

EL DORADO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES – UNADOPTED

December 5, 2017
Board Room - El Dorado County Office of Education
6767 Green Valley Road, Placerville, CA 95667

Student Representatives Present

Autumn Fowler Vogel, EDUHSD
Emily Haynie, EDUHSD
John MacLatchie, BOMUSD

Guests Present

EDCOE staff: David Publicover, Diane Lacombe, Dina Gentry, Caroline Earl, Sam Parcher, Tammy VanWarmerdam, Joel Butler, Susan Carney, Beth Reynolds and Legal Counsel, Mike Tucker
Pioneer Union School District: Superintendent Annette Lane, Ms. Haboush, Mr. and Mrs. Duran, Linda Duran and students A. Duran and E. Haboush

Board Members Present

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

EDCOE Administration Present

Dr. Ed Manansala, Superintendent
Robbie Montalbano, Deputy Superintendent
Kevin Monsma, Deputy Superintendent

1. Board President Knight called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm. Secretary recorded members present.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Member Fischer.
3. Member Fischer motioned to approve the agenda as presented; second by Member Akin; motion carries. Aye: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland
4. EDCOE staff, Board members, and student representatives introduced themselves.
5. Student Reports:

Ms. Haynie spoke about upcoming student activities at the Virtual Academy, including a canned food drive and Winter Festival. Students enjoyed “Movie Week” and participated in an Annual Fashion Show fundraiser. The fundraiser was a success with donations of clothing and other items provided by over 30 businesses and vendors. Independence High School hosted free ASVAB testing for students wishing to participate. Military personnel will return to IHS later in December to discuss individual student results. All eleventh grade students participated in the CA Healthy Kids Survey – a useful tool in assessing student health and well-being and in developing effective measures of support in key areas of need. Students and families enjoyed an incredible Thanksgiving Feast hosted by the ASB team.

John MacLatchie reported that through very successful *Go for Gold* fundraising events, over \$20K was raised to benefit Golden Sierra High School’s Sober Grad Night. He also provided information about Jr. and Sr. high school basketball, a food drive, field trip signups and a winter formal dance being co-hosted with Foresthill High School. John spoke about peer advocates and the Interact group working with staff to build culture among Jr. and Sr. high students sharing the same campus.

Reporting for comprehensive high schools in the El Dorado Union High School District, Ms. Fowler Vogel stated that all students are preparing for finals and that marching bands from El Dorado, Union Mine and Ponderosa joined to perform at the recent Placerville Christmas parade. Health Academy

students of El Dorado HS volunteered to participate in a Marshall Hospital disaster drill training that also involved Placerville fire and police departments. Oak Ridge students participated in a “Trojans Got Talent” show and collected many cans of food during a Thanksgiving Spirit drive. Ms. Fowler Vogel shared concerns voiced by students regarding the recent vape/bathroom issue at the school. Union Mine’s basketball teams played in the Gold Dust Tournament. Max Preps ranked their student cheering section at the top, and they are hoping the “Pit” can earn the honor again this year. Soccer and wrestling seasons are underway and a clothing drive was held as a way of ‘giving back’. Ponderosa students enjoyed a Poetry Slam and a Sr. dodgeball tournament. Preparations are underway for “Pondo Things” – an 80’s winter dance themed after the television show, *Stranger Things*.

6. Superintendent Manansala introduced Pioneer Union School District Superintendent Annette Lane. Superintendent Lane stated it was an honor to provide the Board with presentations by two remarkable students who will provide insight to areas the District values in preparing students for success.

Ethaniel Haboush, an eighth grade student at Mountain Creek Middle School, shared copies of his short story, *Resistance*, spoke briefly about the English class assignment and the inspiration to write from antagonistic view. He shared a PowerPoint presentation and responded to Board member inquiries about plot development, characters, images used, and moral of the story. Superintendent Manansala and Board members commended him for the good work and presentation.

