

Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee

September 12, 2023- 6:00 pm

District Office, Room 114

2100 J Street, Eureka

[Bylaws](#)

Minutes

- A. Call to order at 6:03pm
- B. Land Acknowledgement* Read by
- C. Roll call observed
 - a. Members:
 - b. Chairperson, *Linda Gillette*
 - c. First Vice Chair, *Teresa McGinnis*
 - d. Second Vice Chair, *Kim Rhoads-Brooks*
 - e. Parent Representatives, *Shawna Morales & Cynthia Bones*
 - f. Student Representative, *Jewel Moon*
 - g. Admin Representatives, *Kristin Sobilo & Paul Claussen*
 - h. Teacher Representative, *Hilary Manion*
 - Present: Chairperson, *Linda Gillette*, Parent Representatives, *Cynthia Bones & Shawna Morales*, Student Representative, *Jewel Moon*, Admin Representatives, *Kristin Sobilo & Paul Claussen*, Parent 'Missy' *Melissa Tripp*, Community Schools Director, *Ronda Evans*, Blue Lake Rancheria Liaison, *Karen Skoglund*, *Susan Geh*
 - Absent: Teacher Representative, *Hilary Manion*
- D. Announcement of a quorum with reference to [Article IV Section 2 of by-laws](#)
 - a. Quorum is achieved
- E. Public Questions or Comments (speakers are limited to three minutes each)
 - a. *Sonny Tripp* wishes the group a successful new school year, and expresses his gratitude for this working group and the progress that has already been made.
- F. Reading, or waiver thereof, and approval of draft meeting minutes
 - a. [Draft Minutes, Indian Education Meeting- May 9, 2023](#)

Kristin Sobilo Makes a motion to approve the draft minutes from May 9, 2023 as they are presented.

Shawna Morales seconds the motion.

Passed unanimously

- G. Approval of the agenda of the current meeting
- H. Reports from PAC members
 - a. *Kristin Sobilo* - preparing for the Tuesday CA Native American Day event at the Alice Birney site, we are excited about it. *Shawna Morales* is doing a fantastic job, I am very thankful.

- b. **Paul Claussen** - Also excited about the CA Native American Day Event at EHS
- I. [Indian Education Program Staff Report](#)
- J. Old Business
- K. New Business
 - a. Bylaw Review/ Approval for the 2023-2024 school year, *Presented by PAC Chair Linda Gillette -Item tabled to October 2023- (Assistant Superintendent Gary Storts commits to look at the grant requirements around committee make up. PAC Chair, Linda Gillette asks that after confirming Title VI regulations that Gary bring back more information and recommendations in October for the PAC to consider. Also, please include the bylaws inception date.*
 - b. Program Staffing Updates, *Presented by Assistant Superintendent Gary Storts*
Shawna Morales is now the Indian Education Site Lead for EHS and Zoe Barnum High School.
June Bricco is now the Indian Education Instructional Assistant at Catherine L. Zane and Winship Middle Schools.
Mary Leipzig, is the Indian Education Instructional Assistant at Lafayette and Washington Elementary Schools.
The Indian Education Instructional Assistant at Alice Birney and Grant Elementary Schools continues to be vacant.
 - c. California Native American Day Event Series Updates, *Presented by Indian Education Site Lead Shawna Morales*
 - *Shawna Morales honors Assistant superintendent Storts and his commitment to the Native and indigenous peoples and students in the ECS district.*
 - *Shawna reviews the weekly and daily CA Native American Day event series programs.*
 - d. Call for Parent Advisory Committee Nominations for the 2023-2024 School Year, *Presented by PAC Chair Linda Gillette ([Review PAC Members 2022-23](#)) -Item tabled to October 2023-*
- L. Items from the floor (speakers are limited to three minutes each)
- M. Adjournment

Upcoming Community Events:

23-24 SY Meetings:

October 10, 2023

November 7, 2023

December 12, 2023

January 9, 2023

Items for future meetings:

Land Acknowledgment:

"The Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee of Eureka City Schools acknowledges that the land on which Eureka City Schools sits is Wiyot ancestral land, and Humboldt is the unceded territory and traditional ancestral homeland of the Indigenous nations: Hupa, Karuk, Mattole, Tolowa, Wailaki, Wiyot, Yurok, and other original inhabitants of Humboldt County. We respect and share our gratitude to Indigenous communities. We thank and honor the original caretakers of this land that continues to be cherished and protected, as elders have instructed the young through generations."

Meeting Norms - Indian Education PAC:

- Members shall show-up with an open mind and good intentions with a focus on supporting ECS Native American students and families
- Be prepared, stay on topic, and stick to the meeting agenda
- Be succinct, concrete, and explicit when speaking. Share airtime with others
- Begin and end on time
- Refrain from using cell phones or computers for checking email during meetings
- Before speaking, ask yourself, "is what I'm about to say going to add value to the work and the team or would it be better to address outside the meeting?"
- Listen to understand, and ask if you don't understand
- Wait until the person speaking is finished before talking
- Disagree with ideas, not people
- For meetings held virtually via a video chat platform (Google Meet, Zoom), keep camera on whenever possible