

Union Street Charter

Board Minutes

March 4, 2020

Meeting location: 470 Union Street, Arcata, California

Members present: Melanie Bettenhausen, Josh Callahan, Greg Gaiera, Ben Okin, Leia Pollard, Jillian Sheppard, Mo Taylor, Carol Ingram

Secretary/Treasurer: Rea Erickson

Members Absent: Christine Yannone

Advisors: none Visitors: none

6 pm Open Session-The meeting was called to order at 6:05 by President Jillian Sheppard

1. Public comment-none
2. Adjustments to agenda-Action item #3 was removed from the agenda

Consent items-May be passed with single motion and vote

1. It was moved by Melanie and seconded by Leia to adopt the minutes from 2/5/20. Motion carried 4-0 with 3 abstaining.

Action Items

1. It was moved by Jillian and seconded by Greg to approve the 2nd Interim budget. Motion carried 7-0.

Ben Okin arrived.

2. It was moved by Jillian and seconded by Mo to approve the Proof of Birth for Admission Policy. Motion carried 8-0.
- ~~3. Review and approve request for leave~~
4. It was moved by Melanie and seconded by Carol to approve the Safety Plan 2019-20 with revisions. Motion carried 8-0.
5. It was moved by Jillian and seconded by Greg to approve the revised Employee Handbook. Motion carried 8-0.

Discussion Items

1. The board reviewed a draft of the 2020-2021 calendar. There was discussion about building in extra days in case of PSPS or storm power outage events. Starting school on a Monday instead of a Tuesday was suggested.
2. Rea reviewed her report on future changes to liability and medical insurance. Carol added information from the county office of education that clarified the issues.

Other Business

1. Rea reviewed the principal's report. In light of the potential pandemic related to COVID 19, the board discussed going forward with the Spring Sing unless the Department of health and human services issues advice to cancel community events.
2. Board Member new items for future meeting
 - A. Student Admissions- Lottery preferences
 - B. Attendance Policy-Independent Study

Closed session began at 7:09

1. Principal/Director evaluation

Open session at 7:28

1. Report on closed session actions. The board voted to rehire Rea Erickson.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 by President Jillian Sheppard

Signed Rea Erickson, Secretary/Treasurer of the Board upon approval of the minutes.