

Durham Unified School District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Wednesday, September 20, 2017
6:00 p.m.
(RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:00 P.M.)
District Boardroom

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, Wednesday, September 20, 2017.

Trustees Present: Alex DuBose, Kathy Horn, Ed McLaughlin and Lance Smith
Trustees Absent: Todd Southam
Staff Members Present: Superintendent Lloyd Webb, Business Manager Ron Sherrod, District Secretary Tina Blenn, Principal Shirley Williams, Principal Jason Bramson, Principal Terry Bennett and School Psychologist/Director of Special Education Terry Quinto and Drew Edwards, MOT Manager
Staff Members Absent:

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Ed McLaughlin called the DUSD Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6 pm.

B. MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

C. CLOSED SESSION

1. Conference with Labor Negotiators Agency designated representatives: Board President Ed McLaughlin, Unrepresented Employee(s): Superintendent (Government Code 54957.6)
2. Conference with Labor Negotiators Agency designated representatives: Superintendent Lloyd Webb and Attorney Tom Gauthier
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)

D. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

President Ed McLaughlin reconvened Open Session at 7:10 pm.

E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Drew Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance.

F. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

No action was taken in closed session.

G. ORDER OF AGENDA

Item # 2 was removed from Discussion/Action and placed on the Consent Agenda.

Item # 6 from the Consent agenda was pulled for discussion and considered on Consent Agenda.

H. Information Items

DES – Trinity Schweitzer, 2016/2017 American Legion 4th Grade Speech Contest winner presented her winning speech to Board

DHS – ABS Team introduced to Board: Vice President, Jorja Murphy; Secretary, Rachel Mars; Activities, Josiah Badie, Gracie Roath and Grant Patterson; Senior Class Officers: President, Garrett Hunt; Secretary, Caroline Grzanich; Treasurer, Faith Simon.

I. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Karla Rigsbee and Deena Cooper addressed concerns regarding the DIS Library schedule.

J. DISTRICT REPORTS

MOT Report, Drew Edwards

- Grounds – Need to seed Football field prior to soccer and varsity baseball.
- Maintenance – A.C. needs addressed, rollup door replacement
- Custodial – Kudos to Dean Stotler and Steve Bratt for outstanding summer work. Our whole crew is a great team! Could use an additional Custodian II and Custodian Substitute.
- Transportation – on verge of crisis; 45 day inspections, need a 4 hr/day mechanic temp. Reasons for increase in labor: 0 period and Special Needs routes

Principal Shirley Williams, Durham Elementary School:

- Back to School Night, August 24th was well attended
- Tech Update: 6 smart boards have been added. All 3rd/5th grade students have chrome books
- Professional Development: Shey Shanks will lead the Nurturing Heart Program
- Gala, March 23, 2018 at Sierra Nevada Big Room
- Guest Readers welcome and open invitation to the Board Members.
- Enrollment: 494 up 41 students from last year at this time!

Principal Jason Bramson, Durham Intermediate School:

- Friday, September 8th Hawaiian theme dance, 200 attended!!
- Renee Elsen, school counselor, organized new site club, UPS – United Panther Society. A service club which follows Robert's Rules of Order at meetings and focuses on projects to do around school.
- Math Department attended a common core training working to continually improve the department.
- Enrollment: 236
- Amy HilQuist is our new Athletic Director! Welcome Amy.
- Technology Update: cabling project is in process at DES/DIS.
- Site requests are getting done in a timely manner.

Principal Terry Bennett, Durham High School

- Back to School Night a success; A parent's note, "The energy and enthusiasm from the teachers tonight was impressive!"
- Accolades to the Durham High School Fundraiser committee! The event is Saturday, September 30th, 6-10:30 pm at Almendra Winery.
- ASB – Movie Night, Back to School Dance, Popcorn Fridays. Homecoming October 2-6th. Thank you Stacey Blake for an outstanding job.
- Professional Development: September 28 – WASC/ September 29 – School Culture & Climate
- Rachel's Challenge – Kindness to Others (anti bullying message)
- Computer Using Educators (Cue) Conference in October. Training our staff to train others as we develop a technology savvy staff.
- Site Council – First meeting September 15th.

Business Manager Report

- Unaudited School Actual Report completed and presented

- Budget: will be updated with current staffing levels
- External Auditors: performing final fieldwork examination
- Site Wiring: DHS estimate is still pending.

Superintendent Report

- Reading at the Elementary School is quite a pleasure.
- Thank you Jason Bramson for organizing all sports and activities.
- Terry Bennett is much appreciated for bringing Rachel’s Challenge to Durham!
- Presented Catapult Emergency Contact System an excellent choice for immediate communication for sites, staff and parents
- Development of Teacher Leadership Group

K. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Trustee Kathy Horn expressed need for clean up at the District property located at 9501 Midway. She also stated the need to address the abandon house on the corner of Putney Drive.

