

Durham Unified School District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Wednesday, August 21, 2019
District Boardroom
9420 Putney Drive, Durham, CA 95938

APPROVED

Minutes

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Durham Unified School District was held in the Durham Unified School District Board Room, Wednesday, August 21, 2019 and began at 6:00 pm.

Trustees Present: Alex DuBose, Kathy Horn, Lance Smith and Matthew Thorpe
Trustees Absent: Ed McLaughlin
Staff Members Present: Superintendent Lloyd Webb, Assistant Superintendent to Business and Operations RJ Anderson, District Secretary Tina Blenn, Principals: Lisa Atlas, Lora Fox and Robbin Pedrett; Director of Special Education Marilyn Bertolucci
Staff Members Absent: None

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Lance Smith called the DUSD Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

B. MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

C. CLOSED SESSION

1. Conference with Labor Negotiators Agency designated representatives: Board President, Unrepresented Employee(s): Superintendent (Government Code 54957.6)
2. Conference with Labor Negotiators Agency designated representatives: Superintendent Lloyd Webb
Employee Organizations: Administrative, CTA, CSEA, and Classified Confidential (Government Code 54957.6)
3. Public Employee Discipline / Dismissal / Release / Complaint (Government Code 54957)
4. Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Superintendent (Government Code 54957)
5. Student Expulsion: (1-Student #2017-1) Pursuant to Education Code section 35146. The Education Code requires closed session in these cases to prevent disclosure of confidential student record information

D. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

President Smith reconvened Open Session at 7:10 p.m.

E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Trustee Matthew Thorpe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

F. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION: No action was taken.

G. ADJUSTMENTS TO ORDER OF AGENDA:

Re: Certificated Resignation: Micaela Mercado School Nurse (correction) from DHS Counselor.

Discussion/Action Item #1 has been resolved and is removed from the Agenda. Discussion/Action Item # 3 will be moved to first consideration on Agenda and Item # 8 will be Tabled until the September 18th, 2019 Board Meeting.

H. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

- Harry Lindahl addressed the Board regarding Math Courses at Durham High School. He also received information regarding the FFA Fund Raiser Boots and Bow Ties.

I. DISTRICT REPORTS

- **Web Site Update:** Erin Sarcona-Lizardo
- **DUTA:** President Jona O'Shea, Vice President Megan Farley
- **Principals:**
 - Lisa Atlas, Durham Elementary School Principal, welcomed 100 + parents with a parent coffee on the first day of school. It was a great way to meet many of the families in the community. Shout Outs to the staff; there is a calm and engaged learning environment across the school. Collaboration is focused on completing baseline assessments and the best way to create groups for Reading Discovery, class instruction and Special Education Support as they plan for differentiated instruction. Staff meetings will focus on implementation of PBIS, support for behavior and academics. Enrollment: 472
 - Lora Fox, Durham Intermediate School Principal, has great expectations for the new 2019-2020 school year. Thank you DIS staff for a great start, classrooms look wonderful and students are happy. DIS is implementing PBIS, Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports. She also thanked Durham MOT staff for the preparation of having the school sites ready for the new year. Enrollment: 261
 - Robbin Pedrett, Durham High School Principal, welcomed staff and had the first Collaboration/Staff meeting where everyone received and reviewed a binder with all information for the upcoming year. WASC plan was also reviewed as this will be the year that they begin implementing the WASC "Action Goals". New staff includes: Christine Spade, DHS Counselor and Kayla Hall, Ag Teacher. Shout Out to Stacey Blake for organizing opening assembly and hosting the back-to-school dance. Thank you to Friends of Agriculture, who are truly dedicated to helping us make our agriculture program stronger! Enrollment: 318
 - MOT Report, by RJ Anderson: Bus routes have been established. There is a need for a Bus Driver and Van Driver. Staff has done a great job preparing our schools for the beginning of the year. Thank you!
 - Marilyn Bertolucci, Director of Special Education, reported that Durham Unified School District has 101 students eligible for special education services. Speech and Pathologist provide services for 25 students. 10 students have educational need that cannot be met within the services of Durham and have been enrolled into programs for their service. DUSD will be provided with an additional counselor from BCOE for students affected by the Camp Fire. The services may increase as they are able to reassess DUSD and the needs of the County as a whole.

