

ADOPTED MINUTES
El Dorado Union High School District
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Board Meeting
JANUARY 13, 2009

A. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

1. **Call to order** at 5:00 p.m., **El Dorado Union High School District Office**, 4675 Missouri Flat Road, Placerville, CA, 95667.

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 order(s) to expel one student. Action will be taken in public session during the Student Services section of the public portion of the board meeting. All appropriate actions will be taken to preserve the confidentiality and legal rights to privacy of the student. *(EC 35146, 48918[c])*
- b. Consider one recommendation to revoke an existing suspended expulsion order.
- c. Consider two student petitions for readmission into El Dorado Union High School District.
- d. Discuss and take action about certificated and classified personnel listed in the consent agenda related to personnel action. *(GC 54954.5, 54957)*
- e. Conference with labor negotiators (agency negotiators for the Board are Asst. Superintendent Stevie Clark and Assoc. Superintendent Steve Luhrs) to discuss with the Board represented employees: Proposals from the **Faculty Association** regarding compensation package and other contract issues. *(GC 54957.6)*
- f. Conference with labor negotiators (agency negotiators for the Board are Asst. Superintendent Stevie Clark and Assoc. Superintendent Steve Luhrs) to discuss with the Board represented employees: Proposals from the **CSEA** regarding compensation package and other contract issues. *(GC 54957.6)*
- g. Conference with labor negotiators (agency negotiators for the Board are Asst. Superintendent Stevie Clark and Assoc. Superintendent Steve Luhrs) to discuss proposals from the El Dorado Managers Association (**EDMA**) regarding compensation package and working conditions.
- h. Discuss Superintendent's evaluation, goals, and objectives.

The Board entered Open Session at 6:07 p.m. in the Boardroom.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lindsey Kovach.

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 President

Others

Staff: 2

Community Members: 13

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

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

5. Consent Agenda

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

- a. Approval of Minutes of December 9, 2008, Board Meeting.
- b. Approval of Commercial Warrants Report
- c. Approval of Routine Certificated Personnel Action.
- d. Approval of Routine Classified Personnel Action.
- e. Donations Received.
- f. Williams Act Uniform Complaint Procedures Quarterly Report (October 1–December 31, 2008).
- g. Approve Agreements for Preliminary Services with Carter-Kelly Construction Management Services, Inc., for the El Dorado High School Natural Resources/Land Management Program and Union Mine High School Careers with Children Program Facilities.
- h. Approve Agreement for Preliminary Services with Carter-Kelly Construction Management Services, Inc., for the Cosmetology Program Facility at Shenandoah High School.
- i. Approve Change Order No. 2 for the Oak Ridge High School Modernization Phase 1B Project (DSA #02-108726); Change Order No. 2 for the Oak Ridge High School 2007 Additions (Phase 4 Expansion) Project (DSA #02-109235); and Change Order No. 2 for the Oak Ridge High School 2007 Modernization Project (DSA #02-109325).
- j. Approval for El Dorado High School Honor Band to Participate in Two Instructional Trips:

- (1) All Northern Honor Band, Delta College, Stockton, January 16–18, 2009, and
- (2) Northern California Honor Band, Humboldt State University, Arcata, February 5–8, 2009.

- k. Review {and First Reading} of Proposed Revised Courses of Study for 2008–09:
English 1 (0101), Algebra 2 (0213), English Language Development 3 (0107L3).
- l. Approval for El Dorado High School Speech and Debate Team to Participate in an Instructional Trip: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Speech Invitational, James Logan High School, Union City, CA, January 16–18, 2009.
- m. Approval for Oak Ridge High School Dance Team to Participate in an Instructional Trip: JAMZ School Dance National Championship, Orleans Arena, Las Vegas, NV, February 21–24, 2009.
- n. Approval for Union Mine High School Drama Students to Participate in an Instructional Trip: Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Ashland, OR, March 7–9, 2009.

B. RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

1. Reports from Student Representatives:

- a. Kody Michael Quigley reported on activities at Ponderosa High School.
- b. Katie Wilson reported on activities at Union Mine High School.
- c. Heather Moule reported on activities at El Dorado High School.
- d. Aislynn Mueller reported on activities at Oak Ridge High School.
- e. Kayla Hartl reported on activities at Shenandoah High School.

2. FFA Report.

- a. Lisa Beach, FFA Treasurer, and Andrew Kincaid, Sentinel, provided a PowerPoint presentation and report of 2008-09 SAE Projects. Mrs. Smith took this time to commend FFA Program Advisor, Lindsey Kovach, for the direction of the Agribusiness class and the element of professionalism by students.

C. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence for acknowledgment.

