

**Meeting of the School Board
David Douglas School District No. 40
August 18, 2009**

School board members present were:

	Dawn Barberis, Board Chair	
Mike Centoni		Annette Mattson
Frieda Christopher		Mike Price
Donn Gardner		Cheryl Scarcelli Ancheta

Also present were Barbara Rommel, Superintendent/Clerk; Natalie Osburn, Assistant Superintendent; Eric Kaganov, Executive Director of Slavic Youth of America; Olga Kaganova, Azbuka Academy Administrator; Jim Carlile and Linda Jessell, Co-Directors of the Portland State University Center for Student Success; and Gail Hunter, Board Secretary.

Representing the District: Mike Porter and Jenee Gifford, Attorneys
Representing Azbuka Academy: Matt Lowe, Attorney

The special meeting was held in response to the request of Slavic Youth of America for the Board to reconsider the June 19, 2009 notice of termination of the Charter Agreement between Slavic Youth of America and the District.

Call to Order

Hearing Regarding Termination of Azbuka Academy – On June 19, 2009, the District gave Slavic Youth of America, the Oregon nonprofit corporation operating Azbuka Academy, (hereafter referred to as “Azbuka Academy”) notice that the District intended to terminate the charter agreement between the District and Azbuka Academy executed in June 2008. On July 17, 2009, Azbuka Academy requested that the District provide Azbuka Academy with a hearing to reconsider the termination of Azbuka Academy. This board meeting was held in response to Azbuka Academy’s request for a hearing.

Presentations were made on behalf of Azbuka Academy by: Ms. Kaganova, Mr. Kaganov, and Mr. Lowe.

Presentations were made on behalf of the District by: Assistant Superintendent Osburn, Mr. Carlile, and Ms. Jessell.

The presentations were followed by questions by the Board for the District and Azbuka Academy. The District and Azbuka Academy made closing remarks. The Board discussed the termination and the information presented by Azbuka Academy and the District. A motion was made by Mr. Gardner and seconded by Mr. Price to approve the termination of the charter school contract between Slavic Youth of America and the David Douglas School District. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried in a vote of 5-2 (In favor of the motion: Barberis, Christopher, Gardner, Price, and Scarcelli Ancheta. Opposed: Centoni and Mattson.) As a result, the termination of the charter school contract between Slavic Youth of America and the

David Douglas School District was approved. The contract will automatically terminate on August 20, 2009.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.



Dawn Barberis, Board Chair



Barbara Rommel, Superintendent / Clerk

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