



**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

August 9, 2023

OPEN SESSION

4:30 PM

**Point Arena High School and Zoom
270 Lake Street
Point Arena, California 95468**

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Section 1:

1.1 Call to Order

Board President Hillscan called the meeting to order at 4:32 PM

1.2 Roll Call

All Board Members were present

1.3 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

1.4 Tribal Land Acknowledgement: "We acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, un-ceded lands and Sovereignty of the Manchester Band of Pomo Indians and the Kashia Band of Pomo Indians, whose historical relationship with the land continues to this day."

1.5 Approval of Agenda

Member Visher asked to remove Item C.3 from the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Visher and seconded by Aparicio to approve the Agenda as amended.

MSC: Visher/Aparicio

Board Vote: 7-0-0-0

Section 2: PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING OPEN SESSION ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

2.1 Individual speakers shall be allowed **three minutes** to address the Board on each item not on the agenda. The Board President may allow additional time as appropriate. Government Code 54954.3 prohibits the Board from taking action on matters not on the agenda. The Board may briefly respond to such public comment by asking questions to clarify the speakers' comments and refer the speaker to the Superintendent for further clarification.

While we recognize each person’s free speech rights to talk at a board meeting, we are requesting that speakers do not express a complaint against an identifiable employee of the district without giving the board an opportunity to meet its legal obligations regarding the processing of complaints. If you do have a complaint, please contact Superintendent Galletti at (707) 882-2803, or if the complaint is about the Superintendent, please contact the Board President Sigrid Hillscan at (707) 882-2208. This notice will allow us to meet our legal obligations and your complaint will be heard and reviewed in accordance with the law and the district process.

So as to not inhibit public participation, persons attending Board meetings shall not be requested to sign in, complete a questionnaire, or otherwise provide their name or other information as a condition of attending the meeting. **Speakers are asked to e-mail anything to be read to the Board to the district office: lriboli@mcn.org or the Board President, shillscan@pointarenaschoolsdo.org .**

Members of the audience may feel free to arrive and depart at any time during the meeting. Please do so quietly.

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Howard Cole, Science Teacher/Technology Director, reported on work during the summer: internet switches have been replaced at both schools and 27 security cameras with 38 terabytes of memory, which can record both audio and video, have been installed at the Arena Elementary campus. Point Arena High School has purchased 75 new chrome books for students and new “owls” will be used to amplify virtual meetings.

Section 3: PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING OPEN SESSION ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

3.1 Individual speakers shall be allowed **three minutes** to address the Board on each item on the agenda. This may occur during this section of the agenda or after the Board has had its discussion, and prior to taking action on each item on the agenda. The Board President may allow additional time as appropriate.

Section 4: BRIEF REPORTS

4.1 Arena Union Elementary Principal

Principal Egger shared 18 kids attended the Extended School Year (ESY), and the 3 week “Jump Start” program for students in grades 1-5 averaged 16 students. Matt Kramer has been hired to teach 4th grade and brings 16 years of Elementary school experience. 5th grade classes will be split between Lauren Jones, who will teach Math and ELA, Justin Hughey, Social Studies, and Kristin Allen will teach Science. Julia Binnings will fill Roy Moua’s place. Tansy Liester will teach Kindergarten; she needs a few more classes for a certificate to teach TK. The middle school playground equipment is ordered.

4.2 Point Arena High School Principal

Principal Feliz shared 13 students attended the summer “Targeted Intervention” for English and Math and 20 students went through credit recovery using Carnegie. Carnegie has multilingual speakers and 35% of our EL learners were reclassified last year. Ms. Mazza will be teaching Marine Science Technology through NOAA and will be going off campus 1st and 7th periods. Students will use drones as part of the curriculum. Career Pathways will offer a work based learning experience and PAHS is now a CTE school.

4.3 AUTO

4.4 PAHSTA

4.5 CSEA

4.6 Board of Trustees

Student Board member Sidney Regelbrugge reported fall sports practices have started and students are waiting for their Academics schedules and the “college on campus” options.

Board member Gardiner attended a Policy Committee meeting and has looked at the Accountability tutorial for elected officials and the Ethics Training, sent from Dunnell, due Sept. 28. Member Visher shared the Sea Ranch Foundation raised money to pay for scholarships to The Sea Ranch Summer Camp; 20% of attendees were local kids on scholarship. Mendonoma Health Alliance (MHA), two teachers from Arena, Four Eyed Frog and EduAct all came together to offer tutoring to seven 2nd grade students. The five tutors saw students at the Coast Community Library, Four Eyed Frog bookstore or MHA. Students saw measurable growth and are now well prepared for 3rd grade.

Member Wilder commented on the many activities available for students during the summer. Member Aparicio shared his kids have enjoyed what Action Network offered and the tribe loaned their van out for the field trips; communities came together to benefit all. Board President Hillscan reported PCCS offered a summer learning program with weekly themes for the 12-15 kids attending. Hillscan attended the first facilitated equity meeting and a Policy committee meeting. The policies on this agenda are the first read and will be voted on next month, giving time for comments before the vote.

