

EL DORADO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

MEETING MINUTES - UNADOPTED

February 4, 2020

12:30 pm – 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

Rich Fischer

Ed Manansala, Executive Officer of the Board

Student Representatives Present

Daniel DeVore, EDUHSD Alternative Sites

Hailey Jones, EDCOE Charter Alternative Programs

Taylor Ivers, EDUHSD Comprehensive Sites

Jenna Shortridge, Lake Tahoe Unified School District

EDCOE Administration Present

Kevin Monsma, Deputy Superintendent

Guests Present: Joel Butler, Josephine Connelly,
Heather Edwards, Dina Gentry, Mike Harris, Jen Josey,
Kim Stewart

Item

1. President Weiland called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM.
2. Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Trustee Lane motioned to approve the agenda; second by Trustee Fischer. Ayes: R. Fischer, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries.
4. Student Reports:

Daniel DeVore reported current events from EDUHSD Alternative Sites. Students have participated in performing arts field trip, school wide dances, and improved technology resources. Independence is hoping to provide a prom for students this year.

Reporting for Charter Alternative Programs, Hailey Jones shared information about their winter snowball celebration, dual enrollment at Folsom Lake College, upcoming graduations, and educational field trips.

Taylor Ivers described activities at EDUHSD comprehensive sites. Students are involved with Special Olympics, wellness events, and school dances. EDHS has implemented a new schedule to improve student success

President Weiland asked student representatives to share their thoughts about student access to mental health or wellness supports. Students indicated they were well-informed of methods to access mental health resources through their school sites. They appreciate access to counselors and would welcome an increase in availability. They acknowledged increasing comfort in discussing mental health concerns among peers and adults.

5. Charter Alternative Programs Principal, Michael Harris, provided an overview of their recent travel abroad. The purpose is to foster an appreciation of foreign culture, and an international world view. Twenty-three students from CuPrep and CCA traveled to Japan in the spring of 2019. Students are required to participate in a semester of history, combined with the trip for full course credit. Taiko drumming and Japanese language instruction are now available on campus. In the spring of 2020, students will travel to Washington DC.

6. Public Comment:

Josephine Connelly and Jen Josey presented trustees with notices from Lawful America regarding vaccine mandates, and read portions of the notice to the group.

7. Trustee Fischer motioned to approve the consent agenda consisting of approval of January 7, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes, approval of EDCOE Temporary County Certificate Reports, January 2020, acknowledgement of donations to the Community Observatory from Dave Bloomsness and Richard Post, approval of request by EDCOE Charter University Prep program to take students on field trip to Washington DC, March 19-26, 2020, and approval of disposition of surplus property; second by Trustee Lane. Ayes: R. Fischer, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries.

8. Action Items:

8.1. The Board will conduct a first reading of revised Board Policy 1330: Use of County Facilities and new Board Policy 3230: Federal Grant Funds. Revised policies and bylaws will be brought back to the March 3, 2020 Board meeting for second reading and adoption.

8.2. The Board discussed nominations for the El Dorado County School Boards Association annual awards. Trustee Fischer motioned the nomination, second by Trustee Weiland. Ayes: R. Fischer, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries.

9. The Board convened in closed session at 1:20 PM.

9.1. Pursuant to Education Code 46601, the Board conducted an Interdistrict Appeal Hearing, Rescue Union School District, Students RUSD-2020-AC and RUSD-2020-OC. The hearing closed at 2:08 PM and deliberations began. Move to deny – Rich, John. 3-0.

10. The Board reconvened in open session 2:40 PM.

11. Report of Closed Session Action

11.1. President Weiland reported closed session action. With a vote of 3-0, trustees voted to deny the appeal of the denial of interdistrict transfer for students RUSD-2020-AC and RUSD-2020-OC.

12. Board Member Reports

Trustee Fischer noted the strong candidate pool for superintendent of the Lake Tahoe Union School District.

Trustee Weiland discussed the possibility of providing student representatives with specific topics to discuss at each meeting.

Trustee Lane provided no report.

13. Superintendents' Reports

13.1. Superintendent Manansala discussed the upcoming Academic Decathlon, and thanked Kiwanis, EDCOE staff, and the entire community for their support of the event. EDCOE is exploring county partnerships in pursuing a mental health student services grant. Dr. Manansala has been invited to participate on a Special Education finance study technical advisory committee with WestEd.

13.1.1. The Board received the Quarterly Investment Portfolio Report for quarter ending December 31, 2019.

13.2. Deputy Superintendent, Kevin Monsma discussed county partnerships with Attendance Works, progress with the El Dorado Professional Improvement Community (EPIC), the new LCAP template. He also acknowledged Gigi Marchini, EDCOE's Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Accountability, for receiving the ACSA Silver Star Award.

13.2.1. The Board received the Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints for the quarter ending December 31, 2019.

14. Information items were shared.

15. Trustee Fischer motioned to adjourn the meeting; second by Trustee Lane. Ayes: R. Fischer, J. Lane, H. Weiland. Noes: none. Motion carries. President Weiland adjourned the meeting at 3:00 PM.

Heidi Weiland, President
El Dorado County Board of Education

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