



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

Regular Meeting
6:30 PM
February 1, 2024
MINUTES

A. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION RECEPTION (4:45 p.m. | Location: ECS District Office – Room 114)

B. CALL TO ORDER OF OPEN SESSION

President Johnson called the open session to order at 5:03 p.m.

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

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Storts, Ziegler, Johnson, Will, Claussen, Harris

C. BOARD RECOGNITION

(1) Classified Employee of the Year Awards

Renae Will, Executive Director of Personnel, introduced each Director and Principal, who presented site Classified Employee of the Year recognitions for each employee. The classified employees recognized for each site are as follows:

- **Robert Patterson**, Elementary Lead Custodian, from Alice Birney
- **Kristina Van Pelt**, Elementary Library Technician, from Grant
- **Melissa Keely**, Instructional Assistant Special Education, from Lafayette
- **Abigale McCartney**, Community Schools Liaison, from Washington
- **Teresa Kleyn-Schoorel**, Secondary Attendance Clerk, from Winship
- **Megan McDonnell**, Secondary Attendance Clerk, from Zane
- **Nate Jones**, Custodian, from Eureka High

- **Pam Woodward**, Senior Account Clerk - Accounts Payable, from Fiscal Services
- **Chellyn Khounsinvong**, Food Service Worker, from Food Services

Pam Woodward, Senior Account Clerk, was named the District-Level Classified Employee of the Year.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

No public comment on closed session items.

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

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

- (2) Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Gov. Code §54957) Title: Superintendent
- (3) Public Employment (Gov. Code §54957) - See Personnel Action Report Consent Agenda Item No. L(12)
- (4) Public Employee Appointment (Gov. Code §54957) - See Personnel Action Report Consent Agenda Item No. L(12)
- (5) Public Employee Discipline, Dismissal, Release, Complaint, Accept the Resignation of a Public Employee (GC § 54957)
- (6) Conference with Labor Negotiator Superintendent Storts Regarding Eureka Teachers Association, Classified White and Blue Collar Units, and/or Unrepresented Employees (Confidential and Classified and Certificated Management) (GC § 54957.6)
- (7) Conference with Real Property Negotiator Superintendent Storts Regarding Jacobs Building Property Concerning Price and/or Terms of Payment (GC § 54956.8) (Negotiating Party: AMG Communities-Jacobs, LLC)

F. RECONVENING OF OPEN SESSION (Board Room)

President Duncan reconvened the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

Members Present: Duncan, Johnson, Ollivier, Pardoe, Rebholtz, Salas

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Storts, Ziegler, Johnson, 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 – Zoe Barnum High School

Students from Student Wellness Advisory at Zoe Barnum High School led the Board in the pledge of allegiance.

I. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

- (8) Approval of the Agenda

No adjustments to the agenda.

It was M/S by Duncan/Ollivier to approve the Agenda. Student Board Representative: yes 1, no 0, absent 0. Governing Board: yes 5, no 0, absent 0. Motion carried.

J. INFORMATION

- (9) Student Reports – No student reports.

- (10) Superintendent's Report – Storts provided an update to the Board on the Student Listening Tours, which will involve students who may not be fully engaged in school. He is looking forward to hearing from the students and their perspective when considering future policy changes, etc. Board members are invited to attend the Student Listening Sessions. Storts recently participated in the President's Advisory Committee through CalPoly Humboldt, which is another opportunity for ECS to be involved. Storts is looking forward to meeting with the CalPoly athletic director in the near future. He also attending a 2/2 meeting with the City of Eureka, which involved two Board members and two City Council members. Students from Grant Elementary will be presenting to City Council on Kindness Week and the Board is invited to attend.

- (11) Board Members' Reports

Salas provided updates to the Board on events at Lafayette, Grant, and EHS. EHS students were excited to be cast as extras in the movie and Step-Up Day for incoming students.

Duncan has enjoyed some of the basketball games and specifically enjoyed the competitiveness between the teams.

