

Governance Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
September 9, 2025  
714 F St, Eureka, CA 95501

Our mission is to deliver personalized learning through strong family, educator, and community partnerships that empower students to achieve academic excellence and foster active citizenship

Governance Council Members Present: Geri Emberson, Kate Salazar, David Turner, Sarah Weltsch, Matt Wilton

Governance Council Members Absent:

Certificated Staff Present: Susan Stein, Leslie McDonnell, Stefani Gambrel, Nichole Dollarhide

Director Present: Tim Warner

Classified Staff / Guests:

- I. Meeting Called to Order: 10:43 am by Sarah Weltsch
- II. Review Agenda: A motion was made to add the Prop 28 Funding Report to Agenda under Action Items (Geri / Kate / All approved, carried 5/0)
- III. Public Comment / Correspondence / Communication
- IV. Consent Items
  - a. A motion was made to approve August 12, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes (Geri \ Kate \ All approved, carried, 5/0)
  - b. Possible Approval of July 2025 Warrant Report (Kate \ Geri \ All approved, carried, 5/0)
- V. Reports
  - a. Student Council
    - No report. Looks like there are about 21 student council members
  - b. Enrollment:
    - Approximately 482 active students. Enrollments and withdrawals are coming in daily.
  - c. Leadership Team
    - First report will be in October.
  - d. Director of Secondary Programs
    - PACE Coach (Pathway Advisement Career Exploration) introduction/explanation
    - Meeting with all high schoolers
    - Launch of first middle school CTE class
    - College & Career Expo
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  - e. Director of Operations/ Principal
    - More students on campus than ever; lots of moving pieces
    - Continuing orientations and the intent to enroll process / paperwork
    - Beth Johnson was hired as Purchasing and Receiving Specialist
    - Continuing work on parking lot issues/needs
    - Topics covered in school wide PBIS training meshed well with HCOE training on Trauma Informed Practices to better support our students

f. Director of Special Services

- There are 97 students with IEPs and 49 students with 504 plans.
- Student Study Teams are proving to be successful in helping students improve academically through all grades.
- The Wellness Center is a welcome addition for on-site behavioral support.
- The “Stop It” is an App / off-site resource that students can use to report incidents anonymously such as bullying, harassment, etc.

g. Superintendent Report

- Update on AB84 and SB414. AB 84 was converted to a 2 year bill because of not enough support. We are already meeting many of the requirements of SB414. If SB414 is passed, it would make AB84 irrelevant.
- The Charter renewal is going to be with ECS. Updates to Charter will be presented at a future meeting.
- The school population is growing; adjustments are being made to accommodate growth.

VI. Discussion and Information

VII. Action Items

- a. A motion was made to approve the 2024-2025 Unaudited Actuals (Matt \ David \ All approved, carried, 5/0)
- b. A motion was made to approve the School Meal Compliance Specialist Job Description\Position (Matt \ Kate \ All approved, carried, 5/0)
- c. A motion was made to approve Proposition 28: Arts and Music in Schools Funding Annual Report (Matt \ Kate \ All approved, carried, 5/0)

VIII. Future Agenda Items

- School Coordinator Report
- CCAP Approval with CR

IX. Adjourn to Closed Session Personnel (Pursuant to Gov. Code 54957)

- a. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
- b. Public Employee Resignation
- c. Public Employee Appointment
- d. Complaints / Grievances Officer Communication
- e. Legal Action

XI. Return to Open Session

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- j. Legal Action - Update

XII. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned @ 11:48 am