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

1. Pat Manthey, Classified Association President, encouraged continued open communication. The classified unit as a whole understands that tough years are ahead and accepting of the circumstances as long as they feel informed. Mrs. Manthey saluted Dennis Vanderpool, Director of Transportation for the assistance he and his department provided to a couple of families experiencing job losses.
2. Marc Moehlman, Faculty Association President, praised State Controller John Chiang, who

announced that his prioritization plan has making sure schools are paid at the top of the list, and that California legislators' staff should expect to receive IOUs if a budget is not passed before the state runs out of funds. Mr. Moehlman commented on a survey he conducted of his association members about what, if any, issues they have with the District. Other than a small mention of the management style and methods of communication, faculty members did not have any concerns. Mr. Moehlman suggested that this district is the best, and that we all work together to stay that way.

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

1. Mrs. Smith shared that it was a privilege to sit in on a Socratic Seminar in the fourth year Avid class at EDHS. The students discussed how well things are going well as they prepare to go to college, being grateful for the opportunity to learn, and for the way staff cares about them.
2. Mark distribution reports are demonstrating the many strides made in Algebra I. One of the most successful instructional changes has been the co-teaching with special education students.
3. Patty McClellan is working very hard on current modernization and growth projects at ORHS, as well as on bond projects. Information on these projects will be brought to the Board soon.
4. League realignments for CIF competitions have been announced. El Dorado and Union Mine will compete in the same league with Galt and Vista Del Lago among other schools that bring them closer to home. Ponderosa and Oak Ridge are both in a tough league, but of similar school size. The schools will enter the new leagues beginning 2010-11.

F. FACILITIES SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Enrollment Projections for the 10-Year Period from 2009/10 to 2018/19.
Every year, after CBEDS enrollments are compiled, new enrollment projections are calculated based on the most current data available. Enrollment projections over the last three years have been prepared for the District by SchoolWorks, Inc. Ken Reynolds, of SchoolWorks, Inc., presented an overview of the Demographics Report for the 10-year period from 2009/10 to 2018/19, and responded to questions from the Board.

The projections in the report are based on the boundary changes approved by the Board on January 10, 2006. The report provides a 1-year projection detail by grade level and school and a 10-year projection summary by school with 10 years of historical data. The report shows that District enrollment is projected to decrease by 194 students in 2009/10, and continue to decline before returning to current levels in 2018/19. Mr. Reynolds pointed out that enrollment declines will be realized in smaller incoming freshman classes, not throughout the grade levels. He commended the Board for their insight to change boundaries and postpone building any new schools. The Board questioned the effect on the budget. Mr. Luhrs confirmed that enrollment declines have been factored in the budgets previously reported to the Board.

The Board accepted the Demographics Report for the 10-year period from 2009/10 to 2018/19 and thanked Mr. Reynolds for his presentation.

2. Progress Report About Implementing the District Facilities Master Plan.

Mrs. McClellan, Director of Facilities, provided a PowerPoint presentation and reported on the status of the projects under the responsibility of the District's New Facilities and Planning Office.

The ORHS expansion is going very well, although it has been a bit disruptive. The multi-purpose room is complete. The Choir Room is also complete and being occupied. Teachers and students are thrilled with the facility.

Bond projects in the planning process include the Culinary Arts building at EDHS, the Natural Resources facility at the El Dorado East Campus, Careers with Children at UMHS, tracks and fields at the four comprehensive schools, door lock replacements, roof repair and replacements, and technology.

Mrs. McClellan explained that although the state has frozen matching funds that would affect the Culinary Arts building, Careers with Children and Natural Resources facilities. The District is proposing moving forward through the planning stages of the projects, pointing out that the DSA planning process alone takes twelve months. The District is exploring funding some or all of the projects with Measure Q bond money with the expectation that the state will reimburse the matching funds in the future. Mrs. McClellan indicated that less expensive ways to provide facilities (i.e., modular) are being looked into for the Natural Resources project. The Board, however, expressed concern with the quality of modular facilities and the costs of improvements down the road. The Board directed that plans be shared at the next meeting for discussion and direction.

Steve Luhrs, Associate Superintendent of Business Services, advised the Board that due to the drastic slow down of developer fees collections, the District will probably be recommending refinancing three existing debt items either during the coming fiscal year or two years out. Any such recommendations would be made based on activity in January and February of 2009-10 or 2010-11 and be agendaized in March.

The Board accepted Mrs. McClellan's Progress Report About Implementing the District Facilities Master Plan.

G. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

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

H. BUSINESS SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Receipt of Transportation Review Completed by the Fiscal Crisis & Management Assistance Team (FCMAT).

On August 26, 2008, the Board of Trustees authorized the Fiscal Crisis & Management Assistance Team (FCMAT) to review our current bus routes and school start times for efficiency and possible changes. Results indicate the study team believes the District operates in a cost-efficient manner and maximizes its use of current full-time equivalent (FTE) staff members and available buses, based on the following:

- The four comprehensive school sites are spread over a large geographical region of 1,250 square miles
- There is limited roadway infrastructure
- Buses often experience difficult terrain and road conditions
- Eleven afternoon runs are 2 hours or longer
- The District population is sparsely distributed in the upper portion of District boundaries
- Many bus runs are even longer because of the locations drivers must use to safely unload students.

