

Governing Board
Cindy Pickett, President
Joe DiNunzio, Vice-President/Clerk
Tom Adams
Alan Fernandes
Bob Poppenga

Board of Education

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

April 2, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Cindy Pickett called the regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Davis Joint Unified School District to order at 5:00 p.m. Consistent with the Shelter in Place orders from the Governor and Yolo County, this meeting was 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 DTA and CSEA.

Closed Session

III. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

III-a. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 6:34 p.m. Consistent with the Shelter in Place orders from the Governor and Yolo County, this meeting was 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

**Patriotic
Observance**

III-b. Board Member DiNunzio led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

III-c. Board Members present: Cindy Pickett, President
Tom Adams
Joe DiNunzio
Alan Fernandes
Bob Poppenga

Others present: John A. Bowes, Superintendent
Matt Best, Deputy Superintendent
Bruce Colby, Chief Business and Operations Officer
Rody Boonchouy, Associate Superintendent of Instructional Services

**Roll Call
(continued)**

Laura Juanitas, Director of Student Support Services
 Maria Clayton, Public Information Officer
 Victor Lagunes, DTA President
 Monica Roque, Board Recorder
 Other interested citizens

III-d. President Pickett announced that no decisions were made in Closed Session.

III-e. The agenda was presented for approval. Member DiNunzio moved to approve the agenda as presented. Member Fernandes seconded the motion.

Ayes: Adams, DiNunzio, Fernandes, Pickett, Poppenga

Noes: None

Abstain: None

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

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Approval of the
Agenda**

IV-a. Superintendent Bowes reported his update would be included in the Presentation Item on the COVID-19 Update.

IV-b. DTA Representative Frank Thomsen addressed the Board.

IV-c. Superintendent Bowes read communications provided by CSEA President Sande Royval.

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

IV-e. Student Board Representatives were not present for the teleconference.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

**Superintendent's
Communication**

V-a. President Pickett invited anyone interested in addressing the Board to do so at this time; however, there was none.

**DTA
Communications**

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

**CSEA
Communications**

The Consent Calendar was presented for approval. Member Adams moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Member Poppenga seconded the motion.

**Announcements
from Board
Members/Board
Liaisons**

Ayes: Adams, DiNunzio, Fernandes, Pickett, Poppenga

Noes: None

Abstain: None

**Student Board
Representative**

A listing of approved Consent Calendar items follows:

- a) **Approve Certificated Personnel Report No. 15-20**
- b) **Approve Classified Personnel Report No. 15-20**

**Public
Comment**

- c) **Approve Meeting Minutes**
- d) **Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints**
- e) **Letter of Support for California's Assessment and Accountability Waiver to Request to the U.S Department of Education for the 2019-20 school year**
- f) **Approve and Ratify Bond Program Agreements**
- g) **Ratification of Contracts and Agreements**

**Consent
Calendar**

VII. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

VII-a.

Superintendent Bowes announced decision to close DJUSD schools for the remainder of this school year, while continuing student instruction through a Distance Learning Program. The decision was in consultation with the Yolo County Office of Education, other superintendents in Yolo County, our Yolo County Public Health Officer, and our Board of Education.

**COVID-19
Response Update**

Staff gave updates on communications, food services, distribution of Chromebooks to students, resources for Social Emotional Learning and distance learning.

President Pickett invited staff to read public comment emailed to the boe@djUSD.net mailbox. Deputy Superintendent read a few public comment.

Members thanked staff for their hard work during this challenging time. Members asked regarding outreach to vulnerable families and those farthest from opportunity. Members also asked questions on the role of paraeducators and messaging to older students regarding importance of shelter in place. Discussions with staff also occurred on grading and engagement of students.

No action was required for this item.

This item will be brought back for further updates on the April 16, 2020 Board Meeting.

VII-b.

Chief Business and Operations Officer Colby provided an update on the Measure G polling results. Final results will be available on April 8, 2020. A 66.7% approval rate is required for passage of this measure.

**Parcel Tax
Election Update**

President Pickett invited staff to read public comment emailed to the boe@djUSD.net mailbox; however, there was none.

No action was required for this time.

A final update will be provided during the April 16, 2020 Board Meeting.

VII-c.

Chief Business and Operations Officer Colby and Deputy Superintendent Best provided an update on Facilities Bond Projects. Deputy Superintendent Best reviewed key junctures for Board approval for all Bond Projects. Community input for each phase was also discussed.

**DJUSD Facilities
Bond Update**

Chief Business and Operations Officer provided an update on Bond Financing along with Rich Malone from Government Financial Strategies.

President Pickett invited anyone interested in addressing the Board to do so at this time; however, there was none.

Members discussed the critical importance for outreach and to align with what community needs are. Also discussed were questions from community regarding decisions on placement projects. Board give discretion to staff. District staff will make placement decision for the César Chávez MPR and move forward with the construction process.

No action was required for this item.

VIII. UPDATE ON TENTATIVE BOARD CALENDAR

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

**Update on
Tentative
Board
Calendar**

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

The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for April 16, 2020. 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.

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

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Adjournment

Joe DiNunzio, President

John A. Bowes, Secretary

These minutes were approved at the Board meeting on: _____