

EL DORADO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MEETING MINUTES - UNADOPTED

December 13, 2019

9:30 am - Open Session

Board Room – El Dorado County Office of Education
6767 Green Valley Road, Placerville, CA 95667

Board Members Present

Heidi Weiland, President

John Lane, Vice President

Debbie Akin

Rich Fischer

Georgianne Knight

Ed Manansala, Executive Officer of the Board

Student Representatives Present

Daniel DeVore, EDUHSD Alternative Sites

Aiden Donnelly, EDCOE Charter Alternative Programs

Taylor Ivers, EDUHSD Comprehensive Sites

Jenna Shortridge, Lake Tahoe Unified School District

EDCOE Administration Present

Robbie Montalbano, Deputy Superintendent

Kevin Monsma, Deputy Superintendent

EDCOE Staff Present: Diane Lacombe, Dina Gentry, Joel Butler, Kim Stewart

Guests Present: Meghan Muyanja, Troy Henke, Joseph Benson Norman Gonzales, Heather Brown, Amber Bernhard, Amanda Wallis

Item

1. President Weiland called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM.
2. Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Trustee Knight motioned to approve the agenda as presented; second by Trustee Akin. Ayes: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries.
4. Student Reports:

Daniel DeVore shared his report for the EDUHSD alternative sites. Ten students are graduating from Independence this semester. Virtual Academy hosted a talent show, implemented a mentors program and volunteered with Toys for Tots.

Aiden Donnelly updated the Board on EDCOE Charter alternative programs. CCP is changing to a block schedule, implementing LiveSchool, and recently received a grant for STEM equipment. CUP and CCA are hosting a drama production, and adding career technical opportunities. CHSA held its annual craft fair. Adult Ed has awarded several diplomas to inmates at the SLT Jail. Extended Day will be operating during winter break.

Taylor Ivers reported for the EDUHSD comprehensive sites. EDHS has implemented a new schedule, allowing for extra help or tutoring for students. UMHS and ORHS have both been involved in community service projects and enjoyed a successful athletics season.

Jenna Shortridge spoke about South Tahoe High School. National Honor Society has inducted new members and implemented peer tutoring. The dance team performed at a Sac State football game. Basketball season is underway. The Climate Crew is participating in the Northern California Citizen's Climate Lobby.

Superintendent Manansala left the meeting at 9:50 AM.

5. There was no public comment.
6. Trustee Fischer motioned the approval of consent items including November 5, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes, EDCOE Temporary County Certificate Reports, November 2019, Resolution 2019-10: Resolution to Grant Additional Designated Period for Two Years Additional Service Credit (Golden Handshake) for local miscellaneous members eligible to retire in the Buckeye Union School District [Gov. Code 20904], Destruction of Records, and Disposition of Surplus Property; second by Trustee Knight. Ayes: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries.

7. Public Notice

- 7.1. Public notice was provided that management’s 2019-2020 initial proposal has been presented for the purpose of negotiations with the California School Employees Association, Chapter 488.

8. Action Items

8.1. Resolution 2019-11: Petition to Renew the Charter of John Adams Academy – El Dorado Hills

Trustees considered the petition to renew the charter of John Adams Academy – El Dorado Hills (JAA) for a period of five years, July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025. The Board reviewed the petition, supporting materials, and the EDCOE Staff Report and Recommendation from Superintendent Manansala.

Norman Gonzales, Director of Outreach and Compliance for John Adams Academy, expressing gratitude for the partnership with EDCOE staff through the renewal process. He stated that JAA had provided a fully legally compliant charter renewal petition and requested that the Board approve the renewal.

Trustees asked questions regarding pupil achievement, students with disabilities, the suspension and expulsion policy, and site visit plans. JAA representatives discussed additional supports for students with disabilities and core values which provided pathways to avoid suspension and expulsion. Deputy Superintendent Monsma noted that there would be two formal site visits per year, as well as ongoing informal visits.

Trustee Fischer motioned to adopt Resolution 2019-11 which adopts the administrative findings presented by EDCOE staff and renews the Charter of John Adams Academy – El Dorado Hills for a period of five years; second by Trustee Knight. Roll call vote ayes: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries.