Trustee Kathy Horn called for exploration of release time of all school sites to help relieve excessive traffic at 3 pm.

Board President Ed McLaughlin requested research into building a fence around Midway properties and include this project as a learning process for Ag students and supervised by MOT manager, Drew Edwards.

L. CONSENT AGENDA

After the discussion of item #6 Facilities Agreement with Durham Trojans and Item #10 DIS Crab Feed - Subject to endorsement from Durham Rotary that there is no conflict of interest regarding this fundraiser and the Rotary’s Annual Crab feed fundraiser; the Consent Agenda was approved with a motion by Lance Smith, seconded by Kathy Horn.

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Abstained:

Absent: 1

M. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Discussion/Approval of Annual Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators. The Board approved the Annual Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators with a motion by Kathy Horn and seconded by Alex DuBose.**

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Abstained:

Absent: 1

2. **Discussion/Action: Spring Coaches – (Pulled and Considered on the Consent Agenda)**

3. **Discussion/Action Before School DIS Library Schedule. With a motion by Alex DuBose, seconded by Lance Smith, the Board approved the DIS Library schedule with the addition of 1 hour prior to the beginning of school.**

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained:
Absent: 1

4. **Discussion/Action Revision of the Transportation/MOT assignments for Car/Van Drivers, Resolution #18-05. The Board approved the Revision of Transportation/MOT assignments for Car/Van Drivers with a motion by Alex DuBose, seconded by Lance Smith.**

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 3 Alex DuBose, Ed McLaughlin and Lance Smith
Nays: 1 Kathy Horn
Abstained:
Absent: 1

5. **Discussion/Action Additional Special Education Para Professional 4 hours/day 5 days/week. The Board approved the additional SPED Para Professional by a motion from Kathy Horn and seconded by Lance Smith.**

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained:
Absent: 1

6. **Discussion of Board Policies BP 5141.52 (a-c) / AR 5141.52 (a-f) Suicide Prevention. The Board accepted this as First Reading for BP 5141.52 a-c / AR 5141.52 a-f. Second reading will be at the October 18, 2017 Board Meeting. No action taken**
7. **Discussion of Board Bylaw BB 9150 / AR 9150 Student Board Members. After discussion of Student Board Member position, the Board requested striking the vote option in the policy and consider means of student appointment to this position. This item will be continued at the follow Board Meeting, October 18, 2017. No action taken**
8. **Discussion Public Hearing: EC601119 Sufficiency of Instructional Materials. (posted August 11, 2017) Hearing was held with discussion.**
9. **Discussion/Action Resolution #18-01 Sufficiency of Instructional Materials. The Board approved Resolution #18-01 Sufficiency of Instructional Materials with a motion by Alex DuBose and seconded by Kathy Horn.**

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained:
Absent: 1

10. **Discussion/Action Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials. The Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials was approved by the Board. Alex DuBose made the motion with a seconded by Kathy Horn**

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained:
Absent: 1

11. **Discussion/Action Resolution #18-02 Education Code 44256 (b) Departmentalized Classroom Assignment was approved by the Board by a motion from Lance Smith and seconded by Alex DuBose.**

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained:
Absent: 1

12. **Discussion/Action Resolution #18-03 Education Code 44258.2 Departmentalized Classroom Assignment was approved by the Board by a motion from Kathy Horn and seconded by Alex DuBose.**

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained:
Absent: 1

13. **Discussion/Action to proceed in the process of increasing Developer Fee Rates was approved by the Board by a motion from Lance Smith and seconded by Alex DuBose.**

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained:
Absent: 1

14. **Discussion/Action Adoption of the 2016-2017 Unaudited Financial Statements was approved by the Board by a motion from Alex DuBose and seconded by Kathy Horn.**

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained:
Absent: 1

15. **Discussion/Action Resolution #18-04 Adoption of Gann Limit was approved by the Board by a motion from Kathy Horn and seconded by Lance Smith.**

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained:
Absent: 1

**16. Discussion of Pathway between DUSD and DRPD. The Board discussed the possibility of a vehicle route from the Midway to be shared with Durham Recreation and Park District.
No Action Taken**

17. Discussion/Action Adoption of the M.A.P./Study Island program was approved by a motion made by Alex DuBose and seconded by Kathy Horn.

Vote as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstained:
Absent: 1

N. RETURN TO CLOSED SESSION

No return to closed session

O. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE: October 18, 2017

P. ADJOURNMENT

President Ed McLaughlin adjourned the meeting of the DUSD Board of Trustees at 9:36 pm.

Notes:

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

***Handout will be provided at the board meeting.*

If you require special accommodations to participate in the meeting, please advise Tina Blenn, District Secretary, 48 hours in advance at 895-4675 x227.