Andrew Duran, a seventh grade student at Mountain Creek Middle School, introduced himself and shared an Adobe Spark video titled *Imperial China Inquiry Project* that he created. Andrew confidently responded to numerous questions from Board members regarding the subject matter, script, photos, audio, applications used, and process of creating the video. Board members and Superintendent Manansala praised Andrew on the very professional presentation.

7. No public comment.

8. Member Weiland motioned to approve Consent Items consisting of November 7, 2017 Board meeting minutes; Certificate of Outstanding Service for Caroline Earl; approval of records destruction; and acceptance of Charter Alternative Programs’ WASC Mid-Cycle Progress Report; second by Member Fischer; motion carries. Aye: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland

9. Superintendent Manansala introduced David Publicover, Executive Director of EDCOE’s Charter Alternative Programs. Mr. Publicover thanked the Board for joining him in recognizing Caroline Earle, an Adult Education teacher. Following accolades and comments of appreciation, the Certificate of Outstanding Service was presented to Ms. Earle by President Knight.

Mr. Publicover distributed a summary of EDCOE’s Adult Education Programs and a Charter Alternative Program WASC Mid-Cycle Progress Report. He provided highlights of the Extended Day Program – thanking Jeff Janoian and Armin Reese of EDCOE’s IT Department for their work on the online portal for parents. He also spoke about enrollments of the various Charter programs and the merger of the Career Prep and Community School programs and responded to numerous questions from Board members regarding independent study, program LCAPs, and outreach to parents of students enrolled in Charter programs.

Following a 5-minute break, the Board reconvened at 1:50 pm.

Action Items:

- 10.1 Deputy Superintendent Montalbano provided a review of the 2017-2018 First Interim Report as required by Education Code § 1240 (l)(A). She shared a summary handout and highlighted areas of change in income and expenses occurring post June budget adoption. Deputy Superintendent Montalbano responded to questions from Board members and Superintendent Manansala clarified details regarding recent settlements with ECTA and CSEA. Deputy Superintendent Montalbano wrapped up the review by acknowledging Diane Lacombe and her team for their work on the report.

10.2 The organizational meeting of the Board was held.

- Following comments by Member Weiland about her reelection to the CSBA Board of Directors, and discussion regarding past practice of electing Board officers, Member Weiland motioned to elect Member Knight as President of the Board for 2018; second by Member Akin; motion carries. Aye: D. Akin, R. Fischer, J. Lane, H. Weiland
- Member Akin motioned to elect Member Fischer as Vice President of the Board for 2018; second by Member Weiland; motion carries. Aye: D. Akin, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland
- Board President Knight announced the County Superintendent as Secretary/Executive Officer of the Board.
- Board President Knight opened discussion regarding the 2018 calendar of regular meetings presented. Requests that regular meetings be held later in the afternoon or evening were shared. Following discussion, Member Fischer motioned to accept the 2018 calendar of regular meetings with the following modifications: remove time specified for June 12 meeting, include July 3 meeting, September 4 meeting to begin at 3 pm (EDCOE employee picnic to follow), and October 2 meeting will be held in So. Lake Tahoe with a start time to be determined; second by Member Akin; motion carries. Aye: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland
- Board President Knight asked for Board member comment regarding Board Governance Workshops. Following receipt of a Governance calendar, discussion and no changes noted, Member Weiland motioned a Study Session/Governance Workshop be scheduled for March 6, 9 to 11:30 am; second by Board President Knight; motion carries. Aye: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland
- Board members reviewed a summary list of new Board policies and bylaws that were adopted in 2017. Member Akin stated there was nothing new to address at this time regarding Board bylaws. Board President Knight commented on the excellent leadership of Member Akin, the work of the Board bylaw ad hoc committee and EDCOE staff. She stated, “As a Board member and President, I feel the bylaws have served the Board well in further clarifying our responsibilities.”
- Member Lane motioned that Member Akin continue serving as the Board’s representative on the EDCSBA Council of Representatives; second by Member Weiland; motion carries. Aye: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland

10.3 As 2018 County Committee Officers, the 2018 El Dorado County Board of Education officers briefly discussed anticipated 2018 activities of the County Committee on School District Organization.

