

ADOPTED MINUTES
EL DORADO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2007

A. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

1. Call to order

This meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President Tim Cary in the Union Mine High School Staff Lounge.

After letting those in attendance know the specific items to be discussed during Closed Session, and asking if anyone in attendance had any comments or questions regarding the Closed Session agenda, the Board entered Closed Session for discussion of the following items:

- a. Consider six expulsion recommendations from Administrative Hearing Panels.
- b. Consider four students' petitions for readmission into the El Dorado Union High School District.
- c. Consider three CAHSEE Waiver requests.
- d. Any questions concerning routine certificated and classified personnel items?
- e. Discuss price and terms for the possible sale/exchange of a portion of Assessor's Parcel No. 108-050-42 (EDUHSD) and a portion of Assessor's Parcel No. 108-050-06 (Sierra Pacific Industries). The District negotiators are William Wright and Sherry Smith. The Negotiator for Sierra Pacific Industries is Gary Blanc. (*Government Code section 54956.8*)

The Board entered Open Session at 6:13 p.m. in the Union Mine High School Cafeteria.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jessica Moore.

3. Attendance

Board Members Present

Timothy M. Cary
Kirby L. Ehler
Mary T. Muse
Madeline T. Restaino
Lori M. Veerkamp

D.O. Staff Present

Sherry J. Smith, Executive Secretary
Dennis Carocci, Assistant Superintendent
Steve Volmer, Assistant Superintendent
Stephen Luhrs, Assistant Superintendent
Patty McClellan, Facilities Director
Stevie Clark, Director of Student Services
Sylvia Torres, Assistant to the Superintendent

Student Board Member

Jessica Moore

Association Representatives

Dave Hamblen, Faculty Association President

Patricia Manthey, Classified Association President

Others

Staff: 1

Community Members: 6

4. Requests to change the agenda and approval of agenda.

Mrs. Muse moved to approve the agenda, with the above request. Seconded by Mrs. Restaino. (Jessica Moore, aye.) Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

5. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Restaino moved to approve the following consent agenda items, with the exception of Consent Item h – Approval of School Block Grant Proposals for the 2006–07 School Year, which she asked to be pulled for discussion under Item F: Educational Services. Seconded by Mrs. Muse. (Jessica Moore, aye.) Motion unanimously carried. (5-0).

- a. Approval of Minutes of December 5, 2006, Board Meeting.
- b. Approval of Commercial Warrants Report (copy available at District Office).
- c. Approval of Routine Certificated Personnel Action.
- d. Approval of Routine Classified Personnel Action.
- e. Donations Received.
- f. Second Reading/Adoption of Updated Board Policies and Acceptance of Administrative Regulations.
- g. Williams Act Uniform Complaint Procedures Quarterly Report.
- i. First Reading of Proposed Revised Courses of Study for 2007–08: Life Fitness 1.
- j. First Reading of Proposed Revised Courses of Study for 2007–08: Life Fitness 2.
- k. First Reading of Proposed Revised Courses of Study for 2007–08: U.S. History.
- l. First Reading of Proposed Revised Courses of Study for 2007–08: World History.
- m. First Reading of Proposed Revised Courses of Study for 2007–08: Integrated Physical & Earth Science.
- n. First Reading of Proposed Revised Courses of Study for 2007–08: Technology Team 1.
- o. First Reading of Proposed New Courses of Study for 2007–08: AVID Peer Tutor.
- p. Second Reading/Adoption of Proposed New Courses of Study for 2007–08: Academic Support Class, Italian 4, English 4–Expository Reading & Writing, Academic Peer Tutoring, Literature and the Environment.
- q. Permission to Dispose of Obsolete/Unusable Furniture, Equipment, and Textbooks.
- r. Notice of Completion: Deferred Maintenance Boiler Project at Ponderosa High School.
- s. Approve Murray & Downs AIA Architects, Inc., as Architect for the Independence High School Modernization Phase 3 Project and the Ponderosa High School Traffic Flow Improvements and Portable Replacement Project: Authorization to Enter into Design Services Contract Negotiations.

