



**Eureka City Schools | Board of Education**  
District Office - 2100 J Street - Eureka, CA 95501  
Frances H. Taplin Board Room

**Regular Meeting**  
6:30 PM  
**April 26, 2023**  
**MINUTES**

**A. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION RECEPTION (4:45 p.m. | Room 114)**

**B. CALL TO ORDER OF OPEN SESSION**

President Duncan called the open session to order at 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Duncan, Ollivier, Pardoe, Rebholtz

Members Absent: Johnson

Staff Present: Van Vleck, Ziegler, Storts, Will, Claussen, Harris

**C. BOARD RECOGNITION**

- (1) Newly Hired, Newly Permanent Certificated and Classified Employees

Renae Will, Executive Director of Personnel and Public Affairs, provided an overview of the recognition and Site/Department Administrators introduced their newly hired and newly permanent certificated and classified employees.

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

No public comment on closed session items.

**E. CLOSED SESSION (Closed to Public) (Room 118)**

President Duncan moved the meeting to closed session to discuss closed session items.

- (2) Public Employment (Gov. Code §54957) - See Personnel Action Report Consent Agenda Item No. L(11)
- (3) Public Employee Appointment (Gov. Code §54957) - See Personnel Action Report Consent Agenda Item No. L(11)

- (4) Public Employee Discipline, Dismissal, Release, Complaint, Accept the Resignation of a Public Employee (GC § 54957)
- (5) Conference with Labor Negotiator Superintendent Van Vleck Regarding Eureka Teachers Association, Classified White and Blue Collar Units, and/or Unrepresented Employees (Confidential and Classified and Certificated Management) (GC § 54957.6)
- (6) Consideration of Student Expulsion (EC Sec 48915.1 and ECSD Policy 5119). [Student #22-23-000; Resolution #22-23-024]

**F. RECONVENING OF OPEN SESSION (Board Room)**

President Duncan reconvened open session at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Duncan, Ollivier, Pardoe, Rebholtz, Smith

Members Absent: Johnson

Staff Present: Van Vleck, Ziegler, Storts, Will, Claussen, Harris

**G. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

There was no action to report on closed session items.

**H. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – Eureka High School**

Students from Eureka High School's AVID Class of 2023 led the Board in the pledge of allegiance and provided a review of AVID activities.

**I. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

- (7) Approval of the Agenda

No adjustments to the Agenda.

It was M/S by Ollivier/Rebholtz to approve the Agenda. Student Board

Representative: yes 1, no 0, absent 0. Governing Board: yes 4, noes 0, absent 1 (Johnson). Motion carried.

**J. INFORMATION**

- (8) Student Reports – No student report.
- (9) Superintendent's Report – Van Vleck reported there is a new Principal for Zoe Barnum High School, joining us from out of the area. The grand opening for the new EHS gymnasium will occur on August 17, 2023, instead of in June, due to construction delays. OPSC visited the Albee Stadium project recently and this was an important visit, as OPSC is part of the funding mechanism for the project. The District is moving ahead with construction on the Albee Stadium, as there are specific timelines that have to be met. Van Vleck also updated the Board on the grant for the kinder/TK preschool project and notes the District is high enough on the list that is likely to be funded.



Funding could result in approx. \$8-million for new classrooms on the Grant campus. The Athletic Boosters fundraiser is this weekend and many Board members will be attending. The Portrait of a Graduate Event will occur on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Storts is organizing the event and notes the District is casting a wide net in hopes of bringing in a variety of feedback. Attendees will be a cross of elected officials and local leaders and will allow for a collaborative conversation. This will be agendized as a special meeting, as the majority of the Board is planning to attend.

(10) Board Members' Reports

Smith provided a recap of events at various events at Eureka High School, Washington, Lafayette, and Alice Birney, to the Board. Events including the multicultural club at EHS, preparing for end-of-year events, spring carnivals, reading events, student conferences, gardening events, afterschool program events, Wolf Creek trip, etc.

Rebholtz enjoyed attending the Spring into Wellness and nature walk at Grant.

**K. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

No public comment.

