



DUNSMUIR
Joint Union High
School District

Est. 1911
100 Years of Academic and Athletic Excellence

Jacob Mekeel, Superintendent/Principal

Board of Trustees
Mariella Hines
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DUNSMUIR JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES 4:00 P.M.
May 06, 2026
DUNSMUIR HIGH SCHOOL
5805 High School Way, Room 106, Dunsmuir, CA 96025

Mission

To provide a comprehensive, rigorous and innovative education; empowering students to think critically, obtain and analyze information to synthesize solutions of life's challenges and complexities.

Vision

Graduates leave the school inspired to continue learning and motivated to become responsible citizens who contribute positively to society.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY Disability related aides or services to enable persons with disabilities to participate in public meetings are available. In addition, members of the public needing translation services during the Board meeting should contact the Superintendent 530.235.4835 one week prior to the scheduled meeting.

Per BB §9324 a recording may be made of this meeting.

Open Session

A. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mariella Hines
Amanda Johnson
Jean E. Rogers
Brian Wilson
Absent: Jeremiah LaRue

Jacob Mekeel, Superintendent/Principal
Shannon Cash, Chief Business Official

Student Board Member, Alaya Rogers

B. ADJUSTMENTS AND OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Action)

Additions to the Agenda must meet requirements as set forth in the Brown Act

Subsequent Need: The legislative body may act upon an item not appearing on a regular agenda upon a finding by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present, or by unanimous vote if less than two-thirds (2/3) but more than a quorum of members are present, that there is a need for immediate action and the needs for action came to the attention of the agency after the agenda was posted.

Emergency Situation: If by a majority vote the legislative body determines prior to any such action the "an emergency situation" exists and that prompt action is required, they may take action on an emergency item not appearing on the posted agenda. The emergency situation exception is for an agenda that has already been posted, in contract to an emergency meeting.

C. HEARING OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Speakers may be limited to 3 minutes on each agenda item with the total time for public comment on each agenda item limited to 20 minutes. BP §9323(c). Please be aware that this is a private meeting held in a public place and the Board is prohibited by law from taking action on any item presented if it is not listed on the agenda.

- **Items listed on the Agenda:** Under this item, the public is invited to notify the Board President which items listed on the agenda they would like to comment on and will be allowed to do so when the item comes up.
- **Items not listed on the Agenda:** Items not listed on the Agenda and are within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, the public is invited to notify the Board President they would like to address the Board under this item. Please note that the law requires no action or discussion be undertaken on any item not listed on the agenda, therefore, only a brief response will be provided by the Board or staff.

A Dunsmuir resident addressed the board to move or cancel a bus stop located next door to her home.

**D. CONSENT AGENDA
(Action)**

These action items are of a routine nature or items for which no discussion is anticipated and are acted upon by a single vote. Board Members may request that any item be removed and given individual consideration.

1. Warrants Registry Summary: Ratify commercial warrants as summarized
2. The Minutes of the previous meeting/s
3. Date and Location of the next three scheduled Board Meetings with Agenda Items
4. Gifts, Grants and Bequests BP 3290
5. Financial Report – Bi-Monthly)
(July, Sept., Nov., Jan., March, and May (under separate cover)

Brian Wilson moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mariella Hine.

Hines	aye	LaRue	absent
Rogers	aye	Wilson	aye
Johnson	aye	SBM	aye

Motion carried 4-0

E. BOARD RECOGNITION

1. Student of the Month, Ava Johnson
2. Adult Education Program Graduate

F. REPORTS

1. Forest Management Report
None
2. Student Board Member
Ms. Rogers reported on current fundraisers as well as future activities such as pep rallies, Prom (to be held 5/9) paint the street, senior skip day and graduation
3. Faculty and Classified Staff Report/s
None
4. Business Report
Mrs. Cash provided an update on the 24/25 Audit.
5. LCAP Report
Mr. Mekeel reported on the drafting of the new LCAP with our focus moving forward being to be more specific and targeted in regards to the LCAP goals. Surveys have gone out and material is being reviewed.
6. Athletic Director

None

7. Principal Report

Mr. Mekeel reported CAASP testing.

