

Northern United Charter Schools
Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting

Minutes

June 11, 2025

Members Present: Rosemary Kunkler, Jere Cox, Brian Payton

Members Absent: Jessica Ramirez

Staff: Shari Lovett, Colleen Allen, Greta de la Pedraja, Lynda Speck, Tamara McFarland, Rebekah Davis, Kelley Withers, Jennifer Rand, Kirk Miller, and Lisa Ambrosini

Guests: Barbara Boerger

- 1.0 **CALL TO ORDER:** Rosemary Kunkler called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm.
 - 1.1 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
 - 1.2 **ADOPT THE AGENDA:** A motion to approve the agenda as posted was made by Brian Payton and seconded by Jere Cox. Vote taken: Jere Cox-Aye, Brian Payton-Aye, and Rosemary Kunkler-Aye. Motion carries.

- 2.0 **INTERVIEW/APPOINTMENT:**
 - 2.1 **Interview of NUCS Board Member Candidates:** Rosemary Kunkler provided an overview of the NUCS Board and organizational structure to candidate Barbara Boerger. Board members interviewed Barbara Boerger.
 - 2.2 **Consideration of Appointment of New NUCS Board Member:** Board discussion. A motion to appoint Barbara Boerger as the new Siskiyou board member for NUCS was made by Jere Cox and seconded by Brian Payton. Vote taken: Jere Cox-Aye, Brian Payton-Aye, and Rosemary Kunkler-Aye. Motion carries.
 - 2.3 **NUCS Board Member Oath of Office:** Barbara Boerger was sworn in by Rosemary Kunkler.

- 3.0 **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - 3.1 **Consideration of Approval of Warrants and Payroll for NU-Humboldt Charter School**
 - 3.2 **Consideration of Approval of Warrants and Payroll for NU-Siskiyou Charter School (0521, 0529)**
 - 3.3 **Consideration of Approval of Board Minutes for May 14, 2025**

A motion to approve the consent agenda as posted was made by Brian Payton and seconded by Jere Cox. Vote taken: Jere Cox-Aye, Brian Payton-Aye, Barbara Boerger-Aye, and Rosemary Kunkler-Aye. Motion carries.

- 4.0 **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

- 5.0 **ACTION ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED:**
 - 5.1 **Approval of the NUCS Extracurricular Club Policy:** Shari Lovett reminded the board that this was a second reading, and explained the need for the policy in response to an

increasing demand for clubs at our schools. A motion to approve the NUCS Extracurricular Club Policy was made by Brian Payton and seconded by Jere Cox. Vote taken: Jere Cox-Aye, Brian Payton-Aye, Barbara Boerger-Aye, and Rosemary Kunkler-Aye. Motion carries.

- 5.2 Approval of Title IX Policy Prohibiting Discrimination on the Basis of Sex:** Shari Lovett explained the policy. A motion to approve the NUCS Title IX Policy Prohibiting Discrimination on the Basis of Sex was made by Jere Cox and seconded by Brian Payton. Vote taken: Jere Cox-Aye, Brian Payton-Aye, Barbara Boerger-Aye, and Rosemary Kunkler-Aye. Motion carries.
- 5.3 Approval of Harassment, Intimidation, Discrimination, and Bullying Policy:** Shari Lovett explained the policy. A motion to approve the NUCS Harassment, Intimidation, Discrimination, and Bullying Policy was made by Brian Payton and seconded by Jere Cox. Vote taken: Jere Cox-Aye, Brian Payton-Aye, Barbara Boerger-Aye, and Rosemary Kunkler-Aye. Motion carries.
- 5.4 Approval of 2025-2026 Consolidated Application for Funding for NU-HCS:** Shari Lovett explained the annual application for federal funding. A motion to approve the 2025-2026 Consolidated Application for Funding for NU-HCS was made by Brian Payton and seconded by Jere Cox. Vote taken: Jere Cox-Aye, Brian Payton-Aye, Barbara Boerger-Aye, and Rosemary Kunkler-Aye. Motion carries.
- 5.5 Approval of 2025-2026 Consolidated Application for Funding for NU-SCS:** Shari Lovett explained the annual application for federal funding. A motion to approve the 2025-2026 Consolidated Application for Funding for NU-SCS was made by Jere Cox and seconded by Brian Payton. Vote taken: Jere Cox-Aye, Brian Payton-Aye, Barbara Boerger-Aye, and Rosemary Kunkler-Aye. Motion carries.
- 5.6 Appointment of School Director as a Voting Member Representing the Independently Reporting Charter Schools on the Humboldt/Del Norte SELPA Policy Council:** Shari Lovett explained how the vacancy came about through several years of effort, and the details of how the position will function to represent charter schools at SELPA. A motion to approve the Appointment of School Director as a Voting Member Representing the Independently Reporting Charter Schools on the Humboldt/Del Norte SELPA Policy Council was made by Jere Cox and seconded by Brian Payton. Vote taken: Jere Cox-Aye, Brian Payton-Aye, Barbara Boerger-Aye, and Rosemary Kunkler-Aye. Motion carries.
- 5.7 Approval of WASC Mid-Cycle Report for NU-HCS:** Shari Lovett explained that this report, due 3 years after our last accreditation visit, was a check-in mid-way to our next 6-year accreditation visit. Shari and others noted how much progress has been made in those three years. A motion to approve the WASC Mid-Cycle Report for NU-HCS was made by Jere Cox and seconded by Brian Payton. Vote taken: Jere Cox-Aye, Brian Payton-Aye, Barbara Boerger-Aye, and Rosemary Kunkler-Aye. Motion carries.
- 5.8 Approval of WASC Mid-Cycle Report for NU-SCS:** Shari Lovett explained that this report, due 3 years after our last accreditation visit, was a check-in mid-way to our next 6-year accreditation visit. A motion to approve the WASC Mid-Cycle Report for NU-SCS was made by Brian Payton and seconded by Jere Cox. Vote taken: Jere Cox-Aye, Brian Payton-Aye, Barbara Boerger-Aye, and Rosemary Kunkler-Aye. Motion carries.

6.0 NEXT BOARD MEETING:

6.1 Possible Agenda Items: upcoming public hearings on LCAP, budget, and EPA for both Humboldt and Siskiyou; installment of new Board Secretary; food agreements; lease; forms CS-1 and CS-7

6.2 Next Board Meeting Date: June 25, 2025 at 4pm, June 26, 2025 at 4pm

7.0 ADJOURNMENT: Rosemary Kunkler adjourned the meeting at 5:18pm.

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