

Humboldt Lodging Alliance

Special/Hybrid Meeting of the Board of Directors

Monday, June 16, 2025

Meeting Held at Eureka Chamber of Commerce 612 G St Eureka, CA

Minutes of Special Meeting

Members attending in person

Chris Ambrosini, Managing Partner, Best Western Plus Humbolt Bay Inn, Eureka CA

Lowell Daniels, Owner, Victorian Inn & Redwood Suites, Ferndale CA

Troy Ritchie, GM, Carter House Inn, Eureka CA

Members attending via zoom

Donna Hufford, Financial Manager, Owner, Roosevelt Base Camp, 121130 US101 Orick CA

Jayshree Patel, Comfort Inn, 4260 Broadway St, Eureka, CA

Mike Caldwell, Owner, Inn of the Lost Coast, 205 Wave Dr., Shelter Cove CA

Shailesh Patel, Owner, Hampton Inn, 4750 Valley W Blvd, Arcata, CA

John Porter, Managing Partner, Benbow Inn & Resort, 445 Lake Benbow Dr., Garberville CA

Sherri Potter, GM, Hotel Arcata, 708 9th St, Arcata CA

Pritesh Patel, Owner, Super 8 Motel, 1805 Alamar Way, Fortuna CA

Nil Patel, GM, Holiday Inn Express, 815 W Wabash Ave, Eureka, CA

Meeting called to order at 10:30am

I. Roll call to determine a Quorum

11 of the 16 Board members attended (see above)

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment

III. Adjourned to closed session

Discussed Personnel: Executive Director Hiring, terms and conditions

IV. Reconvene to open session

Chris, Board chair, announced that the Board discussed the hiring of a new Executive Director. Ten interviews were conducted by the hiring committee and five applicants were interviewed a second time. The committee chose Meredith Matthews as their recommendation to the Board.

After a brief discussion, Lowell Daniels moved and Sherrie Potter seconded to hire Meredith Matthews as a full-time employee with an annual salary of \$100,000 with two weeks paid vacation per year and mileage reimbursement.

The motion passed unanimously.

V. Public Comment

There was no public comment

VI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 10:53am