



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 4, 2016
Board Room

Jeffco Public Schools
1829 Denver West Dr., Bldg. 27
Golden, Colorado

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

1. Study/Dialogue Session

1.01 Location: Board Room/Education Center (streaming)

1.02 Legislative Update/Platform Review (EL-11)

The study session was called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Ron Mitchell, President of the Board of Education, in the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Thursday, February 4, 2016. The Board was present in its entirety – Ron Mitchell, President; Ali Lasell, First Vice President; Susan Harmon, Second Vice President; Brad Rupert, Treasurer; and, Amanda Stevens, Secretary. Dan McMinimee, Superintendent, represented the administration.

Ed Bowditch, district lobbyist, provided an overview of state school funding and school safety issues, and priority legislation including HB 16-1002, Employee Leave Attend Child's Academic Activities; HB16-1089, Endowment Gift Tax Credit; HB16-1164, Transfer of Immunization Exemption forms to CDPHE; SB16-037, Public Access Stored Digitally Under CORA; and, SB16-105, Modification of Educator Effectiveness Law.

Motion #1 (Motion to Monitor SB16-105): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Lasell, with acceptance of a friendly amendment to monitor instead of support, the Board of Education moved to monitor SB16-105, Modification of Educator Effectiveness Law.

Motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Lasell
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

Motion #2 (Motion to Monitor HB16-1089): Upon motion by Ms. Stevens, second by Mr. Rupert, with acceptance of a friendly amendment to monitor instead of support, the Board of Education moved to monitor HB16-1089, Endowment Gift Tax Credit.

Motion by Ms. Stevens, second by Mr. Rupert
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

Motion #3 (Motion to Table Motion on TABOR): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Stevens, the Board of Education voted to table its vote on the TABOR (Taxpayers Bill of Rights) to the next meeting.

Motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Stevens
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

Following discussion, staff was directed to strengthen language on the impact of the negative factor in the legislative platform and the draft motion before action is taken by the Board on either.

2. Preliminary

2.01 Call to Order-6:30 p.m.

A regular meeting was called to order at 6:39 p.m. by Ron Mitchell, President of the Board of Education, in the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Thursday, February 4, 2016. Breaks were taken from 6:28 p.m. to 6:39 p.m. and 8:59 p.m. to 9:11 p.m.

2.02 Welcome to Audience

2.03 Pledge of Allegiance

2.04 Roll Call

Roll call indicated the Board was present in its entirety – Ron Mitchell, President; Ali Lasell, First Vice President; Susan Harmon, Second Vice President; Brad Rupert, Treasurer; and, Amanda Stevens, Secretary. Dan McMinimee, Superintendent, represented the administration.

2.05 Approve Agenda

Motion #4 (Motion to Approve Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Lasell, the Board of Education approved the agenda for the regular business meeting of February 4, 2016 as presented.

Motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Lasell
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

3. Honors, Recognition and School Reports

3.01 2015 PeaceJam Rising Stars Awards: Arvada High School

The Board of Education recognized the Arvada West High School PeaceJam Club and AWHS History teacher John Gallup for receiving the Rocky Mountain PeaceJam Rising Stars Award as the top student-led group in the Rocky Mountain region actively incorporating into dynamic action PeaceJam goals and philosophies. Nicole Leon spoke representing the PeaceJam Foundation.

3.02 Big Idea Project: Bryan Halsey/Columbine High School

The Board of Education recognized Columbine High School business teacher Bryan Halsey for his work on the Big Idea Project at Columbine and the \$75,000 2016 West Region True

Inspiration award from the Chick-fil-A Foundation to be used to strengthen Colorado's schools in expansion of the Big Idea Project nationally.

3.03 Kaiser Permanente's Thriving Schools: Emily O'Winter

The Board of Education recognized Emily O'Winter, Jeffco's healthy schools coordinator, for receiving the Kaiser Permanente Thriving Schools Honor Roll award, one of 14 awardees across the country. Mr. Tom Currigan and Mr. Sam Woods spoke to the honor received from among the 9.4 million Kaiser members and thousands of school districts involved in this work.

4. Board Reports

Board members reported on events and activities of interest in their board work since January including visits to Outdoor Lab Schools, the City of Wheat Ridge support of its students attending OELS, truancy court, adaptive athletics events, Columbine accountability committee partnership, school career days and open houses, Warren Tech, and band/orchestra performances which provide alternative pathways and engage students to continue in their learning. The ongoing Board community forums and the interactive budget tool being current opportunities for parents, staff and community to advise board members.