- t. Approve California Design West Architects, Inc., as Architect for the Oak Ridge High School Phase 4 Expansion Project: Authorization to Enter into Design Services Contract Negotiations.
- u. Authorize Relocation and Replacement of Oak Ridge High School Maintenance Building as Part of the Oak Ridge High School Phase 4 Expansion Project, and Authorize Solicitation of Proposals for the Purchase of a Metal Building.
- v. Progress Report About Implementing the District Facilities Master Plan.
- w. Certificated Assignment Authorization per Education Code 44258.3.
- x. Oak Ridge High School Naturally Occurring Asbestos Operations and Maintenance Plan Annual Review and Report 2006.

Item 5h was pulled and moved to Item F: Educational Services:

- h. Approval of School Block Grant Proposals for the 2006–07 School Year.

B. RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

1. Reports from Student Representatives

Mike Leach reported on activities at Oak Ridge High School.
Kody Quigley reported on activities at Ponderosa High School.
Alex Postlewait reported on activities at Union Mine High School.
Jessica Bulletset and Amanda Bevair reported on FFA Activities.

C. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE

No request for correspondence was received.

D. INVITATION TO BARGAINING UNIT PRESIDENTS/DESIGNEES AND/OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

CSEA President Pat Manthey thanked Steve Volmer and Steve Luhrs for their part in the successful collaboration that resulted in getting a mechanic reinstated. Mrs. Manthey stated she would like to see the same type of collaboration as they work with the issue of losing bus drivers to feeder schools. Thanks was extended to Sherry and the administration for reinstating custodial staff to their original numbers. Mrs. Manthey further thanked Sherry and the District Negotiations Team for treating the CSEA Team to a congratulatory lunch. Mrs. Manthey reported that she has been reelected as CSEA, District chapter President. This will be a big year with the whole classified contract up for negotiations.

Faculty Association President Dave Hamblen recognized retiree Joyce Boesch as an honored guest. He extended Happy New Year greetings to all. Mr. Hamblen commented on the Ole Coloma Theater that is currently under fire from the county, for reasons unknown to him. His purpose in bringing this up was to try and remove pressure off of the theater. It is a non-profit organization that has always done a good job of developing theatrical talent in the area. He asked Board members if they would consider contacting any influential people they may know to intervene and lobby for the theater.

E. FACILITIES SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

No items were presented for information or approval under this section of the agenda.

Consent Agenda Item h. was discussed under Educational Services, having been pulled earlier in the meeting from the Consent Agenda.

F. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

h. Approval of School Block Grant Proposals for the 2006–07 School Year.

Mrs. Restaino indicated that clarification was needed on the specifics of Line Item 11 on the Ponderosa High School One-Time Discretionary Block Grant for Art/Music/P.E. pertaining to the all-weather track. Ponderosa Principal, Chris Moore was present and responded to Board members' questions. Mr. Moore explained that the cost of an all-weather track could run between \$500,000 up to \$1.2 million. Before soliciting donations from the community, the Site Council felt it was in the school's best interest to pursue available grants first to get an idea of the amount of money that could be amassed via grants, and how much would need to be raised by the school and community. Some of the grants require that matching funds be available. In the meantime, PHS would acquire cost estimates for the track. Mr. Moore indicated that the plan calls for the \$100,000 to be reallocated for other expenditures and brought back to the Board for approval if the school is unable to raise enough money to match grant awards by Dec. 2007.

The Board thanked Mr. Moore for the clarification. Mr. Cary suggested that consideration be given to phases to the project so that if there is a monetary shortfall in fundraising then the money could go toward a lower cost phase.

Mrs. Restaino moved to approve Consent Agenda Item 5.h - Approval of School Block Grant Proposals for the 2006–07 School Year. Mrs. Veerkamp seconded. (Jessica Moore - aye) The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

1. Information About Changes in the Funding for Summer School. (15)

Mr. Carocci presented this item and advised the Board that he would be asking for direction on the development of the 2007 Summer School Program based on the information provided.

Mr. Carocci referenced *Fiscal Report* articles released in October and November of 2006, by School Services that redefined the interpretation of the California Department of Finance regarding the funding for summer school programs in California. While Educational Code Section 37252, which defines funding for summer school has not changed, the Department of Finance believes that the **7–12 Remedial Uncapped Hourly Program**, has now changed the program's focus to support intervention for the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE). The program previously supported core subject areas, but will now be limited to CAHSEE subject areas (math and English) for students in grades 11-12 who have failed one or more sections of the CAHSEE and 9th and 10th grade students at risk of not passing the CAHSEE.

