

ADOPTED MINUTES  
El Dorado Union High School District  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Regular Board Meeting  
January 14, 2020

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1. This meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 4:30 p.m., in the **El Dorado High School Forum**, 561 Canal Street, Placerville, California.

Discussion Between the Board of Trustees and El Dorado High School Students.

From 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., the Board of Trustees, Superintendent Carruth, and various other Cabinet members met with a group of El Dorado High School students to listen and discuss student perspective on the positive things happening at their school including peer mentoring as well as issues related to school climate, emotional well-being, and school related stressors.

**A. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS**

1. Call to Order

This meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Board President Kevin Brown in the El Dorado High School Multipurpose Room.

The meeting was opened for public comment on Closed Session agenda items. There being no public comments, Mr. Brown closed this portion of the meeting and the Board adjourned to the EDHS Administration Office for Closed Session discussion on the following agenda items (GC 54957.7, 54954.5):

- a. Discuss hearing panel recommendations regarding potential orders to expel two students. \*
- b. Discuss actions for certificated and classified personnel listed in the consent agenda related to personnel action. (GC 54954.5, 54957)
- c. Public Employee: Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassignment/Resignation. (GC 22714; 44929; 44929.21; 44934; 44949; 44951; 44953; 44954; 44955; 45192; 44195; 87488)
- d. Conference with labor negotiators (agency negotiators for the Board are Asst. Superintendent Tony DeVille, Asst. Superintendent Chris Moore and Asst. Superintendent Robert Whittenberg) to discuss with the Board represented employees: Discussion related to Proposals from Faculty Association. (GC 3547 {a})
- e. Anticipated Litigation. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: 1 Potential Case.

*\* Action will be taken in public session during the Student Services and Innovation 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])*

The Board reconvened Open Session at 6:43 p.m. in the El Dorado High School Multipurpose Room.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Superintendent Ron Carruth.

3. Attendance  
Board Members  
Kevin W. Brown  
David J. Del Rio

D.O. Staff  
Ron Carruth, Superintendent/Secretary to the Board  
Chris Moore, Assistant Superintendent

Lori M. Veerkamp  
Jessica K. Rodgers  
Timothy M. Cary

Tony DeVille, Assistant Superintendent  
Robert Whittenberg, Assistant Superintendent  
Pam Bartlett, Senior Director  
Chuck Palmer, Senior Director  
Serena Fuson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Association Representatives

Teri Lillywhite  
Stephanie Davis

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

Mr. Del Rio moved to approve the agenda. Mrs. Veerkamp seconded. Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

**Brown:** Aye  
**Cary:** Aye  
**Del Rio:** Aye  
**Rodgers:** Aye  
**Veerkamp:** Aye

5. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Veerkamp moved to approve the consent agenda. Mrs. Rodgers seconded. Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

**Brown:** Aye  
**Cary:** Aye  
**Del Rio:** Aye  
**Rodgers:** Aye  
**Veerkamp:** Aye

1. Approval of Minutes of December 17, 2019 Board Meeting.
2. Approval of Commercial Warrants Report (copy for viewing available at District Office).
3. Approval of Routine Certificated Personnel Action.
4. Approval of Routine Classified Personnel Action.
5. Donations Received.
6. Review of Board Policies and Administrative Regulations: AR/BP 5141.52 Suicide Prevention; AR/BP 5142 Safety.
7. Approval/Ratification of Various Contracts. (11/27/2019 - 12/31/2019)
8. Ratification of Budget Transfers. (12/01/2019 - 12/31/2019)
9. Monthly Report of Developer Fees Collected. (September 2019)
10. Monthly Report of Developer Fees Collected. (November 2019)
11. Permission to Dispose of Obsolete/Unusable Furniture, Equipment and Textbooks.
12. Ratify Action Taken By The Superintendent Under Delegated Authority.
13. Williams Act Uniform Complaint Procedures Quarterly Report. (October - December 2019)
14. Recommendation by the R-Rated Film Advisory Committee for Adoption of a Film as Supplemental Instructional Materials in Accordance With Board Policy 6161.11.
15. Approval for Out of State Travel Conference: Edgenuity Partnership Summit, Phoenix, AZ, February 24-27, 2020.
16. Approval for Out of State Travel to Attend the ACDA Conference.
17. Approval for El Dorado High School Health Careers Academy Students to Participate in an Overnight Instructional Trip: Disney Youth Leadership and Teamwork Training, Anaheim, CA, March 22-24, 2020.
18. Approval for Oak Ridge High School Golf Team to Participate in an Overnight Instructional Trip: Men's Golf Tournament, Plumas Pines Golf Course, Blairsden-Graeagle, CA, April 24-25, 2020.

