

# Humboldt County Board of Education

901 Myrtle Avenue – Eureka, CA 95501  
Annex Conference Room

Videoconference Location  
629 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue – San Francisco, CA 94121

September 11, 2024  
3:00 PM

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

### 1.0 **CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME/FLAG SALUTE**

Vice President McMahon called the regular meeting of the Humboldt County Board of Education to order at 3:07 PM with a quorum present.

PRESENT: Thom McMahon, Mary Scott, Rene Quintana

ABSENT: Loretta Eckenrode, Robert Siekmann (joined via videoconference at 3:13 PM)

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Davies-Hughes, Colby Smart, Corey Weber, Ariel Aaron, Natalie Carrigan, Stacy Young, Lex Rohn

### 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 2024 Humboldt County Teacher of the Year, Joe Kencke

### 5.0 **PRESENTATION**

The Board received a presentation from Lex Rohn, Principal, on HCOE's Court and Community Schools.

### 6.0 **CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved/seconded by Scott/Quintana 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 – August 14, 2024 Special and Regular Meeting
- (6.2) Approve Monthly Remuneration
- (6.3) Adopt Proclamation in Support of Red Ribbon Week
- (6.4) Adopt Proclamation in Support of School Bus Safety Month

## **7.0 PUBLIC REPORTS AND HEARING**

### (7.1) Sufficiency of Standards-Aligned Textbooks and Instructional Materials

Vice President McMahon opened the public hearing at 3:32 PM. There were no public comments. McMahon closed the public hearing at 3:33 PM.

## **8.0 ACTION ITEMS**

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

### (8.1) Adopt Resolution Regarding the Sufficiency/Insufficiency of Instructional Materials

Superintendent Davies-Hughes recommended this annual resolution be adopted by the Board.

It was moved/seconded by Quintana/Scott to adopt the resolution regarding the sufficiency of instructional materials. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

### (8.2) Receive and File Potential Cost for the 2024-25 PERS Golden Handshakes

Assistant Superintendent Corey Weber reminded the Board that this annual item makes public the total amount of funds that would be expended should all 50 eligible employees retire during the 2024-25 year.

It was moved/seconded by Scott/Quintana to receive and file the potential cost for the 2024-25 PERS Golden Handshake. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

### (8.3) Review and Possible Approval of Updated Board Policy 6158 Independent Study

Superintendent Davies-Hughes explained the four areas of change to independent study.

It was moved/seconded by Scott/Quintana to approve updated board policy 6158 Independent Study. Ayes 4, noes 0, absent 1, abstain 0. Motion carried.

## **9.0 INFORMATION/ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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

### (9.1) Information Regarding Revisions to the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)

Rohn highlighted the revisions to the LCAP as required by the CDE. No action required.

(9.2) Superintendent's Report

Davies-Hughes expressed appreciation to Chris Marney, Director of Transportation, and the HCOE Transportation department for safely transporting students to and from school.

Davies-Hughes highlighted the ACSA Welcome Back breakfast and noted a decrease of new administrators coming into Humboldt County indicating stability in the schools.

Davies-Hughes shared with the Board the two Career Technical Education (CTE) classes that now are held on campus at the Franklin site.

Davies-Hughes updated the Board on the status of the proposed termination of the merit system at HCOE.

Davies-Hughes shared that he has completed visits to county programs at Glen Paul, ERC, Fortuna, and Von Humboldt.

Davies-Hughes informed the Board that HCOE has retained a CSBA attorney to assist the Board with an upcoming expulsion appeal hearing.

**10.0 BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS/REPORTS**

There were no Board member announcements.

**11.0 ADJOURNMENT**

Vice President McMahon adjourned the meeting at 3:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Davies-Hughes, Superintendent

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