5. Public Agenda Part One

5.01 Correspondence –February 4, 2016

5.02 Public Comment (Agenda Related)

Mandy Watrous, Dan Snare, Gira Briceno, Laurie Clark, Brian Mead, Steve Stamps, Angie Mays, Jill Pond – Wheat Ridge – regarding agenda item 6.11, Charter School Renewal Contract: Compass Montessori Wheat Ridge.

Joanne McDaniel, Alex McDaniel, Aurora McDaniel, BellaNova McDaniel – regarding agenda item 6.08, Monitoring: EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board, related to investigation of complaints against district personnel.

6. Consent Agenda

Motion #5 (Motion to Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Harmon, the Board of Education approved the Consent agenda as presented: 6.01, Approval of Minutes: December 10, 2015; 6.02, Approval of Minutes: December 17, 2015; 6.03, Approval of Minutes: January 9, 2016; 6.04, Approval of Minutes: January 14, 2016; 6.05, Approval of Minutes: January 26, 2016; 6.06, Monitoring: EL-5, Financial Planning/Budget; 6.07, Monitoring: EL-6, Financial Administration; 6.08, Monitoring: EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board; 6.09, Charter School Contract Modification: Two Roads Charter School (EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring); 6.10, Charter School Renewal Contract: Addenbrooke Classical Academy (EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring); 6.11, Charter School Renewal Contract: Compass Montessori-Wheat Ridge (EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring); 6.12, Charter School Renewal Contract: New America School (EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring); 6.13, Recommendation for Dismissal of Teacher (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 6.14, Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 6.15, Administrative Appointments (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 6.16, Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 6.17, Supplemental Funds Notification: February 2016; 6.18, Donation: F. Ann Gilbert Trust to HIPPI (EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board); 6.19, Contract Award: Jefferson Center for Mental Health (EL-7, Asset Protection); and, 6.20, Contract Extension: ALKU Technologies (EL-7, Asset Protection).

Motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Harmon
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

7. Ends Monitoring Agenda

7.01 Student Achievement and Growth: MAP Fall and Winter Results (Ends 1, 2)

Staff provided districtwide results on the Fall and Winter MAP assessments. Principals and instructional coaches from Westgate Elementary and Dakota Ridge High School provided school perspectives on how student assessment data is used to inform instruction with students, among teachers, and in communication with parents and community. Board discussion covered how the growth data is used to support the improvement process with and for students.

8. Discussion Agenda

8.01 CASB Membership (EL-11)

Motion #6 (Motion on CASB Membership): Upon motion by Ms. Stevens, second by Ms. Lasell, the Board of Education voted to rejoin as members of the Colorado School Boards Association (CASB).

Motion by Ms. Stevens, second by Ms. Lasell
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

Discussion covered the benefits to membership including: training and expertise for continuous learning, legal advice, resource on work of a school board, legislative guidance, policy assistance for staff and board, structured time with legislators, paying our way/not depending on others to sustain efforts, and re-establishing the district's time honored involvement at the state level.

9. Policy Work

9.01 Policy Revisions: Governance Process Policies 1-17

The Board discussed proposed revisions to governance process policies 1 through 17, including revisions to GP-1, Governance Commitment, related to keeping the revised purpose statement #2 and adding purpose statement #3, "Life circumstances and unique learning needs will not be a barrier to success;" and, GP-13, Committee Structure, related to removing 'parent' on 2.b.6.

9.02 Policy Review: EL-5, Financial Planning/Budgeting

The Board discussed proposed revisions to executive limitation 5 and agreed to include a revision to #12, '...Fails to reflect anticipated changes in employee compensation.'

9.03 Policy Review: EL-6, Financial Administration

There were no additional revisions proposed to EL-6.

9.04 Policy Review: EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board

There were no revisions to policy offered.

10. Public Agenda Part Two

10.01 Public Comment (Not on Agenda)

Carrie Coy – Lakewood – regarding autism education in Jeffco Schools and the 2020 Vision.

Jim Fernald – Lakewood – regarding bargaining with employees.

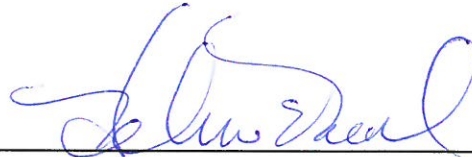
11. Develop Next Agenda

11.01 Board Work Calendar

11.02 Special and Regular Meetings of February 18 and March 3, 2016

12. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:14 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for March 3, 2016.



Helen E. Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on March 3, 2016.



Secretary of the Board of Education



President of the Board of Education