

*Governing Board*  
Tom Adams, President  
Bob Poppenga, Vice-President/Clerk  
Barbara Archer  
Alan Fernandes  
Madhavi Sunder

**Board of Education**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**  
**March 1, 2018**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Tom Adams called the regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Davis Joint Unified School District to order at 5:30 p.m. in the South Conference Room at the Susan B. Anthony Administration Building at 526 B Street, Davis, California.

**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; Conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation, significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9, (1 case); and Public employee discipline/dismissal/release.

**Closed Session**

**III. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS**

**III-a.** The Board reconvened in Open Session at 7:14 p.m. in the Community Chambers at 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, California.

**Open Session**

**III-b.** Board Member Bob Poppenga led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Patriotic  
Observance**

**III-c.** Board members present: Tom Adams, President  
Barbara Archer (arrived at 7:23 for the Open Session)  
Alan Fernandes  
Bob Poppenga  
Madhavi Sunder (arrived to Closed Session at 5:50 p.m.)

**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  
 Dianna Huculak, DTA President  
 Jim Herrington, CSEA President  
 Penny Pyle, Board Recorder  
 William Ewens, Student Board Representative  
 Jeff Hudson, Enterprise Reporter  
 David Greenwald, Davis Vanguard  
 Other interested citizens

**Roll Call  
(continued)**

**III-d.** President Adams announced the following decisions were made in Closed Session:

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

On motion by Member Archer and seconded by Member Poppenga, the Board took action to ratify a settlement agreement related to a special education matter by the following vote:

Ayes: Adams, Fernandes, Poppenga  
 Noes: None  
 Abstain: None  
 Absent: Sunder, Archer

The Board also approved Resolution No. 32-18 Release of Temporary Certificated Employees on motion by Member Poppenga and seconded by Member Fernandes by the following vote:

Ayes: Adams, Fernandes, Poppenga  
 Noes: None  
 Abstain: None  
 Absent: Sunder Archer

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

**Approval of the  
Agenda**

Ayes: Adams, Fernandes, Poppenga, Sunder  
 Noes: None  
 Abstain: None  
 Absent: Archer

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**Superintendent's  
Communication**

**IV-b.** DTA President Dianna Huculak addressed the Board.

**DTA  
Communications**

IV-c. The CSEA representative was not present.

CSEA  
Communications

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

Announcements  
from Board  
Members/Board  
Liaisons

IV-e. Student Board Representative William Ewens addressed the Board.

Student Board  
Representative

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

V-a. President Adams invited anyone interested in addressing the Board to do so at this time. Several/ members of the public addressed the Board.

Public  
Comment

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

Consent  
Calendar

Ayes: Adams, Archer, Fernandes, Poppenga, Sunder  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None  
Student Representative Preferential Vote: Ewens

A listing of approved Consent Calendar items follows:

- a) **Approve Certificated Personnel Report No. 14-18**
- b) **Approve Classified Personnel Report No. 14-18**
- c) Approve Meeting Minutes was postponed
- d) **Approve Comprehensive School Safety Plans**
- e) **Approve Resolution No. 35-18: Support of Accelerating the Distribution of Proposition 51 School Facilities Funds**
- f) **School-Connected Organization Authorization**
- g) **Review of purchase Order Report**
- h) **Review of Warrant Report**
- i) **Ratification of Contracts and Agreements**

VII. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

VII-a. Director of Student Support Services Laura Juanitas and Facilities Director David Burke presented an overview which covered the District’s current safety measures, evaluation of current protocols, training opportunities, and planned safety improvements at school sites for Spring 2018.

District Safety  
Update

President Adams invited public comment. Several members of the public addressed the Board.

**District Safety Update (continued)**

Board members discussed at length their individual areas of high priority and concern, which included increasing school resource officer personnel, safety protocols beyond the school day, threat assessment protocols, and among high priority for a majority of the Board were way-finding signage and seeking community input about campus safety ideas as it relates to a future general obligation bond.

Member Sunder moved to create a task force and to complete the major signage this month, and direct the Facilities Subcommittee to come back to the Board with a component for the Facilities Master Plan that prioritizes safety.

Member Archer seconded the motion with the addition of including a report on the cost analysis of a second school resource officer.