19. Approval for Oak Ridge High School Honor Band and Choir to Participate in an Overnight Instructional Trip: Northern California Band Choir Directors, California State University, Arcata, CA, February 6-9, 2020.
20. Approval for Oak Ridge High School Track Team to Participate in an Overnight Instructional Trip: State Track and Field Championships, Fresno, CA, May 29-31, 2020.
21. Approval for Oak Ridge High School Track Team to Participate in an Overnight Instructional Trip: Acadia High School Track and Field Meet, Arcadia, CA, April 9-11, 2020.
22. Approval for Oak Ridge High School Honor Band Students to Participate in an Overnight Instructional Trip: California All State Honor Band, Fresno, CA, February 20-23, 2020.
23. Approval for Oak Ridge High School Speech and Debate Team to Participate in an Overnight Instructional Trip, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA, February 7-9, 2020.
24. Approval for Oak Ridge High School Track and Field Team to Participate in an Overnight Instructional Trip: Stanford High School Track and Field Meet, Stanford University, April 3-4, 2020.
25. Approval for Ponderosa High School Cheerleading Team to Participate in and Overnight Instructional Trip: JAMZ Cheer and Dance Nationals, Las Vegas, NV, February 20-23, 2020.
26. Approval for Ponderosa High School Cheerleading Team to Participate in an Overnight Instructional Trip: United Spirit Association Nationals, Anaheim, CA, February 13-17, 2020.

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

1. Reports from Student Representatives:
  - a. Luke Murdock reported on student activities at El Dorado High School.
  - b. Sebastian Osorio reported on student activities at Oak Ridge High School.
  - c. Brandon Bartosh reported on student activities at Ponderosa High School.
  - d. Fatima Rios-Vasquez reported on student activities at Union Mine High School.
  - e. Daniel DeVore reported on student activities at the Virtual Academy and Independence High School.
2. EDHS Student Group Presentations:
  - a. AVID.  
Teacher, Dale Kasnic gave an overview of the AVID Program and introduced AVID students Estrella Rios – 11<sup>th</sup> grader, Sandra Morales Beas – 11<sup>th</sup> grader, Abigail Loomis – 12<sup>th</sup> grader, and Edith Rivera – 12<sup>th</sup> grader who presented on their positive experiences being in the program.
  - b. Natural Resources Program.  
EDHS's Natural Resources Program Coordinator, Krista Potter, introduced students Madigan Skipper – 12<sup>th</sup> grader and Jeremiah Hunt – 12<sup>th</sup> grader who shared their perspectives and highlights of the program including their efforts in fundraisers, community service events, field trips, senior projects and gave thanks to their teachers, administration, the Board of Trustees, as well as the community for their support and encouragement.
  - c. Health Academy.  
Teacher & Program Coordinator, Annmarie Wunschel, shared an overview of EDHS's Health Careers Academy including job shadowing opportunities, AHA Certifications, gaining workability skills, and the chance for students to earn college credit while in high school. Students Chloe Kesterson - 10<sup>th</sup> grader, Chloe Montayre - 10<sup>th</sup> grader, Rebecca Hulsing - 11<sup>th</sup> grader, Hailey Kimber - 11<sup>th</sup> grader and Kailee Pomeroy - 12<sup>th</sup> grader shared stories about their future goals after high school, job shadowing, community service, internship opportunities and field trips.

3. Recognition of Lance Gunnensen:  
EDHS Principal Matt Barnes recognized woodshop teacher Lance Gunnensen for all of the work that he puts into creating Santa's Workshop every year and presented him with a certificate of appreciation. Mr. Gunnensen shared that so many people help to make this happen annually. Through the teamwork from his students, staff, parents, and community members, they decorate the room with homemade toys, food, holiday music, and woodworking students hand out handmade toy trains to visiting elementary school students. It is always such a magical event for all who attend.
4. Athletic Sports Teams:  
Senior Director Chuck Palmer thanked the coaches for the tremendous amount of time that they put in to not only ensure that they have produced top notch athletes on the field, but top notch young men and women off of the field. They are aiding in raising the next generation of young people with great character in the El Dorado County community. Mr. Palmer indicated that the EDUHSD is renowned for its tradition of athletic excellence and we are here tonight to honor those athletes and coaches from the 2019 fall season.
  - a. Mr. Matt Barnes recognized the EDHS CIF State Qualifiers Varsity Girls and Boys Cross Country Teams as well as their coaches Mr. Dwayne "Peanut" Harms and Mrs. Tena Harms.
  - b. Mr. Bob Wright, Head Cross Country Coach and Mr. Rob Fairley, Assistant Cross Country Coach recognized the ORHS Sac-Joaquin Division 1 Section Champions Sophomore Boys Cross Country Team.
  - c. Mr. Wright and Mr. Fairley recognized the ORHS Sac-Joaquin Division I Section Champion and 9th in the State Varsity Girls Cross Country Team.
  - d. Mr. Eric Cavaliere, Varsity Football Coach, recognized the ORHS Sac-Joaquin Division I Section Champion and CIF Northern California Regional Finalist Varsity Football Team.
  - e. Mr. Jay Aliff, Athletic Director and Ms. Jackie Markley, Coach recognized the UMHS Sac-Joaquin Section Academic Champions Varsity Girls Volleyball Team. The team maintained a 3.88 team gpa collectively.

