

Union Street Charter

Board Minutes

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

Members present: Carol Ingram, Laurie De Keyser, Lorene Lenhart, Josh Levine, Jillian Sheppard, Sharyn Swartz, Yuko Wenzel

Absent: none

Visitors: Seanessy Gavin, Jo Archibald

Secretary/Treasurer: Rea Erickson.

6 pm Open Session-Jillian called the meeting to order at 6:07

1. Yuko read "Recognizing Where We Are"
2. Public comment none

Consent items-May be passed with single motion and vote

1. It was moved by Laurie and seconded by Sharyn to adopt the minutes from 2/12/25 with edits. Motion carried. 5-0-2 recused due to their absence from the last meeting.

Items for Report, Discussion and Possible Action

1. Rea gave an overview of the 2nd Interim budget. It was moved by Carol and seconded by Josh to approve the budget. Motion carried 7-0.
2. The 2025-26 calendars of ASD and NOHUM were reviewed for alignment of holidays. It was moved by Josh and seconded by Laurie to approve the 25-26 calendar. Motion carried 7-0.
3. The board reviewed SP14 Student Field Trips and Excursions. Several members suggested revisions. Rea will update the policy for the next meeting.
4. The Early Kindergarten admittance policy was discussed. Comments ranged from in support to against. The consensus was to wait another month until the school has formulated a screening tool.

Items for Information/Discussion Items

1. The board reviewed the LCAP (Local Control Accountability Plan) community and student surveys. There was concern about the bullying comments. Rea read the definition of bullying from SP # 6. The group discussed ways that the school supports students that are learning how to handle conflict and emotions.
2. Board members read BP 1 Code of Conduct and BP 1 A Conflict of Interest Policy.
3. The group brainstormed where to put up flyers regarding the K openings. They also voiced support for advertising on the radio.

Other Business

1. Rea gave highlights from the principal's report.
2. Board Member new items for future meeting -There was consensus to change the May meeting date to the 14th.
3. Board Members returned Form 700

Jillian adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm

Next Board meetings April 16 to review 25-26 salary schedule and maintenance priorities, May 14 and June 18 at 6 pm