

CUTTEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD MINUTES

Special Board Meeting

March 6, 2017

6:30 p.m.

Ridgewood School Commons

1.0 CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board members in attendance: Becky Reece, Jorey McComas, Verne Skjonsby and Mary DeWald

Board member absent: Tracy Boobar-Korenstein

Board President Becky Reece offered an adjustment to the agenda: Visitor Comments on Non-Agenda Items
No comments were offered.

2.0 INFORMATION / DISCUSSION AGENDA

2.1 Superintendent Julie Osborne recommended a reduction of 2.0 FTE certificated classroom teaching positions as a prudent measure given the possibility of reduced sixth grade enrollment and denial of 2017 – 2018 transitional kindergarten and kindergarten interdistrict transfer permits for Eureka City Schools residents. Because of a certificated classroom teacher retirement, one layoff notice will be served. Parents and staff expressed concern over the status of interdistrict transfer permits for the upcoming school year, and the need for information regarding the proceedings to resolve the issue with Eureka City Schools. Superintendent Osborne stated that the district is working towards agreement with ECS with the assistance of Dr. Garry Eagles, Humboldt County Superintendent of Schools, so the matter can be resolved fairly for both districts, to avoid disruption to currently transferred students and siblings, and to support parents' rights granted by the legislation permitting them to choose between school districts. Parents and staff were informed about the interdistrict transfer permit application process, and the appeal process in the event of a denial. Further information will be included in the Wednesday parent bulletins, the *Tiger Tracks* and the *Ridgewood Record*, and also mailed to families who reside outside the Cutten School District boundaries.

2.2 Julie Osborne provided information about the search for a new superintendent / principal. The board provided direction concerning salary – negotiable, with a beginning range of \$105,000 - \$115,000. The process will take three to four months, and within that posting period the Board will determine paper screening and interview procedures. The community is invited to provide input into the search regarding the most important items for the Board to consider when selecting a new district superintendent / principal.

3.0 ACTION AGENDA

3.1 Motion by Jorey McComas, second by Vern Skjonsby to adopt Resolution 1017-04 *Regarding Certificated Reduction in Force (2.0 FTE – Layoff)*. Motion carried 4 – 0.

3.2 Motion by Mary DeWald, second by Vern Skjonsby to *adopt Resolution 1017-03 for Change of Election Day of the Governing Board and Requesting the Board of Supervisors for the County of Humboldt to authorize Consolidation with the November Election During Even-Numbered Years*. Motion carried 4 – 0.

3.3 Motion by Vern Skjonsby, second by Mary DeWald, to accept the certificated teacher resignation effective June 16, 2017 (Wendy Branca). Motion carried 4-0.

4.0 ADJOURNMENT – 7:58 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Osborne

Secretary to the Board