The Department of Finance's interpretation of Education Code Section 37252 would prohibit our District from using the **7-12 Remedial Uncapped Hourly Program** to fund remediation in science and social science or credit recovery for any student who has already passed the CAHSEE. The funding to meet these needs will be met by using monies from the capped CORE programs. He further noted that the *Fiscal Report* acknowledged few options for students at risk of retention, but who have passed the CAHSEE.

Mr. Carocci explained that under the new ruling, remediation in science, social science, and English and math courses for students who have already passed the CAHSEE, would need to be funded from the *core academic program* which had previously provided courses for acceleration in summer school. These *core academic* hours are limited to 5% of the District's CBEDS (7,216) times 120 hours for a total of **43,296** hours. These changes in the funding interpretation would prohibit the EDUHSD from operating a summer school program as it has for the past 5 years; restricting summer school to programs exclusively for remediation and support for students at risk of not passing the CAHSEE.

The Board received information on a four week versus a six week summer school program. Each would consist of 120 hours, reduced from the 160 hours of prior years. The 120 hours will allow for a greater number of students to receive remediation instruction. Additionally, the District would use the core academic program for remediation of students in subjects outside of the CAHSEE focus. In combination, the 7–12 Remedial Uncapped Hourly Program and the core academic program funding would allow the District to operate a summer school program of 750–800 students for remediation only, for 120 hours, and still provide the same opportunities for course or credit recovery that have been available to EDUHSD students in past years. Mr. Carocci confirmed that a 120 hour remediation summer school program would not include advanced algebra. 2, computer tech I, government, economics, or health. It was acknowledged that our District has always had longer summer school programs to accommodate acceleration, due to the fact that we are a high achieving district with few CAHSEE failures. It was also noted that teachers have indicated that 120 hours is not enough time in which to teach accelerated courses.

The Board expressed concern about the impact on students' schedules for elective programs. Mr. Cary asked what the encroachment on the general fund would be to run the same summer school program under the new rules. Mr. Luhrs calculated it at a minimum of \$260,000. The Board heard that District Administration understands that there will be a cost to expand the master schedule next year to accommodate students who do not get into summer school. Mr. Carocci noted that schools already have many safety nets in place during regular classes, including: Academic Recovery, shadow classes, Cyber-High and ASC.

The Board voted on the following changes required for implementation of the 2007 Summer School Program:

- Summer School for remediation only – *Votes: 4 yes; 1 no*
- Reduction of Summer School hours from 160 to 120 - *Votes: 4 yes, 1 no*
- Redesign Summer School schedule to 6 weeks - *Votes: 5 yes*

G. BUSINESS SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

No items were presented for information or approval under this section of the agenda.

H. STUDENT SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Consideration of Administrative Hearing Panel Recommendations from Expulsion Hearing Reports

- a. Mrs. Veerkamp reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommended Order of the Administrative Panel as the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Order of the Board of Trustees regarding the expulsion of **Student #06-26**. The Board finds that **Student #06-26** violated California Education Code Sections 48915, part (a)(5) and 48900, part (k), as well as District Administrative Regulation 5144.1, parts F.2.e. and C.11.

Mrs. Veerkamp moved to: (1) order the expulsion of **Student #06-26**, and (2) designate the term of expulsion as the first and second semesters of the 2006–07 school year. Seconded by Mrs. Muse. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- b. Mrs. Veerkamp reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommended Order of the Administrative Panel as the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Order of the Board of Trustees regarding the expulsion of **Student #06-27**. The Board finds that **Student #06-27** violated California Education Code Sections 48915, part (a)(3) and 48900, parts (j) and (k), as well as District Administrative Regulation 5144.1, parts F.2.c., C.10 and C.11.

Mrs. Veerkamp moved to: (1) order the expulsion of **Student #06-27**, and (2) designate the term of expulsion as the first and second semesters of the 2006–07 school year. Seconded by Mrs. Restaino. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- c. Mrs. Veerkamp reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommended Order of the Administrative Panel as the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Order of the Board of Trustees regarding the expulsion of **Student #06-28**. The Board finds that **Student #06-28** violated California Education Code Section 48900, parts (c), (j) and (k), as well as District Administrative Regulation 5144.1, parts C.3, C.10 and C.11.

