

**ADOPTED MINUTES**  
El Dorado Union High School District  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
Regular Board Meeting  
**January 10, 2012**

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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 Clerk Lori Veerkamp in the El Dorado Union High School District 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 two students. 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 students. *(EC 35146, 48918[c])*
- b. Consider one recommendation to revoke a suspended expulsion order and extend the term of expulsion.
- c. Consider two student petitions for readmission into El Dorado Union High School District.
- d. Consider three requests for a California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) waiver.
- e. Discuss and take action about public employee discipline/dismissal/release. *(EC44940)*
- f. Discuss and take action about certificated and classified personnel listed in the consent agenda related to personnel action. *(GC 54954.5, 54957)*
- g. Discuss Superintendent's evaluation, goals, and objectives.

The Board of Trustees reconvened Open Session at 6:08p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sam McCrea.

3. Attendance

Board Members Present

Timothy M. Cary\*  
Lori M. Veerkamp  
Kevin W. Brown  
Mary T. Muse  
Todd R. White

D.O. Staff Present

Chris Hoffman, Secretary to the Board  
Baldev Johal, Associate Superintendent  
Stevie Clark, Assistant Superintendent  
Steve Volmer, Assistant Superintendent  
Chris Moore, Assistant Superintendent  
Sylvia Torres, Assistant to Superintendent

Student Board Member

Aubree Thayer

Association Representatives

Felix Puente, Classified Association President\*

Evie Taylor, Faculty Association President

\*Absent

Others

Staff: 1

Community Members: 8

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

Mrs. Muse moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Brown seconded. (Aubree Thayer, aye.) Motion unanimously carried (4-0).

5. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Muse moved to approve the consent agenda items. Mr. White seconded. (Aubree Thayer, aye.) Motion unanimously carried (4-0).

- a. Approval of Minutes of December 6, 2011, Board Meeting.
- b. Approval of Commercial Warrants Report (copy for viewing available at District Office)
- c. Approval of Routine Certificated Personnel Action.
- d. Approval of Routine Classified Personnel Action.
- e. Approval/Acceptance of Updated Board Policies and/or Administrative Regulations: AR 5113, BP 5113.1, AR 5113.1.
- f. Williams Act Uniform Complaint Procedures Quarterly Report (October–December).
- g. Approval for El Dorado High School and Ponderosa High School Speech and Debate Teams to Participate in an Instructional Trip: 16th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Speech Invitational, James Logan High School, Union City, January 13–15, 2012.
- h. Approval for Oak Ridge High School Students to Participate in an Overnight Instructional Trip: NorCal DECA Career Development Conference, San Ramon Marriott, January 14–16, 2012.
- i. Approval for Oak Ridge High School Honor Band to Participate in Various Instructional Trips: February–March 2012.

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

1. Reports from student representatives:
  - a. Sam McCrea reported on student activities at El Dorado High School.
  - b. Shea Overstreet reported on student activities at Ponderosa High School.

## 2. Report from FFA

FFA Horticulture students Joey Rose, Katie Rose, Brennan Stearn, and Ben Golden shared their goal of bringing more plant oriented interest to the PHS FFA Chapter. The students are members of a Floriculture Judging Team and participate in competitions across the state. The Board and District Administrators were engaged in a demonstration on how to make their own boutonnières.

**C. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE**

No correspondence was received for acknowledgment.

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

1. Mrs. Taylor, Faculty Association President, communicated that the Association conducted an extensive survey of their members on the proposed student calendars for 2012-13 and 2013-14. Results have been passed on to Mr. Hoffman to be shared with the Board. Mrs. Taylor summarized teachers overwhelming voted for the Version B calendars. Although the early start in August is a drawback, teachers favored starting school on a Thursday, taking two days to go over their syllabus, and getting down to work on Monday. The Version B calendars also continue to support a full week break at Thanksgiving which, over the years, has served to reduce the likelihood of classroom absences due to family travel/vacations. Mrs. Taylor hoped the Board would take the Faculty Association's input into consideration when voting on the student calendars.

