Scott/McMahon to accept the EPA funds. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

- (6.4) Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between HCOE and Northcoast Preparatory Academy

It was moved/seconded by Scott/Siekman to approve the MOU between HCOE and NPA. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

- (6.5) Approve Submission of the 2025-2026 Consolidated Application for Categorical Funding

It was moved/seconded by McMahon/Scott to approve submission of the 2025-26 Consolidated Application for Categorical Funding. Ayes 4, noes, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

- (6.6) Approve Correction to Resolution #2024-20 PERS Golden Handshake Window Period

It was moved/seconded by Scott/McMahon to approve the correction to resolution #2024-2025. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

7.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

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

(7.1) Report on Local Indicators

Lex Rohn, Principal, Court & Community Schools, presented the Report on Local Indicators.

(7.2) Information Regarding Support Model from Local Control Accountability Plans and Statewide System of Support

Colby Smart, Deputy Superintendent reviewed the information regarding Support Model from Local Control Accountability Plans and Statewide System of Support.

(7.3) Presentation on the California Community Schools Partnership Program (CCSPP) Implementation Plan

Rohn reviewed the CCSPP implementation plan and described key factors.

(7.4) Consideration of Membership in the Association of California County Boards of Education (ACCBE) for the 2025-26 School Year

Superintendent Davies-Hughes reviewed the purpose of the ACCBE and requested the Board considers membership. The Board elected to postpone joining at this time and requested Superintendent Davies-Hughes bring the item back in 6 months' time for reconsideration.

(7.5) 2025 County Board Conference

Davies-Hughes reviewed the purpose of the County Board Conference. Trustee McMahon and Trustee Scott are not available to attend.

(7.6) Superintendent's Report

Davies-Hughes expressed his gratitude to Colby Smart for his leadership in the superintendent's absence at the June 9 Board meeting, the School Support Department for their assistance to districts in completing the LCAP, and Rohn, for the graduation ceremony held on June 10, 2025.

Davies-Hughes commended the 2024-2025 Louie Bucher Scholarship recipient, on their achievement.

Davies-Hughes announced the completion of negotiations for both bargaining units with public disclosure coming in July. He thanked the members of Cabinet for their work with negotiations.

Davies-Hughes addressed the Governors May 2025 Budget Revision and the concerns around Prop 98 minimum guarantees.

Finally, Davies-Hughes shared the current efforts for purchasing the CVS facility and explained that the process will take time, patience and diligence.

8.0 BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS/REPORTS

There were no board member announcements made.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Eckenrode adjourned the meeting at 3:51 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
MDH:nc