

Durham Unified School District  
**Regular Meeting** of the Board of Trustees  
Wednesday, February 19, 2020  
District Boardroom 6 p.m.  
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, February 19, 2020 and began at 6:00 pm.

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

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

President Alex DuBose 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. Public employee appointment/employment: Superintendent (Government Code 54957)
6. 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**

Board President Alex DuBose reconvened Open Session at 7:00 p.m.

**E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Clerk of the Board, Ed McLaughlin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**G. ADJUSTMENTS TO ORDER OF AGENDA:** There were no adjustments to the agenda.

## H. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

- Durham FFA President, Lexi Vanella gave a report regarding the Durham FFA Chapter's events, activities and member accomplishments.
- Stacey Button, Cheer Coach requested 2 additional volunteer coaches.

## I. DISTRICT REPORTS:

- **DUTA** – Karla Rigsbee, DUTA Lead Negotiator, was in attendance to answer any questions from the Board. There were none.
- **Principals:**

### Lisa Atlas, Durham Elementary School Principal:

“One looks back with appreciation to the brilliant teachers, but with gratitude to those who touched our human feelings.” Many thanks to Ginni Vernau for her commitment and service to all the students and families’ lives she has enriched. DES students, families, and staff members have certainly been positively influenced by her life-long dedication in education. Principal Atlas would also like to thank Heather McCune for her work at DES and wishes her well in her new role at the District Office. Events/Happenings: The father/daughter dance was a huge success! The Math-A-Thon raised \$14,548.48 which will support extra-curricular field trips and assemblies. VAPA is performing The Music Man. Teacher collaboration finds staff not only discussing current classroom education but are also considering the students’ next level/grade for success. Common academic language for each subject area is being discussed to align across all grade levels. Staff meetings have been focused on development of clear objectives for student learning.

Enrollment: 479.

### Lora Fox, Durham Intermediate School Principal:

Staff Meetings, Collaboration and Personnel Leadership continue with a training for Run/Hide/Defend. There was also a Dashboard presentation. Thank you to DIS boys’ basketball coaches for a great season. Cameron Alex, Kevin Phillips, Matt Doyle and Matt Sakai. There will be a “Hollywood Dance” February 21 from 6:30 – 8:00pm. Chico State will host a Music Festival March 13 and Shady Creek Outdoor School is the week of March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Last but far from least – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Project Presentations on March 10 – 11<sup>th</sup>.

Enrollment: 256

### Robbin Pedrett, Durham High School Principal:

Work has begun on the Master schedule. Updating forms for the athletic director position. Registration will be completed by mid-March. Next semester DHS will again start work on WASC 2020-2021. Athletics: Basketball playoffs here, February 20-21. Wrestling: 3 girls qualified for Master’s Tournament and the Wrestling team has won its 11<sup>th</sup> straight Section Title! Soccer: The season is completed. Both girls and boys had high involvement and increase in skill level and competitiveness. Ski Team: Jillian Larrabee took first place in Alpine Ski Championships and is qualified for state competition the first week in March.

Enrollment: 313

### Special Education Director, Marilyn Bertolucci:

Caseloads: DES – 22 students / 13 students with high need; DIS – 28 combined; DHS – 21 / 9 high needs. Speech and Language Caseload: 31; Placements Outside DUSD: 11 in Regional Programs/ 1 Butte Area Social Emotional Solutions.

Assistant Superintendent to Business and Operations, RJ Anderson:

The budget workshop went well and was well received. Budget Committee has had its first meeting. Working on the second interim budget. Working with SchoolWorks and Alan Chambers to move Bond processes forward. The electric buses are on the road. The drivers like them.

Interim Superintendent, Joanne Parsley:

Within the first 12 days here, there have been several issues to address. Superintendent Parsley stated how enjoyable Durham Unified School District is and is looking forward to the work ahead. She has begun looking into several avenues to advertise Durham High School, showcasing Southern Oregon University Dual Credit program as well as the sports and ag programs.

Board of Trustees:

Matthew Thorpe: Thank you for the timely reports.

Kathy Horn: Thank you for the refrigerator at DES.

**J. CONSENT AGENDA** was approved as read.

Moved: Ed McLaughlin    Second: Kathy Horn    Vote: 5-0

**K. INFORMATION ITEMS:**

1. Durham Unified Teachers Association's Sunshine Proposal for Collective Bargaining with the Durham Unified School District for 2020-2021 year.

**L. ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **Action:** Discussion/Approval of Durham Recreation and Park District installation of Outdoor Fitness Course at the Midway Park. Information to be presented by Kelly Parsons, Durham Recreation and Park District Manager.  
Approval action was taken for Item #1 with the stipulation that the Board approve the final site plan for the proposed project.

Moved: Kathy Horn    Second: Ed McLaughlin    Vote:5-0

2. **Action:** Discussion/Approval of Measure X Facility Needs Assessment.

Moved: Matthew Thorpe    Second: Kathy Horn    Vote: 5-0

3. **Action:** Discussion/Approval of Durham Unified School District Sunshine Proposal for contract openers with Durham Unified Teachers Association (DUTA) for the 2020-2021 school year.

Moved: Ed McLaughlin    Second: Lance Smith    Vote: 5-0

4. **Action:** Discussion/Approval of 2019-2020 Durham Unified Teachers Association Certificated Agreement. This document is available for public review at the District Office.

Moved: Kathy Horn    Second: Lance Smith    Vote: 5-0

5. **Action:** Discussion/Approval of Winter Release Consolidated Application.  
This document is available for public review at the District Office.

Moved: Matthew Thorpe    Second: Kathy Horn    Vote: 5-0

6. **Action:** Discussion/Approval to procure a storage container for DHS Cheer equipment.  
This item was tabled for further consideration.
7. **Action:** Approval of the Annual Durham Unified School District Safety Plan 2019-2020.  
This document is available for public review at the District Office.

Moved: Matthew Thorpe      Second: Ed McLaughlin      Vote: 5-0

8. **Action:** Discussion/Approval of 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 DUSD Student Calendars.

Moved: Lance Smith      Second: Ed McLaughlin      Vote: 5-0

9. **Action:** Discussion/Approval of E-Rate Contract with CDW-G.

Moved: Matthew Thorpe      Second: Ed McLaughlin      Vote: 5-0

**M. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** None

**N. RETURN TO CLOSED SESSION:** 8:30 PM

**O. CLOSED SESSION**

**P. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:** 9:30 PM

**Q. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:** None

**R. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE:** Special Board Meeting March 4, 2020 at 4:30 pm.

**S. ADJOURNMENT:**

President Alex DuBose adjourned the meeting of the DUSD Board of Trustees at 9:35p.m.

*\*Agenda item documents are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the District Office.*

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