

I. OPENING MEETING

- a. Roll Call – Quorum established and meeting called to order at 7PM
 - i. BOE Present: Michele Johnson-Kindred; Kelsay Shackelford; Michael Shackelford; Jace Baldosser.
 - ii. BOE Absent: Jason Ramos (excused – on Tribal business travel)
 - iii. Staff Present: Alison Robbins

II. REPORTS

- a. The Executive Director's Report – items mentioned in addition to the written report submitted:
 - i. Marnie working on the Humboldt Builder's Exchange MOU with Lynette
 - ii. Staff retreat on Friday, April 12th
 - iii. Isaac's bullet points contain links to scholarship applications and tribal workforce needs assessments – Alison reviewed attachments
 - iv. Korby taking the lead and working with undergraduate Intern Richard Green on Klamath Dam mentoring field trip. 10-15 students Blue Heron campground.
 - v. STEP details – 56 interest forms, 3 rejected due to retirement/out of area.
 - vi. Alison sent long email with ECS with linked info
 - vii. Joe Dukepoo – more details on his participation; review of the congratulations Facebook posts
 - viii. Alison went over the dual enrollment data chat provided in the report; cause of the drops: multiple college courses, other commitments; TEA need to do a better job in screening kids for over commitment of time leading to drops. Alison went over the Grades and codes.
 - ix. Alison went over NACTEP National Director's presentation – paused to update the BOE on Destinlee Mendez as an example MYIA engagement. Numerous extra/co-curricular activities with partners, etc. NOTE: Michael updated Alison that Jacob will be out for up to 12 weeks – just an FYI for Destinlee's Environmental Internship opportunity.
 - x. Michele's Bachelor's degree estimate – September 2025
 - xi. Alison asked about a graduation acknowledgement present from the BOE for Ashley Lance's PhD.
- b. Financial Reports

III. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

- a. No member of the public present for comments

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

a. **See attached Chart**

1. DISCUSSION:

1. Alison updated the BOE on Queer Humboldt contract which is up for approval – Student Intern: CJ Lewis - 2S / LGBTQIA+ Community and Allied Friends and Family outreach Sunday events Spring 2024: 3/24-5/5 (six dates); work to continue under current internship – items on consent agenda for two additional internships with Queer Humboldt. Seeking approval for up to 4 internship of \$8000 for Queer Humboldt.
2. Big Lagoon Coastal Camp - \$5000 – sponsors 20 Native students
3. KTJUSD field trip(s) – at least one \$2,087; may be another field trip coming – Michael wants to be kept in the loop on this as the second field trip progresses.
4. Mentoring contracts for GYOA \$3100 is 20 hours – new graduates
5. Continuation agreements for GYOA rolling over

2. NOMINATIONS: Jace Baldosser made the motion to approve consent agenda list; Kelsay Shackelford 2nds the motion

3. DECISION: 4-0-0

4. ACTION: Alison to issue contracts as appropriate, and pay bills associated with these costs.

V. ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION OR DISCUSSION

a. Job Descriptions for student Interns

- i. Contact(s): Alison Robbins
- ii. Purpose: Review and approval of new and/or updated job descriptions for Modern Youth Internship Academies student interns:
 - a. Nutrition Program Intern
 - b. Agriculture Program Intern
 - c. Peer Tutor / Educational Program Intern
 - d. SAI Student Teachers Assistant (Student Aid)
 - e. Laboratory Research Assistant, Cal Poly Humboldt
- iii. Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the submitted job descriptions.

1. **DISCUSSION:** Alison emailed these to the BOE earlier so they could have time to review. Kelsay responded with a minor correction to a word's use. Kelsay asked the question as to why some of the job descriptions had pay and benefit information while others didn't. The ones with pay and benefits happen to be located on sites with CPH which employs interns at other rates that what BLR interns will be hired for, and thus, for clarities' sake, the amounts were lists so they would not be confused with other internships at CPH and their standard pay vs. BLR's standard internship pay.

2. **NOMINATIONS:** Kelsay Shackelford motions to approve the job descriptions as provided; Jace Baldosser 2nds the motion.
3. **DECISION:** 4-0-0
4. **ACTION:** Make change per Kelsay's emailed recommendation and post these internship opportunities.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Approval of DRAFT BOE Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 19, 2024
 1. **DISCUSSION:** No discussion or corrections noted.
 2. **NOMINATIONS:** Jace Baldosser motions to approve the minutes; Kelsay Shackelford 2nds the motion to approve.
 3. **DECISION:** 4-0-0
 4. **ACTION:** Alison to publish the minutes.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Golden State Grants – submitted 3/19; state delayed more than 12 days due to # of applications received.
- b. Carl Perkins Innovation and Modernization Grant - Kick-Off Event; Planned for Monday, 4/29
- c. IMLS Grant opportunity – due April 1; Alison unable to complete the application. No capacity in Alison's schedule to write the grant.
- d. David Rapport or other legal assistance for donations to BLR TEA; Alison has not contacted David yet.
- e. Update on BOE previous tabled items – Alison has not had the bandwidth to work on these.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Eureka City Schools – [Data provided at Title VI Public Hearing](#)
 - a. Alison clicked on the link and went through some of the highlights of the Indian Education Program "We Are Still Here!" program theme, books purchased for elementary schools; Native Day celebrations (week); beadwork with Korby; Links to each of the monthly reports. Mike's observations email noted, Kelsay's concern re: Chronic Absenteeism. Tracking 506 Forms actually tracking students. Went over the charts and data points. Alison brought up Sonny Tripp's concerns regarding Native American student performance compared with other non-white races' numbers. Kelsay asked if the school district responded to Sonny's questions for information. Alison has not received an update, and Kelsay asked to follow up so it can be identified as to if this is a curriculum "thing" or if this is a teacher "thing". Are other races struggling, or just Native kids? How do we know what the cause is? – question from Kelsay. Alison went over this is one of the reasons why we sponsor a summer algebra institute so students can recuperate math credits. Alison went over Title VI budget, PAC mtgs, and QR code thought exchange. Alison to take Mike's email comments back to the school district; Kelsay agreed with Mike's comments. Kelsay advocated for more mental wellness services to combat chronic absenteeism: bullying, other trauma, and transportation. Allocation for emotional wellness support. Alison updated Kelsay that the allocation for mental health and

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Zoom Meeting On-line Platform
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wellness has been a major topic of discussion with the Inter-agency Leadership team, and with the Community in Schools wellness center (Calm rooms, etc.) 15-minute passes. While this addresses in school, but what about “how do we get the kids to school?”. Update on Shane’s license for transporting students - \$10K, plus annual licensing and bus inspections, etc. Alison trying to come up with another transportation solution.

- b. US Department of Education – Tribal Consultation – FY26 Budget Priorities Development – informational emails sent for participation and feedback – due May 30.
- c. NCIDC sponsored Tribal Consultation meeting – Humboldt & Del Norte county tribal education departments, topic: “State of Indian Education” – Friday, May 31
 - a. Alison will be attending the Eureka City Schools Community Schools Advisory Council meeting from 8:30-11:30AM, then will be attending NCIDC from 11:30 - 5PM
- d. Meeting times for BOE – will they conflict with Mike’s other board responsibilities? Double checked the meeting schedules for the BOE – no conflict with Mike’s other dates for RCEA. Jace Baldosser would like to keep it on Tuesdays.

IX. AJOURNMENT

- a. Kelsay Shackelford makes the motion to adjourn; Jace 2nds the motion to adjourn
- b. Meeting adjourned 8:05PM