4.7 Superintendent

Superintendent Galletti shared there were tremendous opportunities for students during the summer, and with Action Network offering at least 30 – 9 hour days we were able to use ELOP funds. PAHSTA and AUTO are in the process of unifying into one teachers union, which will take a lot of work this school year to merge the contracts and agree on common language. The Equity committee met today with Shane Hildebrand and will meet again on Sept. 5 and Sept. 26. Hiring is a challenge; not one district in Mendocino County is fully staffed. We have a solution for the 5th grade teacher vacancy and a plan for the music program. Sue Bohlin will offer music 2 days per week for 3 periods. Galletti met with Point Arena City Manager Paul Andersen to talk about partnering on a housing project on school property. City Council will decide at their August 22, 2023 meeting if they want to partner with us. State Parks may join the partnership and they may have property for housing. Galletti will reach out to McGuire’s office for information on affordable housing; 3 new bills have gone into effect to expedite the process. The Facility committee will be involved as well.

Section 5: DISCUSSION

5.1 Back to School Board Breakfast on August 22, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

Denise Souza, Cafeteria Director, has offered to prepare breakfast and Board members are encouraged to attend.

5.2 9th grade graduation rate

Principal Feliz reported on the graduation rate; this cohort started with 41 freshman in 2019-20. PAHS exits students when they leave to not be held responsible for their graduation. In 2020-21 there were 40 (one student went to South Coast), in 2021-22, we went down to 31, (10 kids went to Mendocino) in 2022-23 there were 27 students who graduated, leaving an 88.9% grad rate. State graduation rate is 87%. The final report is out after August 25. We keep track of students in Calpads. Data demographics are not broken down since the number of students is below 100. Marc will provide that data to board members if they request it.

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5.3 Board Policy 6173.4 – Education for American Indian Students (Pgs. 1-4)
<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/2.-Item-5.3-Pgs-1-4.pdf>

Member Aparicio, asked when Native American Curriculum would be implemented. It is not required by the State and there is no timeline. Mr. Galletti said there could be pieces of the curriculum this year but it will take time to develop. Member Martinez said Washington State leads the country with their Native American curriculum; it is a nice starting block for admin and teachers to develop lesson plans and he recommends working with local tribes to bring local tribal history into the classroom. Martinez requests we adopt the “Since Time Memorial” outcomes from the curriculum. Principal Feliz shared PAHS plans to bring the “While Bison” Pomo Language curriculum from Lori Laiwa as a second language course. The current ethnic studies class covers local land rights. NAEAC is the committee to figure out the curriculum piece; they can modify Washington State curriculum to match our local tribes. Washington has 26 tribes, CA has 109 tribes. Member Visher will research the Washington Curriculum and provide a write up to the committee, who will narrow it down for discussion. Members Aparicio, Bechtol and Martinez will serve on the committee and will meet with Warren to refine the Policy.

Section 6: DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION

6.1 **Discussion with possible action:** consideration of and possible action to adopt Point Arena Schools District Resolution No. PAS-24-6102, Authorizing Teleconference Meetings Pursuant to California Government Code 54953(e), a Provision of AB-361n (Pg. 5).
<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/3.-Item-6.1-Pg.-5.pdf>

A motion was made by Visher and seconded by Gardiner to adopt the District Resolution No. PAS-24-6102, Authorizing Teleconference Meetings Pursuant to California Government Code 54953(e), a Provision of AB-361n

MSC: Visher/Gardiner Board Vote: 7-0-0-0

6.2 **Discussion with possible action:** consideration of and possible action to approve the Declaration of Needs for certificated staff at Point Arena Joint Union High School District for the 2023-2024 school year (Pgs.6-9). <https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/4.-Item-6.2-Pgs.6-9.pdf>

A motion was made by Martinez and seconded by Aparicio to approve the Declaration of Needs for certificated staff at Point Arena Joint Union High School District for the 2023-2024 school year

MSC: Martinez/Aparicio Student Board Member - yes Board Vote: 7-0-0-0

6.3 **Discussion with possible action:** consideration of and possible action to approve the Declaration of Needs for certificated staff at Arena Union Elementary School District for the 2023-2024 school year (Pgs. 10-14). <https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/5.-Item-6.3-Pgs.10-14.pdf>

A motion was made by Martinez and seconded by Visher to approve the Declaration of Needs for certificated staff at Arena Union Elementary School District for the 2023-2024 school year

MSC: Martinez/Visher Student Board Member - yes Board Vote: 7-0-0-0

Section 7: CONSENT AGENDA (ACTION ITEM)

A. Minutes

A.1 Approve the minutes from the Regular Board of Trustee's meeting held on June 21, 2023 (Pgs. 15-19). <https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/6.-Item-A.1-Pgs.-15-19.pdf>

B. Finances

B.1 Accept Point Arena Schools June-July 2023 Commercial Warrant Registers (Pgs. 20-56).

<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/7.-Item-B.1-Pgs.-20-56.pdf>

B.2 Accept Point Arena Schools July 2023 Purchase Order Registers (Pgs. 57-71).

