



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

May 15, 2008
Board Room

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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 5:11 p.m. in the Seminar Room, upon motion by Jane Barnes, seconded by Vince Chowdhury, a majority of the Board of Education agreed to meet in executive session to discuss a student matter. Sue Marinelli joined the meeting at 5:15 p.m. The Board reconvened in open session at 5:57 p.m.

1. **PRELIMINARY**

01. **CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting was called to order by Scott Benefield, President of the Board of Education, at 6:02 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, May 15, 2008. Recess was held from 7:48 p.m. to 7:57 p.m.
02. **WELCOME TO THE AUDIENCE:** Mr. Benefield welcomed the audience.
03. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** At the invitation of Mr. Benefield, the assembly repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.
04. **ROLL CALL:** Roll call indicated that the Board was present in its entirety- Scott Benefield, President; Jane Barnes, First Vice President; Dave Thomas, Second Vice President; Sue Marinelli, Secretary; and, Vince Chowdhury, Treasurer. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration.
05. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

MOTION #1 (Approve Agenda): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Mr. Thomas, it was unanimous to approve the agenda as revised with the removal of Consent Agenda item 7.02, Policy Governance Monitoring

Report – EL-2, Treatment of Parents and Community, to Discussion Agenda item 5.03.

Aye: Ms. Barnes, Mr. Benefield, Mr. Chowdhury, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Thomas

2. **PUBLIC AGENDA:**

01. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Public correspondence received by the Board was made available for public perusal.
02. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Jason Bane, Trip Baltz, PTA Leaders – Urged the Board to approve a mill levy override.

Griff Wirth, principal, Wheat Ridge High, along with students and Wheat Ridge Mayor Jerry DiTullio - Urged the Board to consider a mill levy override in order to complete phase 2 construction at Wheat Ridge High School.

Suzanne Blankenship, Cynthia Goodberry, and Barbara Barry – Spoke to the Board about their wish to be involved with decisions regarding the relocating of Stober Elementary.

Wendy Wheaton, principal, Jeffco Open School, and members of the community - Urged the Board to support a mill levy override for improvements at Jeffco Open School.

Linda Jones – Urged the Board to consider a mill levy override to improve the athletic facilities at Green Mountain High School.

3. **HONORS AND RECOGNITION:** Evergreen High School cheerleading coach Tammy Dufford and team member Megan Bomgaars, along with members of the cheerleading squad, were honored for receiving the national High School Spirit of Sport Award from the National Federation of State High School Associations.

Warren Tech Principal Joe Shaw and students from the Warren Tech Skills USA program were recognized for qualifying to participate in the national competition.

Awards were presented by the Council on Diversity and the Office of Educational Equity to individuals who have displayed exceptional work in promoting diversity and equity in Jeffco Public Schools: Sharon Coffman and Vivian Elementary School students for Students; Grams Medina for Parents; Red Rocks Community College for Community; UIA Columbine for Group/Club/Organization; Tracy Phariss for Licensed Employees; Leroy Saiz for Classified Employees; Beverly Joyce Cosey for Administrators; Jerry Lassos received the Wayne Carle Legacy award.

4. **STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS AGENDA:**

01. **PUBLIC HEARING: 2008-2009 PROPOSED BUDGET:** Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer, presented the Board with the proposed 2008-09 budget.

No one addressed the Board of Education during the public hearing on the proposed budget.

5. **DISCUSSION AGENDA:**

01. **CONVERSATION ON MILL LEVY OVERRIDE AND BOND ELECTIONS (EL-5, 11):** Dr. Cindy Stevenson, superintendent; Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer, presented the Board with an update and discussed the possibility of a mill levy override and/or bond election for the near future to support the direction of the work to increase student achievement in Jeffco Public Schools.
02. **STAFFING STUDY REPORT (EL-5, 11):** Rick Myles and Irene Griego, community superintendents; Amy Weber, executive director of Human Resources; and other members of the Staffing Study Review Team presented the recommendations of the Staffing Study Review Team to the Board of Education.
03. **POLICY GOVERNANCE MONITORING REPORT (EL-2, TREATMENT OF PARENTS AND COMMUNITY):**

MOTION #2 (Approve EL-2 Monitoring Report): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Mr. Chowdhury, a majority of the Board voted to approve EL-2, Treatment of Parents and Community, as presented.

Ms. Barnes questioned follow-up on the Board community engagement, parent communication and involvement in decision making citing the Parent and Family Involvement Committee and districtwide calendar decision.

Aye: Mr. Benefield, Mr. Chowdhury, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Thomas
Nay: Ms. Barnes

6. **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:** Ms. Barnes reminded Board members of the established norms for visiting schools and asked that common language be used when discussing a possible mill levy. Dr. Stevenson advised the Board members that talking points would be developed and distributed.

Ms. Barnes and Ms. Marinelli requested a June 5 agenda item to discuss the Compensation Study Team work.

7. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION #3 (Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Mr. Thomas, it was unanimous to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as

presented: 7.01, Board Policy for Study EL2, Treatment of Parents and Community; 7.02, Board Policy No Revisions EL8, Facilities; 7.03, Board Policy No Revisions EL9, Emergency Superintendent Succession; 7.04, Supplemental Funds – No Child Left Behind Funds from Colorado Department of Education (EL-6, Financial Administration); 7.05, Supplemental Funds – Indian Education from U.S. Department of Education (EL-6, Financial Administration); 7.06, Supplemental Funds – Carmody Middle School from Hewlett Packard (EL-6, Financial Administration); 7.07, Supplemental Funds – Mountain Phoenix Community School from Colorado Department of Education (EL-6, Financial Administration); 7.08, Contract Addendum: Disaster Restoration Bear Creek High School (EL-8, Facilities); 7.09, Contract Award: Disk to Disk to Tape Backup Environment (EL-7, Asset Protection); 7.10, Contract Award Renewal: Pizza for Food Services Lunch Program (EL-7, Asset Protection); 7.11, Contract Renewal: Beverages (EL-7, Asset Protection).

Aye: Ms. Barnes, Mr. Benefield, Mr. Chowdhury, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Thomas

8. **DEVELOP NEXT AGENDA:** The Board discussed the Board Work Calendar and the agendas for the special and regular meetings of June 5 and 14, 2008. The special and regular meetings of May 29 and June 12, 2008 were cancelled.
9. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular business meeting was adjourned at 9:57 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held Thursday, June 5, 2008.

Amy Rogers, 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