**E. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS**

Superintendent Hoffman commented that his recent site visits indicate a great start to the spring semester following the three-week break enjoyed by students and staff. This is the third year the District has offered Intersession during the third week of winter break. Some 370-plus students attended Intersession to remediate a grade so they would not have to repeat the course, but rather be able to move on to the next course. Mr. Hoffman commended site administrators and teachers for the great job done to identify eligible students and in making personal contact with students and their parents. He noted Intersession has become ingrained in the fabric of our high school district.

Mr. Hoffman sadly acknowledged the passing of ORHS student, Zachary Waite-Baglin, over the holidays. He expressed condolences to Zachary's family and friends, and the ORHS staff. Principal Wehr and his staff were thanked for all their efforts to ensure support was made available to students and staff upon their return to school. Mr. Hoffman attended the Celebration of Zachary's Life, which he commented was very nicely done.

The El Dorado County Sheriff's Office was thanked for their sensitivity in conducting a difficult investigation over the past few weeks. Mr. Hoffman also acknowledged the professionalism and compassion of District and site staff assisting in the investigation.

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

1. Enrollment Projections for the 10-Year Period from 2012/13 to 2021/22.  
Every year, after CBEDS enrollments are compiled, new enrollment projections are calculated based on the most current data available.

Associate Superintendent Johal introduced Mr. Ken Reynolds of SchoolWorks, Inc., to report to the Board on his company's Demographic Study for the 10-year period from 2012/13 to 2021/22. Mr. Reynolds reported that the study 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. These projections are used to determine staffing and facility needs. Mr. Reynolds indicated the study takes into consideration student information downloaded from all our different feeder districts, tracks students from kindergarten to entering high school, and also tracks population mobility in and out of the district. Based on feeder district data, Mr. Reynolds reported EDUHSD enrollment is projected to decrease by 267 students in 2012/13, followed by 4 years of decline before stabilizing. The 10 year projection shows the District bottoming out at 6,300 students in 2017/18. Mr. Reynolds cited the continuing economic downturn, loss of jobs in the county, ensuing mobility to follow the jobs, lack of residential developments, and aging families as contributors to the projections of decreased

enrollments. He added, however, that momentum and long range enrollments could easily change over a short time based on legislation and residential developments.

Mr. Johal reminded the Board of Trustees that when the District refinanced the 2009 COP it was hoping to see continued growth that would pay for itself. Without the growth hoped for, and the projections of decreased enrollments, the District may expect a general fund encroachment in 2013/14. Recommendations to address this will be brought to the Board later this spring.

The Board thanked Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Johal for this report, and acknowledged SchoolWork's exceedingly accurate one-year projections and realistic multi-year projections.

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

There were no business items under this session.

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

There were no business items under this session.

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

1. Consideration of Student Disciplinary Matters Relating to Expulsions and/or Readmissions.

- a. Based on the closed hearing held before the Board, Mrs. Muse moved that the Board of Trustees expel Student #11-16, and adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommended Order of the Administrative Panel, attached hereto as the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order of the Board of Trustees. Mr. White seconded. The motion carried (3 Aye, 1 Abstention).
- b. Mr. White moved that the Board of Trustees expel Student #11-21, and adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommended Order of the Administrative Panel, attached hereto as the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Order of the Board of Trustees. Mrs. Muse seconded. The motion carried (4-0).
- c. Mr. White moved that the Board of Trustees adopt the recommendation to revoke a suspended expulsion order and, under the original expulsion order dated April 26, 2011, extend the term of expulsion for Student #10-44. Mr. Brown seconded. The motion carried (4-0).
- d. Mr. Brown moved that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendation to readmit Student #11-P and #11-Q to the schools of the District. Mrs. Muse seconded. The motion carried (3 Aye, 1 Nay).