Mr. Luhrs presented this report to the Board and introduced Dennis Vanderpool, Director of Transportation, who was present to respond to any questions from the Board. Mr. Luhrs commented that the study team's report is confirmation from an outside agency of the great job that Dennis does managing the Transportation Department.

The Board commended Mr. Vanderpool and thanked Mr. Luhrs' for his report on the outcome of the Transportation Review from FCMAT.

I. STUDENT SERVICES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Consideration of Student Disciplinary Matters Relating to Expulsions and/or Readmissions. (GC 54954.5[h]; EC 35146, 48918[c])

- 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 #08-28. The Board finds that Student #08-28 violated California Education Code Section 48900, parts (c) and (k), as well as District Administrative Regulation 5144.1, parts C.3 and C.11.

Mrs. Veerkamp moved to: (1) order the expulsion of Student #08-28, and (2) designate the term of expulsion as the first and second semesters of the 2008-2009 school year. Seconded by Mrs. Restaino. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- b. Mrs. Veerkamp reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the recommendation for revocation of the original suspended expulsion order of Student #08-29 dated June 10, 2008. The Board finds that Student #08-29 violated California Education Code Section 48900, parts (c) and (k), as well as District Administrative Regulation 5144.1, parts C.3 and C.11.

Mrs. Veerkamp moved to: (1) reinstate the full expulsion of Student #08-29, and (2) ordering a term of expulsion through June 10, 2009, per the conditions of the

original expulsion order. Seconded by Mrs. Restaino. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- c. Mrs. Restaino reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings and Recommendations for the full readmission of Student #08-P to the schools of the District.

Mrs. Restaino moved to readmit Student #08-P. Seconded by Mr. Ehler. The motion carried (5-0).

- d. Mrs. Restaino reported that the Board of Trustees adopts the Findings and Recommendations for the full readmission of Student #08-Q to the schools of the District.

Mrs. Restaino moved to readmit Student #08-Q. Seconded by Mrs. Veerkamp. The motion carried (5-0).

J. HUMAN RESOURCES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Resolution Reducing 0.3750 Classified FTE.

Mrs. Clark, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resource, reported that services within the classification of Food Service Worker I no longer meet the needs of the District. Due to the reduction of this particular kind of service, the Board is being asked to approve the attached resolution calling for the reduction of classified staff by 0.3750 FTE within the Food Service Worker I classification. The reduction of this particular kind of service will not result in a layoff or displace a current employee due to a resignation.

Mrs. Clark recommended that the Board approve the reduction of classified services in the Food Service Worker I classification effective January 14, 2009.

Mr. Cary moved that the Board approve Resolutions #2008/09-25 and #2008-09-24 as indicated in Items J.1. and J.2. reducing 0.3750 classified FTE and 0.7500 Classified FTE respectively, effective January 14, 2009. Seconded by Mrs. Restaino. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

2. Resolution Reducing 0.7500 Classified FTE.

Services within the classification of Food Service Worker II no longer meet the needs of the District. Due to the reduction of this particular kind of service, the Board is being asked to approve the attached resolution calling for the reduction of classified staff by 0.7500 FTE within the Food Service Worker II classification. The reduction of this particular kind of service will not result in a layoff or displace a current employee due to a resignation.

Action to approve Resolution #2008-09-24 was taken along with Item J.1. above.

K. OTHER – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

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

L. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY BOARD AND CABINET, IF NEEDED.

Mrs. Restaino expressed disappointment that the Board's recommendation for the EDCSBA Awards Dinner was not selected.

Mrs. Veerkamp welcomed Pat Manthey back as CSEA President and spokesperson at Board meetings.

Mr. Hoffman complimented principals and their administrative teams for the smooth start of the second semester. He commented on the excitement he has seen on his site visits from seniors as they make plans and decisions for their future.

Mr. Luhrs indicated it was nice to have Mrs. Smith back after her absence at the December meeting. He alluded to the activity to keep her informed during her absence and her response to his antics.

Mrs. Smith informed the Board that she had been asked by Placerville City Councilman Dave Machado to let the Board know that he is working to identify funding for a pedestrian overcrossing on Canal Street at El Dorado High School.

Mrs. Muse thanked Patty McClellan for the completion of the beautiful multi-purpose room at ORHS with which even her 16 yr old was impressed.

Mrs. Smith also recognized Patty and her staff of two, who are keeping extremely busy and working very hard. She reiterated the commendation from Ken Reynolds that the District did not build a new school as planned prior to the boundary changes.

M. CLOSED SESSION

This section was not needed.

N. OPEN SESSION

There was no action reported out from Open Session.

O. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further action, the Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Sherry J. Smith
Executive Secretary