**L. CONSENT CALENDAR**

It was M/S by Ollivier/Rebholtz to approve the following Consent Calendar items:

- (11) Approval of Personnel Action Report No. 12  
Referred to the Board by:  
Renaë Will, Executive Director of Personnel Services and Public Affairs
- (12) Approval of March 2023 Warrants  
Referred to the Board by:  
Paul Ziegler, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services
- (13) Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting on March 30, 2023  
Referred to the Board by:  
Fred Van Vleck, Ed.D., Superintendent
- (14) Approval of Grant Intent to Apply: School Food Best Practices  
Referred to the Board by:  
Paul Ziegler, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services
- (15) Approval of the 2022-2023 Tobacco-Use Prevention Education Grant Award Notification

Referred to the Board by:  
Paul Ziegler, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services

- (16) Approval of Agreement between Matson & Vallerger Architects, Inc. and Eureka City Schools: Corp Yard Laundry Facility Project  
Referred to the Board by:  
Paul Ziegler, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services
- (17) Approval and Acceptance of the Grant Award Notification (GAN) for the 2022-2023 Supporting Inclusive Practices Preschool  
Referred to the Board by:  
Paul Ziegler, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services
- (18) Approval of Out of State Professional Development for Alex Santiago in Sparks, Nevada: Bendix Brake School  
Referred to the Board by:  
Paul Ziegler, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services
- (19) Approval of PowerSchool Unified Insights Agreement  
Referred to the Board by:  
Gary Storts, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services
- (20) Approval of the Four Domains CALL Proposal, West Ed Agreement  
Referred to the Board by:  
Gary Storts, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services
- (21) Approval of the Amended Appendix A, College and Career Access Pathways Dual Enrollment Partnership Agreement with College of the Redwoods  
Referred to the Board by:  
Gary Storts, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services
- (22) Approval of Grant Intent to Apply for Advancing Wellness and Resilience in Education (AWARE) - Start/End Date: 9/20/23 to 8/31/24  
Referred to the Board by:  
Lisa Claussen, Director of Student Services
- (23) Approval of Resolution #22-23-025, Classified Employee Week, May 21-27, 2023  
Referred to the Board by:  
Fred Van Vleck, Ed.D., Superintendent

Student Board Representative: yes 1, no 0, absent 0. Governing Board: yes 4, noes 0, absent 1 (Johnson). Motion carried.

**M. DISCUSSION/ACTION**

- (24) Consideration of Student Expulsion (EC Sec 48915.1 and ECSD Policy 5119). [Student #22-23-000; Resolution #22-23-024]



Referred to the Board by:  
Lisa Claussen, Director of Student Services

This item was discussed in Closed Session.

It was M/S by Rebholtz/Ollivier to approve the Student Expulsion for Student #22-23-000; Resolution #22-23-024. Student Board Representative: yes 1, no 0, absent 0. Governing Board: yes 4, noes 0, absent 1 (Johnson). Motion carried.

- (25) Board's Nomination for the 2023 CSBA Delegate Assembly Run-off Elections  
Referred to the Board by:  
Fred Van Vleck, Ed.D., Superintendent

It was M/S by Duncan/Rebholtz to approve Lisa Ollivier as the Board's Nomination for the 2023 CSBA Delegate Assembly Run-off Elections. Student Board Representative: yes 1, no 0, absent 0. Governing Board: yes 4, noes 0, absent 1 (Johnson). Motion carried.

- (26) Final Action on Resolution and Decision Not to Reemploy Classified Employees for the 2023-2024 School Year  
Referred to the Board by:  
Rena Will, Executive Director of Personnel Services and Public Affairs

Will asked the Board to approve final action on Resolution 22-23-023 to eliminate/reduce classified positions in Eureka City Schools and to not reemploy classified employees for the 2023-2024 school year. The District and CSEA met to negotiate the impacts and effects of these changes. Will notes the Board has to take final action on this item, which was previously brought to the Board on March 9, 2023.

It was M/S by Pardoe/Ollivier to approve final action on Resolution 22-23-023 and Decide Not to Reemploy Classified Employees for the 2023-2024 School Year. Student Board Representative: yes 1, no 0, absent 0. Governing Board: yes 4, noes 0, absent 1 (Johnson). Motion carried.

- (27) Certification of the 2021-2022 Audit Findings Corrective Plans and Recommendations  
Referred to the Board by:  
Paul Ziegler, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services

Ziegler states staff is requesting the Board approve the District's Certification of the 2021-2022 Audit Findings Corrective Plans and Recommendations. This item came to the Board at the last meeting as a discussion item. Ziegler reviewed the two findings and the steps the District has taken to correct those findings.