2. Consider Recommendations for CAHSEE Waiver Requests.

- a. Mr. White moved that the Board of Trustees adopt the waiver requests for the California High School Exit Exam for Students CEEW1011-9, CEEW1011-10, CEEW1011-11. Mr. Brown seconded. The motion unanimously carried (4-0).

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

There were no business items under this session.

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

There were no business items under this session.

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

Mr. Moore commended the Intersession efforts of site staff and administration. He predicted over 370 comprehensive high school students successfully remediated. Another 35 students participated in Intersession remediation at Vista and Mountain View High Schools. Technology updates continue as 6 Smart Boards were installed at UMHS and 7 at EDHS. Teachers from both schools received training prior to the winter break so they would be prepared upon their return. Three of our comprehensive sites are beginning their WASC cycles. Although a big chore, WASC also creates a sense of urgency to defining our new mission, purpose, and what it is we are trying to accomplish. This is also a good time for WASC due to the implementation of common core standards and reassessments. El Dorado, Oak Ridge and Ponderosa High Schools will be applying to renew their California Distinguished School recognition and will be working hard to achieve qualifying test scores.

Mr. Johal reported that the Governor's budget is a mixed bag in that it directs more monies to school funding, predicated upon a November ballot measure. The budget includes more trigger language so that if the ballot is not passed, then schools will get cut \$4.8 billion—the equivalent of close to 3 weeks of the school calendar. Mr. Johal also commented on budget cuts to social programs and explained the circumstances that will once again leave schools not knowing how much money is to be received from the state for another year.

Mr. Volmer provided an update on the Limited Open Enrollment process which closes on Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup>. As predicted, most transfer requests have come in from EDHS. Once the application period closes, the District will conduct a random drawing of all applicants to fill the 32 Limited Open Enrollment slots.

Miss Thayer shared that she has received 3 acceptances from 12 of the colleges to which she applied: ASU, Fullerton and St. Mary's in Moraga. She is looking forward to an interview with Georgetown University later this month. Miss Thayer reported on a failed PHS senior prank when after only 10 minutes the administration broke up their attempts to block underclassmen from the main parking area and creating a senior-only parking lot.

Mr. White stated he had a good time visiting Intersession sites with Mr. Moore last week. He hopes the District will do some regrouping for sites to share different and best methods of learning. In reading CSBA updates regarding proposed tax propositions, Mr. White indicated he does not think that California voters will vote to tax themselves and that the District should prepare for further budget cuts.

Mr. Brown shared that his family's Christmas celebration included his oldest son's engagement proposal to his long-time girlfriend. With regard to the Governor's budget, Mr. Brown commented that although it sounds to be full of doom and gloom it is most likely more of a scare tactic and will not be as bad as it is being reported.

Mrs. Muse announced the holidays also brought a wide spectrum of emotions to her family as they experienced death, births, illness and a daughter's marriage proposal after 12 years. Mrs. Muse noted she will be working hard this election year to retain her seat. She agreed with Mr. Brown's opinion that the proposed state budget is full of scare tactics and indicated she is confident our schools will continue to deliver a solid education.

Mrs. Veerkamp shared that she had the pleasure of visiting Oak Ridge Elementary School in Sacramento and saw some of our Oak Ridge High School students and staff doing amazing things with kids who are extremely disadvantaged. She hoped that our students walked away from the experience with a different perspective. Mrs. Veerkamp thanked the many wonderful Oak Ridge High School folks involved.

**N. CLOSED SESSION**

This session was not needed

**O. OPEN SESSION**

Mrs. Veerkamp reported that earlier this evening in Closed Session the Board of Trustees, by a vote of 4-0, took action to place a certificated employee on a compulsory leave of absence, as required per Education Code 44940, and authorized the Superintendent, or his designee, to take all appropriate action to implement the Board's action.

**P. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mrs. Veerkamp adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

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Christopher R. Hoffman  
Executive Secretary to the  
EDUHSD Board of Trustees