

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**BOARD MEETING Minutes**  
**February 10, 2025 6pm**  
Ridgewood Commons  
2060 Ridgewood Drive Cutten, CA 95503

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE- Meeting started at 6:01pm with members Mary DeWald, Becky Reece, and Beth Johnston.**

**2.0 CONSENT AGENDA-** Question in regards to Bus driver positions coming vacant for following year. Consent agenda motioned by Becky Reece seconded Beth Johnston. Motion Carried 3-0.

- 2.1 Approval of Minutes-January 13, 2025
- 2.2 Approval of Warrants and Payroll
- 2.3 Approval of the Updated IRS /Standard Mileage Rates for 2024
- 2.4 Approval of Facilities Inspection Report
- 2.5 Approval of Humboldt-Del Norte SELPA MOU Transfer of ERMHS Funds from Member LEA's to SELPA
- 2.6 Approval of Multi-District Interdistrict Attendance Agreement for 2025 - 26
- 2.7 Approval of Request Certificated Leave March 17-May 5, 2025
- 2.8 Approval of 1.0 Bus Driver/Custodian Retirement August 1, 2025

**3.0 VISITOR COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS- No Comments**

The Board reserves the right to limit speakers to three minutes only. The Board may comment but cannot take action at this time. The Board President may refer the matter to the Superintendent for review, if appropriate.

**4.0 REPORTS**

4.1 Cutten Student Body Presentation- Sequel soul? Black top request to be repaired and fixed due to safety. Basketball can't practice because of unevenness, rain causes big puddles to fill up which can be extremely dangerous. Basketball pole also to be replaced as the pole leans a lot when it's leaned against. Becky's response is that we are awaiting a quote since the previous quote we had fell through prior year.

4.2 Cutten Ridgewood PTA Report- Ana PTA president talking about founders day wednesday february 12th. Next meeting March 4th at Cutten focusing on carnival and staff appreciation.

4.3 School Site Council- Beautification day at ridgewood using signup genius to get volunteers. April 17th from 2pm to 3:15pm.

4.4 HBTA Report- Second motion on sunshine item and looking forward to negotiations starting.

4.5 Principal's Report- Math night was great for all ages and turnout was incredible. Dental van came to Ridgewood to help about 37 students. Backpacks of love have been extended and they are for LA families who have lost everything and will be taken down to be distributed. Great kindness challenge chain link around MP room for all kindness things done by all kids. Hundred day was great but hundred hero could not make it due to illness. Tk/K applications still coming in. Dyslexia training thats now required teachers have been attending. Electrical cords for gate buzzer have been pulled hoping it will be up and running soon. Boys basketball season coming to an end been a good season. Katris winter concert was great in January. Gate academy was another great success and now quest is starting. 5th grade poem published in a poetry book My Heart...

4.6 Enrollment/New Student Registration update 2024-2025- TK enrollment not as high as expecting but still waiting on some applications that were given out. Projection for 40 in TK/K still for upcoming year.

4.7 LCAP- No feedback

## **5.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

5.1 Statement of Economic Interest Form 700- Corrected sheets submitted

5.2 Certification of 2024-2025 First Interim Report- In compliance and positive certification

## **6.0 INFORMATION / POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS**

6.1 Discussion/Consider Approval of 2024 – 2025 Comprehensive Safe School Plan (CSSP)- He/She to be changed to they/them in those areas, add a degree for lockdown so both campuses are on the same page. Walkie talkies to be possibly donated by PTA for emergency response in case of emergency to arise. Suggested it be he/she/they/them. Moved by Becky reece seconded by Beth Johnson. Motion carried 3-0.

6.2 Presentation Annual Update to the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and the Local Control Funding Formula Budget Overview for Parents (BOP)

6.3 Discussion/Approval of Early Education Internships for HS Students (Afterschool Program)- HS students to observe and help in the program HCOE will run the program and we get the benefit of being part of it. Motioned by Becky Reece seconded by Beth Johnson. Motion carried 3-0.

6.4 Discussion 2025–2026 Governor's Proposed Budget Report- Prop 98 for arts funding might reduce some. Expanded learning will not be cut just unsure of funding amounts. New funding in certain unduplicated counts will give money for coaches in certain areas. Emergency block grant hoping will continue since it helps provide extra support and keep classes smaller.

6.5 Discussion Tentative Certificated Staffing Options for 2025–2026 - Option 1 about same but one extra teacher in 3rd grade with low numbers would not be financially responsible. Option 2 with forecasted numbers with TK pushing outcome of what may come and still brings concerning numbers which is why ½ combo is needed as well as % grades. Option 3 is in concern with only 3 K classes which would require one teacher to be let go.

6.6 Discussion/Consider Approval of 2 Drama Program Stipend Positions: After School Drama Director \$2000 and Afterschool Drama Coordinator, \$1000.- Add afterschool drama director second sentence to change with additional roles of what is actually being done instead of producing script herself. Motioned by Becky Reece seconded by Beth Johnston. Motion carried 3-0. May 1-3rd for seussical musical.

6.7 Acceptance Second Presentation HBTA Sunshine Proposal : Article 9 Health and Welfare Benefits, Article 8 Salary and compensation, and Appendix B involving the \$500 annual stipend for having a master's degree.- No comments

6.8 Consider Approval of Resolution-2 of the Board of Trustees of the Cutten School District Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Not to Exceed \$2,500,000 Aggregate Principal Amount of Bonds of the District by a Negotiated Sale, Approving a Bond Purchase Agreement, a Continuing Disclosure Certificate and an Official Statement for the Bonds, and Authorizing Related Actions.- Motioned by Becky Reece seconded by Beth Johnson. Motion carried 3-0.

6.9 Consider Approval of Resolution-3 the Cutten Elementary School Board Authorizing Participation In the Zero Emission School Bus and Infrastructure (ZESBI) Incentive Project. Motioned by Becky Reece seconded by Beth Johnson. Motion carried 3-0.

**7.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT** - HERA plan updated with review done in current year. Maintenance to be trained up to date on it in Sacramento. Lots of immigration news no official idea of students on campus but county wide meeting shared we are sanctuary area and less attention to it less likely to have involvement of ICE but we do have a plan in place in regards to this.

**8.0 BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS / COMMUNICATION-** Becky Reece at winter concert alarm at her house was going off police with live on patrol at her house.

**9.0 ADJOURNMENT-** Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

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