

ADOPTED MINUTES
El Dorado Union High School District
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Board Meeting
AUGUST 26, 2008

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 Mary Muse in the Superintendent's office.

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. Discuss hearing panel recommendations regarding possible orders to expel two students.
Action was taken in public session during the Student Services section of the public portion of the board meeting. All appropriate actions were taken to preserve the confidentiality and legal rights to privacy of the students. *(EC 35146, 48918[c])*
- b. Considered three students' petitions for reinstatement into El Dorado Union High School District.
- c. Approval of NPS/NPA Master Contract and Individual Service Agreement for 2008-09.
- d. Discuss and take action about certificated and classified personnel listed in the consent agenda related to personnel action. *(GC 54954.5, 54957)*

The Board entered Open Session at 6:02 p.m. in the Boardroom.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Katie Paur.

3. Attendance

Board Members Present

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

D.O. Staff Present

Sherry J. Smith, Executive Secretary
Steve Luhrs, Associate Superintendent
Chris Hoffman, Associate Superintendent
Stevie Clark, Assistant Superintendent
Patty McClellan, Facilities Director
Sylvia Torres, Asst. to Superintendent

Student Board Member

Katie Paur

Association Representatives

Marc Moehlman, Faculty Association President

Others

Staff: 3

Community Members: 48 (approximately)

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

Mrs. Restaino moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Mr. Ehler. (Katie Paur, aye.) Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

5. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Muse acknowledged a request to remove item 5.f from the consent agenda, for individual action. Mrs. Restaino moved to pull item 5.f and approve the following consent agenda items. Seconded by Mr. Ehler. (Katie Paur, aye.) Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- a. Approval of Minutes of June 24, 2008, 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. Williams Act Uniform Complaint Procedures Quarterly Report (April 1–June 30, 2008).
- g. Approval/Acceptance of Updated Board Policies, Administrative Regulations, Board Bylaws, and/or Exhibits: BP 1100, BP 1700, BP 6178, BB 9320, BB 9322, E 9323.2.
- h. Review of District's Conflict of Interest Code for 2008.
- i. Annual Review of Intradistrict Open Enrollment Process 2008–09 (BP/AR 5116.1).
- j. Agreement for Outside Services (Prepare Stay Defend/S. Bowman).
- k. Ratification of Study Agreement with Fiscal Crisis & Management Assistance Team Concerning Technology Services.
- l. Ratification of Study Agreement with Fiscal Crisis & Management Assistance Team Concerning Transportation Services.
- m. Approval of Minutes of July 29, 2008, Special Board Meeting.
- n. Approve and Adopt Organizational Resolutions 2008/09-2 Through 2008/09-8 and Sign Updated Certification of Signatures.
- o. Approval of Agreement to Provide Transportation Services for Latrobe School District for the Regular School Year 2008–09.
- p. Approval of Resolution 2008/09-10, Authorizing Investment of Monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund.
- q. Notice of Completion, Deferred Maintenance Painting at El Dorado High School.
- r. Approval of EDHS, ORHS, PHS, UMHS Fall 2008–09 (Cross Country, Football, Girls' Golf, Boys' Soccer, Girls' Tennis, Girls' Volleyball, Water Polo) Sports Field Trips Which are Overnight, Out-of-State, and/or 300 Miles.
- s. Approval for El Dorado, Oak Ridge, Ponderosa, and Union Mine High Schools Science Students to Participate in an Instructional Trip: U.S. Forest Service 10th Annual Watershed Education Conference, Union Valley Reservoir, Eldorado National Forest, September 24–28, 2008.
- t. Approve Pool of Eligible Firms for Architectural Services for Future Construction Projects.
- u. Annual Report to the Board: Department Chairs, Cocurricular and Extracurricular Activities Assignments for 2008–09.
- v. Approval of Variable Term Waiver Application, Family and Consumer Science Teacher at Ponderosa High School.

Consent Agenda item 5.f: *Approval of Resolution 2008/09-12 to Provide Remuneration for Nonattendance of Board Member at Board Meeting* was pulled for individual action. Mrs. Restaino moved to approve item 5.f. Mr. Cary seconded. Mrs. Veerkamp abstained. (Katie Paur, aye.) The motion carried (4-0-1).

B. RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

There were no special contributions and achievements to be recognized.

C. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to be acknowledged.

