

**DOUGLAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #27**  
**DOUGLAS, ARIZONA**

Board Room  
Central Administration Building

5:00 PM  
December 10, 2019

**Work Study Session**  
**Minutes of the Board**

**I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:**

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Ray Borane, President

PRESENT: Mr. Mario Ramos, Member  
Mr. Mitch Lindemann, Member  
Mr. Natalio Sabal, Member  
Dr. Edward Gomez, Member

ABSENT: Fernando Nuñez, Assistant Superintendent  
Jimena Lamadrid, Ex-Officio Student Member

Others Present: Ana C. Samaniego, Superintendent  
Cesar Soto, Chief Financial & Operations Officer  
Alma Valenzuela, Superintendent's Secretary

*Meeting was moved to GREAT Room due to technical difficulties in the Board Room.*

**II. DISCUSSION ONLY:**

**A. Presentation of School Letter Grades & School Improvement Plans**

Mrs. Samaniego commented that the principals would be present on their school letter grades and improvement plans.

Mr. Randy Walker presented on the Douglas High School (DHS) letter grade and school improvement plan at great length. He advised that DHS is a "B" school and there is room for improvement. Dr. Gomez asked what is "4,5,6,7 year graduation rate"? Mr. Walker replied that the State reviews the graduation rate by going back 7 years. Mr. Ramos asked what created gains proficiency? Mr. Walker replied that in previous years it wasn't there but they have changed on how they look at data. The 2018/2019 is different but the 2020 data will be different again as only grade 10 will be tested.

Ms. Deborah Herrera and Mr. Henry Jones presented the Paul Huber Middle School (PHMS) letter grade and school improvement plan at great length. PHMS is a "C" school and they are working hard to improve by having tutoring, homework club, RTI, and ACING meetings. Ms. Herrera was the principal at Stevenson Elementary last year and Mr. Randy Walker was the principal at PHMS.

Mrs. Melissa Rodriguez and Mrs. Rodna LaMadrid presented the Ray Borane Middle School (RBMS) letter grade and school improvement plan at great length. RBMS is now a “D” school and under Monitoring Status. Last year they were in Comprehensive Support & Improvement and worked hard to improve. Last year, they had five (5) long-term substitutes and this year they only have one (1) long-term substitute. Class sizes are at about 30-33 students per class. They are also working to address the ELL situation separately.

Ms. Claudia Leon presented the Joe Carlson Elementary School letter grade and school improvement plan at great length. Joe Carlson is a “C” school. One of the goals is to improve academic achievement in grades 3-5 by 10% in Math and ELA. Ms. Claudia Leon was the principal at Clawson Elementary last year and Mrs. Geraldina Treviño was the principal at Joe Carlson.

Mrs. Rosella Melgoza presented the Sarah Marley Elementary School letter grade and school improvement plan at great length. Sarah Marley moved up to a “C” from an “F”. They have improved and are working hard to improve their letter grade.

Mr. Fernando Morales presented the Faras Elementary School letter grade and school improvement plan at great length. Faras is a “B” school. They are working hard to become an “A” school.

***Dr. Gomez left meeting at 6:49 p.m.***

Mrs. Deborah Herrera presented the Stevenson Elementary School letter grade and school improvement plan at great length. Stevenson is an “A” school. They are working hard to remain an “A” school by having ACING meetings, utilizing CORE Knowledge, and Thinking Maps. The staff and students worked hard. Mrs. Deborah Herrera was the principal last year at Stevenson and is now the principal at PHMS.

Mrs. Corinna Moen presented the Clawson Elementary School letter grade and school improvement plan at great length. Clawson is a “C” school. They are working hard to improve their letter grade. Mrs. Corinna Moen is the new principal at Clawson as Ms. Claudia Leon was the principal last year.

Mr. Borane thanked all the principals and assistant principals for all of their work in putting together the presentations.

**III. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, Mr. Lindemann motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Sabal seconded the motion. Motion carried 4/0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Mr. Mario Ramos	√		
Mr. Mitch Lindemann	√		
Mr. Natalio Sabal	√		
Mr. Ray Borane	√		

Absent: Dr. Edward Gomez

Minutes prepared by Alma Valenzuela, Superintendent's Secretary.

The Board at their meeting on May 12, 2020, approved these minutes.

Details regarding presentations and discussions are available on the audio and video recordings posted on the Governing Board page on the DUSD website at [douglasusd27.schoolinsites.com](http://douglasusd27.schoolinsites.com) (For exact statements made during the board meeting, you may request a copy of the audio).