

CUTTEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

BOARD MEETING Minutes

September 14, 2026

6:00 PM

Ridgewood Commons

2060 Ridgewood Drive

Eureka, CA 95503

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE- Board members in Attendance: Dennis Reinholtsen, Mary DeWald, [Mindy Schon](#), Becky Reece, and Beth Johnston. Meeting called to order at 6:05pm with flag salute

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA- Motioned by Becky Reece seconded by [Mindy Schon](#). Motion carried 5-0.

- 2.1 Approval of Minutes, August 10, 2026
- 2.2 Approval of Warrants and Payroll
- 2.3 Approval of Amendments to 2026 – 2027 Local Accountability Plan (LCAP) (2026-2027 Budget Overview for Parents & 2025 – 2026 LCAP Annual Update, LCFF) (See Compliance Review and Website posting <https://cuttensd.org/reports/>)
- 2.4 Approval of Classified 7.61875 FTE
- 2.5 Approval of Quarterly Report on William Uniform Complaints, Quarter 2
- 2.6 Approval of 1.0 FTE Custodian/Bus Driver/Transportation Director

3.0 VISITOR COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

-Code loves her new class since she was given a new classroom and moved down from Cutten to RW to teach 2nd grade.

4.0 REPORTS

- 4.1 Cutten Ridgewood PTA Report- Back to school bingo Friday sept 25th.
- 4.2 School Site Council Report- First meeting Oct 20th,2026. On record to renew board

members.

4.3 HBTA Report- Math Curriculum-Bumps with the new curriculum and gives it time and interest to see where students end up and what the end goal will be so being very optimistic about it. Not as much teaching, it's more about working together and exploring math vs actually teaching. Geared for CASSP testing which brings the fear of what will happen in April when testing is done. SISC meeting has created even more fear with JPA in regards to not one being better than the other. Teachers finishing up M-class assessments to know kids' baseline and track their growth.

4.4 Principals' Report-RW-Campus is positive start to the year and staff taking advantage of the beautiful weather during this time. Back to school night went great. New work rooms gives time to be able to check in with teachers as well as created a better space for families to come too. Two safety drills have gone great with the kids. Pumpkin patch field trips are coming up. Cutten-Wins-Clubs after school have started this week 9/14/26 as well as cross country 9/19/26. Teachers deep into data collection for

Class studies to happen week of 09/21/26. Looking on how to refine TIP program to better utilize that time. Quick look at CASSP scores to strategize how to improve on the areas that can back low. Opportunities to look on cohesive schedules to not have interruptions for class time.

4.5 2026-2027 Student Registration Report- 542 is current enrollment which still puts us in average. About 40 under what we were at prior year.

4.6 School Facilities Update- Research for new Architects and we came across a Local one who might be interested in working with us for future projects. The 2nd half of the money hasn't been sold for bond so we can't start quite yet. New bus charging stations to be figured out and installed in order to align with the electrical bus that is supposed to be arriving in Dec2026 estimated. Working on CUPCA supports to increase threshold for how to make bid number higher than the 15k currently set. ATT dropping hard wire phones and looking into what our new options will be.

4.7 LCAP- Last year of functioning LCAP based on plan that was set up originally with prior feedback. If results aren't being produced with improvement in certain areas will have to make a full plan on how to improve and make progress towards those being met and staying above it instead of falling back. Always welcoming feedback for the plan.

5.0 PUBLIC HEARING

5.1 Sufficiency of Standards-Aligned Textbooks/Instructional Materials- None

6.0 INFORMATION/POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS.

6.1 Discussion/Consider and Act Upon Resolution 2026-03, *Regarding Sufficiency of Instructional Materials* - Motioned by Becky Reece seconded [Mindy Sehon](#). Motion carried 5-0.

6.2 Discussion/Consider Approval of 2026 – 2027 Unaudited Actuals Report and GANN Limit Resolution 2026-04- Motioned by Becky Reece second by Beth Johnston. Motion Carried 5-0.

