

Humboldt County Board of Education

901 Myrtle Avenue – Eureka, CA 95501
Annex Conference Room

Trustee Siekmann Joining via Teleconference
629 45th Avenue – San Francisco, CA 94121

November 13, 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 3:02 PM with a quorum present.

PRESENT: Loretta Eckenrode, Mary Scott, Thom McMahon, Robert Siekmann
ABSENT: Rene Quintana
STAFF PRESENT: Michael Davies-Hughes, Colby Smart, Corey Weber, Katie Cavanagh, Ariel Aaron, Natalie Carrigan, Lex Rohn, Genevive Macias, John Leonard, Sheila Rocker Heppe, Stacy Young.

2.0 ADJUSTMENT OF THE AGENDA

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

4.0 BOARD RECOGNITION

The Board recognized members of the HCOE Personnel Commission

5.0 PRESENTATIONS

(5.1) Teacher Residency – Sheila Rocker Heppe, Teacher Residency Program Development Manager

The Board received a presentation on Teacher Residency from Sheila Rocker Heppe.

(5.2) Therapeutic Learning Centers (TLC) – John Leonard, Psychologist/Program Manager

John Leonard shared a presentation on the Therapeutic Learning Centers.

6.0 CONSENT AGENDA

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

Action was taken on the following consent items:

- (6.1) Approve Minutes – October 9, 2024, Regular Meeting
- (6.2) Approve Monthly Remuneration
- (6.3) Receive and File Williams Review Reports for 2024-2025
- (6.4) Approve 2024-2025 Local Education Agency School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for Court and Community Schools – Eureka Resource Center (ERC)
- (6.5) Review and Possible Approval of Updated Board Policy 1312.4 Uniform Complaint Procedures

7.0 ACTION ITEMS

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

- (7.1) Approve the Intent to Apply for the Teacher Residency Capacity Grant

Genevive Macias, Director of Early Education, informed the Board of the Teacher Residency Capacity Grant and shared how the funds would be used.

It was moved/seconded by McMahon/Scott to approve the intent to apply for the Teacher Residency Capacity Grant. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

8.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

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

- (8.1) Review Procedures for Annual Organizational Meeting

Superintendent Davies-Hughes reviewed the procedures for the organizational meeting. Both Eckenrode and McMahon are eligible to serve an additional term as president and vice-president. It was noted that action will be taken during the December 18, 2024 meeting.

- (8.2) Discussion Regarding Possible Dates for 2025 Board Meetings

The Board reviewed the proposed meeting dates for 2025.

- (8.3) Superintendent's Report

Davies-Hughes introduced Dena McCullough as the new incoming board member for Trustee Area 5. Additionally, Davies-Hughes expressed gratitude for the service of Trustee Quintana.

The Board was informed of mandatory ethics training that must be completed by all District and County Board members by January 2026.

Davies-Hughes acknowledged School Psychologist Week and Native American Heritage Month.

Davies-Hughes shared with the Board his participation in the Association of California County Boards of Education (ACCBE) webinar.

9.0 BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS/REPORTS

Board Recess 3:59 – 4:08 PM

10.0 CONSIDERATION OF EXPULSION APPEAL

CLOSED SESSION

The Board moved to closed session at 4:08 PM.

- (10.1) Expulsion Appeal Hearing – Student #24-25-005, Eureka City Schools (ECS)
- (10.2) Board Deliberation RE: Expulsion Appeal Hearing – Student #24-25-005, ECS

OPEN SESSION

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

At 5:55 President Eckenrode reported that it was moved/seconded by McMahon/Siekmann to deny the expulsion of Student #24-25-005, ECS. The motion carried with the following vote:

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

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Eckenrode adjourned the meeting at 5:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Davies-Hughes, Humboldt County Superintendent of Schools
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