

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

Board of Education

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

November 5, 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 5:00 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 subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9, Number of Cases: 3 (three cases) d) Public Employee Evaluation: Superintendent e) Conference With Labor Negotiator Tom Adams, Regarding Unrepresented Employee: Superintendent f) Conference with Labor Negotiator, John Bowes, Regarding Unrepresented Employees: Deputy Superintendent and Associate Superintendents g) Consider the Recommendation of the Administration Regarding Request to Readmit Student No. 18-05 and h) Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation, significant exposure to litigation under Government Code §54956.9(d)(2).

Closed Session

III. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

III-a. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 6:35 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 DiNunzio led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Patriotic
Observance**

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

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
 Monica Roque, Board Recorder
 Other interested citizens

**Roll Call
(continued)**

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. Trustee Adams moved to approve the agenda as presented. Trustee Poppenga seconded the motion.

Ayes: Adams, DiNunzio, Fernandes, Poppenga
 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 was not present to address the Board.

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

**Announcements
from Board
Members/Board
Liaisons**

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

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

**Student Board
Representative**

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

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

Public Comment

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

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

**Consent
Calendar**

A listing of approved Consent Calendar items follows:

- a) **Approve Certificated Personnel Report No. 10-21**
- b) **Approve Classified Personnel Report No. 10-21**
- c) **Approve Meeting Minutes of 10-01-20, 10-11-20 and 10-15-20**
- d) **Approve Resolution 36-21: Chromebook Refresh Purchase for TKE-2**

- e) **Adopt California State Water Resources Control Board Planning Grant Application Financial Authorized Representative Resolution No. 35-21 for Fairfield Elementary School Nitrate Drinking Water Compliance Project**
- f) **Approval and Ratification of Bond Program and Facility Agreements**
- g) **Approval and Ratification of Contracts**

VII. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

VII-a.

Public Information Officer Maria Clayton presented the California School Boards Association Golden Quill Award to Jeff Hudson and highlighted his essential role as a journalist that he plays related to public schools.

President DiNunzio invited staff to read any public comment emailed to boe@djUSD.net. Superintendent Bowes read two public comments received by email.

Trustees thanked Jeff Hudson for his work with the Davis Enterprise and congratulated him on receipt of the CSBA Golden Quill Award.

No action was required for this item.

Presentation of Golden Quill Award to Jeff Hudson

VII-b.

Staff provided an update with the possible re-entry to the State of California's Purple Tier due to the number of new COVID-19 cases and positive tests in the County and the fact the County would need to engage in stricter protocols to again bend the curve. Staff urged families and staff to participate in the Return to Campus surveys which will remain open until Sunday, November 8. The results of the surveys will be shared at the November 19 Board Meeting and will inform the development of our Distance Learning and Hybrid options for Phase 3 of our Return to Campus Plan.

Steps to Return to Campus Update

Staff provided an implementation update of Phase 2 of our Return to Campus Plan to safely bring students with the most urgent needs to campus first and the development of plans for Phase 3- a hybrid model that will include on- and off-campus instruction for all students. Special education assessments, as well as in person physical therapy services. Staff reported that additional services such as speech, counseling and occupational therapy will begin the week of November 9.

President DiNunzio announced that due to the large number of public comments and in the interest of time, all public comments had been collected into one PDF document and attached to this Board agenda item, which is publicly available by visiting our Agenda Online website at: https://www.djUSD.net/about/governance/boe/board_meetings emailed to boe@djUSD.net.

President DiNunzio noted that the Board of Education and Superintendent have carefully read each email that had been shared for public comment, and thanked the public for their ideas, opinions and thoughts on this item.

No action was required for this item.

VII-c.

Deputy Superintendent Matt Best provided an update on DJUSD Grant Awards and other revenues that have funded programs and construction throughout the District.

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

Trustees thanked staff and the community for the success rate of grant submissions and passing of Bond Measures.

DJUSD Grant Awards and Other Revenues Update

VII-d.

The employment contract extension between the Davis Joint Unified School District and John Bowes, Superintendent was presented for approval.

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

A motion was made by Trustee Fernandes Approve the employment contract extension for John Bowes, Superintendent, with a 2021-22 annual salary of \$269,920. Seconded by Trustee Adams

Approve Employment Contract Extension for John Bowes, Superintendent

Ayes: Adams, DiNunzio, Fernandes, Poppenga

Noes: None

Abstaining: None

Motion passed unanimously.

VII-e.

The employment contract extension between the Davis Joint Unified School District and Matt Best, Deputy Superintendent was presented for approval.

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

A motion was made by Trustee Poppenga Approve the employment contract extension for Matt Best, Deputy Superintendent. Seconded by Trustee Fernandes.

Approve Employment Contract Extension for Matt Best, Deputy Superintendent

Ayes: Adams, DiNunzio, Fernandes, Poppenga

Noes: None

Abstaining: None

Motion passed unanimously.

VII.f.

The employment contract extension between the Davis Joint Unified School District and Rody Boonchouy, Associate Superintendent was presented for approval.

Approve Employment Contract

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

Extension for Rody Boonchouy, Associate Superintendent

A motion was made by Trustee Adams Approve the employment contract extension for Rody Boonchouy, Associate Superintendent. Seconded by Trustee Poppenga.

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

Motion passed unanimously.

VII.g.

The employment contract extension between the Davis Joint Unified School District and Laura Juanitas, Associate Superintendent was presented for approval.

Approve Employment Contract Extension for Laura Juanitas, Associate Superintendent

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

A motion was made by Trustee Fernandes Approve the employment contract extension for Laura Juanitas, Associate Superintendent. Seconded by Trustee Adams.

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

Motion passed unanimously.

VII.h.

The employment contract extension between the Davis Joint Unified School District and Amari Watkins, Associate Superintendent was presented for approval.

Approve Employment Contract Extension for Amari Watkins, Associate Superintendent

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

A motion was made by Trustee Adams Approve the employment contract extension for Amari Watkins, Associate Superintendent. Seconded by Trustee Poppenga.

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

Motion passed unanimously.

VII.i.

Consideration was made by Trustees to readmit Student No. 18-05.

Consider the Recommendation of the Administration

President DiNunzio invited staff to read any public comment emailed to boe@djud.net; however,

there was none.

**Regarding
Request to
Readmit Student
No. 18-05**

Trustee Fernandes made a motion to approve the Recommendation of the Administration Regarding Request to Readmit Student No. 18-05 and to ensure all efforts to enable student to participate in in-person instruction where feasible. Trustee Adams seconded the motion.

Ayes: Adams, DiNunzio, Fernandes, Poppenga

Noes: None

Abstain: None

VIII. UPDATE ON TENTATIVE BOARD CALENDAR

**Update on
Tentative Board
Calendar**

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

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

The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for November 19, 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

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned back to Closed Session 10:14 p.m.

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 11:12 p.m.

The Board took action to provide direction to staff regarding a Special Education matter by roll call vote:

Ayes: Adams, Fernandes, DiNunzio and Poppenga

Noes: None

Abstaining: None

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 p.m.

Joe DiNunzio, President

John A. Bowes, Secretary

These minutes were approved at the Board meeting on: _____

