

Governing Board

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Board of Education
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
January 7, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Joe DiNunzio called the regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Davis Joint Unified School District to order at 4:00 p.m. Consistent with the Shelter in Place orders from the Governor and Yolo County, this meeting is compliant with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 which allows for a deviation of teleconference rules required by the Brown Act.

Call to Order

II. CLOSED SESSION

The Board convened in Closed Session for the following purposes: a) Discussion and possible action on personnel listed on the Consent Calendar for personnel employment/status actions; b) Conference with agency negotiator, Matt Best, regarding collective bargaining with ALT, DTA and CSEA; c) Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 (1 case) – interfund borrowing and d) Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation, significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9, Number of Cases: 1 (1 case).

Closed Session

III. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

III-a. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 6:54 p.m. Consistent with the Shelter in Place orders from the Governor and Yolo County, this meeting is compliant with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 which allows for a deviation of teleconference rules required by the Brown Act.

Open Session

III-b. Board Trustee Adams led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Patriotic
Observance**

III-c. Board Trustee present: Joe DiNunzio, President
Tom Adams, Vice-President/Clerk
Vigdis Asmundson
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Roll Call

Others present: John A. Bowes, Superintendent
Matt Best, Deputy Superintendent
Rody Boonchouy, Associate Superintendent of Instructional Services
Laura Juanitas, Associate Superintendent of Student Support Services
Amari Watkins, Associate Superintendent of Business Services
Maria Clayton, Public Information Officer

Marcia Bernard, Director of Instructional Technology Services
 Evan Lee and Mariana Ortega-Nuñez Student Representatives
 Dianna Stommel, DTA President
 Sande Royval, CSEA President
 Monica Roque, Board Recorder

**Roll Call
(continued)**

III-d. President DiNunzio announced that no decisions were made in Closed Session. There were three public comments read by Staff during Closed Session.

**Announcement
of Any Action
Taken in Closed
Session**

III-e. The agenda was presented for approval. Trustee Darrah moved to approve the agenda as presented. Trustee Adams seconded the motion.

Ayes: Adams, Asmundson, Darrah, DiNunzio, Hyder
 Noes: None
 Abstain: None

**Approval of the
Agenda**

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Superintendent's
Communication**

IV-a. Superintendent Bowes reported on various activities throughout the District.

DTA Communications

IV-b. DTA President Dianna Stommel addressed the Board.

**CSEA
Communications**

IV-c. CSEA President Sande Royval addressed the Board.

**Announcements
from Board
Members/Board
Liaisons**

IV-d. Board Trustees shared announcements of events and meetings.

IV-e. Student Board Representatives Lee and Ortega-Nuñez addressed the Board.

**Student Board
Representative**

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

V-a. President DiNunzio invited anyone interested in addressing the Board to do so at this time. One public comment was read by Staff.

Public Comment

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

President DiNunzio invited anyone interested in addressing the Board to do so at this time. Three public comments were read by staff.

The Consent Calendar was presented for approval. Trustee Asmundson moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Trustee Darrah seconded the motion.

**Consent
Calendar**

Ayes: Adams, Asmundson, Darrah, DiNunzio, Hyder
 Noes: None
 Abstain: None

A listing of approved Consent Calendar items follows:

- a) **Approve Meeting Minutes**
- b) **Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints**
- c) **Approval and Ratification of Bond Program and Facility Agreements**
- d) **Approval and Ratification of Contracts**

VII. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION**VII-a.**

Associate Superintendent Juanitas provided an update with the Yolo County's number of new COVID-19 cases and positive tests in the County and the Sacramento Region continues to remain in the State of California's Purple Tier.

**Steps to Return
to Campus**

Yolo County's Public Health Officer Dr. Aimee Sisson presented an overview on the current health situation in Yolo County. Information was provided on the current status of Phase 1a for distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine to health care workers, essential workers, older persons and those with underlying conditions and disabilities. Current supplies of the vaccine have been lower than anticipated for the county.

Dr. Sisson shared information on extracurricular activities criteria and how the current stay at home order limits the guidance to only family cohorts for music and sports.

Trustees thanked Dr. Sisson for her presentation.

Trustees discussed the criteria for re-opening and the risk factors for a full in person re-opening. Trustees had questions on requiring testing and vaccines for students when schools meet the criteria for re-opening.

The meeting recessed at 9:14 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 9:20 p.m.

Associate Superintendent Juanitas provided updates on the progress for small cohorts. An update was provided with steps the District has taken to prepare for an eventual return of students to campus with the installation of MERV 13 filters, obtaining additional hand washing and sanitizer stations, sprayers for cleaning, PPE and signage across campuses.

Associate Superintendent Boonchouy gave an update on the work of the Staff Action Team and the development of a hybrid in-person model recommendation that will be presented to the Board at the January 21 meeting.

Updates were also provided by staff on the current work on Bond Projects, Ethnic Studies, History-Social Science Curriculum, i-Ready Diagnostic Assessments and work to revise Elementary Report cards.

President DiNunzio invited staff to read any public comment emailed to boe@djUSD.net to do so. Thirty-four public comments were read by staff.

A motion was made by Trustee Darrah to move item VII.b. as the first presentation on the January 21 Board Meeting. Trustee Adams seconded the motion.

Ayes: Adams, Asmundson, Darrah, DiNunzio, Hyder

Noes: None

Abstain: None

The motion passed.

A motion was made at 10:46 p.m. by Trustee Adams to extend the meeting to 11:59 p.m. Trustee

Asmundson seconded the motion.

**Steps to Return
to Campus (cont.)**

Ayes: Adams, Asmundson, Darrah, DiNunzio, Hyder

Noes: None

Abstain: None

The motion passed.

A motion was made at 11:56 p.m. by Trustee Darrah to extend the meeting to 12:14 a.m. Trustee Hyder seconded the motion.

Ayes: Adams, Asmundson, Darrah, DiNunzio, Hyder

Noes: None

Abstain: None

The motion passed.

No action was required for this item.

VII-b.

**Board Bylaw
9323**

This item was moved to the January 21, 2021 meeting by roll call vote.

VIII. UPDATE ON TENTATIVE BOARD CALENDAR

**Update on
Tentative Board
Calendar**

VIII-a. A Tentative Board Calendar was presented for consideration

President DiNunzio invited staff to read any public comment emailed to boe@djUSD.net to do so; however, there was none.

IX. DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

**Date, Time, and
Place of Next
Scheduled
Meeting**

The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for January 21, 2021. Consistent with the Shelter in Place orders from the Governor and Yolo County, this meeting is compliant with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 which allows for a deviation of teleconference rules required by the Brown Act. The Board will convene in Open Session, and immediately thereafter adjourn to Closed Session at 5:00 p.m. The Board will reconvene in Open Session at approximately 6:30 p.m. In person attendance will not be permitted. Please email public comment to boe@djUSD.net. The meeting will be available for viewing live on cable television on DJUSD Education Channel 17 or stream the meeting at www.djUSD.tv.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Joe DiNunzio, President

John A. Bowes, Secretary

These minutes were approved at the Board meeting on: _____