

I. OPENING MEETING

- a. Roll Call

II. SPECIAL AGENDA – ELECTION RESULTS

- a. BOE Election – Results of the Election & Election of Board Officers

- i. Contact(s): Isak Brayfindley, Clerk of the Board

- ii. Purpose: Per Article 1, Chapter 4, Section 1402, “*Organization and Functions of the Board: The first regular meeting in January of each year shall be the organizational meeting. The Board will approve the meeting calendar for the fiscal year at the organizational meeting. At the Board’s first meeting on or after the Second Monday in January each year, the Board shall elect a president and vice-president from its members, each of whom shall serve for one year, or until his/her successor is elected.*”

1. To announce the results of the Board of Education election for public record ([Notice of Tribal Election](#)), and
2. Election new Board Officers (President & Vice-President)

- iii. Recommendation:

1. The Clerk of the Board recommends that the current BOE accepts the results of the election.

- a. **DISCUSSION:**

- b. **NOMINATIONS:**

- c. **DECISION:**

- d. **ACTION:**

- i. Swearing in BOE Members for new term ([See Education Code excerpt: BOE Oath Attachment](#))
- ii. The Clerk of the Board shall post the approved results of the BOE election.

2. The Clerk recommends the BOE members make nominations for the offices of President and Vice-President, to serve the next one-year term for 2022.

- a. **DISCUSSION:**

- b. **NOMINATIONS:**

- i. **Nominees for President:**

- ii. **Nominees for Vice-President:**

- c. **DECISION:**

- i. **President:**

- ii. **Vice-President:**

- d. **ACTION:**

- i. Swearing in the BOE Officers

Board of Education Meeting Agenda
Blue Lake Rancheria Tribal Education Agency
Tuesday, January 11, 2022 – 7PM
Zoom Meeting On-line Platform
Blue Lake, CA

- i. The Clerk of the Board shall post the approved results of the BOE Officer Election.

III. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. BOE 2022 Meeting Dates
 - i. Contact(s): Isak Brayfindley, Clerk of the Board
 - ii. Purpose: Per Article I, Chapter 4, Section 1402.6 the BOE “shall establish a 12-month calendar of Board of Education meetings each January.” ([See Education Code excerpt: BOE Calendar attachment](#))
 - iii. Recommendation: The Clerk of the Board makes the following recommendations for dates in 2022, all dates are Tuesdays:

January 11	May 17	September 6
February 15	June 14	October 4
March 22	July 12	November 1
April 19	August 9	December 6

1. **DISCUSSION:**
2. **NOMINATIONS:**
3. **DECISION:**
4. **ACTION:**

IV. **ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION OR DISCUSSION**

- a. None

V. **MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. Approval of Board minutes from 12/21/2021
 - i. Contact(s): Alison Robbins
 - ii. Recommendation: TEA Staff recommends approval of the draft minutes for publication
 1. **DISCUSSION:**
 2. **NOMINATIONS:**
 3. **DECISION:**
 4. **ACTION:**

VI. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Presentations for Blue Lake Elementary School District staff
- b. Strategic Planning Meetings
- c. Letter requesting assistance for Arcata High Student ([See attached letter: Grant Request for LeMonie Hutt](#))

VII. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Invitation from California Tribal College Leadership council

VIII. **AJOURNMENT**

REPORT OF TRIBAL EDUCATION ELECTION

TRIBE, BAND OR COMMUNITY	DATE OF ELECTION
<i>Blue Lake Rancheria</i>	January 8, 2022

NAME(S) AND TITLE(S)	TERM OF OFFICE	NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED
Officers: <i>Jason Ramos</i>	2022-2024	<i>11</i>
Members: <i>Jace Baldasser</i>	2022-2024	<i>11</i>

Total Number of Qualified Voters in this Election:	Total Number of Qualified Voters who participated in this Election:
<i>17</i>	<i>11</i>

Hold Over Officer(s)/Member(s):
We Hereby Certify that the above election results are true and correct:

<i>Art Morgan</i>	<i>Art Morgan</i> , Election Committee Chairman	<i>P.O. Box 428</i>
<i>Arda Ramos</i>	<i>Arda Ramos</i> , Election Committee Member	<i>Blue Lake, CA 95525</i>
	, Election Committee Member	Telephone No. <i>707.668.5101</i>
	, Election Committee Member	Telefax No. <i>707.668.4272</i>

"I, (name of member-elect), do solemnly swear that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Member, of the Board of Education of the Blue Lake Rancheria Tribal Education Agency, in accordance with the Constitution of the Blue Lake Rancheria, the Constitution of the State of California, and the Constitution of the United States.

