

EL DORADO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES **UNADOPTED**

March 1, 2016

Conference Room B-2
El Dorado County Office of Education
Placerville, CA 95667

Board Members Present

Rich Fischer, President
Georgianne Knight, Vice President
John Lane
Heidi Weiland

EDCOE Staff Present

Robbie Montalbano, Deputy Superintendent
Mary Viegas, Executive Director, Child Development Programs
Elizabeth Blakemore, Assistant Director, Child Development Programs
Dina Gentry, Communications Director
Pico Vanhoutryve, Teacher, EDCOE Charter Univ. Prep.

Ed Manansala, Executive Officer of the Board
Susan Carney, Recording Secretary

Student Representatives Present

Sarah Smith, LTUSD via skype
Claire Jilbert, EDUHSD
Alexa Loos, EDUHSD
Elizabeth Carlisle, BOMUSD

Item

1. Meeting called to order by President Fischer at 12:30 pm.
2. Secretary recorded Board members present.
3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Elizabeth Carlisle.
4. Member Weiland motioned to approve the agenda; second by Member Knight; motion carries.
Aye: R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland
5. Superintendent Manansala asked staff to introduce themselves. Dr. David Roth, Superintendent, and Patty Randolph, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Buckeye Union School District, also introduced themselves.
6. No public comment.
7. Student Reports were given:
Ms. Smith shared that winter sports teams wrapped up successful seasons with the boys' basketball, wrestling, Nordic ski and alpine ski teams going to state playoffs - noting that a Viking wrestler earned first place. The winter dance held at the Lake Tahoe Resort Hotel was well attended and enjoyed by all. A "Black Light" dance is planned for March 18. Recently "Kindness Week" culminated with a custodian being awarded tickets to a Giants game. The drama crew will present *Rumors* in March.

Ms. Jilbert spoke about a visit by two Holocaust survivors as part of a History project at Independence HS and the Community Day School. An Independence HS student won the EDUHSD speech contest. Students from Independence HS created their own basketball team – a connector for students at the school.

Ms. Jilbert also highlighted sporting events at Union Mine HS and talked about ROP Fire Science and computer programming classes being added at the school. "Project Lead the Way" is growing in interest. Junior AVID students are putting on a senior fundraiser and senior meetings are being held. The school will host a Career Expo on March 16.

In her report from El Dorado HS, she spoke highly of the new band teacher and amazing band performances. The student leadership team hosted a talent show rally and is planning a Sadie's Dance. Senior meetings are being held. The wrestling team and girls' basketball team participated in state playoffs and a member of the ski team won a recent competition. Drama student, Christy Bray's one act play won the district competition and will be presented at the Linnea Festival.

Ms. Loos reported students of the Virtual Academy enjoyed a recent "Phantom Day". Students are scheduling classes for next year and another teacher will be added to staff. Campus tours of Folsom Lake College will take place in April.

The Ponderosa HS wrestling team became CVC champions by beating Bella Vista HS and basketball teams are doing well in post season play. The Academic Decathlon team achieved its 21st consecutive win of the county Academic Decathlon competition. Students enjoyed an activity of inclusion by finding their 'heart' -- paper hearts with each student's name were displayed around the campus. A kindness rap battle was the highlight of "Random Actions of Kindness Week" activities. Students carried out the theme of "Infinite Potential" during National FFA week by dressing according to different daily focuses. The choir and jazz band performed a cabaret show and the spring musical will be *Oklahoma*.

Ms. Loos mentioned the recent release of the Oak Ridge HS principal. Administration and staff were on campus to help ease student tension and ensure safety for all. Many activities have been held by student groups including: carnation sale by the National Honor Society, *Newlyweds* type game for Sadie's couples, "Scream Off" contest (won by sophomore class), "Dress for Career Day" week, and a theater show for student relations commissioners. On Feb. 22, a SAT practice test day was provided free of charge to students.

Ms. Carlisle reported that students at Georgetown School are participating in "Read across America" with parents volunteering to read to students at school. At Northside School, students are rehearsing for their "Evening of Music" performance. Junior high students will hold a talent show and chili feed. High school students will help with the junior high St. Patrick's Day dance by DJing the event. Golden Sierra HS students will hold an egg hunt on March 23. They are also preparing for a spring concert featuring a Disney remix theme. Senior Tiffany Phillips won the recent talent show competition where outstanding talents were displayed by a number of students. Girls' and boys' basketball teams wrapped up their seasons by playing a fun co-ed game. Girls' soccer teams are participating in numerous weekend tournaments. With assistance from the career advisor, all senior projects were completed. Recently, students participated in workshops to learn about handling finances and balancing check books. The Bio-medical class will attend Sierra College to learn about careers in the bio-medical field and to dissect cadavers. The County Coroner will also be visiting the classroom to share insights regarding career paths. A Sadie's rally with a 70's theme will be held later this month and the play, *Mid-Summer Night's Dream*, will be performed in April.

