

## **I. OPENING MEETING**

- a. Roll Call:
  - i. BOE Present: Michele Johnson-Kindred, Michael Shackelford, Kelsay Shackelford, Jace Baldosser
  - ii. BOE Absent: Jason Ramos (excused, traveling on Tribal Council Business)
  - iii. Staff Present: Alison Robbins
  - iv. Quorum established at 7:02 PM

## **II. REPORTS**

- a. The Executive Director's Report – additional information provided during the meeting
  - i. Carl Perkins Innovation and Modernization – organizations attending informational meetings mentioned: Redwood Coast Chamber Foundation, Eureka City Schools, Humboldt Builder's Exchange, CPH's K-16 Education Initiative w/ Angela Shull. Two contracts already signed and MOUs being updated. Re: Kick-off event, Mike and Jason to do the opening greeting and presentation of certificate. Correction: 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual CA Conference on American Indian Education, chaperoning Jewell Moon.
  - ii. Native Youth Community Partnership – unused funds came from unfulfilled and incomplete obligations and contracts not utilizing the full amount authorized.
  - iii. State Tribal Education Partnership – 40 teachers are participating through the Humboldt Learning Initiative: NHUHSD Indigenous Learning Fellowship (previously shared with BOE), this grant is covering their tuition for that program. Updated info on ECS "Portrait of a Graduate" forwarded to BOE for their review. TEA is now a part of the ECS Community Schools data sharing group which meets monthly. Absenteeism focus, and what communications are going to parents. Alison to update at next BOE meeting. Regalia insurance is now covered by the district. Title VI Public Hearing is scheduled for April 9 for the 2024 grant application.
  - iv. Professional Development – Grow Your Own Administrator program, detailed discussion on budget adjustment for the Semi-Annual Performance Report Section B, with plans for expenditures March through July, with planned cohort 4 and carryover budget adjustments with a potential year 6 No Cost Extension Year. Joe Dukepoo (Cohort 1 graduate) has been hired as the new principal of Round Valley Elementary School.
  - v. Native American Career Technical Education Program – Additional information provided on the future of near peer-age tutoring program. Information surrounding students dropping from NAS 480 and plans to work with counselors on this. Evidence Based Practice – Reading Apprenticeships for Ag Classrooms. Lisa delivering books to schools. Reading in their career field. Test "book club" at

Arcata HS, good results with students' growth in self-efficacy and overall writing ability. Alison provided information on one student who was an intern two years ago and returned for this year – showed great growth. Sheila Richards is doing a super job as mentor for these students.

- vi. Higher Education Program – Ashley Lance will graduate December 2024. Grace Kindred is planning on moving due to poor management under the new owners at her apartment building. We anticipate her moving at the end of her lease in August. Michele Johnson-Kindred is now on the Dean's List at Capella University.

### III. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Public Speaker: Lynette Mullens, Humboldt Builders Exchange. Introduction of the President of Builder's – Pat Hooven. What the exchange is working on and what they'd like to work on with BLR. 250 members/businesses with 4,500 people/employees across three counties. Both union and non-union. 89% of businesses are family owned. Stopping restrictive PLAs – Harbor District example due to limiting opportunities for local companies to work prevailing wage jobs. Exclusionary PLAs reduce the effectiveness of local workforce development programs like the Trades Academy. (Provided handout regarding PLA quoting Claudia Brundin's statement). OM Industries represented spoke regarding job shadowing, pre-apprentice, field trips, enrollment with CR and how that transformed their business, and want the opportunities for other businesses in the Exchange.

### IV. CONSENT AGENDA

#### a. See attached Chart

- i. **DISCUSSION:** Hearing no discussion, the President entertained a motion.
- ii. **NOMINATIONS:** Michele Johnson-Kindred motioned to approve, Kelsay Shackelford 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.
- iii. **DECISION:** 4-0-0
- iv. **ACTION:** Alison to pursue obligations.

