

Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 27, 2014 Board Room Seminar 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.

1. Preliminary

1.01 Location: Board Room, Education Center

1.02 Call to Order

A special meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Ken Witt, President of the Board of Education, in the Board Room of the Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Thursday, February 27, 2014.

1.03 Roll Call

Roll call indicated that the Board was present in its entirety – Ken Witt, President; Julie Williams, First Vice President; Lesley Dahlkemper, Second Vice President; John Newkirk, Secretary; and, Jill Fellman, Treasurer. Marcia Anker, chief school effectiveness officer; Dr. Heather Beck, chief academic officer; Steve Bell, chief operating officer; and, Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer, represented the administration.

1.04 Approve Agenda

Motion #1 (<u>Motion to Approve Agenda as presented</u>): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams, the Board of Education approved the agenda for the special meeting of February 27, 2014, as presented.

Motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman, Mr. Newkirk, Ms. Williams, Mr. Witt

2. Consent Agenda

2.01 Executive Search Services Agreement: Ray & Associates

Motion #2 (Motion to Approve Agreement): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Dahlkemper, the Board of Education voted to approve and execute an agreement with Ray &

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Associates, Inc. to provide executive search services for an estimated not to exceed cost of \$44,580 based on the scope of work provided by the firm.

Motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman, Mr. Newkirk, Ms. Williams, Mr. Witt

3. Study/Dialogue Session

3.01 Budget Review

PURPOSE: Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer, and Lorri Dugan, director of Budget, provided the Board with an abbreviated version of the budget presentation initially scheduled for February 8 to gain a greater understanding of the district's budget.

DISCUSSION: Identification of specific budget priorities for the 2014-2015 budget development process were discussed. Other topics covered included fees, Board goals, professional development materials, full day kindergarten, negative factor in state finance act, equalization of charter school funding, compensation and reserves, class size, and employee PERA contributions.

CONCLUSION: The Board of Education will receive another presentation on budget priorities on March 6.

3.02 Community Engagement on 2014-2015 Budget

PURPOSE: For the Board of Education to finalize materials to be used for the March 3, 5 and 8 budget community engagement sessions.

DISCUSSION: Board discussion covered the content of the introductory/informational video to include the Board Ends goals, proficiency across grade levels in reading, writing and math, and the removal of high level school finance information.

CONCLUSION: Staff was given direction by the Board of Education on the video, script and materials to use for the March meetings. Mr. Newkirk will work with Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer, to finalize the video script.

3.03 Transition Plan

PURPOSE: For the Board of Education to continue its discussion of February 18 regarding transition planning in the absence of a superintendent.

DISCUSSION: Board discussion covered issues related to leadership by committee, length of search firm work, moving forward not stalling, unnecessary expense of interim, Mr. Witt and Ms. Fellman meeting with transition team weekly, and one point of contact.

CONCLUSION: The Board agreed to revisit the question of an interim superintendent in late April or early May.

Motion #3 (<u>Reporting Structure Change</u>): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams, the Board voted to amend the transition plan so that Employee Relations reports to Steve Bell and Communications to Lorie Gillis.

Motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Mr. Newkirk, Ms. Williams, Mr. Witt Nay: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman

4. Executive Session

1.02 Legal Advice on Teacher Dismissal Process

Motion #3 (<u>Executive Session for Legal Advice</u>): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams, the Board voted to enter into executive session to seek advice of legal counsel on the teacher dismissal process, pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) and 24-6-402(4)(f)(I).

Motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman, Mr. Newkirk, Mr. Witt

The Board reconvened in open session at 9:01 p.m.

5. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for March 6, 2014.

Helen E. Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on April 3, 2014.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education

I hereby attest that in my opinion the portion of this executive session for which minutes were not kept constituted a privileged attorney-client communication.

Brad Miller

Board of Education Attorney

I hereby attest that the portion of this executive session for which minutes were not kept was confined to the topic authorized for discussion in an executive session pursuant to C.R.S. section 24-6-402(4)(b).

Ken Witt President