"I further swear that:

"I shall respect the interests of the community by serving as a faithful protector of the Tribal Education Agency's assets;

"I shall encourage and respect the free expression of opinion by my fellow board members and others who seek a hearing before the board, while respecting the privacy of students and employees;

"I shall recognize that a board member has no legal authority as an individual and that decisions can be made only by a majority vote at a public board meeting;

"I shall abide by majority decisions of the board, while retaining the right to seek changes in such decisions through ethical and constructive channels;

"As part of the Board of Education, I shall accept the responsibility of my role in the equitable and quality education of every student of the Tribal Education Agency;

"I shall foster with the board extensive participation of the community, formulate goals, define outcomes, and set the course for the Blue Lake Rancheria Tribal Education Agency;

"I shall assist in establishing a structure and an environment designed to ensure all students have the opportunity to attain their maximum potential through a sound organizational framework;

"I shall strive to ensure a continuous assessment of student achievement and all conditions affecting the education of our children, in compliance with the laws of the Blue Lake Rancheria, and the State of California;

"I shall serve as education's key advocate on behalf of students and our community's schools, to advance the vision for the Tribal Education Agency; and

"I shall strive to work together with the Tribal Education Agency's Executive Director to lead the TEA toward fulfilling the vision the board has created, fostering excellence for every student in the areas of academic skills, knowledge, citizenship, and personal development."

4. Election of Officers

The election of officers shall be by open ballot, with each member issued ballots with his/her name inscribed for identification. Each member may vote for any member of the Board and successive ballots shall be taken until one member receives four votes. In such event, that member shall be declared the President for the period of one year or until his/her successor is elected. The election of the vice-president shall be conducted in the same manner as the election of the president. The vote of each Board member will be read into the record after the conclusion of each vote, and votes will be recorded in the BOE Minutes. The newly elected president and vice-president shall assume their duties at the conclusion of the Board meeting in which they were elected.

5. Board of Education Officers

In addition to the duties prescribe by law or by the rules of the Board of Education, the President shall exercise such other powers as properly pertain to the office or may be delegated by the Board. The Vice-President will perform the duties of the President in the absence of the President.

- a. The duties of the President shall be to preside at all sessions of the Board, to preserve order, to enforce rules, to sign all legal documents required by the statutes, and to appoint members of the Board-authorized committees.
- b. The President shall serve as official spokesperson for the Board or shall appoint another members as his/her designee in communications with the media.
- c. It is the duty of the President, when the Board is not in session, to act on any emergency matter which may arise and, at the next regular meeting, to report whatever action was taken.
- d. The President shall appoint Board members, school personnel, or citizens to serve on committees for the Board and other agencies. The President will announce all available appointments at the Board table. Board members will have the opportunity to respond. The President will make the appointments at the next Board meeting with the consensus of the Board. The Board President shall ensure that appointments are made on a fair and equitable basis.
- e. The President shall establish liaison with other governmental agencies to assist in cooperative action.
- f. It is the duty of the President to provide the necessary leadership to help individual Board members serve productively as part of the Board and also to assist the Board in being a cohesive whole.
- g. It is the responsibility of the President to be available for counsel to the Executive Director of the Tribal Education Agency.
- h. At all meetings of the Board, the President shall exercise privileges as a Board member including the power to vote on any question put to the vote of the Board. Normally, the President will not make or second motions but may at his/her discretion.

- i. In the absence or inability to act of both the President and Vice-President, the remaining members will select a member to act in that capacity.