- **Assistant Superintendent to Business and Operations, RJ Anderson:**
Working to close the books which will be done within the month. The Audit is done and auditors will return in November for their final review. Enrollment is slightly higher than last year.
- **Superintendent, Lloyd Webb:**
Working on securing an architect for the Bond project. Purchased air conditioning units. Establishing a master plan for Bond project. The Community Bond Advisor committee is searching for a taxpayer organization member. The sites are implementing Study Island that coincides with MAPP. A big thank you to Lisa Farrage-Johnson for her work with ELA students and their progress. Congratulations to all the principals, MOT crew, RJ and staff for a great start to a new year. Welcome to Lisa Atlas our new Elementary School Principal.
- **Board of Trustees:** No comments

J. CONSENT AGENDA was approved as presented with the correction of Item #9 Certificated Resignation Micaela Mercado (change from DHS Counselor to School Nurse).

Moved: Kathy Horn Second: Alex DuBose Vote: 4-0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1

K. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Site Master Schedules

L. ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Action:** Discussion/Approval of payment for Volleyball Officials for home games during the 2019-2020 Volleyball season due to unsettled contract between CIF and scheduled officials.
(Removed from Action Items)
2. **Action:** Selection of the Architect to Implement General Obligation Bond Projects.
After a short presentation to the Board from Brian Whitmore of BCA, the Board voted to table this Action Item for further consideration.
Moved: Matthew Thorp Second: Kathy Horn Vote: 4-0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1
3. **Action:** Discussion/Approval of Ag support position options and updates. The Board approved support for the Agriculture position pending additional specificity and identification of needs.
Moved: Kathy Horn Second: Matthew Thorpe Vote: 4-0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1
4. **Action:** Approval of July 2019 Board Policy Updates.
Moved: Matthew Thorpe Second: Alex DuBose Vote: 4-0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1
5. **Action:** Approval to authorize the Superintendent and Asst. Superintendent to pursue negotiations with Mobile Modular for the purchase or lease of the five portables located on Durham Unified School District property, and currently leased by Paradise Unified School District.
Moved: Kathy Horn Second: Alex DuBose Vote: 4-0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1
6. **Action:** Approval on purchase of Powder Coating Application booth and installation, in the CTE building, of the booth and the oven from MJB Welding Supply.
Moved: Matthew Thorpe Second: Kathy Horn Vote: 4-0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1

7. **Action:** Approval of the threshold for purchases before Board approval is required. After discussion, the Board approved to leave the Threshold for purchases at the standard set by Ed Code and BP 3300 Expenditures and Purchases – Business and Non Instructional Operations.

Moved: Alex DuBose Second: Lance Smith Vote:3-1 No Vote: Kathy Horn Absent: 1

8. **Action:** Approval of the relocation of one (1) auto hoist from CTE building.
(This item was tabled until the September 18, 2019 Board Meeting.)

9. **Action:** Discussion/Approval of Mandated Block Grant and Actual Cost Reimbursement.

Moved: Matthew Thorpe Second: Kathy Horn Vote: 4-0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1

10. **Action:** Approval for Disposal of various equipment. Upon review of the various equipment/items, the Board declared them surplus and voted for the auction/disposal of said equipment/items. The Board also requested a concurring list be presented at following Board meetings.

Moved: Matthew Thorpe Second: Kathy Horn Vote: 4-0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1

M. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES: None

N. RETURN TO CLOSED SESSION: 8:30 p.m.

O. CLOSED SESSION:

P. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: 9:40 p.m.

Q. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION: None

R. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE: September 18, 2019

S. ADJOURNMENT

President Smith adjourned the meeting of the DUSD Board of Trustees at 9:45 p.m.

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