

# EL DORADO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 10, 2009

## MINUTES



### Board Members Present:

Matt Boyer  
Dolores Garcia  
John Lane  
Gene Rasmussen  
Heidi Weiland

### Staff Present:

Cathy Bean  
Terena Mendonca  
Kathy Daniels

### Guests:

Jean Pinotti  
Paula Rose  
Lee Joy  
Marty Hackett  
Students from Latrobe School District

### Student Representatives Present:

Adriana Palmiere, Black Oak Mine Unified School District  
Heather Stripe, El Dorado Union High School District

### Also Present:

Vicki L. Barber, Ed.D., County Superintendent and Executive Officer of the Board, and Janet Maruniak, Administrative Assistant to the Board.

The El Dorado County Board of Education was called to order by President Rasmussen at 11:30 a.m. at the El Dorado County Office of Education, 6767 Green Valley Road, Placerville, California. President Rasmussen led the group in the Salute to the Flag.

Item 4

### **Closed Session (Government Code § 54957.6)**

The El Dorado County Board of Education convened to Closed Session to hold conference with management's negotiator to discuss the parameters of negotiations.

Item 5

### **Closed Session Action**

President Rasmussen reported that no action was taken in Closed Session.

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### **Introduction of Guests**

Dr. Barber introduced Jean Pinotti, Paula Rose, Lee Joy, Marty Hackett, and Students from Latrobe School District.

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### **Approval of Agenda**

Member Weiland made a motion, seconded by Member Garcia, to approve the agenda as presented.

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### **Student Representative Reports**

Heather Stripe from the El Dorado Union High School District reported the following:

- Various fundraisers were held: Susan G. Koman Foundation fundraiser, Battle of the Bands, and Boys vs. Girls Rally.
- Winter sports are going well.
- There was a dynamic guest speaker at a rally regarding bullying on campus.

- Student Council is sponsoring a Valentine's Day candy-gram.

Adriana Palmiere from Black Oak Mine Unified School District reported the following:

- Spring sports are beginning.
- Registration for incoming freshman is taking place at Golden Sierra.
- A guest speaker visited Golden Sierra to talk to students about marijuana use. This speaker was very effective with students.
- Two fundraisers were held: Matchmakers for Valentine's Day, and Send Roses to Classmates.

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### **School District Presentation**

Jean Pinotti, Superintendent of the Latrobe School District, reported on current events taking place in the District. Students from the Claymation art class showed their designs and how they are created.

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### **Public Hearing**

The Public Hearing opened at 1:32 p.m., and with no public comment, closed at 1:33 p.m.

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### **Unfinished Business, Correspondence, Routing Reports, Legislation**

11.1 Legislative Update – Dr. Barber reviewed current education legislation.

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### **President's Report**

President Rasmussen had no report.

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### **Board Member Reports**

Member Weiland shared about an event taking place in January/February 2010 called "The Big Read."

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### **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Barber reported the following:

- On February 12, 2009, at 6:30 p.m., EDCOE is sponsoring a webcast entitled "An Evening for Policy" which will cover current aspects of the California State budget as it relates to public education.
- The annual Academic Decathlon was held Saturday, February 7, 2009. Ponderosa High School came in first place for the 17<sup>th</sup> year in a row.
- A Budget Forum held in January for EDCOE employees was very successful. We are looking at conducting another Forum in March. A follow-up survey was sent to employees asking for suggestions on how we could improve the next forum.
- She met with the California Department of Teacher Credentialing Hearing Board to testify on behalf of a person in the county that was having issues in the credential application process. She was happy to report that there was a successful outcome for this individual.
- A Charter Petition came before the Buckeye Union School District.
- She held a meeting with the land owner who owns the property behind EDCOE in what is commonly known as "Veerkamp Park".
- She has been re-appointed to the State Charter Commission.
- EDCSBA dinner took place on January 22, 2009. Member Garcia was honored with the highest award a Board Member can receive, the Spirit of Boardmanship Award.
- EDCOE honored Lisa Laird as the Outstanding Administrator at the ACSA Charter Awards Dinner on February 5<sup>th</sup>.