**C. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence received.

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

1. Ms. Teri Lillywhite, Vice President of the CSEA Chapter, shared that CSEA ratified their openers for negotiations tonight and they will be scheduling future negotiations meeting dates shortly. Additionally, she shared that CSEA recently developed a Facebook page as well as a website.
2. Ms. Stephanie Davis, President of the Faculty Association, reported that Mr. Ryan Madsen is their new lead negotiator. Mr. Gunnensen highlighted the work of EDHS teacher Mr. Chris Plewa with his efforts on reading assessments and building a successful reading curriculum for his students.
3. Skye Machaclon Lacey submitted a speaker card and addressed the Board on the matter of Roundup at Ponderosa.

**E. SUPERINTENDENT'S ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Auditor Report.  
Assistant Superintendent Robert Whittenberg introduced Ms. Jennifer Hall, a representative from Crowe Horwath LLP, who presented the annual 2018-19 Audit Report, highlighted a couple of the pages that are important for the Board to understand, shared the results, and was prepared to answer any questions that the Board might have about the audit process. The audit is meant to bring credibility to the financial information that the District gets throughout the year that is used

to make decisions. The information provided by the auditor helps the District to form an opinion on how well the team is doing in relation to the finances in the state and federal compliance of the organization. Ms. Hall pointed out that on page 78 of the audit report is a summary of the auditor's results and indicated that they had an unmodified opinion on the financial statements. For state compliance, they had one finding related to unduplicated pupil counts and for federal compliance, they had no findings. Ms. Hall was pleased to share their work because it shows that the District is doing a great job making financial decisions.

The Board of Trustees accepted the 2018-19 Audit Report conducted by Crowe Horwath LLP.

2. Approval of Resolution 2020-01: Approving the Final Settlement Agreement of the El Dorado Schools Financing Authority and the Future Dissolution of the CFD#1 Mello-Roos.  
Superintendent Carruth stated that the Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve Resolution 2020-01: Approving the Final Settlement Agreement of the El Dorado Schools Financing Authority and the Future Dissolution of the CFD#1 Mello-Roos.

Mr. Cary moved that the Board of Trustees approve Resolution 2020-01: Approving the Final Settlement Agreement of the El Dorado Schools Financing Authority and the Future Dissolution of the CFD#1 Mello-Roos with modifications presented to the Superintendent in sections 3.3.1.1., 3.3.1.2. and one minor change to 3.3.3. Mrs. Veerkamp seconded. Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

**Brown:** Aye  
**Cary:** Aye  
**Del Rio:** Aye  
**Rodgers:** Aye  
**Veerkamp:** Aye

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

There were no action/discussion items under this session.

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

There were no action/discussion items under this session.

**H. STUDENT SERVICES AND INNOVATION – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Consideration of Student Disciplinary Matters Relating to Expulsions and/or Readmissions.  
The Board of Trustees hereby adopts the Finding of Facts, Conclusions and Order of the Hearing Panel regarding the expulsion of Student # 19-6 and Student #19-7. Mrs. Veerkamp moved to approve the expulsion of Student # 19-6 and Student #19-7. Mr. Cary seconded. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

**Brown:** Aye  
**Cary:** Aye  
**Del Rio:** Aye  
**Rodgers:** Aye  
**Veerkamp:** Aye

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

There were no action/discussion items under this session.

**J. STUDENT SUCCESS – ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

There were no action/discussion items under this session.

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

1. Consideration of Nominations for the El Dorado County School Boards Association Annual Dinner Awards.  
The annual El Dorado County School Boards Association (EDCSBA) Awards Dinner is scheduled on Monday, March 30, 2020, at 5:30 p.m.

