

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

Board of Education

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

July 23, 2020

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 11:00 a.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.

Closed Session

III. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

III-a. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 11:39 a.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 Member DiNunzio led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Patriotic
Observance**

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

Roll Call

Others present: John A. Bowes, Superintendent
 Matt Best, Deputy Superintendent
 Bruce Colby, Chief Business and Operations Officer
 Rody Boonchouy, Associate Superintendent of Instructional Services
 Laura Juanitas, Director of Student Support Services
 Maria Clayton, Public Information Officer

**Roll Call
(continued)**

Victor Lagunes, DTA President
Sande Royval, CSEA President
Monica Roque, Board Recorder

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

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

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

**Approval of the
Agenda**

Ayes: Adams, DiNunzio, Fernandes, Poppenga
Noes: None
Abstain: None

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

IV-a. Superintendent Bowes reported on various activities throughout the District. Superintendent Bowes announced that a community petition to nullify the provisional appointment was submitted to the Yolo County Office of Education. The requisite number of petition signatures were gathered, submitted and certified by the Yolo County Elections Office. With the provisional appointment nullified and as a function of law, the District is served by four Trustees, instead of five, through December 2020. Superintendent Bowes thanked Joy Klineberg for her second round of public service in two years as a Trustee.

**Superintendent's
Communication**

**DTA
Communications**

**CSEA
Communications**

IV-b. DTA President Victor Lagunes addressed the Board.

IV-c. CSEA President Sande Royval addressed the Board via a written statement read by Superintendent Bowes.

**Announcements from Board
Members/Board
Liaisons**

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

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

V-a. President DiNunzio invited staff to read any public comment emailed to boe@djud.net; however, there was none.

**Public
Comment**

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

**Consent
Calendar**

Ayes: Adams, DiNunzio, Fernandes, Poppenga
Noes: None
Abstain: None

A listing of approved Consent Calendar items follows:

- a) **Approve Certificated Personnel Report No. 03-21**
- b) **Approve Classified Personnel Report No. 03-21**

- c) **Approve Meeting Minutes**
- d) **Ratification of Contracts and Agreements**

VII. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

VII-a.

Superintendent Bowes provided an update on staff work during the COVID-19 Pandemic including surveys, work of Action Teams in the District, collaborative work with Davis Teachers Association and California Employees Association and the phased return to school being considered, and the current health situation in relation to COVID-19 and reported cases in Yolo County.

Staff presented survey results from parents and staff. Professional development strategies, instructional supports for English Language Learners, Special Education, tools for engagement of students, grading systems and assessments were also discussed.

Also presented by Elementary and Secondary Directors were possible block schedules during distance learning and benefits of each model presented.

Dr. Mary Ann Limbos, acting Public Health Officer for Yolo County presented current details on the surge of COVID-19 cases in Yolo County and factors that have contributed to the increase in COVID-19 cases.

President DiNunzio invited staff to read any public comment emailed to boe@djustd.net; however due to the amount of attention garnered on this item, and in the interest of time, the emails received and noted as public comment by the Board were posted to the agenda item for public review.

Trustees discussed studies presented and the new Yolo County Dashboard for COVID reporting. Trustees asked Dr. Limbos if there was any opportunity for school nurses to swab for testing and the District potentially contracting with a commercial lab for COVID testing.

Trustees also discussed with staff how the classroom practices in Distance Learning differ from before the school closure. Trustee asked questions on the tools and resources staff has access to for effective online teaching.

A motion was made by Member Fernandes that DJUSD will open the 2020-21 school year with a 100% Distance Learning program with students at their own school and incorporate a phased return to school that is consistent with state and local requirements, guidelines and indicators. Member Adams seconded the motion.

Ayes: Adams, DiNunzio, Fernandes, Poppenga

Noes: None

Abstain: None

The motion passed.

A motion was made by Member Adams Move to approve staff recommendation for elementary education with the understanding they will have the flexibility to address student

**COVID-19
Response
Update**

education as necessary in a phase 3 and 4 approach. Member Poppenga seconded the motion.

Ayes: Adams, DiNunzio, Fernandes, Poppenga

Noes: None

Abstain: None

The motion passed.

A motion was made by Member Fernandes to approve the quarter block schedule for secondary schools and direction to staff to ensure instructional continuity with each phase as we move towards a return to school. Member Poppenga seconded the motion.

Update on Tentative Board Calendar

Ayes: Adams, DiNunzio, Fernandes, Poppenga

Noes: None

Abstain: None

The motion passed.

VIII. UPDATE ON TENTATIVE BOARD CALENDAR

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

Date, Time, and Place of Next Scheduled Meeting

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

The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for August 6, 2020. 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. 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. In person attendance will not be permitted. Please email public comment to boe@djud.net. The meeting will be available for viewing live on cable television on DJUSD Education Channel 17 or stream the meeting at www.djud.tv.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned back to Closed Session at 4:03 p.m.

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 4:48 p.m.

President DiNunzio announced that no decisions were made in Closed Session

The meeting was adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

Joe DiNunzio, President

John A. Bowes, Secretary

These minutes were approved at the Board meeting on: _____