14.1 Dr. Barber reviewed the El Dorado County Office of Education Human Resources Transactions and Temporary County Certificates dated January 1 through 31, 2009.

Item 15

**Deputy Superintendent's Report – Educational Services**

Ms. Bean reported the following:

- Final preparations are being made for the high school/middle school articulation day on March 9, 2009. This process takes place every other year.
- The Charter Community School WASC accreditation visit will take place March 8<sup>th</sup> through March 11<sup>th</sup>. A dinner will take place on Sunday, March 8 at 5:00 p.m. for a pre-get-together at the County Office of Education. The Rite of Passage WASC visit is scheduled for March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.
- We still do not have a date for the Head Start/Early Head Start federal review.
- Sugarloaf registration took place yesterday, and it is full already! It is a nice sense of accomplishment to know this program is well thought of and people want to take part in this wonderful camp. 50% of attendees are part- or full-scholarship recipients.
- A partnership podcast is taking place next week between CSBA and County Superintendents for 10 minutes on running effective Child Development Programs.

Item 16

**Associate Superintendent's Report – Administrative Services**

Ms. Mendonca reported the following:

- The progress of our new Charter Community School facility continues in a timely manner. We have received all of the funds allocated to EDCOE for this project before the state put out the freeze on facility funding.
- Cash continues to be an issue for our Districts as the State of California is still without a budget. We are assisting the Districts with shortfalls. We are working with consultants to look at doing a county-wide tran-pool. We could get a better rate of return, better sizing, and could put us in a better position to meet shortfalls. As we see districts move into the future, and new deferrals arise, we need to make sure we are monitoring their shortfalls and place EDCOE in a position to plan in advance for those shortfalls.

16.1 Ms. Mendonca reviewed the Investment Portfolio Report for Quarter Ending December 31, 2008.

Item 17

**Consent Agenda**

Member Weiland made a motion, seconded by Member Garcia, to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following items: minutes of the meeting held January 13, 2009; a Certificate of Honor for retiring El Dorado County Sheriff's Department Officer Marty Hackett; acknowledgement of the acceptance of the following donations: \$4,180 from Intel Corporation to the EDCOE Charter Home Study Academy III at Smith Flat School, unspecified donation of monies from the Gold Trail Parent Teacher Organization to the EDCOE Special Services Emotionally Disturbed class at Gold Trail School, and one Kettler adapted trike from Mr. and Mrs. Hill to the EDCOE Special Services Preschool Class at Schnell School; Courses of Study for the El Dorado County Office of Education Rite of Passage Charter High School, Charter Community School and Home Study Academy, Golden Ridge School and Blue Ridge School; and the Triennial Update to the El Dorado County Plan for Providing Education Services to Expelled Students. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 18

**Board Policies**

The El Dorado County Board of Education is revising Board Policies.

18.1 A second reading and review was conducted for the following Board Policy:

2000 Administration

2800 Head Start/Early Head Start Policy Council "Policy Council" Authority (revised)

Member Weiland made a motion, seconded by Member Garcia, to adopt Board Policy 2800 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

- 18.2 The El Dorado County Board of Education conducted a first reading of the following new Board Policies:

6000 Instruction

6173 Education for Homeless Children

6174 Education for English Learners

Member Weiland made a motion, seconded by Member Garcia, to bring these policies back to the March 10, 2009, Board Meeting for a second reading and adoption. Motion carried unanimously.

19. Next Meeting Date

The next regular meeting of the County Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2009.

20. Adjournment

Adopted and Entered  
Into the Minutes

Respectfully Submitted,

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L. Eugene Rasmussen, Vice President  
El Dorado County Board of Education

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Vicki L. Barber, Ed.D., Secretary  
and Executive Officer of the Board