

Durham Unified School District  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
**Monday, March 13, 2017**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**(RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:00 P.M.)**  
District Boardroom  
9420 Putney Drive, Durham, CA 95938

*MINUTES*

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Durham Unified School District was held in the Durham Unified School District Board Room on March 13, 2017.

Trustees Present: Alex DuBose, Kathy Horn, Ed McLaughlin, Lance Smith and Todd Southam  
Trustee Absent: None  
Staff members present: Superintendent Leonard Foreman, District Secretary Tina Blenn, Business Manager Ron Sherrod, Principal Shirley Williams, Principal Jeff Kuhn, Principal Terry Bennett and School Psychologist/Director of Special Education Terry Quinto  
Staff members absent: none

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

President Ed McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Durham Unified School District Board Room.

**B. MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

**C. CLOSED SESSION**

**D. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

President Ed McLaughlin reconvened the meeting to open session at 7:10 p.m.

**E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Trustee Kathy Horn

**F. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

No action taken

**G. ORDER OF AGENDA**

No change to the Agenda

**H. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Anne Kuhn, Nicole Kuhn, Megan Sanchez, Elisa Sanchez, Megan Renner, Lorna Valdez, Alicia Rock, Nicole Rabo-Jarmush, Teresa Tolzmann and Alison Brigham addressed their concerns and support of educator, Stephanie Bohannon.

Harry Lindahl spoke on the 5 year cycle of budget and deficits and the need to address Durham Unified School District retention of educators.

## I. DISTRICT REPORTS

### 1. Principals

Shirley Williams, DES Principal gave an update on the following:

CAASPP/State Assessments Update

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade VAPA performances

DES Gala March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Professional Development

AVID Elementary tour: Luther Elementary in Live Oak, CA March 30, 2017

DES Garden Project: Waterlines in place

Enrollment: 463 students

Jeff Kuhn, DIS Principal gave an update on the following:

PEG papers have been graded

Medieval Feast Friday, March 31, 2017

Shady Creek Outdoor Education is the last week of April

Pat Riley has been nominated as the Certificated Teacher of the Year from DIS

SBAC testing the first two weeks of May

Enrollment: 232 students

Jeff Kuhn, Director of MOT gave an update on the following:

Hired a temporary driver, Suzan Hickman

Many field trips scheduled; busy organizing transportation

Thank you grounds staff for keeping our campus maintained

Terry Bennett, DHS Principal gave an update on the following:

Becky Bill is the Certificated Teacher of the Year at DHS

Professional Development continues on April 3, 2017

ASB hosted SCUD Saturday March 11, 2017

Camp Royal interviews March 15, 2017

Butte College Reg-To-Go March 15, 2017

Band to Disneyland March 23, 2017

Spring Band concert April 5 at 7pm

Spring Break April 10-14<sup>th</sup>!

Girls Basketball: SVL League Champions, Section Title and hosted the first round of State Playoffs at DHS.

Boys played Section playoff in Trinity

Wrestling finished another great year winning SVL League and Division 3 Section titles for the 7<sup>th</sup> time in 8 years!

Spring sports are in the process.

Enrollment: 296 students

### Comment from the Board:

President, Ed McLaughlin asked if the Girls Basketball team could come to the next Board Meeting for much deserved recognition

Trustee Horn, continued on those sentiments, adding the Board should recognize all athletic teams and academic teams for their success as well.

2. Business Manager Ron Sherrod gave an update on the following:  
Working on the Budget
  
3. Superintendent Len Foreman gave an update on the following:  
Superintendent Foreman reported the interviewing procedure for DUSD Superintendent will continue this Friday, March 17 at 8 am. There will be 6 candidates to participate in the personal interview process.  
Superintendent Foreman also said that his wife will be having surgery at the end of March and he will be home, attending to her.

**J. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD**

No items from the Board of Directors

**K. CONSENT AGENDA**

On a motion by Kathy Horn and seconded by Todd Southam, the Board approved the Consent Agenda with a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 5      Alex DuBose, Kathy Horn, Ed McLaughlin, Lance Smith and Todd Southam

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

**L. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Approval of Resolution #17-08 Reducing / Laying Off Particular Kinds of Certificated Employee Services was made by a motion from Kathy Horn and seconded by Todd Southam. This resolution was passed with a vote of 5 – 0.

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 5      Alex DuBose, Kathy Horn, Ed McLaughlin, Lance Smith and Todd Southam

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

2. The Board approved the DUSD Safety Plan with a motion by Todd Southam and seconded by Alex DuBose. The DUSD Safety Plan was passed with a 5-0 vote.

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 5      Alex DuBose, Kathy Horn, Ed McLaughlin, Lance Smith and Todd Southam

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

3. The DUSD Board approved the Self-Insured Schools of California contract by a motion from Kathy Horn and seconded by Todd Southam. Discussion: Kathy Horn requested further research and information on different insurance plans. Vote Called: This motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 5 Alex DuBose, Kathy Horn, Ed McLaughlin, Lance Smith and Todd Southam  
Nays: None  
Abstained: None  
Absent: None

4. Donation from Durham Community Foundation of \$1,761.26 for the Stadium/Coliseum Phase II Project was approved with a motion by Alex DuBose and seconded by Lance Smith. This motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Ayes: 5 Alex DuBose, Kathy Horn, Ed McLaughlin, Lance Smith and Todd Southam  
Nays: None  
Abstained: None  
Absent: None

5. The DUSD Board approved the Allowance of Attendance due to Emergency Conditions Waiver on a motion by Todd Southam and seconded by Kathy Horn. This motion passed with a 5-0 vote. Trustee Horn commented on the excellence of DUSD management during this emergency.

Ayes: 5 Alex DuBose, Kathy Horn, Ed McLaughlin, Lance Smith and Todd Southam  
Nays: None  
Abstained: None  
Absent: None

**M. RETURN TO CLOSED SESSION:** Called by Trustee Horn at 8:05 p.m.

**N. CLOSED SESSION**

**O. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

The Board meeting did not reconvene following this session.

**P. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

There was no action taken during this session.

**Q. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE: April 19, 2017**

**R. ADJOURNMENT** at 8:30 p.m.

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