8. Superintendent Report

Mr. Mekeel on the Tiger Awards to be held May 27th at 6:00 PM.

	25/26							24/25					
	DHS		CDS		I.S.		Adult Ed	DHS		CDS		I.S.	Adult Ed
	Enroll	ADA	Enroll	ADA	Enroll	ADA	Enroll	Enroll	ADA	Enroll	ADA	Enroll	ADA
1 st day	40							63					
To date													
1 st	39	36.35	0		2		7	61	56.71	0		3	0
2 nd	38	33.90	0		2		7	61	54.5	0		6	0
3 rd	38	30.73	0		3		7	61	53.61	0		6	12
4 th	37	30.21	0		3		7	61	51.08	0		4	12
5 th	35	31.60	0		3		7	61	52.47	0		8	7
6 th	35	31.54	0		3		7	57	47.93	0		6	7
7 th	36	30.30	0		3		7	56	44.57	0		6	7
8 th	36	29.35	0		3		7	55	45.35	0		6	8
9 th								57	45.46	0		5	10
10 th								52	45.5	0		6	11
11 th								52	42.08	0		4	11
P1									54.16				
P2									53.87				
Annual								Annual					

G. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION

Under this item on the Agenda, the public is invited to address the Board regarding items that are on the Closed Session. Speakers are limited to three minutes each. The Board is not allowed under law to take action on matters that are not on the agenda.

None.

H. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

Instructions:

- Items to be addressed in Closed session must orally be announced by referring to the section number (Government Code § 54957.7(a).)
- The Board must reconvene in open session, where it may be required to report votes and action taken in Closed Session as required by section (Government Code § 54957.1.)

The Board went into Closed Session at 4:17 P.M.

Closed Session**A. ROLL CALL**

Mariella Hines

Brian Wilson

Jean E. Rogers

Jeremiah LaRue Absent

Amanda Johnson

Alaya Rogers, SBM Absent

Jacob Mekeel, Superintendent/Principal

Shannon Cash, CBO

B. Ed Code § 35146, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, Ed Code § 49069 et. Seq. No reportable action**1. CONFIDENTIAL STUDENT MATTER**

- C. Government Code § 54957
1. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION** No reportable action
 - a. Confidential/Classified Management Employee/s
 - b. Classified Employee/s
 - c. Certificated Employee/s
 - d. Board of Trustees
 - e. Superintendent
 - f. Principal
 2. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/EMPLOYMENT** No reportable action
 - a.
 3. **RETIREE BENEFITS** No reportable action

§ 54957.6 Negotiations with CTA

§ 54956.9 Pending Litigation
- D. Government Code § 54957.6
1. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR**
 - a. **Classified Employees**
 - i. Request to rescind settlement negotiations from Fall of 2025 was received
 1. The Board agreed to allow staff to work on the salary schedule to find consistency (step/column increases and year advancements between steps as long as the amount negotiated on and settled in the fall does not change).
 - b. **Unrepresented Employees: Superintendent/Principal Contract**
 - i. The Superintendent's 2026-2028 contract was approved at a rate of \$130,000 each year with a 2% increase each year.
- E. Education Code sections § 35146, §48918, §48900 et.seq., §48912(b) and §49060 et seq., and 20 U.S.C. section §1232g
1. **STUDENT DISCIPLINE OR OTHER CONFIDENTIAL STUDENT MATTERS**
 - a. No reportable action.
- F. Government Code § 54956.9 and § 54956.9 (d) (1) No reportable action
1.
 - a. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**
Name of Case: 0
 - b. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**
Specific number of cases: 0
- G. Government Code § 54956.9
1. **CONTRACT DISCUSSIONS**
 - a. No reportable action.

Open Session

- I. **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**
Announcement of any reportable actions taken in Closed Session.

The Board returned to Open Session at 6:01 P.M. and took action as noted above.

- J. **ITEMS FOR ACTION AND DISCUSSION (Continued)**

1. Superintendent/Principal 2026-2029 Contract

Brain Wilson moved to approve the 2026-2028 Superintendent contract was approved by the Board with amendments, seconded by Amanda Johnson.