Members Sunder and Archer further clarified their motion indicating 1) the community task force should look at best practices for safety and share information; 2) impose a one-month deadline for the needed way-finding signage which was recommended by the Grand Jury audit and 2016 Board commissioned safety study; 3) direct the Facilities Subcommittee to come back to the Board having gone through planning and recommendations around what a safety plan within the FMP would look like; and 4) bring back to the Board within 30 days a cost analysis for an additional school resource officer, having worked with the Davis Police Department about cost sharing.

Following a discussion between the Board and staff regarding the bidding/contracting procedures and timeline for the needed school signage, Member Sunder amended her motion to move forward with the signage with all deliberate speed, in the best and fastest way. Members Archer accepted the motion.

Member Sunder also clarified that the structure of the task force would be delegated to the Superintendent.

Ayes: Adams, Archer, Fernandes, Poppenga, Sunder

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Student Representative Preferential Vote: Ewens

**VII-b.** The Board received a report about the survey to determine community interest in a parcel tax for employee compensation. Katherine Young of EMC Research reported the key findings noting support for a potential \$198 parcel tax was just over two-thirds; however, she cautioned the support was not the same as for previous parcel tax elections. Voters are divided about the District's needs and a parcel tax measure would be vulnerable to vocal opposition, but in the right environment could be successful.

**Review Parcel Tax Feasibility Study**

President Adams invited public comment, two individuals addressed the Board.

The Board discussed the survey results and asked questions about community support and perceptions related to the various components of a parcel tax. It was the recommendation of Ms. Young, because the poll numbers were concerning enough, that a strategist firm be consulted. Following further discussion about using a strategist, the Board’s consensus was to refer research of a possible strategist firm to the Parcel Tax Subcommittee.

**Review Parcel Tax Feasibility Study (continued)**

**VII-c.** The Board received a detailed report presented by Associate Superintendent Rody Boonchouy, Montgomery Principal Jen McNeil and EL Director Ricardo Perez about the three instructional programs (Spanish Immersion, Two-Way Bilingual and English Only) at Montgomery Elementary and the impact of the disproportional student demographics, behavioral, and achievement results on the English Only strand.

**Marguerite Montgomery Elementary School Program Update**

Board President Adams invited public comment. Several parents addressed the Board.

**Extending the Meeting**

Member Fernandes moved to extend the meeting to midnight. Member Archer seconded the motion.

Ayes: Adams, Archer, Fernandes, Poppenga, Sunder  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None

As decisions for addressing the disparities in and creating solutions or restructuring the English Only strand at Montgomery are considered, the Board noted solutions must focus on and benefit the students, include effective and meaningful parent and family engagement, and addresses any teacher displacement.

This item will be brought back to the Board on March 15.

**VII-d.** Chief Business Officer Bruce Colby presented the Second Interim Budget update which included actuals to date and projections for the next year using the Governor’s January budget proposal. Mr. Colby noted there were no substantial changes since the last update.

**Second Interim Budget Planning**

**VII-e.** Member Archer moved to elect Jackie Thu-Huong Wong, Trustee in the Washington Unified School District to serve as a California School Board Association delegate representing the Yolo County Region 6A. Member Poppenga seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**CA School Boards Association Delegate Assembly Election**

Ayes: Adams, Archer, Fernandes, Poppenga, Sunder  
Noes: None  
Abstain: None

**VIII. UPDATE ON TENTATIVE BOARD CALENDAR**

**VIII-a.** A Tentative Board Calendar was presented for consideration. Members Sunder and Poppenga, the Board’s UCD liaisons, requested agendizing a discussion about a potential UCD-DJUSD joint partnership for use of land in West Village.

**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 March 15, 2018. The Board will convene at 5:30 p.m. in the Susan B. Anthony Administration Building at 526 B Street, Davis, for the purpose of immediately adjourning into closed session after any public input about items that will be considered in Closed Session. The Board will reconvene in open session at approximately 7:00 p.m. in the Community Chambers, located at 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis, California.

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

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was recessed at 11:57 p.m. The Board reconvened in Closed Session at 12:05 a.m. in the District Office South Conference Room. At 12:35 a.m. the Board reconvened in Open Session. President Adams announced there were no decisions made in Closed Session and adjourned the meeting.

**Adjournment**

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Tom Adams, President

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John A. Bowes, Secretary

*These minutes were approved at the Board meeting on:* \_\_\_\_\_