Mrs. Veerkamp moved to: (1) order the expulsion of **Student #06-28**, and (2) designate the term of expulsion as the first and second semesters of the 2006–07 school year. Seconded by Mrs. Restaino. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- d. Mrs. Veerkamp reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommended Order of the Administrative Panel as the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Order of the Board of Trustees regarding the expulsion of **Student #06-29**. The Board finds that **Student #06-29** violated California Education Code Sections 48915, part (a)(3) and 48900, parts (c) and (k), as well as District Administrative Regulation 5144.1, parts F.2.c., C.3 and C.11.

Mrs. Veerkamp moved to: (1) order the expulsion of **Student #06-29**, and (2) designate the term of expulsion as the first and second semesters of the 2006–07 school year. Seconded by Mrs. Restaino. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- e. Mrs. Veerkamp reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommended Order of the Administrative Panel as the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Order of the Board of Trustees regarding the expulsion of **Student #06-30**. The Board finds that **Student #06-30** violated California Education Code Sections 48915, part (a)(3) and 48900, parts (c) and (k), as well as District Administrative Regulation 5144.1, parts F.2.c., C.3 and C.11.

Mrs. Veerkamp moved to: (1) order the expulsion of **Student #06-30**, and (2) designate the term of expulsion as the first and second semesters of the 2006–07 school year. Seconded by Mrs. Restaino. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- f. The Board agreed to table the expulsion of Student #06-31 until the January 23, 2007, Board Meeting.
- g. Mrs. Ehler reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings and Recommendations of full readmission for **Students #06-K, #06-L and #06-O**, to the schools of the district.

Mrs. Ehler moved to readmit **Students #06-K, #06-L, and #06-N**. Seconded by Mrs. Muse. The Motion carried 5-0.

- h. Mrs. Ehler reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings and Recommendations regarding **the early readmission of Student #06-N** to the schools of the district.

Mrs. Ehler moved to suspend the expulsion of Student #06-N and grant probationary student status at Independence High School during the second semester of the 2006-07 school year, pending completion of the original rehabilitation plan. Seconded by Mrs. Muse. The Motion carried 5-0.

- i. The Board agreed to table the readmission of Student #06-M until the January 23, 2007, Board Meeting.

I. PERSONNEL SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

No items were presented for information or approval under this section of the agenda.

J. OTHER – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS1. Superintendent's Comments

- a. Mrs. Smith stated that she, Mr. Carocci and Mr. Hall had their first Career Tech Student Focus Meetings that morning. She was impressed with the input received from students and the level of planning for their future.
- b. UMHS Principal Interviews are scheduled for February 9 from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Mrs. Smith asked for two Board members to sit on the panel. Mr. Cary asked for an email to be sent to Board members so they could reply with their availability.
- c. Mrs. Smith reminded the Board that the El Dorado County School Boards Awards Dinner will take place on January 18 at the Cold Springs Country Club.
- d. The District is in the process of staffing for next year and is registering students for 07–08.

K. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY BOARD AND CABINET, IF NEEDED, AND REVIEW OF TIME LINE FOR FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS.

Announcements and topics of interest reported by board members/cabinet and time line of items for future board meetings

Steve Volmer congratulated Pat Manthey on her reelection as President of CSEA. He stated that the District appreciates working with Pat.

Jessica Moore indicated that she is processing the summer school information.

Kirby offered to create and send out certificates of appreciation on the Board's behalf to fully show the Board's appreciation for the donations in support of our school programs. Kirby's offer was gratefully accepted.

Maddy reported on the Shenandoah Board Meeting she attended. She noted that Valerie Lott is working very hard to keep the enrollment up.

Tim thanked Dave Hamblen for his comments on the Coloma theater. He shared that his daughter had participated in the theater, and he had volunteered to help the theater. Tim indicated he will make calls to offer his help.

L. CLOSED SESSION

This session was not needed.

M. OPEN SESSION

The following was reported out of closed session:

Mrs. Restaino moved to approve the following California High School Exit Exam Waiver Requests: Student Nos. CEEW0506-19, CEEW0506-20 and CEEW0506-21. Seconded by Mrs. Muse. Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

N. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Sherry J. Smith
Executive Secretary