Hines	aye	LaRue	absent
Rogers	aye	Wilson	aye
Johnson	aye	SBM	absent

2. Chief Business Official 2026/27 Contract

Brain Wilson moved to approved the 2026/27 CBO contract, with the duplicate technology stipend section removed, seconded by Amanda Johnson

Hines	aye	LaRue	absent
Rogers	aye	Wilson	aye
Johnson	aye	SBM	absent

Motion carried 4-0

3. Appointment/Hiring of Art Teacher

Mr. Mekeel recommended the Board of Trustees approve the employment of Naama Mor as the 26/27 Art Teacher at .33 FTE, Column IV, Step I. Amanda Johnson so moved, seconded by Brian Wilson.

Hines	aye	LaRue	absent
Rogers	aye	Wilson	aye
Johnson	aye	SBM	absent

Motion carried 4-0

4. Appointment/Hiring of Social Science Teacher

Mr. Mekeel recommended the Board of Trustees approve the employment of Jonathan Higbee as the 26/247 Social Science teacher at 1 FTE, Column III, Step I. Amanda Johnson so moved, seconded by Brian Wilson.

Hines	aye	LaRue	absent
Rogers	aye	Wilson	aye
Johnson	aye	SBM	absent

Motion carried 4-0

5. 2026/27 Teacher Contracts

Mr. Mekeel recommended the Board of Trustees approve the 2026/27 teacher contracts. Brian Wilson so moved, seconded by Amanda Johnson.

Hines	aye	LaRue	absent
Rogers	aye	Wilson	aye
Johnson	aye	SBM	absent

Motion carried 4-0

6. Resolution 26-27-01 Adult Ed District Representatives for the DJUHSD

Mr. Mekeel recommended the Board of Trustees approve Resolution 26-27-01 listing Jacob Mekeel as the member representative and Shannon Cash as the Alternate Representative for the DJUHSD. Brian Wilson so moved, seconded by Amanda Johnson.

7. Opening of Bid Packets and Award of Mural Project

The Board of Trustees opened, reviewed and scored each bid received for the mural project. Brian Wilson moved to approve awarding the bid to the Mural Man, seconded by Amanda Johnson.

Hines	aye	LaRue	absent
Rogers	aye	Wilson	aye
Johnson	aye	SBM	absent

Motion carried 4-0

8. Opening of Bid Packets and Award of the Greenhouse Assembly Project

The Board of Trustees opened, reviewed and scored each bid received for the assembly of the greenhouse project. Brian Wilson moved to approve awarding the bid to McNeil Construction, seconded by Amanda Johnson

Hines	aye	LaRue	absent
Rogers	aye	Wilson	aye
Johnson	aye	SBM	absent

Motion carried 4-0

9. 2026/2027 Board Meeting Calendar

Mr. Mekeel presented the 2026/2027 Board Meeting Calendar to the Board of Trustees for approval. Brian Wilson so moved, seconded by Amanda Johnson

Hines	aye	LaRue	absent
Rogers	aye	Wilson	aye
Johnson	aye	SBM	absent

Motion carried 4-0

10. Graduation Ceremonies

The Board of Trustees assigned Amanda Johnson and Jean E Rogers to hand out diplomas during our graduation ceremony to be held Friday, the 5th of June at 6:00 PM

J. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

1. Siskiyou County Board of Education Agenda/Minutes Reviewed
2. Calendar of Events Updates - **Check Web Site for updates**

K. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/REQUESTS

The Board may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under Section 54954.3. The Board may ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report. The Board may request reports back at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Regular meetings shall be adjourned at 10:30 P.M. Action may be taken at the end of the meeting to extend past 10:30 P.M. or adjourned to a later date if needed. BP § 9323

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 P.M.

Next regular meeting of the Dunsmuir Joint Unified High School District will be held on June 17, 2026 at 4:00 P.M.

G.C. § 54957.5

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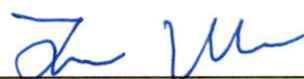
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