D. INVITATION TO BARGAINING UNIT PRESIDENTS/DESIGNEES AND/OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD (GC54954.3)

1. Mr. Moehlman introduced himself to the Board as the new Faculty Association President.
2. The following individuals addressed the Board on the issue of Staffing at Shenandoah High School: Kimberly McCarthy, Rick Meyer, Patrick Stern, Ron Stone, and Elizabeth Stone. In response to an inquiry from the public about agendaizing this topic for further discussion with the Board, Mrs. Muse advised that she would defer the matter to Superintendent Smith. Mrs. Smith invited the public to remain for her enrollment report to see if their concerns are addressed in the information to be provided.

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

1. Report on Enrollment
 - a. Superintendent Smith reported that the District, as a whole, was 35 students below the projected enrollments on CBEDS/CSIS day (first Wednesday in October). By site, EDHS gained 77 students, PHS gained 22, ORHS increased by 2, UMHS was down 20, the alternative education sites decreased, and SHS was 25 students below their projected enrollment of 127 for the 2008-09 school year. In 2007-08, SHS began with 129 students and ended the year with 108, for a loss of 21 students over the course of the year. The current enrollment at SHS is 103 students. Mrs. Smith noted that all the alternative education programs have room for students to migrate to.

Overall, the District has had to add very little staff as a result of students appearing at different district schools. With regard to teacher hiring at Shenandoah, one teacher was hired on Friday and awaits clearance from the state. An interview for a .6 teacher is scheduled for later this week. The .6 position, combined with the .4 lead teacher, will provide the full fourth advisor, in a split with the lead teacher. Mrs. Smith commented that all lead teachers in the district have teaching responsibilities.

Mrs. Smith reminded the Board that it was their direction, at the time that Shenandoah was renewed, that the school be economically viable. The staffing changes made at SHS will allow the school to remain economically viable and allow them to have advisories for every one of their students. The District has been working hard and doing everything expected to keep the school going. The difficulty in filling positions arises from finding qualified teachers to teach English, math, science and social studies.

Mrs. Restaino inquired about staffing at EDHS in light of their increased enrollment. Mrs. Smith responded that class sections had been added, requiring changes to students' class schedules, and sixth period assignments for some teachers.

Following Mrs. Smith's report, a member of the public, again, raised the question of agendizing the issue of staffing at SHS for discussion with the Board. Mrs. Muse deferred the matter to Superintendent Smith since the District is still in process of hiring SHS staff. Mrs. Muse advised that once the hiring is complete, Mrs. Smith and she will confer on the matter. Agendas are posted on the district website.

F. FACILITIES SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no items for discussion or action under this section.

G. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no items for discussion or action under this section.

H. BUSINESS SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Approval of Resolution Number 2008/09-11, Prescribing the Terms and Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Measure Q Bonds and Related Action.

Mr. Luhrs presented Resolution No. 2008/09-11 which authorizes the issuance of the Series 2008 Measure Q General Obligation Bonds, approves the forms of various related documents, and authorizes District officials to execute the final versions of the documents, which will be finalized with information available after the bond sale.

Jonathan Edwards, the District's representative from Government Financial Strategies, Inc., was present to provide a summary of the main documents. Mr. Edwards also provided a current market update and answered questions from the Board. The Board voiced minor concerns about the effect the state's current budget dilemma might have on the bond sales. Mr. Edwards advised that he did not expect the state's budget stalemate to have any negative consequences.

Mr. Cary moved to approve Resolution Number 2008/09-11, Prescribing the Terms and Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds of the District; Approving Forms of and Authorizing Execution and Delivery of a Paying Agent Agreement, a Bond Purchase Agreement, an Official Statement and a Continuing Disclosure Certificate; Authorizing Distribution of the Official Statement and Sale Documents; and Authorizing Execution of Necessary Certificates. Mrs. Restaino seconded. (Katie Paur, aye.) The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

I. STUDENT SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Consideration of Administrative Hearing Panel Recommendation from Expulsion Hearings.
(GC 54954.5[h]; EC 35146, 48918[c])
 - a. Mr. Cary 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 #08-01**. The Board finds that **Student #08-01** violated California Education Code Sections 48915, part (a)(3), 48900, part (k), as well as District Administrative Regulation 5144.1, parts F.2.c. and C.11.

Mr. Cary moved to: (1) order the expulsion of **Student #08-01**, and (2) designate the term of expulsion as the first and second semesters of the 2008-09 school year. Seconded by Mrs. Restaino. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- b. Mr. Cary 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 #08-02**. The Board finds that **Student #08-02** violated California Education Code Sections 48915, part (a)(3), 48900, part (k), as well as District Administrative Regulation 5144.1, parts F.2.c. and C.11.

