HUMBOLDT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

901 Myrtle Avenue, Eureka, CA 95501

MINUTES November 14, 2018

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

President Bill Ruff called the meeting of the Humboldt County Board of Education to order at 2:34 p.m. with a quorum present.

PRESENT: Loretta Eckenrode, Marc Rowley, Bill Ruff, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann

ABSENT: None

ALSO: Chris Hartley, Superintendent; Sadie Ekenberg, Kaylei McCabe, Kevin Trone;

Damara Moore, SCLS Legal Counsel; Janine Melanson, Administrative Assistant

2.0 <u>ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS AND PUBLIC COMMENT ON</u> CLOSED SESSION ITEMS.

President Ruff announced the closed session item indicated below. No public comment was heard.

3.0 ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION DURING THIS MEETING TO CONSIDER AND/OR TAKE ACTION UPON THE FOLLOWING CONSENT ITEM:

With respect to every item of business discussed in closed section pursuant to Education Code Section 48918(c):

CONSIDERATION OF STUDENT EXPULSION

Expulsion Appeal Hearing for Student #2/2018-19

The Board adjourned to closed session at 2:34 p.m. for the hearing.

The board will meet in closed session for item 4.0 after the regular board meeting to deliberate and return to open session for the decision. Closed session adjourned at 3:23 pm

REGULAR BOARD MEETING - 3:00 PM

5.0 CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME/FLAG SALUTE

President Bill Ruff called the meeting of the Humboldt County Board of Education to order at 3:34 p.m. with a quorum present.

PRESENT: Loretta Eckenrode, Marc Rowley, Bill Ruff, Mary Scott, Robert Siekmann

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Chris Hartley, Superintendent of Schools; Heidi Moore-Guynup, Assistant Superintendent; Susi Huschle, HCOE; Monica Dekat, CSEA; Janine Melanson, Administrative Assistant

Loretta Eckenrode led the flag salute.

6.0 ADJUSTMENT OF THE AGENDA

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

7.0 BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS/REPORTS

Mary Scott expressed her appreciation for the Equity Summit which she attended. She stated it was well organized and the presentations were excellent. President Ruff agreed, stating he attended the last day and found it very informative.

8.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

President of CSEA, Monica Dekat, shared that donation jars for CSEA's Dorothy Bjork Foundation disaster relief fund. The jars will be at the HCOE Reception desk and at Glen Paul. She will collect and send them to CSEA who will disperse as needed throughout the state. Classified employees can apply for up to \$500.

9.0 PRESENTATION: Equity Summit Debrief – Heidi Moore-Guynup

Heidi shared her appreciation of our branding for the event and the group of co-sponsors (HSU, City of Arcata, CR, and Humboldt Area Foundation (HAF).) This was a two-day summit, with 183 registered participants, but she feels 215 attended when presenters and performers are included. This was one of the first professional development opportunity convening that included a diverse array of community attendees. Heidi covered areas of focus at the summit. President Ruff stated he was very impressed with the courage of the Diverse School Panel of Northern Humboldt students. All evaluations were positive. Sculpting Our Future was the ending discussion. Various and random trinkets were given to each table group. They were asked to individually create sculptures with these items of what equity looks like in Humboldt right now and they were shared out. Next the attendees were asked to recreate the sculpture to represent what they want equity in Humboldt to look like. There was also an Equity Wall where people could write equity aspirations and add them to the wall, and take one away.

The purpose of the event was to advance a collective impact. HCOE was the centralized backbone. Heidi mentioned the dedicated staff and amazing planning team that worked to put together an action plan and logistics to create a structured process. Community agreement was arrived at that equity is a lifelong process of continual and purposeful intent.

Next steps were reviewed to include a commitment to a 2019 summit that will have more co-sponsor input and fiscal support. They would like to see a broader and deepened educational representation – 12 districts out of 31 were represented. There will be more thought put into presentation titles – some community members and groups felt it would not be appropriate for them and only geared toward education based on titles. Heidi wants to see periodic opportunities throughout the year to continue the work and an equity resource page is being developed and will be on my.hcoe.net.

Marc Rowley asked what the direct cost was. Heidi reported that the cost, not including staff time, was \$20,000 and \$6,500 was recouped through registration fee which was modest for what the participants received (\$50). Marc suggested looking at the broader community for participants and also contributions, such as to service clubs.

10.0 CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved/seconded (Scott/Eckenrode) to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried with the following hand vote.

Hand Vote

AYES:

Eckenrode, Rowley, Ruff, Scott, Siekmann

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

ABSENT:

None

Action was taken on the following consent items:

- 10.1 Approve Minutes—October 10, 2018
- 10.2 Approve Travel Claims

11.0 ACTION ITEMS

11.1 Approve New Two-Year Appointment of Joseph McKinzie as Representative of the Classified Employees to the Personnel Commission Effective December 1, 2018.

It was moved/seconded (Rowley/Scott) to approve the approve a new two-year appointment of Joseph McKinzie as representative of the classified employees to the personnel commission effective December 1, 2018. The motion carried with the following hand vote.

Hand Vote

AYES:

Eckenrode, Rowley, Ruff, Scott, Siekmann

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

ABSENT:

None

11.2 Receive and File Williams Review Reports for 2018-19

It was moved/seconded (Rowley/Siekmann) to receive and file Williams Review Reports for 2018-19. The motion carried with the following hand vote.

