

Union Street Charter

Board Minutes

February 12, 2025, 6 pm, Meeting location: 470 Union Street, Arcata, CA 95521

Members present: Carol Ingram, Laurie De Keyser, Josh Levine, Sharyn Swartz, Yuko Wenzel

Absent: Lorene Lenhart, Jillian Sheppard

Visitors: Seanessy Gavin

Secretary/Treasurer: Rea Erickson.

6 pm Open Session-Josh called the meeting to order at 6:00

1. The board nominated Josh Levine to be acting President Motion carried 4-0
2. Emergency circumstances required Carol Ingram to attend the meeting via teleconference. Carol stated that no minors were present and that her just cause was illness. Due to teleconference, all votes were taken by roll call. Motion carried 4-0
3. Recognizing Where We Are-Yuko read the acknowledgement
4. Public comment -Seanessy gave a summary of the reasons why the board should consider Ealy Kindergarten admittance.

Consent items-May be passed with single motion and vote

1. It was moved by Sharyn and seconded by Laurie to adopt the minutes from 12/11/24 and accept Kathy Lusardi's resignation. Motion carried 4-0 (Yuko abstained).

Items for Report, Discussion and Possible Action

1. Rea reported on the updates to the plan. It was moved by Laurie and seconded by Yuko to approve the School Safety Plan. Motion carried 5-0.
2. The board reviewed the updated BP 5 A Uniform Complaint Procedures. It was moved by Yuko and seconded by Josh to approve the policy. Motion carried 6-0.
3. The board discussed early admission to Kindergarten reviewing the pros and cons and potential impacts to the overall school community. The board consensus was to have Rea prepare a policy and bring it to the next meeting for review.
4. The positive and negative impacts of ELOP funds were reviewed. It was moved by Carol and seconded by Laurie to reject ELOP funds for 25-26. Motion carried 5-0.
5. It was moved by Laurie and seconded by Josh to approve Carol Ingram as Complaints Against Employees Investigator

Items for Information/Discussion Items

1. Rea gave a review of the 1st draft of school year calendar for 25-26
2. The Midyear 2024-25 LCAP report was discussed.
3. The policy BP 5 F Complaints Against Employees from the employee handbook was put in the policy binder.

Other Business

1. Rea presented highlights of the Principal's report.
2. The board wants a future agenda item to be school promotion.

Closed Session, time: 7:30

(i) With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Section 54956.86: **CHARGE OR COMPLAINT INVOLVING INFORMATION PROTECTED BY FEDERAL LAW** (No additional information is required in connection with a closed session to discuss a charge or complaint pursuant to Section 54956.86.)

Open Session, time 7:52, report on any action taken: The board approved the response to the complaint 5-0.

Adjournment was at 7:52 pm

Next board meetings is March 12th 2nd Interim financials.