



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

November 20, 2014
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

The meeting was video streamed live.

1.02 Call to Order

A special meeting was called to order at 5:30 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, November 20, 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. Dan McMinimee, Superintendent, represented the administration.

1.04 Approve Agenda

Motion #1 (Motion to Approve Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams, the Board of Education approved the agenda for the special meeting of November 20, 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. Study / Dialogue Session

2.01 First Quarter Financial Report 2014-2014

PURPOSE: The Board of Education monitored the district wide condition as outlined in Board executive limitation policies [EL-5 Financial Planning and Budgeting](#) and [EL-6 Financial Administration](#). Staff identified funds, departments and/or schools to monitor closely throughout the year.

DISCUSSION: The external auditor from Clifton Larson Allen LLP reviewed agreed upon procedures and noted no unusual trends were found that were not already reported. District staff reviewed the report and identified funds, departments and charter schools being monitored closely. The report included cash management and investment schedules, comparative analysis schedules for the General Fund, as well as narrative and comparative schedules for all other district funds. Three charter schools were flagged and Food Service costs remain higher than anticipated.

CONCLUSION: The Board reviewed the first quarter financial report and financial radar issues, thanked the staff and Financial Oversight Committee members for their work.

1.02 Legislative Platform 2015

PURPOSE: The Board of Education discussed its legislative priorities for the 2015 Colorado Legislative Session beginning January 2015.

DISCUSSION: Ed Bowditch, district lobbyist, presented to the Board Jeffco's existing legislative platform for discussion, and reported on leadership changes in the Colorado House of Representatives and State Senate.

CONCLUSION: Mr. Bowditch will continue to provide weekly updates to the Board.

1.03 2015/16 Budget Development Update and Board Budget Objectives and Priorities

PURPOSE: The Board of Education received an update on the budget development process, timeline and objectives as well as information, as requested, on polling. Staff requested Board direction and input regarding next steps for moving forward with community engagement, approval of the budget objectives, and any specific Board Budget Priorities to be incorporated into early 2015/2016 budget projections.

DISCUSSION: Lorri Dugan, director of Budget; and, Kathleen Askelson, interim chief financial officer, provided information to the Board. Discussion covered polling, surveys and community engagement.

CONCLUSION: No changes were made to the Budget Objectives as presented. The Board will continue its budget discussion on December 11.

1.04 Choice Survey Findings

PURPOSE: The Board of Education received the results of the School Enrollment and Choice Research conducted late Summer and Fall of 2014.

DISCUSSION: Dr. Syna Morgan, chief academic officer; Dr. Heather MacGillivray, director of Assessment and Research; and, Mike Freeman, achievement director, presented results of the School Enrollment and Choice Survey. Discussion covered Board questions, Research Method, Respondents, Enrollment Process, Choices, Focus Group Findings, Offerings and Next Steps.

CONCLUSION: Communication Services continues its work on updating the district website to ensure searchable school data is available to parents.

2.05 Board Academic Goals


PURPOSE: The Board of Education discussed its Ends policies to establish academic goals for the superintendent and district.

DISCUSSION: Discussion covered remediation rate, updating performance targets based on provided TCAP data and ACT trends.

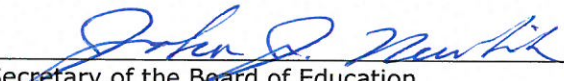
CONCLUSION: The Board of Education will finalize their revisions to Ends policies in December.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:37 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for December 11, 2014.


Marta Neil, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on January 15, 2015.


Secretary of the Board of Education


President of the Board of Education