10.4.1 Member Weiland moved the Board go forward with the nomination of Shelton Yip to represent CSBA Region 6, County; second by Board President Knight; motion carries. Aye: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland

10.4.2 Member Weiland moved the Board nominate Misty DiVittorio to represent CSBA Subregion 6-C, District; second by Member Fischer; motion carries. Aye: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland

10.5 Prior to First Reading of Board Policy 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan, Board President Knight asked the Board to consider its role as partners around student achievement. She then summarized the process of bringing BP 0460 forward for First Reading and asked for input from Board members. Legal Counsel joined the meeting to provide clarification about the policy presented for First Reading being based on CSBA’s optional sample LCAP policy for County Boards of Education and the correlation to Superintendent Policy 0460 – Local Control and Accountability Plan, approved in September 2017. Following discussion, the Board held a First Reading of Board Policy 0460 LCAP, and agreed that with minor revisions, the policy would be brought to the January 2, 2018 Board meeting for second reading and adoption.

11. Board Member Reports:

Member Fischer expressed appreciation for several portions of the CSBA Annual Education Conference recently attended – one being a panel discussion about County Offices of Education’s role in supporting districts relative to the CA Dashboard. As member of the panel, Dr. Manansala provided

information about capacity building and partnerships. Member Fischer stated that he particularly enjoyed time with EDCOE administration and Board members at a group dinner.

Member Akin also enjoyed and appreciated CSBA AEC sessions and speakers. She thanked Dr. Manansala for providing a budget for the Board's attendance at the conference, and stated she is proud to serve on a well-functioning Board with Member Weiland representing at the state level and Dr. Manansala leading several sessions at the conference. As the Board's representative to EDCSBA, Member Akin spoke about upcoming events and asked Board members to consider attending EDCSBA trainings. She mentioned a CSBA Masters in Governance training will be held in 2018 at the Sacramento County Office of Education.

Member Weiland noted that a CCBE will host a 2-day advanced training for County Board of Education members March 22-24, 2018, at the Yolo County Office of Education in Woodland. Member Akin and Board President Knight expressed interest in joining Member Weiland for the training. Member Weiland announced that CSBA's bi-annual leadership training being planned for July 2018 in San Francisco will be a very good event. She concluded by sharing time commitments of serving in leadership roles of CSBA and CCBE.

Board President Knight thanked Member Weiland for her work in developing meaningful, targeted CSBA AEC sessions. She enjoyed several sessions about Charter School oversight – one joined by Deputy Superintendent Monsma and one presented by the Buckeye Union School District. She was pleased that the focus of the presentations were students and how best to serve them.

Member Lane provided no report.

12. Superintendents' Reports:

Superintendent Manansala began his report by sharing highlights of his recent trip to China as part of a team of educational leaders from across the USA assembled by the College Board. He was honored to represent El Dorado County as a speaker at an International Summit meeting while in China. Superintendent Manansala also mentioned work being done at the state level on the CA Dashboard, a new accountability system that will identify school districts needing assistance to provide quality education to students in specific areas of need. He announced that EDCOE staff is preparing to host a meeting of the California Collaborative on District Reform (CCDR) December 14 and 15th. It will be an honor to showcase EDCOE. He spoke briefly about William Brooks Elementary School being selected as a National Blue Ribbon School and referred to presentations given by Pioneer USD middle school students as an exclamation point to positive student outcomes in El Dorado County.

Deputy Superintendent Monsma informed the Board that the CA Dashboard would be released December 7th. In preparation for the release he has been meeting with school districts. He announced Gigi Marchini was hired as Director of Curriculum and Instruction and is excited she will assume the role January 1, 2018.

Deputy Superintendent Montalbano included program highlights in the budget report shared earlier in the meeting.

13. Information Items were reviewed.

14. Board President Knight adjourned the meeting at 3:55 pm.