Hand Vote

AYES:

Eckenrode, Rowley, Ruff, Scott, Siekmann

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

ABSENT:

None

11.3 Adopt Resolution Authorizing Projects and Filing of Application(s) for Funding under the State School Facility Programs

Dr. Hartley stated he has been investigating funding sources for facilities, particularly Glen Paul. HCOE is eligible for some funding, but to pursue this further requires board approval and resolution. He will then submit an application and start the process that is a multi-year effort.

It was moved/seconded (Siekmann/Rowley) to adopt Resolution Authorizing Projects and Filing of Application(s) for Funding under the State School Facility Programs. The motion carried with the following hand vote.

Hand Vote

AYES:

Eckenrode, Rowley, Ruff, Scott, Siekmann

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

ABSENT:

None

11.4 Adopt a Resolution to Provide for Short-Term Cash Loans to School Districts in Humboldt County

It was moved/seconded (Eckenrode/Siekmann) to resolution to provide for Short-Term Cash Loans to school districts in Humboldt County. The motion carried with the following hand vote.

Hand Vote

AYES: Eckenrode, Rowley, Ruff, Scott, Siekmann

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

11.5 Authorize Submission of Teacher Residency Grant to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing

Dr. Hartley stated that this is an extension of the work with HSU to enhance their credentialing program. Heidi Moore-Guynup shared that this is a capacity developing grant. The pilot will be with special education credential candidates residencies. Typical candidates would be classified employees or someone else already working in the district. Eureka City Schools, Fortuna Elementary and McKinleyville School Districts are interested in the pilot program, if funded, with residencies for 6 students. The students and district enter into a contract so that the student will be hired and work for the district for a period of time after completing the program. This will also help with retention of the credentialed candidates within the county. The program allows people to continue to work while enrolled. Heidi stated that we will find out about funding in December and the program can launch in January. The funds will pay for .3 FTE of an HSU faculty member to identify and place students in residencies, for some trainings for the master and resident teachers, transportation for the residents, and HCOE's management of fiscal logistics of the grant. HSU has identified transportation costs of students from HSU to their residency sites as a barrier, which is why it is included.

It was moved/seconded (Scott/Siekmann) to Authorize Submission of Teacher Residency Grant to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The motion carried with the following hand vote.

Hand Vote

AYES: Eckenrode, Rowley, Ruff, Scott, Siekmann

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

11.6 Review and Accept Revision to AR 5125.1 – Release of Directory Information It was moved/seconded (Rowley/Scott) to review and accept revisions to AR 5125.1 – Release of Directory Information. The motion carried with the following hand vote.

Hand Vote

AYES: Eckenrode, Rowley, Ruff, Scott, Siekmann

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

11.7 Review and Accept Revisions to AR 5113 – Excused Absences

It was moved/seconded (Rowley/Eckenrode) to review and accept revisions to AR 5113 – Excused Absences. The motion carried with the following hand vote.

Hand Vote

AYES: Eckenrode, Rowley, Ruff, Scott, Siekmann

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

11.8 Review Revisions to BB 9310 - Policy Manual, as a First Reading

Dr, Hartley stated the revisions submitted are substantial and could be accepted or not in part or entirely. He recommends the board review and discuss at next meeting.

It was moved/seconded (Eckenrode/Siekmann) to accept revisions to BB 9310 – Policy Manual, as a first reading. The motion carried with the following hand vote.

Hand Vote

AYES: Eckenrode, Ruff, Scott, Siekmann

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Rowley

12.0 INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS

12.1 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Hartley commented on Equity Summit success.

Dr. Hartley shared that he spoke with the Butte County Superintendent of Schools. They are doing as well as can be expected but the community is devastated. Former HCOE employees have been affected and HCOE staff are helping out. Schools south of Humboldt are cancelling classes due to air quality and even in Humboldt, modifications are being made as needed.

Dr. Hartley shared that Loretta, Mindy Fattig and he will be presenting at the CSBA conference at the end of the month regarding how the SELPA, Boards and County Offices work together to support districts in Differentiated Assistant.

Two articles were shared, one where SSDA highlighted the California Rural Superintendent/Principal's Academy (CRSPA), and The Learning Professionals periodical that wrote regarding the post-secondary collaborative that Heidi coordinated in partnership with the John Gardner Center at Stanford. Dr. Hartley stated that he experienced the program whilel still at Northern Humboldt and that it has been a great benefit to participating districts. Dr. Hartley shared that CSBA will publish an article about Humboldt's Differentiated Assistance approach based on his input as well as that from Heidi, Colby Smart. He will bring that to the board once published.

Last, Dr. Hartley invited the board members to the HCOE Holiday Party on December 7. Holiday party

12.2 Review Annual Organizational Meeting Procedures

The board reviewed the Annual Organizational Meeting procedures and did not suggest any changes or modifications. The Annual Organizational Meeting will take place at the December board meeting.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.by President Bill Ruff

The Board went into closed session to deliberate on the evidence presented at the expulsion hearing (Item 3.0) 4:30 p.m. All other parties other than legal counsel left the room.

4.0 RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

4.1 Announcement of action taken in Closed Session The Board returned to open session at 4:57 pm.

President Ruff stated a motion was made/seconded to uphold the decision of the Rio Dell School Board of Trustees to expel based on Education Code Section 48900(c). The roll call vote on this decision was as follows:

Bill Ruff:

AYE

Loretta Eckenrode:

AYE

Robert Siekmann:

AYE

Mary Scott:

AYE

Marc Rowley

AYE

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Hartley, Ed.D.

Humboldt County Superintendent of Schools

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