

Durham Unified School District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Monday, July 20, 2009 6:00p.m. (RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:00 P.M.)
Durham Elementary School All-Purpose Room

MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Durham Unified School District was held in the Durham Elementary School All-Purpose Room on July 20, 2009 at 6 p.m.

Trustees present: Dona Bertain, Mark Kimmelshue, Greg Sohnrey, Greg Johnson
and Bob Bultema

Trustees absent: None

Also Present: Mike Stuart and Connie Cavanaugh

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Dona Bertain called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

President Dona Bertain moved the meeting to closed session at 6:01 p.m.:

- 1) To meet with the district's labor negotiator, the Superintendent regarding administrative, certificated, classified, and classified confidential negotiations (Government Code 54957.6)
- 2) Public Employee Discipline, Dismissal and Release (Government Code 54957)
- 3) Conference with legal counsel- anticipated litigation (Government Code 54956.9(b)
2 cases

C. CLOSED SESSION

D. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

President Bertain returned the Board to open session at approximately 7:00 p.m.

E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Trustee Mark Kimmelshue led the Pledge of Allegiance.

F. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

President Dona Bertain reported that the board took action in closed session to approve a written settlement agreement between the district and a certificated employee. The settlement agreement was approved by a vote of 5 to 0.

G. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Several members of the public shared their views on the recall issue and expressed their thanks to Mike Stuart. Other topics were discussed.

H. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

The Notice of Intent to Recall Board Members was read and people were urged not to sign it as it would have grave repercussions on our district. Board members shared their feelings on the issue of the recall when asked by President Bertain. The importance of getting back to the business of educating our students was stated.

There is a possibility that a special meeting may be held the last week of July. If so, an agenda would be posted.

I. *SUPERINTENDENT REPORT*

Superintendent Mike Stuart thanked everyone for their support and urged voting against the recall.

J. *CONSENT AGENDA*

On a motion by Dona Bertain, seconded by Mark Kimmelshue the consent agenda was approved as presented.

K. *DISCUSSION/ACTION*

1. *Discuss Leadership Academy*

Superintendent Mike Stuart gave a PowerPoint presentation on this item.
This item will be brought back to the next meeting for more discussion.

2. *Discuss New Teacher Development Plan*

Superintendent Mike Stuart gave a PowerPoint presentation on this item.
A question was raised and addressed by Superintendent Stuart as to how to keep tenured teachers motivated. The agenda item will be brought back to the next meeting for more discussion.

3. *Discussion on District Communication Plan*

Superintendent Mike Stuart gave a PowerPoint presentation on this item.
This item will be brought back to the next meeting for more discussion.

4. *Discuss Formation of Agriculture/Career Technical Education (CTE) Advisory Committee*

Superintendent Mike Stuart discussed the formation of the advisory group. Several community members have agreed to participate.

5. *Resolution #09-09 Temporary Borrowing Between Funds*

On a motion by Greg Johnson, seconded by Mark Kimmelshue, the resolution was adopted unanimously.

6. *Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaint*

There were no complaints.

7. *Review and Discuss Draft Durham High School Student Athletic Handbook**

There is a discrepancy between the athletic handbook and the district drug testing policy regarding athletic eligibility. The handbook will be brought back to the next meeting for approval. Principal Kevin Martin asked the Superintendent to put together a survey of districts to see what is industry standard and that the drug testing policy and drug and alcohol portion of the athletic handbook be reviewed during the 09-10 school year. Jona O'Shea asked that the Breathalyzer policy be reviewed as well and volunteered to participate on a committee.

8. *Review and Discuss Draft Durham High School Student Handbook*

This item will be brought back to the next meeting.

9. *Review and Discuss Draft Durham High School Staff Handbook*

This item will be brought back to the next meeting.

10. *Board Policies:*

BP 5141.7 Students: Sun Safety (Proposed New Policy – First Reading)

This policy will be brought back for a second reading on August 10.

L. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mark Kimmelshue and seconded by Greg Johnson, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:21 p.m.