



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 12, 2008
Room C211, Lakewood High School
Lakewood, Colorado

Jefferson County School District R-1
1829 Denver West Dr., Bldg. 27
Golden, Colorado

Our mission: To provide a quality education that prepares all children for a successful future.

CALL TO ORDER: A special meeting was called to order by Scott Benefield, President of the Board of Education, at 3:04 p.m. in Room C211 at Lakewood High School, 9700 W. 8th Ave., Lakewood, Colorado. A break was taken from 4:52 p.m. to 6:19 p.m. so Board members could attend the district accountability meeting.

ROLL CALL: Roll call indicated that a majority of the Board was present – Scott Benefield, President; Dave Thomas, Second Vice President; Sue Marinelli, Secretary; and, Vince Chowdhury, Treasurer. Jane Barnes, First Vice President, joined the meeting at 6:19 p.m. Mr. Chowdhury left the meeting at 6:19 p.m. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration.

STUDY/DIALOGUE SESSION: The Board of Education met to receive a budget overview for 2008-2009 budget development.

DISCUSSION: The Board reviewed budget assumptions, incremental compensation increases, Budgeting for Results (BFR) proposals, and budget reductions. Cabinet recommendations on funding proposals and reductions were shared.

OUTCOME: The Board will continue its discussion of the budget as it develops and as employee negotiations continue.

STUDY/DIALOGUE SESSION: At 6:19 p.m., the Board of Education received an update on community and Cabinet feedback on a potential election. Ms. Barnes joined the meeting at 6:19 p.m.

DISCUSSION: The superintendent and Cabinet members shared information on community perceptions regarding a future election for a mill levy override and/or bond election. Additionally, polling information from Frederickpolls was shared. Key observations include: parents want to continue the support schools currently receive and

want more schools with the technology new schools have received; the public believes Jeffco Schools is wasting money; CSAP tests were not a satisfactory measure of student/district performance; and property values are important to citizens.

OUTCOME: The Board will continue to receive updates from the superintendent on potential reductions in service if an election is not held and what the expectations are of Jefferson County community leaders on a potential election.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for March 6, 2008.

Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on June 5, 2008.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education