<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/8.-Item-B.2-Pgs.-57-71.pdf>

C. Personnel

C.1 Approve the employment of Julia Binnings, Mental Health Therapist at Arena Elementary effective 8/21/2023.

C.2 Approve the employment of Georgia Palmer, Spanish Teacher, on a credential waiver, at Point Arena High School, effective 8/21/2023.

~~C.3 Approve the employment of Isaac Hillhouse, Primary Teacher at Arena Elementary effective 8/21/23.~~

C.4 Approve the employment of James Asiano, Independent Study Teacher, at Point Arena High School, effective 8/21/2023.

D. Other

D.1 Approve the Williams Quarterly Complaint Report-Fourth Quarter (April, May, June) (Pg.72).

<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/9.-Item-D.1-Pg.-72.pdf>

D.2 Approve the MOU between Point Arena Schools District and Mendocino County of Education for participation in the Mendocino County State Preschool Consortium for the 2023-2024 School Year (Pgs. 73-76).

<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/10.-Item-D.2-Pgs.-73-76.pdf>

D.3 Approve the Arena Union Elementary School District 2023-24 Consolidated Application (Pgs.77-90).

<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/11.-Item-D.3-Pgs.-77-90.pdf>

D.4 Approve the Point Arena Joint Union High School District 2023-24 Consolidated Application (Pgs. 91-104).

<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/12.-Item-D.4-Pgs.-91-104.pdf>

D.5 Approve the Arena Union Elementary School District 2023 Certification of Unused Sites (Pgs. 105-113).

<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/13.-Item-D.5-Pgs.-105-113.pdf>

D.6 Approve the Point Arena Joint Union High School District 2023 Certification of Unused Sites (Pgs. 114-115).

<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/14.-Item-D.6-Pgs.-114-115.pdf>

D.7 Approve changing authorized signatories on the Arena Elementary School Unorganized Associated Student Body bank account at West America Bank Branch in Gualala, California by removing

teacher Rebecca Willhoit and adding teacher Justin Hughey. Michelle Egger, Griselda Villagomez and Bernadette Maul will remain as authorized signatories.

D.8 Approve for 30 day display the following for Arena Elementary School, Grades 6-8:

➤ *California Study Sync*, 6-Year Unitized Digital, McGraw Hill, LLC

D.9 First read of the recommendations of the Policy Committee regarding the following policies (Pgs. 116- 222).<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/15.-Item-D.9-Pgs.-116-222.pdf>

BP 0420.41 -	Charter School Oversight
E (1) 0420.41 -	Charter School Oversight
BP 1113 -	District and School Websites
E (1) 1113 -	District and School Websites
BP 4112.2 -	Certification
AR 4112.2 -	Certification
E(1) 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 -	Employee Notifications
BP 4140/4240/4340 -	Bargaining Units
BP 5117 -	Interdistrict Attendance
BP 5141.5 -	Mental Health
BP 5141.6 -	School Health Services
AR 5141.6 -	School Health Services
BP 5145.6 -	Parent/Guardian Notifications
E (1) 5145.6 -	Parent/Guardian Notifications
BP 5148 -	Child Care and Development
AR 5148 -	Child Care and Development
BP 6146.4 -	Differential Graduation and Competency Standards for Students with Disabilities
Board Policy 6159.2 -	Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School and Agency Services for Special Education
AR 6173.4 -	Title VI Indian Education Program, Regulation deleted as unnecessary with material moved to new BP 6173.4 - Education for American Indian Students.
BP 6174 -	Education for English Learners
AR 6174 -	Education for English Learners
BB 9322 -	Agenda/Meeting Materials

A motion was made by Martinez and seconded by Gardiner to approve the Consent Agenda

MSC: Martinez/Gardiner

Student Board Member - Yes

Board Vote: 7-0-0

Section 8: CORRESPONDENCE

- 8.1 Superintendent Galletti accepted the resignation of James Asiano, Spanish Teacher at Point Arena High School, effective 8/20/2023.
- 8.2 Superintendent Galletti accepted the resignation of Kimberly Pearce, Food Service Point Arena Schools, effective 06/09/2023.
- 8.3 Pacific Community Charter School’s 2023-2024 LCAP (Pgs. 223-294).
<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/16.-Item-8.2-Pgs.-223-294.pdf>
- 8.4 Pacific Community Charter School’s 2023-2024 Adopted Budget (Pgs. 295-302).
<https://pointarenaschools.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/17.-Item-8.3-Pgs.-295-302.pdf>

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Section 9: ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING/NEXT MEETING DATE/ADJOURNMENT

- 9.1 Items for Next Board Meeting
- 9.2 Next Regular Meeting: September 13, 2023
- 9.3 Adjournment

A motion was made by Martinez and seconded by Bechtol to Adjourn at 6:03 PM.

MSC: Martinez/Bechtol Student Vote: Yes Board Vote: 7-0-0-0

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Approved and entered into the official minutes of the Point Arena Schools on this day of September 13, 2023.

Clerk of the Board

Date

Mr. Warren Galletti, Secretary of the Board

Date