6.3 Discussion/Consider Approval of the Prop 28 Annual LEA Report 2026-27- Motioned by [Mindy Sehon](#) seconded by Becky Reece. Motion carried 5-0.

6.4 Discussion/Consider Approval of Studer Leadership Training \$5275 (12 sessions)- Motioned by Beth Johnston for modification sum second by Becky Reece. Motion carried 5-0.

6.5 Discussion/First Review of Updated Board Policies, Administrative Regulations. and Exhibits: May 2026 Board Policy Updates - BP1240; AR1240; AR1312.4; E(1)1312.4; E(2)1312.4; BP2110; AR3517; E(1)3517; E(2)3517; BP4100; BP4211; BP4311; AR4112; AR4112.5; E(1)4112.5; AR4212.5; E(1)4212.5; AR4312.5; E(1)4312.5; AR4112.6; AR4212.6; AR4312.6; BP4112.9; E(1)4112.9; BP4212.9; E(1)4212.9; BP4312.9; E(1)4312.9; BP4200; AR4200; AR4212; BP4300; AR4300; BP5131.4; AR5131.4; BP5141.4; AR5141.4; BP5141.7; BP5141.75; BP5142; AR5142; BP5145.6; E(1) 5145.6; BP5148; AR5148; BP5148.3; AR5148.3; BP7110; BB9200 -

6.6 Consider Approval of Global Adoption of Updated Board Policies, Administrative Regulations. and Exhibits: BP1240; AR1240; AR1312.4; E(1)1312.4; E(2)1312.4; BP2110; AR3517; E(1)3517; E(2)3517; BP4100; BP4211; BP4311; AR4112; AR4112.5; E(1)4112.5; AR4212.5; E(1)4212.5; AR4312.5; E(1)4312.5; AR4112.6; AR4212.6; AR4312.6; BP4112.9; E(1)4112.9; BP4212.9; E(1)4212.9; BP4312.9; E(1)4312.9; BP4200; AR4200; AR4212; BP4300; AR4300; BP5131.4; AR5131.4; BP5141.4;

AR5141.4; BP5141.7; BP5141.75; BP5142; AR5142; BP5145.6; E(1) 5145.6; BP5148; AR5148; BP5148.3; AR5148.3; BP7110; BB9200 - Moved by Becky Reece excluding 5 policies seconded by [Mindy Schon](#). Motion Carried 5-0.

6.7 Discussion Regarding NCSMIG Medical Program Assessment- 24-25 True up of 150k due to poor oversight of deficit spending could be on the hook for two more years of liability.

6.8 Discussion Regarding 1 Open Board Position Beginning 2027 and Next Steps- Clarification of when next running will be. Process to be done as prior time- Advertise, interview, and then appoint.

7.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT- Imagine math curriculum is the biggest shift seen in a very long time which does challenge all but the framework is making kids collaborate to understand where they should end at. Ultimately based on how kids learn based on research done over multiple years.

8.0 PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM- No comments.

9.0 CLOSED SESSION - Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.

Closed session reconvened at 7:38pm.

9.1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (GC § 54957.6)

Agency Negotiator: Becky MacQuarrie

Unrepresented Employee: Classified

Motioned by Becky Reece to subject to legal council to pay remaining insurance cap upon early retirement for 26-27 school year including wives cap as well, seconded by Beth Johnston. Motioned by 5-0. Share out. Out of closed session back to closed session

9.2 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (GC § 54957.6)

Agency Negotiator: Becky MacQuarrie

Name of Organization Representing Employees: HBTA

7:53pm back to closed session

No motion

10.0 RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION - Out of closed session 8:04 pm. No motion for 9.2 lack of motion.

11.0 BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/COMMUNICATION- Schon-Bond money possible movement of district office, but of course prioritize blacktop and HVAC projects just a thought to be thrown out. Gym still has a high goal to be added along with classrooms to be attached to add space at Cutten. Request for babysitting at bingo night not possible due to it being considered a gift of funds.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT - Meeting adjourned at 8:26pm.