



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

September 24, 2015
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.

1. Preliminary

1.01 Location: Board Room, Education Center

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., Building 27, 5th floor, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, September 24, 2015.

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. Fellman, the agenda was approved as presented for September 24, 2015.

Motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Fellman

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Board President Witt began the meeting with a moment of silence in recognition of the recent death of a Chatfield High School student.

2. Study/Dialogue Session

2.01 DAC Draft Bylaws (GP-12, 13)

Motion #2 (Motion to Adopt DAC Resolution): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams, the motion to establish a new district accountability committee (DAC) including membership, term, appointment and application as read into the record was withdrawn by Mr. Newkirk after discussion. (Attachment A)

Statements were made regarding the district accountability committee not being ready for draft bylaws, review of and vote on the resolution with four hours' notice, prior Board discussions of draft bylaws, one week postponement of the resolution vote, new DAC timeline, DAC application process, and rules and responsibilities for participation in DAC.

Motion #3 (Motion on Applicant Solicitation and Resolution Vote): Upon motion by Mr. Witt, second by Mr. Newkirk, the Board voted to instruct district administration to solicit participant applications to participate in the district accountability committee at the next meeting and to take the draft resolution for a vote at the next meeting.

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

Motion #4 (Motion on Application Process and Resolution Vote): Upon motion by Ms. Dahlkemper, second by Ms. Fellman, the Board did not agree to allow Superintendent McMinimee and SPAC/DAC leaders to put together a proposal on a DAC application and process; to discuss what the application and process would be; and, to vote on all three, including the resolution, together next week.

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

2.02 Special Education Overview-Student Pathway Perspective (Ends 2)

PURPOSE: The Board of Education received an overview presentation on the district's special education program.

DISCUSSION: Information was shared as requested regarding the 89 percent of Jeffco special education students who are in general education classrooms and the professional learning opportunities available to teachers to increase their knowledge of supports and cultural sensitivity to increase this student population's academic achievement. Discussion covered TCAP math and reading trends, Individual Education Plan (IEP) exiting students' achievement data, Acuity data effect size, additional measures for student performance, year-to-year trend performance and projection against Board Ends, learnings from re-evaluation of the special education program and parent satisfaction.

CONCLUSION: Board members will receive specific responses to Ms. Williams' submitted written questions, both in writing and through another agenda item at a future meeting.

2.03 Teacher Dismissal Matter: Act on Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact and Recommendation (EL-3, 10, 12)

Motion #5 (Motion to Adopt Order of Dismissal): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Mr. Witt, the Board voted to adopt the Order of Dismissal as read into the record. (Attachment B)

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

2.04 Grade Configuration on new Arvada School at the Candelas Site

Staff reviewed information and responded to questions regarding school site acreage, transportation, middle school building utilization, personnel and utility costs of school configuration choices given projected enrollments, transitions best for academic success, likelihood of 7-12 configuration in northwest corridor, and long term issues to address.

Motion #6 (Motion for K8 Configuration): Upon motion by Ms. Dahlkemper, second by Ms. Fellman, the Board failed to move forward with a K8 configuration at the Candelas site based on the recommendations of staff.

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

Motion #7 (Motion for K6 Configuration): Upon motion by Mr. Witt, second by Mr. Newkirk, the Board voted to build a K6 configuration at the Candelas site.

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

2.05 Security/Emergency Management Budget Request

Motion #8 (Motion on Security Funding): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Fellman, the motion to approve the request of Safety/Emergency Management for additional funds was withdrawn by Mr. Newkirk after discussion.

Staff reviewed one-time needs of \$734,000 for security upgrades at schools and on-going needs of \$776,000 for personnel. Superintendent McMinimee noted how administration intends to address these needs. The budget office will review the request and provide a specific proposal for the use of funds and from where existing funds will be reallocated to meet these needs. The Board will discuss this topic again on October 15.

2.06 Policy Adoption: EL-4, Staff Compensation

Motion #9 (Motion to Adopt EL-4 Revisions): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams, the Board voted to adopted revisions as discussed for Board executive limitation policy EL-4, Staff Compensation.

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

2.07 Policy Adoption: EL-5, Financial Planning/Budgeting

Motion #10 (Motion to Adopt EL-5 Revisions): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams, the Board voted to adopted revisions as discussed for Board executive limitation policy EL-5, Financial Planning/Budgeting.

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

2.08 Policy Adoption: EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring

Motion #11 (Motion to Adopt EL-13 Revisions): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams, the Board voted to adopted revisions as discussed for Board executive limitation policy EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring.


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

2.09 Policy Review: EL-9, 12

On Board executive limitation policy EL-12, School Safety, Mr. Witt proposed adding 'authorized' on #12, fail to provide for the safe use of school facilities by *authorized* outside organizations. The revision will be brought forward for a vote at a future meeting.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for October 1, 2015.



Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on November 5, 2015.



Secretary of the Board of Education



President of the Board of Education

Attachment A - draft resolution - Establishment of District Accountability Committee
Attachment B - Order of Dismissal (Medina)