

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

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE-** Members in attendance Dennis Reinholtsen , Mary DeWald, Becky Reece, and Beth Johnston. Meeting called to order at 6:02pm with flag salute.

**2.0 CONSENT AGENDA-** No Comments. Moved by Becky Reece seconded Beth Johnston. Motion carried 4-0.

- 2.1 Approval of Minutes-February 10, 2025
- 2.2 Approval of Warrants and Payroll
- 2.3 Approval of Cutten Elementary School District Transportation Plan 2025
- 2.4 Approval Declaration Broken Trailer as Surplus Donation of the Surplus Utility Trailer to Fortuna High School.
- 2.5 Acceptance of 1 Certificated Retirement

**3.0 VISITOR COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS-** None

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 Ridgewood PTA Report- Reported out getting busy for Carnival. Gift to schools feedback. Staff appreciation first week of May. Working towards purchasing walkie talkies for both school sites. Spirit wear closes 3/10/25 until next year.
- 4.2 School Site Council- March 19th next meeting looking at student achievement plan. Final cleanup day plan discussion.
- 4.3 HBTA Report- Conferences started today 3/10/25 using new report cards. 3/12/25 potluck at RW for Audrea Filbey's birthday memorial. Independent study packets being done for daily absence instead of three day absences as before due to large number of illnesses going around.
- 4.4 Special Education Director Report- Collaboration meetings are improving SST meetings compared to last year. Preventative work increasing instead of having many referrals.
- 4.5 Principals' Report- Purchasing new spelling curriculum as well as handwriting and cursive to come with it. New social emotional curriculum as well. We are applying for state wide recognition for PBIS systems that we have in place. The Women in Leadership Conference was great-learned about goal setting, interviewing pointers, and the speakers there were great. We have a low substitute pool which has been a challenge. CAASPP test preparation is happening. Boys basketball season has ended. TK/K night was successful and lots of potential families showed interest. New gate up for a week and working well so far-it shuts off at 2 when campus is out.
- 4.6 Enrollment/New Student Registration update 2025-2026- TK/K updates with not much change from last month.
- 4.7 LCAP- Surveys out with parents, and staff before working on goals.

## **5.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

None

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

- 6.1 Discussion/Consider Certification of 2024 -2025 Second Interim Report- Motioned by
- 6.2 Discussion/Consider Approval of 2025 – 2026 School Calendar- Motioned by Becky Reece  
seconded by Mary DeWald. Motion carried 4-0.
- 6.3 Discussion on Tentative Certificated Staffing Options for 2025–2026 - Projection if things stay as actual vs what we would like to see for enrollment numbers.
- 6.4 Consideration of and Possible Action on Resolution 2025 –05 Regarding Classified Reduction in WorkForce .25 FTE (10 hours week)- Motioned by Becky Reece  
seconded by Beth Johnston..  
Motion carried 4-0.
- 6.5 Discussion/Consider Approval of up to \$10,000 for the Purchase of a Utility Trailer- Old trailer donated to fortuna metal shop after breaking. Motioned by Becky Reece second by Beth Johnston. Motion  
carried 4-0.
- 6.6 Discussion/Consider Approval of Additional \$1000 for 2 more Drama Coordinators on Drama Program MOU - Motioned by Becky Reece seconded by Mary DeWald. Motion  
carried 4-0.

**7.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT-** We are on the PGE schedule to put up pole for power to finish BESC project. Yip was chosen as teacher of the year to go county level. Taiwan recipients are coming to visit campus here at the end of March. Superintendent was chosen to go to Taiwan in August through a scholarship for an educational trip.

**8.0 BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS / COMMUNICATION-** None

**9.0 PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM-** None

**10.0 CLOSED SESSION-** Closed session at 7pm.

With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session:

10.1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (GC § 54957.6)

*Agency Negotiator: Dennis Reinholtsen  
Unrepresented Employee: Cutten Principal*

10.2 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (GC § 54957.6)

*Agency Negotiator: Dennis Reinholtsen  
Unrepresented Employee: Ridgewood Principal*

10.3 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (GC § 54957.6)

*Agency Negotiator: Dennis Reinholtsen  
Unrepresented Employee: Superintendent*

10.4 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE-DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE (GC § 54957)

10.5 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (GC § 54957.6)

*Agency Negotiator: Becky MacQuarrie  
Name of organization representing employees: Humboldt Bay Teachers  
Association*

**10. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION 8:00PM**

Action Taken:

Resolution 4-1.0 LongTerm Substitute Temporary position release. Motioned by Beth Johnston second by Becky Reece. Motion carried 4-0.

Resolution 6- Temporary contracts- 3.0 FTE Certificated Teachers. Motioned by Becky Reece second by Beth Johnston. Motioned 4-0.

**11. ADJOURNMENT 8:06PM**

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