### V. ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION OR DISCUSSION

- a. Elders Outreach and Assistance Project - Student Community Projects - Associated with Student Leadership
  - i. Contact(s): Alison Robbins, Marnie Atkins, Lynette Mullens (for the Builder's Exchange)
  - ii. Purpose: Through partnership with the Humboldt Builder's Exchange, the Blue Lake Rancheria Facilities Department & BLR Housing Stock Manager, students enrolled in Modern Youth Internship Academies will work on projects that assist the elderly to maintain habitation in their homes through minor safety and accessibility projects. Students will work with their Building and Construction Trade Mentors/Contractors within the Blue Lake Rancheria's boundaries as a

pilot project. These initial projects are proposed to be held on rancheria/reservation lands and will comply with all BLR adopted housing regulations and policies. After a review of this pilot program, if proved viable, it will then be expanded to serve the elderly throughout Humboldt County, with a goal of expanding to Del Norte County as feasible. After the assessment of needs and delineation of projects on the Blue Lake Rancheria, BLR TEA staff will coordinate with the Humboldt Builder's Exchange and C-TIE member school districts to arrange work-based learning opportunities for students in the BCT Pathway.

- iii. **Recommendation:** Staff recommends a partnership with Humboldt Builder's Exchange and BLR's facilities department and housing stock manager, for the assessment of minor repairs and upgrades to be performed by Modern Youth Internship Academies students as work-based learning opportunities as a pilot project to support a strong program of study for the Building and Construction Trades (BCT) pathway.
  - 1. **DISCUSSION:** Discussion on Industry advisory council. How to work with the different levels of work-based learning experience. Discussion of limitations due to FLSA workplace requirements for minors, and BLR's worker's compensation insurance.
  - 2. **NOMINATIONS:** Jace Baldosser motions to create a partnership and advisory council, Kelsay Shackelford 2nds the motion.
  - 3. **DECISION:** 4-0-0
  - 4. **ACTION:** Formalize relationship with an MOU and dates and times for an advisory council. Alison and Marnie to work with Lynette on this.

## VI. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Approval of DRAFT BOE Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, February 20, 2024
  - 1. **DISCUSSION:** Fixing the spelling of Jason Ramos' last name.
  - 2. **NOMINATIONS:** Michele Johnson-Kindred motions to approve the minutes with the correction to Jason's name, Kelsay Shackelford 2nds the motion.
  - 3. **DECISION:** 4-0-0
  - 4. **ACTION:** Alison to remove watermark, prepare package for posting, and submit to the TEA website.

## VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Golden State Grants - submitted today; Tanya Trump said there was one change to the submissions which were discussed in February, being that HCOE is going to work with Siskiyou and Modoc County Office of Ed on computer science vs. engineering with Tehama County Office of Ed.
- b. Carl Perkins Innovation and Modernization Grant - Kick-Off Event – Monday, April 29. Flyer coming to BOE members with QR code.
- c. IMLS Grant opportunity – due April 1 – planning on submitting, only 20% done right now. A lot work needing to be done. Alison is at capacity.

- d. Update on BOE previous tabled items – no updates; Alison has not had the capacity.

#### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Letter of Support for Two Spirit Day Proclamation – Queer Humboldt – shared the Facebook posts and pictures. Information on future internships with Queer Humboldt
- b. New C-TIE Members – The Karuk Tribe and Pacific View Charter Schools – met with Alison Hodge from the Karuk Tribe, and Silas Radcliffe at PVCS (both campuses) joining us, sending a letter of commitment. 76 HS students at PVCS will enroll all the students.
- c. Weshoyot Alvitre - Email of concern. Michele expressed shock. Discussion on Weshoyot's work for Chag Lowry's *My Sisters* book. Email just showed up in inbox, Alison contacted Chag. Alison shared Chag's email. Discussion of turmoil around the non-federally recognized Tongva. Historical classifications of people. Alison said she doesn't condone the smearing of peoples' heritage. We should keep elevating Native voices. Mike expressed that he felt these anonymous people were poking their noses into other people's business and we don't condone cultural genocide or attempting to smear people. Alison felt an obligation to make the BOE aware for full transparency.
- d. David Rapport or other legal assistance for donations to BLR TEA – seeking guidance on potential of tax write offs for donations to BLR. Should we contact the lawyer? Michele shared Troyette's advice to her regarding the donation of time as a professional. Business just needs to keep track of the hours. Jace says that business to business donation needs a tax-exempt number. Jace recommends speaking with Kim – document with non-profit number. Alison stated there is no reference number – letter from BIA and federal register. Alison shared letter from BIA on screen. Kelsay did Google Search on eligible tax/donation due to educational services status. Jace felt it was a good idea to contact the lawyer to make sure we aren't breaking any laws, suggested we need to look into tracking, etc. Jace recommends floating this idea Jason.

#### **IX. AJOURNMENT**

- a. Michele Johnson-Kindred motions to adjourn, Jace Baldosser 2nds the motion
- b. Meeting adjourned at 8:25PM