Pardoe attended the Every Student Succeeds breakfast and enjoyed the event. She also read to kindergarten students at Grant for Kindness Week. She also enjoyed meeting with the Principal at Grant and got personal tour of the school.

Rebholtz also attended the Every Student Succeeds breakfast, a girl's basketball game, volunteered at a school site, read a school for Kindness Week (several classrooms), and attended the 2/2 meeting with the City of Eureka. She also attended the FFA Dinner & Auction.

K. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No public comment.

L. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- (12) Approval of Personnel Action Report No. 9
Referred to the Board by:
Renaë Will, Executive Director of Personnel Services and Public Affairs
- (13) Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting on January 11, 2024
Referred to the Board by:
Gary Storts, Superintendent
- (14) Approval of the School Accountability Report Card (SARC)
Referred to the Board by:
Jennifer Johnson, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services
- (15) Approval for Student Services Staff to Travel Out-of-State to the Mental Health School Professionals (MHSP2019), School-Based Mental Health (SBMH2020/21), Trauma Recovery (TR) Grantee Meeting
Referred to the Board by:
Lisa Claussen, Director of Student Services
- (16) Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between Eureka City Schools (ECS) and Humboldt NeuroHealth (HNN)
Referred to the Board by:
Lisa Claussen, Director of Student Services
- (17) Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between Eureka City Schools (ECS) and Humboldt Del Norte Independent Practice Association (IPA)
Referred to the Board by:
Lisa Claussen, Director of Student Services
- (18) Approval of Resolution #23-24-025; Declaring the Futility of Public Bidding for the Additional Alterations to the Science Building C Work at Eureka High School, and Approving a Change Order for that Work
Referred to the Board by:
Paul Ziegler, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services
- (19) 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:
Jennifer Johnson, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services

- (20) Approval of Field Trip Request - EHS Players/Drama Club Field Trip to the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, OR on April 15-19, 2024
Referred to the Board by:
Renaë Will, Executive Director of Personnel Services and Public Affairs

Student Board Representative: yes 1, no 0, absent 0. Governing Board: yes 5, no 0, absent 0. Motion carried.

M. DISCUSSION

- (21) Report on Eureka City Schools Transportation Department
Referred to the Board by:
Paul Ziegler, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services

Tiffany Winter, Director of Transportation and Risk Management, presented the annual update to the Board. She provided updates on staffing, the bus fleet, a snapshot of students transported/bus routes, and upcoming items.

- (22) Enrollment and Attendance Update
Referred to the Board by:
Paul Ziegler, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services

Ziegler provided an update to the Board on enrollment and attendance. He presented a comparison of CBEDS data from 2014-15 to current. He also reviewed Humboldt County-wide information (all grades), site attendance ratios, calculation of LCFF revenue.

- (23) Local Control Accountability Plan Update
Referred to the Board by:
Jennifer Johnson, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services

Johnson provided an update to the Board on the LCAP planning. She reviewed the LCAP team, the Thought Exchange Survey (which will out officially on 02/02/24), and next steps.

N. CLOSED SESSION

Closed session continued on Closed Session Item E(2) - Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Gov. Code §54957) Title: Superintendent.

No public comment on closed session item E(2).

O. RECONVENING OF OPEN SESSION

P. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

During Closed Session, on Item E(2), the Board took the following action: It was M/S by Pardoe/Johnson to approve the Superintendent's Goals. Governing Board: ayes 5, noes 0, absent 0. Motion carried.

Q. INFORMATIONAL ONLY ITEMS

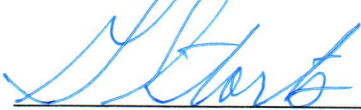
(24) Information Only: March 2024 - Review of CDE Calendar of Events

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

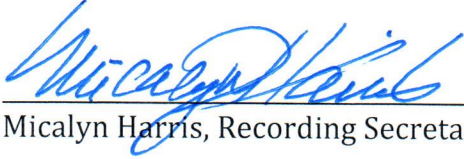
R. ADJOURNMENT

President Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Gary Storts, Superintendent
Secretary of the Board of Education



Micalyn Harris, Recording Secretary