

**MINUTES**  
El Dorado Union High School District  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
Regular Board Meeting  
**SEPTEMBER 23, 2008**

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**A. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS**

1. Call to Order

This meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:30 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. Consider one student's petition for readmission into the El Dorado Union High School District.
- b. Consider one request for California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) waiver.
- c. 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 6:12 p.m. in the Boardroom.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Pat Manthey.

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  
Steve Volmer, Assistant Superintendent  
Patty McClellan, Facilities Director  
Sylvia Torres, Asst. to Superintendent

Student Board Member

Katie Paur

Association Representatives

Marc Moehlman, Faculty Association President  
Pat Manthey, Classified Association, Past President

Others

Staff: 1

Community Members: 36

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

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

5. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Veerkamp moved to approve the following consent agenda items. Seconded by Mrs. Restaino. (Katie Paur, aye.) Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- a. Approval of Minutes of September 9, 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. Donations Received.
- f. Approval/Acceptance of Updated Board Policies and Administrative Regulations: BP 3311, AR 3311, BP 3514, BP 3517, BP 4136, BP 5111, AR 5111, BP 5112.1, AR 5112.1.
- g. Initial Proposals from the Faculty Association and the District Regarding Negotiations for 2008–09 Public Hearing.
- h. Notice of Completion—Deferred Maintenance Door Replacement Project at El Dorado High School.
- i. Ratify Actions Taken by the Superintendent Under Authority Delegated to Her on June 24, 2008, to Approve or Reject Bids, Award Construction Contracts, Approve Testing Services Contracts, Approve Change Orders, Approve Grant Applications, and Renew Portable Leases from June 25 through August 26, 2008.
- j. Annual Review/Adoption of Board Policy 3430—Investing.
- k. Approval for El Dorado High School Speech and Debate Team to Participate in an Instructional Trip: UOP Invitational Speech Tournament, University of Pacific, Stockton, October 24–26, 2008.
- l. Approval for El Dorado High School Marching Band to Participate in an Instructional Trip: McQueen Marching Band Extravaganza, McQueen High School, Reno, October 4, 2008.
- m. Approval for El Dorado High School Drama Students to Participate in an Instructional Trip: Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Ashland, March 13–16, 2009.
- n. Approval for Union Mine High School Students to Participate in an Instructional Trip: California Forestry Challenge, Sly Park Educational Center, Pollock Pines, October 1–4, 2008.
- o. Approval for Union Mine High School Choir and Concert Band Students to Participate in an Instructional Trip: Educational Discovery Tour, San Francisco, April 3–4, 2009.

**B. RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

There were no recognitions made.

**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)**

Pat Manthey, CSEA Past President, congratulated the Board on the passage of Measure Q. She thanked them for their diligence in maintaining the District's fiscal responsibility. Mrs. Manthey shared a concern with an issue that she feels warrants additional safety precautions.

**E. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS**

Mrs. Smith deferred her comments to Mr. Luhrs, who provided an update on the status of the state budget. The Governor signed a budget today, 85 days late, and half way to the next Governor's budget. The budget is better than what the District presented to the Board in June. It provides for 0.68% COLA to revenue limits, only. Categorical programs will not receive a COLA, but, on a good note, will not experience cuts, with the exception of deferred maintenance, which was not funded, at all. Mr. Luhrs warned of the possibility that remains for mid-year (January) cuts. Mr. Luhrs will present the final revised budget to the Board on October 28, as the law requires be done within 45 days of when the state budget is signed. Mr. Luhrs, Superintendent Smith, Chris Cox and Stevie Clark will all be attending a state budget workshop on September 30.

Mr. Luhrs informed the Board that Measure Q bonds went to market on September 11. The District expects to have the cash on September 30. Remarkably, the District was able to obtain a great rate of 4.68% which will save the taxpayers 75 cents per \$100,000 of assessed home value, totaling more than one million dollars; instead of \$16 per \$100,000, the cost will be 15.25 per \$100,000 for the life of the bond. Mr. Cary requested a breakdown of expenses for issuances. Mr. Luhrs offered to email the documentation to all Board members.

**F. FACILITIES SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

There were no action/discussion items under this section.

**G. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Williams Act: (1) Conduct a Public Hearing Ensuring the Availability of Standards-Aligned Textbooks and Instructional Materials, 2008–09; (2) Approval of Resolution #17: Ensuring the Availability of Standards-Aligned Textbooks and Instructional Materials; and (3) Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials.

In response to action taken by the State Board of Education, Education Code Sections 60119 and 60422(a), the *Williams* Lawsuit, and the AB 831 Clean-up Legislation, the El Dorado Union High School District is certifying the sufficiency of standards-aligned textbooks and instructional materials in the El Dorado Union High School District. Results of Textbook inventories conducted by Principals in the District have shown that students in the EDUHSD have sufficient standards-aligned textbooks and 9–12 science laboratory equipment in each school within each course specified as the academic core.

Mr. Hoffman advised that a public hearing was necessary on this matter. Mrs. Muse opened the public hearing. There being no comments, the public hearing was closed. Mr. Hoffman asked that the Board approve Resolution #2008-09/17: Ensuring the Availability of Textbooks and Materials, 2008-09

Mrs. Restaino moved to approve Resolution #2008-09/17, certifying that as of this date, each pupil in the District, in grades 9–12, has been provided with a standards-aligned textbook or basic instructional materials in Mathematics, Science, Social Science, Health, Foreign Language, and English/Language Arts, and laboratory science equipment for science laboratory classes offered in grades 9–12. Mrs. Veerkamp seconded. (Katie Paur, aye.) The motion unanimously passed (5-0).

**H. BUSINESS SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

There were no action/discussion items under this section.

**I. STUDENT SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Consider Recommendation for an Expelled Student's Readmission into the El Dorado Union High School District. (GC 54954.5[h]; EC 35146)

Mrs. Restaino moved to accept the recommendation and order for the full readmission of Student # 08-E to Oak Ridge High School. Seconded by Mrs. Veerkamp. Motion unanimously passed (5-0).

2. Consider Recommendation for CAHSEE Waiver Request.

Mr. Ehler moved to adopt the waiver request for the 2007/2008 California High School Exit Exam of Student #CEEW0708-16. Seconded by Maddy Restaino. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

**J. PERSONNEL SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

There were no action/discussion items under this section.

**K. OTHER – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

There were no other items for action/discussion.

**L. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY BOARD AND CABINET, IF NEEDED.**

Mr. Hoffman commented on his continuing visits to the schools; all are experiencing a great start to the school year.

Mr. Ehler shared his appreciation for the schools' Foundations that so generously support our schools.

Mrs. Veerkamp commented on the great job that the ROP Metal Fabrication/Welding class had done with the dragster that is being displayed at Thompson's car dealership. It is a very impressive project that she encourages everyone to see. Mrs. Veerkamp also recognized Thompson's for their many contributions to the project.

**M. CLOSED SESSION**

This session was not needed.

**N. OPEN SESSION**

There was no action to report from Closed Session

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further action, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Sherry J. Smith  
Executive Secretary