

**ADOPTED MINUTES**  
El Dorado Union High School District  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
Regular Board Meeting  
**MARCH 23, 2010**

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**A. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS**

1. Call to Order

This meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Board 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 order(s) to expel one student. Any 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 approval of one stipulation of a suspended expulsion and settlement agreement.
- c. Consider approval of Special Education Settlement Agreement.
- 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 reentered Open Session at 6:05 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Patty McClellan.

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, Director  
Jim Hall, Director  
Lisa Garrett, Director  
Sylvia Torres, Asst. to Superintendent

Student Board Member

Chris Muse-Fisher

Association Representatives

Pat Manthey, Classified Association President\*  
Marc Moehlman, Faculty Association President

\*Absent

Others

Staff: 0

Community Members: 0

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

Mrs. Restaino moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Veerkamp seconded. (Chris Muse-Fisher, aye.) Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

5. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Restaino moved to approve the following consent agenda items. Mrs. Veerkamp seconded. (Chris Muse-Fisher, aye.) Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

- a. Approval of Minutes of March 9, 2010, 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. Approval of Hearing Screening Contract for 2010–11.
- g. Approval for Ponderosa High School Band Students to Participate in an Instructional Trip: Heritage Music Festival, Santa Clara, April 23–25, 2010.
- h. Approval for El Dorado High School Band Students to Participate in an Instructional Trip: Symphonic Band Performance Disneyland, Anaheim, June 1–4, 2010.
- i. Annual Review and/or Update of BP/AR 6145: Extracurricular/Cocurricular Activities.
- j. Approval of School Innovations & Advocacy Standard Service Contract 2010–11.
- k. Annual Review of the El Dorado Union High School District Injury and Illness Prevention Program.
- l. Monthly Report of Developer Fees Collected.

- m. Approve Contract(s) with Youngdahl Consulting Group, Inc., for Testing Services for the El Dorado High School Natural Resources/Land Management Program at the El Dorado East Campus and the New Restroom Facility at El Dorado High School.
- n. Approval of Revised Use of School Facilities Fees Structure.
- o. Approval for Oak Ridge High School Speech and Debate Team to Participate in an Instructional Trip: California High School Speech Association State Championships 2010, Bakersfield College, April 15–18, 2010.
- p. Approval of Job Description for Director of Fiscal Services (AR 4319.3–4).

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

This section was not needed.

**C. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE**

Mrs. Muse acknowledged a letter from Superintendent Barber assuring a positive certification of the Second Interim Budget.

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

Mr. Marc Moehlman, Faculty Association President, stated that the negotiating team met on Monday to review the full contract. The Faculty Association has submitted a sunshine letter and given dates for commencement of negotiations. Mr. Moehlman will be attending the state conference this weekend.

**E. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS**

The FCMAT website reports that 23,000 pink slips were issued to California teachers. This is a sad time for service to students. Mrs. Smith will be attending a FCMAT Board meeting on Sunday, April 11. She, Patty McClellan, Lisa Garrett, Jim Hall and Chris Hoffman had a great time participating as judges of student projects for the Natural Resources/Land Management program site design proposals.

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

There were no action/discussion items under this section.

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

1. Update on State and Federal Consolidated Programs 2009–11.

As the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) nears, a great deal of speculation about the content of the reauthorization has swirled around the education world. Recent legislation provides some insight into the likely direction the reauthorization will take. At the Federal level, Race to the Top (RTTT) is a \$4.35 billion incentive program designed by the U.S. Department of Education to spur progressive reforms in state and local K–12 education. RTTT requires states to compete for program dollars. The major premises of RTTT include improving teacher and principal effectiveness, developing and adopting common standards, ensuring conditions for expansion of charter schools, turning around the lowest-achieving schools,

and implementing a statewide longitudinal data system. It is commonly believed that the reauthorization of ESEA will entail most if not all of the components of RTTT.

In response to RTTT, California passed new legislation and submitted a grant application for the first round of funding. The application was due in January and the state recently learned that it was not funded in the first round. The state is eligible to submit an application for the second round later this spring. In order to strengthen its application, California enacted two pieces of legislation related to RTTT. The first was authored by Senate pro Tempore Darrell Steinberg (SBx5 1) and the second was authored by Senator Gloria Romero (SBx5 4). These two pieces of legislation have been enacted in spite of California's unsuccessful initial attempt at securing funding through RTTT. Some of the highlights of these new pieces of legislation include clarifying that student level data can be used for evaluating teachers and principals, lifting the statewide cap on charter schools, adopting national standards, allowing students in low-performing schools to apply for enrollment in other districts, identifying the lowest achieving schools across the state and implementing specific turnaround strategies, and allowing parents of low performing schools to petition the school board to enact specified reform strategies at the school level.

Mr. Hoffman presented this item and responded to questions on the affect of the reauthorization of ESEA on textbooks, materials, assessment, and data system. He agreed that textbooks are a huge concern and indicated California does not have the infrastructure in place to meet the requirements of the reauthorization at this time. Mr. Hoffman advised that as events continue to develop, district administration will monitor the actions of both the state and federal governments, communicate all significant developments, and recommend appropriate actions to the Board of Trustees for consideration and action.

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

There were no action/discussion items under this section.

#### **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. Restaino moved that the Board of Trustees adopt 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 #09-46. Mr. Ehler seconded. The motion carried (5-0).
- b. Mrs. Restaino moved that the Board of Trustees adopt the Stipulation to Suspended Expulsion and Settlement Agreement pertaining to Student #09-45, as the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order of the Board of Trustees in the suspended expulsion of Student #09-45. Mrs. Veerkamp seconded. The motion carried (5-0).

**J. HUMAN RESOURCES – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

There were no action/discussion items under this section.

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

This section was not needed.

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

Mr. Volmer's office is preparing to schedule student board member interviews for the 2010-11 school year and asked for Board volunteers for the interview panel. Mrs. Veerkamp and Mrs. Restaino agreed to participate on the panel.

Mr. Ehler and Mrs. Restaino commented on their attendance at the PHS Foundation dinner. They also attended the EDCSBA workshop, as did Mrs. Veerkamp.

Mrs. Veerkamp welcomed Mrs. Muse back. Mrs. Muse thanked everyone for their concern.

**M. CLOSED SESSION**

This section was not needed.

**N. OPEN SESSION**

This section was not needed.

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mrs. Muse adjourned the meeting at 7:42.

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Sherry J. Smith  
Executive Secretary  
To the Board of Trustees