It was M/S by Ollivier/Pardoe to approve the Certification of the 2021-2022 Audit Findings Corrective Plans and Recommendations. Student Board Representative: yes 1, no 0, absent 0. Governing Board: yes 4, noes 0, absent 1 (Johnson). Motion carried.

- (28) Resolution #22-23-022: Adoption by the Board of Trustees of Eureka City Schools of Intent to Establish a Charter School on the Lincoln Campus and Relocate Zoe Barnum Students to the Marshall Campus  
Referred to the Board by:  
Paul Ziegler, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services

Ziegler notes this item was previously brought to the Board as a discussion item on March 30, 2023. The resolution notes the Board's intent and plan to establish a TK-6<sup>th</sup> grade charter school on the Lincoln Campus on or about the 2026-2027 school year. Approval of the resolution is the first step in this process, as it clarifies the District's future plans for the Lincoln Campus.

It was M/S by Ollivier/Pardoe to approve Resolution #22-23-022: Adoption by the Board of Trustees of Eureka City Schools of Intent to Establish a Charter School on the Lincoln Campus and Relocate Zoe Barnum Students to the Marshall Campus. Student Board Representative: yes 1, no 0, absent 0. Governing Board: yes 4, noes 0, absent 1 (Johnson). Motion carried.

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The Board took a brief recess at 6:54 p.m. and started the meeting back up at 6:56 p.m. Trustee Rebholtz left the meeting.

## **N. DISCUSSION**

- (29) Adult Education Report  
Referred to the Board by:  
Gary Storts, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services

Storts provided the Board with the annual update on adult education.

- (30) Visual and Performing Arts Report  
Referred to the Board by:  
Gary Storts, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services

Storts provided the annual report on visual and performing arts to the Board. He reviewed the elementary, middle school, and high school course offerings. Prop 28 is the voter-approved proposition that was widely approved in California. ECS is taking a planning year and just hired Chris Cox to plan for the new program, which will be ready for the 2024-2025 school year.

- (31) 2023-24 Elementary English Language Arts Report  
Referred to the Board by:



Gary Storts, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services

Storts provided an update to the Board on the English language arts program for 2023-2024. He reviewed the educational resources provided to staff and notes many believe Amplify CKLA may be the best resource for the future. The District is working on answering the question on whether to supplement or supplant F&P curriculum and has formulated a steering committee and admin-led collaboration. If approved, this would be an unconventional adoption process (mid-cycle). It is important to have teacher/District support with supporting professional development. In May, staff will bring information on next steps or a possible recommendation to the Board.

(32) Local Control Accountability Plan Update

Referred to the Board by:

Gary Storts, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services

Storts provided an update to the Board on recent activities of the LCAP committee, including student surveys. He shared some of the results with the Board including the top goals from students. The committee also did a ThoughtExchange with employees, which produced a chart showing similar themes.

(33) Report on the Four Domains CALL Survey Results, 2022-2023

Referred to the Board by:

Gary Storts, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services

This project was designed to collect and apply data from the Four Domains Comprehensive Assessment of Leadership for Learning Assessment (CALL) and Feedback System. Since changes in student achievement often follow shifts in practices, the data from the Four Domains CALL provides leading indicators to inform planning efforts within each school and to progress monitor desirable shifts in tasks, habits and routines at Eureka City Schools. This was approved by the Board last year and the first test was administered in March 2022. Storts reviewed the results with the Board.

**O. CLOSED SESSION**

Closed session did not continue.

**P. RECONVENING OF OPEN SESSION**

Not applicable. Closed session did not continue.

**Q. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

Not applicable. Closed session did not continue.

**R. INFORMATIONAL ONLY ITEMS**

(34) Information Only: May 2023 - Review of CDE Calendar of Events

(35) Information Only: Meaningful Board Report (Future Annual Items)

S. **ADJOURNMENT**

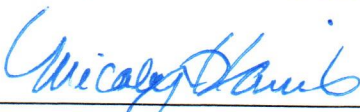
President Duncan adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Fred Van Vleck, Ed.D.  
Secretary of the Board of Education



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Micalyn Harris, Recording Secretary