Board member Knight asked representatives about their post-graduation plans. Ms. Jilbert is excited to have been accepted into the honors program at University of San Diego; Alexa has been accepted to Cal Poly but is waiting to hear from other schools, including UCLA and Brown University; and Elizabeth has been accepted into the honors program at UC Irvine and is looking forward to experiencing dorm living.

8. President Fischer welcomed Dr. Roth and Ms. Randolph. Dr. Roth thanked the Board for the opportunity to share a bit about Buckeye Union School District and expressed appreciation for the support EDCOE provides to the District. He feels it is an exciting time in education and in order to keep pace with necessary changes, the District provides ongoing professional development to teachers and staff. He shared a brief promotional video, "Never Stop Learning", which will soon be released to the public. Dr. Roth expressed the importance of ensuring students have a positive experience in school – the foundation of which is literacy. He then spoke about the District's Balanced Literacy program and asked Ms. Randolph to share information about the 'differentiation' component of the reading program. Ms. Randolph provided examples of successes in the district's literacy program, one being video 'trailer clips' created by students of the middle school Academy Class. The clips were very well done, showing the connection of literacy and technology.
9. Member Weiland motioned to approve Consent items consisting of: Minutes of February 2, 2016 Board meeting; 2016-17 Head Start and Early Head Start program application totaling \$4,386,653 (funding totals based on 2015-16 totals; notice not yet sent by OHS). Funded federal enrollment: Head Start – 340 students, Early Head Start – 154 students and projected training and technical assistance funding - \$68,924. A 20% in-kind match of \$1,126,513 is required; Certificates of Honor for retiring certificated employees of the Buckeye Union School District; 2016-17 Revision #1 to the El Dorado County Charter SELPA to add fifteen charter schools and remove seven charter schools; second by Member Lane; motion carries. Aye: R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland
- 10.1 Pursuant to Education Code § 41020.3, the County Superintendent of Schools is presenting the EDCOE Independent Audit Report submitted by Goodell, Porter, Sanchez & Bright, LLP for the board's review. Michelle Hanson, of Goodell, Porter, Sanchez & Bright, LLP, presented the governance letter and conducted the audit report review. Following brief discussion, Member Knight motioned to accept the 2014-2015 EDCOE Audit Report as submitted; second by Member Weiland; motion carries. Aye: R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland

Member Lane excused himself from the meeting at 1:50 pm. Kathi Guerrero, First 5 El Dorado Executive Director and Beth Reynolds, EDCOE employee, joined the meeting at 1:53 pm.

- 10.2 Deputy Superintendent Montalbano provided copies of the Second Interim Fiscal Report for the Board's review. She also provided a handout summarizing the report, noting changes since the First Interim Report. Following discussion, Superintendent Manansala approved the Second Interim Fiscal Report as required by Ed Code § 1240 (l)(1)(A).
- 10.3 Following a brief explanation by Member Weiland of the nomination/selection process for CSBA Delegate Assembly and county representatives to the CCBE Board of Directors, Member Weiland motioned the ballot indicate the Board's continued support of Gregory Geeting as the Delegate representing Region 6; second by Member Knight; motion carries. Aye: R. Fischer, G. Knight, H. Weiland
- 10.4 President Fischer opened discussion of the annual calendar of Board meetings, noting that the October 2016 meeting will be held in So. Lake Tahoe. Member Knight asked about dates for the second meeting in June 2016. Discussion will continue regarding the June meetings at the April meeting. In light of two June meetings, Board members determined to go dark in July in order to provide for staff vacations. Member Knight requested graduation dates be calendared and shared.
11. Following a brief recess, Member Weiland reported that she will be traveling to Tehama COE to help facilitate a community forum focused on the hiring of a new county superintendent. Member Knight commented that she enjoyed watching the kids compete in the Academic Decathlon Super Quiz and then

seeing their excitement as they were rewarded for their hard work with medals during the Awards Ceremony. She also shared that student participants of the speech contest held at Miller's Hill, Latrobe School District, were very inspiring. No report by President Fischer.

12. Superintendent Manansala echoed Member Knight's positive comments about the Miller's Hill speech contest and the Academic Decathlon, commenting on the talents of many El Dorado County students. He spoke to the strength and resiliency of the community as he shared a touching story of the memorial service for one of our preschool students. Superintendent Manansala then introduced Ms. Blakemore, acknowledging her for the exceptional work she is doing and for being honored by her peers with the El Dorado County ACSA Distinguished Service award. He provided Ms. Blakemore an opportunity to share successes with the Board. She highlighted "High 5 for Quality", a rating and improvement system for licensed early care and education providers, developed and managed in a collaborative partnership with First 5 El Dorado. Ms. Guerrero added her congratulations, commenting on Ms. Blakemore's leadership and passion for high quality early childhood education.

Deputy Montalbano mentioned the June meeting for budget approval must be scheduled on a date following the date the budget is presented to the Board for consideration. President Fischer asked that budget documents be provided Thursday or Friday prior to the Board meeting.

13. Information Items were reviewed.
14. Member Weiland motioned to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 pm; second by Member Knight; motion carries.
Aye: R. Fischer, G. Knight, H. Weiland