8.2. El Dorado County Office of Education First Interim Budget 2019-2020

Deputy Superintendent Montalbano presented the 2019 - 2020 First Interim Budget report for the El Dorado County Office of Education. Significant changes since June included decreased ADA, reduced funding support to programs, STRS/PERS increases, and salary settlements.

Trustees asked questions about the impacts of PG&E’s Public Safety Power Shutoff events, Rite of Passage, and the Education Protection Account.

Trustee Fischer thanked Superintendent Montalbano for the format of the budget presentations. Trustees echoed their gratitude and appreciation.

Trustee Fischer motioned the approval of the EDCOE 2019-2020 First Interim Budget as presented; second by Trustee Knight. Ayes: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries.

8.3. County Committee on School District Organization

As 2020 County Committee officers, the Board briefly discussed anticipated 2020 County Committee on School District Organization activities. At this time no reorganization activities are anticipated.

8.4. Authorization of Superintendent's Compensation Ad Hoc Committee

The Board discussed the need to review the salary of the County Superintendent of Schools. Trustee Akin motioned to appoint Trustee Lane and Trustee Knight to an ad hoc committee for the purposes of reviewing the Superintendent's salary; second by Trustee Fischer. Ayes: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries.

The committee will report their findings and make a recommendation to the Board at an upcoming meeting.

8.5. Reauthorization of Board Policy Ad Hoc Committee

Trustee Knight motioned to appoint Trustee Akin and Trustee Fischer to the Ad Hoc Policy Committee to conduct a review of Board Policies and Bylaws, in order to present updates for Board consideration; second by Trustee Lane. Ayes: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries.

8.6. El Dorado County Board of Education Annual Organizational Meeting

8.6.1. Election of President and Vice President

Trustee Fischer motioned to elect Trustee Weiland the President and Trustee Lane the Vice President of the Board for 2020; second by Trustee Akin. Ayes: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries.

8.6.2. President Weiland announced the County Superintendent as Secretary/Executive Officer to the Board.

8.6.3. Determine dates, times, and location of regular meetings

Trustee Knight motioned to approve the draft calendar of meetings including the April meeting to be held at 9:30 AM on April 14, 2020, the October meeting to be held at 9:30 AM on October 6, 2019, and the December meeting to be held December 15, 2020; second by Trustee Akin. Ayes: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries.

8.6.4. Designate Board representative to EDCSBA Council of Representatives

Trustees thanked Trustee Akin for her years of service to EDCSBA. Trustee Akin motioned to appoint Trustee Weiland to the EDCSBA Council of Representatives; second by Trustee Fischer. Ayes: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries.

9. Board Member Reports

Trustee Weiland discussed her transition out of leadership roles with CSBA and CCBE. The Board commended her for her years of contribution and service. She enjoyed being able to attend sessions, and the general session speakers.

Trustee Knight enjoyed the CSBA Conference in San Diego, especially sessions on the Brown Act, the keynote speakers, and the use of technology.

Trustee Akin valued the ability to attend the CSBA Conference, noting the overarching theme of equity and access for all students. EDCOE staff presentations were informative and engaging.

Trustee Fischer thanked Deputy Superintendent Montalbano for her work at EDCOE and congratulated her on her new role. He was also happy for the well-earned retirement of Mr. Publicover, Executive Director of Charter Alternative Programs. also stated his ich – thanked and congrats to Robbie! Happy for David Publicover.

Trustee Lane gave his best wishes to Deputy Superintendent Montalbano and Mr. Publicover.

10. Superintendents' Reports

10.1. Superintendent Manansala did not provide a report.

10.2. At the request of the Board, Deputy Superintendent Montalbano discussed her new role at FCMAT.

10.3. Deputy Superintendent Monsma noted that the California Dashboard has been released, and eight El Dorado County Districts are eligible for Differentiated Assistance. Districts will continue focusing on chronic absenteeism. He reported that staff is working with other COEs to develop a framework which streamlines various programs and reporting requirements for districts. Staff will also begin recruiting for a new Executive Director of Charter Alternative Programs. Trustees asked questions about the predictive dashboard.

11. Information items were shared.

12. Trustee Knight motioned to adjourn the meeting; second by Trustee Akin. Ayes: D. Akin, R. Fischer, G. Knight, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.

Heidi Weiland, President
El Dorado County Board of Education

Dr. Ed Manansala, Superintendent
El Dorado County Office of Education