6. *Board of Education Agendas, Calendars, & Meetings*

The Board shall meet in regular session at least once each month and shall schedule other official meetings and committee meetings as are necessary. The procedures for BOE Agendas and general information about Board meetings are set for in this Education Code. The Executive Director of the Tribal Education Agency or their designee, shall establish a 12-month calendar of Board of Education meetings each January. Once adopted, this calendar will be changed only by a majority vote of the Board, except in the case of emergency when the Board President shall be permitted to make a change, or special meetings as noted in this Education Code.

a. *Location, Time, and Types of Board Meetings*

All regular meetings, special meetings, and Committee of the Whole meetings shall be open to the public, except in cases where the matter under discussion would involve confidentiality; in these cases, business will be conducted in closed session of the Board of Education. Meetings shall be held in accordance with the following provisions:

i. *Regular meetings.*

Each year in January, the Board shall adopt a resolution specifying a regular location, regular hour, dates, and weeks of the month for Board meetings. This resolution shall also provide that if the regular meeting day occurs on any day when administrative offices are close, the regular meeting shall be scheduled by the Board on an alternate date in the annual resolution, commencing at the same hour. This resolution may specify that any regular meeting may be adjourned to another time and place. In case it is necessary to hold a meeting at a different place, the Executive Director of the Tribal Education Agency, or their designee, shall notify in writing each Board member, and take appropriate steps to notify the public.

November 19, 2021

Angie Brenes, Student Family Liaison
Native Educational Choices & Empowerment Program
Northern Humboldt School District

Dear Angie Brenes,

I am reaching out to see if the NECEP Grant will purchase a 14" MacBook Pro for my daughter, LeMonie Hutt. LeMonie is a Senior at Arcata High School and a Hoopa Tribal Member. We live in Hoopa and for most of LeMonie's high school career she has commuted from Hoopa to Arcata to attend the High School of her choice. Despite having a 504 plan, with minimal accommodations, LeMonie has a 3.9 grade point average and is taking two AP classes this year. She is the President of the Native American Club (NAC), Co-President of Gen-Up and just started a BIPOC Book Club. LeMonie submitted an Early-Decision application to Brown University and is ambitiously applying to ten more colleges. LeMonie has to work harder than most but she is determined to make the grade and to make a difference.

As a Senior, LeMonie wanted to seize every opportunity to impact Arcata High by executing a well planned agenda for the Native American Club. She is well aware that most of her fellow students know little to nothing about the thriving Native American community, culture, history and Tribal Governments that surround them in Humboldt County. To bring awareness, LeMoine made several video's with fellow students that all have been shown school-wide. Last year, she made a video demonstrating her ceremonial dress that she made. This year, she made video's with guest speakers from the Hoopa and Yurok Tribes. She made an outstanding video with a dozen other students on Appropriation and Halloween Costumes. She and another NAC member made museum quality banners with well researched information on Tribal Reservations and the Urban Relocation Program. She made flyers and posters and promotional pamphlets. And she even arranged for the Wiyot Tribal Chairman to speak before the entire school for an hour. Arcata High is on Wiyot land and he was a dynamic speaker. This took weeks of planning, getting approvals, meetings and promoting with very little adult help. She's arranged field trips to Sue-Meg Village and to Brian Tripp's Art Show at HSU. These are only a few of the things that she has accomplished so far this year and she has many more plans for the rest of the year.

But here's the thing, the Chrome Book that she has been working on has, well known, limitations when it comes to the creative arts. For all the video's that she made, another high school friend (and friends) with a MacBook have volunteered to design and edit her work with much better results. Many of the designs and creative ideas that she had for the posters, banners and flyers also were limited by the Chrome Book. All of the fellow students in her AP classes work on their MacBooks and that is not an exaggeration. These are the students who have helped her. LeMonie wants to be on the same playing field as her classmates, while she is still in high school. If she has a new MacBook now then she can learn how to use it in high school while she has friends and teachers to help her learn how to use it. And while she has projects to experiment on before she gets to college.

I reached out to all the Hoopa Valley Tribal Entities and several local foundations seeking funding before learning about the NECEP grant from the Hoopa Educational Director Erika Tracy. Erika wholeheartedly supports our endeavor to acquire a MacBook Pro for LeMonie. I am a single mom, without child support and currently I am in the TANF program where I work part-time for Kimaw Medical Center. I cannot afford a MacBook Pro for my daughter. I cannot afford to buy any portion of it. I know in Indian Country we are used to settling for less and being grateful for what we have. But I believe this grant is about closing the achievement gap and providing support according to the needs of the student. Please consider supporting LeMonie and her ambitions pursuit of education. Please let me know if there is any additional information or documentation that I could provide. I thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration. And thank you for everything that you have already done to support the Native American Club and my daughter at Arcata High.

Sincerely and with kind regards,

Hayley Hutt

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