Mr. Cary moved to: (1) order the expulsion of **Student #08-02**, and (2) designate the term of expulsion as the second semesters of the 2006-07 school year and the first semester of the 2007-08 school year. Seconded by Mrs. Restaino. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- c. Mrs. Restaino reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings, Recommendation and Order presented for **Student #08-A** to be readmitted under full student status.

Mrs. Restaino moved to admit **Student #08-A** to El Dorado High School. Seconded by Mrs. Veerkamp. The Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- d. Mrs. Restaino reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings, Recommendation and Order presented for **Student #08-B** to be readmitted under full student status.

Mrs. Restaino moved to admit **Student #08-B** to Union Mine High School. Seconded by Mrs. Veerkamp. The Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- e. Mrs. Restaino reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings, Recommendation and Order presented for **Student #08-C** to be readmitted under full student status.

Mrs. Restaino moved to admit **Student #08-C** to Union Mine High School. Seconded by Mrs. Veerkamp. The Motion carried (4-0, with one abstention).

J. PERSONNEL SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Resolution 2008/09-13 Reducing 0.5000 Classified FTE.

Mrs. Clark asked the Board to approve Resolution 2008/09-13 calling for the reduction of classified staff by 0.5000 FTE within the Instructional Technician II classification supporting the Health Careers Academy. The reduction is a result of lack of funds, and will not result in a layoff of a classified employee as the position is currently vacant.

Mr. Cary moved to approve Resolution 2008/09-13 to reduce classified service in the Health Careers Academy due to lack of funds caused by a reduction in categorical funding. Mr. Ehler seconded. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

K. OTHER – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no other items for discussion or action under this section.

L. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY BOARD AND CABINET, IF NEEDED.

Mrs. Muse and Mrs. Veerkamp were congratulated on being reelected to the Board as unopposed. There were no new filings for the Board positions. This was recognized as a tribute to the whole Board. The District will save money by not having to pay an election.

Mr. Hoffman commented that he has been to all the campuses more than once since school started; all schools are in great shape.

Mr. Luhrs commented on how exciting it is to have the bond money with which to plan the completion of much needed maintenance and facilities projects. The District is already putting in phones at ORHS, IHS and the District Office. There have been a few problems, but they are being worked out. Mr. Luhrs has met with Mrs. McClellan and Mr. Augino to work on door lock and roof projects. Mrs. McClellan is working to get information on the athletic fields. Paula Thorpe, with the American With Disabilities, will be reevaluating the four comprehensive sites for necessary ADA improvements. IHS, with its recent remodeling over the summer, acquired new ramping and should be fine. SHS is still new enough to be ADA compliant. On October 2-3, FCMAT will be in the District to conduct a technology analysis for use in planning how best to use bond monies.

Mrs. McClellan shared that the school year began without any real problems. She complimented the contractors for the amazing job they did over the summer to complete the projects at ORHS, PHS and IHS. The PHS Parking and Traffic Circulation project has been well worth the work; the traffic backups to the highway were non-existent. Mrs. McClellan indicated that she and Mr. Augino will be reporting on the completed summer projects at the next Board meeting.

Miss Paur shared that all has been going smoothly at school, even, and especially, after the summer construction at ORHS. She commented on the narrow walkways that make it a little challenging to get to class on time. She added that teachers are being understanding. Katie stated that the new bathrooms are very nice and that everyone has noticed and is excited about the changes.

Mr. Ehler also commented on the completion of the summer projects. He was impressed by the work done at the three sites he visited. He commended the Administration, Patty McClellan and Cater/Kelly on the jobs well done.

Mrs. Restaino stated how pleased she was that our two Board members are running unopposed. She agreed that it reflects as a tribute to the board and our schools. It is certainly a positive place for the district to be in.

Mrs. Veerkamp stated she has also been visiting school sites and everything does look great. The amount of work completed is amazing. She is excited about what the next four years will bring.

Mrs. Muse suggested that the District keep an active website about the bond projects under Measure Q. Mrs. Smith assured the Board this would be done, in addition to press releases.

Mr. Cary added that a video on the summer projects also be placed on website.

Mrs. Smith informed the Board that she will provide a fact sheet on staffing to the SHS Advisory Board and to Ann Curtis for distribution to parents. Shenandoah will continue to provide routine quarterly reports on Shenandoah High School to the Board. Academic achievement reports, including SHS, will be provided at the next meeting in September.

M. CLOSED SESSION

This session was not needed.

N. OPEN SESSION

1. Report closed session action. (*GC54957.1*)

There was no action to report out from closed session.

O. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Sherry J. Smith
Executive Secretary