Superintendent Carruth reported that the Board of Trustees is invited to submit nominees deserving of recognition in the following categories:

- Category 1: Educational Statesmanship
- Category 2: Leader in Boardsmanship
- Category 3: Outstanding Community Member or Volunteer OR  
Outstanding Community Organization OR  
Outstanding Corporate Organization
- Category 4: Dolores Garcia Memorial Spirit of Boardsmanship
- Category 5: Lifetime Achievement Award

Mr. Brown moved to approve the following nominations of the Board:

- Mr. Cary for Category 4: Dolores Garcia Memorial Spirit of Boardsmanship
- EDUHSD School Resource Officers (SROs) for Category 3: Outstanding Community Organization

Mrs. Rodgers seconded. The motion unanimously carried (5-0).

**Brown:** Aye  
**Cary:** Aye  
**Del Rio:** Aye  
**Rodgers:** Aye  
**Veerkamp:** Aye

2. Second Reading of Board Bylaws: BB 9320 Meetings and Notices and BB 9323 Meeting Conduct.

On December 17, 2019, the Board conducted a first reading of the following Board Bylaws:

- Board Bylaw: 9320 Meetings and Notices
- Board Bylaw: 9323 Meeting Conduct

On January 14, 2020 the Board conducted the second reading of the Board Bylaws. They confirmed the review of BB 9320 and 9323 without any changes.

Mrs. Veerkamp moved to accept Board Bylaws 9320 and 9323. Mrs. Rodgers seconded. Motion unanimously carried (5-0).

**Brown:** Aye  
**Cary:** Aye  
**Del Rio:** Aye  
**Rodgers:** Aye  
**Veerkamp:** Aye

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

*Announcements and topics of interest reported by Board Members/Cabinet and timeline of items for future Board Meetings.*

Mr. Palmer:

- Mr. Palmer thanked Mr. Barnes and the EDHS team for hosting the meeting tonight. He thanked the boy scouts in the crowd for attending and thanked them for the work that they do for the community. Lastly, he reported that the group received good feedback from the student forum meeting tonight.

Mrs. Bartlett:

- Mrs. Bartlett stated that her heart goes out to the local law enforcement as well as the families affected by the recent tragedies in the community. She sends well wishes to Ms. Erin Arthur as well as her family. Mrs. Bartlett shared that she was thrilled to hear the EDHS student peer mentors speak in the

student forum meeting as it shows just how hard Mr. Barnes and his team are working towards implementing the new Student Success Initiative.

Mr. Moore:

- Mr. Moore thanked Superintendent Carruth for his presentation on item E.2. and shared with the community that there is page titled “Information About Measure A” on the District’s [website](#) for further details on the upcoming bond measure in March 2020.

Mrs. Fuson:

- Mrs. Fuson thanked Mr. Barnes and his team for hosting the Board Meeting and thanked The Foothill Grill for providing the Board of Trustees dinner and for the refreshments for the break.

Superintendent Carruth:

- Superintendent Carruth acknowledged Mr. Barnes’ for his incredible work to help students be successful and for going above and beyond consistently. His team of teachers are also committed to the success of students and work very hard.

Mr. Cary:

- Mr. Cary thanked everyone for a great meeting and for the very thoughtful nomination. He shared that he really enjoyed meeting with the students tonight and hearing about the peer-mentoring happening at the sites.

Mrs. Rodgers:

- Mrs. Rodgers wished everyone a Happy New Year and that she too enjoyed meeting with the peer mentors tonight. She shared that she attended the Hero’s Night at the Boys and Girls Club.

Mrs. Veerkamp:

- Mrs. Veerkamp thanked Mr. Barnes and his team for hosting the Board Meeting and The Foothill Grill for dinner. She shared that she also attended Hero’s Night at the Boys and Girls Club. They do a great job raising money for the community. She sent well wished to Ms. Arthur and congratulated Mr. Gunnensen on his recognition. Lastly, she shared how much she enjoyed meeting with the kids prior to the Board Meeting as well as hearing the presentations tonight.

Mr. Del Rio:

- Mr. Del Rio shared that he also attended Hero’s night and enjoyed meeting with the students tonight. It was great to see the student athletes representing their schools and themselves with their families.

Mr. Brown:

- Mr. Brown shared that it was great to see how well the peer-mentoring program has been going at the sites and that it is great to hear how much the students are enjoying it. He thanked Mr. Barnes for hosting and congratulated Mr. Gunnensen on his recognition. He welcomed and thanked the boy scouts for coming. Lastly, Mr. Brown congratulated Mr. Cary for his award nomination and stated that it is well deserved.

**M. CLOSED SESSION**

**N. OPEN SESSION**

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

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Ron Carruth  
Secretary to the Board of Trustees