



OFFICIAL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 12, 2017
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. Musical Performance

1.01 Location: Board Room, Education Center (streaming)

1.02 Musical Performance by Creighton Middle School

2. Study/Dialogue Session

2.01 Student Based Budgeting Update (EL-11)

The study session was called to order at 5:04 p.m. by Ron Mitchell, president of the Board of Education, in the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Thursday, January 12, 2017. 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. Mr. Mitchell thanked the Creighton Middle School students and director for the performance.

PURPOSE: The Board of Education was presented the process used at school sites in development and management of the each school's budget for the current school year.

DISCUSSION: As the second year of student based budgeting (SBB), revisions to the process were made in reaction to principal suggestions including funding amounts varied by enhanced size factors and introductory 'plateaus.' Principals found the process results in a more collaborative, proactive and flexible approach to school budgeting. Principals shared experiences which begin in December, for the following school year's budget, when conversations with school accountability committees and staff take place, students enroll for classes, and into the spring the unified improvement plan is reviewed for needed changes to address student services for increased achievement. Recommendations are prioritized and local decisions made.

CONCLUSION: The Board has a better understanding of the budget office support for the second year implementation of SBB including 'plateau funding,' enhanced size factors, financial consequences of changes in school enrollment, small school challenges, school carryforward and Title funds, districtwide initiative funding and shared solutions for schools resulting in schools' autonomy in directing funds as needed for local impact.

3. Preliminary

3.01 Call to Order, 6 p.m.

A regular meeting was called to order at 6:17 p.m. by Ron Mitchell, president of the Board of Education, in the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Thursday, January 12, 2017. Breaks were taken from 6:04 p.m. to 6:17 p.m. and 8:33 pm to 8:49 pm.

3.02 Welcome to Audience

3.03 Pledge of Allegiance

3.04 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.

3.05 Approve Agenda

Motion #1 (Motion to Approve Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Stevens, the Board of Education approved the agenda for the regular business meeting of January 12, 2017 as presented.

Motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Stevens

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

4. Honors, Recognition and School Reports

4.01 Outdoor Education Laboratory School (OELS) Foundation Check Presentation

The Board of Education recognized OELS Foundation Executive Director Shannon Hancock in her presentation of \$550,482.48 in financial support for the Outdoor Lab Schools with the expectation of raising \$1.1 million by the end of the school year. New work includes a greenhouse under construction.

Since 2011 the OELS Foundation has contributed over \$2.6 million to the Outdoor Lab Schools.

4.02 State Champions Tennis: Evergreen High School

The Board of Education honored students Jack Cuntz and Blake Kuzava from Evergreen High School for their 4A state championship performance as No. 4 doubles team.

4.03 O'Rourke Prize: Marna Messer

The Board of Education honored Jeffco Schools Director of Choice Programming Marna Messer for being awarded the O'Rourke Prize from Learning Forward Colorado and sponsor Mrs. Anne O'Rourke, in honor of the late Dr. Bill O'Rourke, for her visionary work in professional learning to support Jeffco teachers.

5. Board Reports

5.01 Comments for January 2017

Board members noted committee meetings and other community events attended in the past month.

6. Public Agenda Part One

6.01 Correspondence –January 12, 2017

6.02 Public Comment (Agenda Related)

Cecelia Lange – Arvada – regarding agenda item 8.01, Superintendent Search Consideration.

Joshua Rau, Corina Decrony, Kelly Flink – Arvada – regarding agenda item 7.08, Supplemental Funds, and Doral Academy's start up grant.

Russell Haas – Golden – regarding agenda item 8.01, Superintendent Search Consideration.

John Ford – Arvada – regarding agenda item 8.01, Superintendent Search Consideration.

Dale Munholland – Arvada – regarding agenda item 8.01, Superintendent Search Consideration.

Lynn Roberts – Denver – regarding agenda item 9.01, Charter School Application on Remand: Great Work Montessori School.

Margaret Lessenger – Golden – regarding agenda item 9.01, Charter School Application on Remand: Great Work Montessori School.

Jennifer Ramsey – Denver – regarding agenda item 9.01, Charter School Application on Remand: Great Work Montessori School.

Alex McDaniel, Joanne McDaniel, Aurora McDaniel, BellaNova McDaniel, Jequita McDaniel – Littleton – regarding agenda item 9.01, Charter School Application on Remand: Great Work Montessori School.

Chase Bongirno – Lakewood – regarding agenda item 9.01, Charter School Application on Remand: Great Work Montessori School.

Jim Fernald – Lakewood – regarding agenda item 8.01, Superintendent Search Consideration.

Darrin Levy – Edgewater – regarding agenda item 9.01, Charter School Application on Remand: Great Work Montessori School.

Carrie Coy, Alaina Schupbach, Lorri Avery, Dennis Meyer – Lakewood – regarding agenda items 7.10, Employment, and 7.11, Resignations/Terminations.

Lisa Cook – Westminster – regarding agenda item 8.01, Superintendent Search Consideration.

Jon DeStefano, Jeff Pierson, Tara Pena, Esther Valdez – regarding agenda item 5.01, Board Reports.

John Wickham – Evergreen – regarding agenda item 8.01, Superintendent Search Consideration.

Beverly Wadman – Littleton – regarding agenda item 9.01, Charter School Application on Remand: Great Work Montessori School.

Kyle Crawford – Lakewood – regarding agenda item 9.01, Charter School Application on Remand: Great Work Montessori School.

Amy Malik, Daniel Marsh, Drew DeMarie – Golden – regarding agenda item 9.01, Charter School Application on Remand: Great Work Montessori School.

Jeannette Sanchez – Edgewater – regarding agenda item 9.01, Charter School Application on Remand: Great Work Montessori School.

7. Consent Agenda

Motion #2 (Motion to Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Stevens, the Board of Education approved the Consent agenda as presented: 7.01, Approval of Minutes-November 3, 2016; 7.02, Approval of Minutes-November 17, 2016; 7.03, Approval of Minutes-December 1, 2016; 7.04, Approval of Minutes-December 8, 2016; 7.05, Approval of Minutes-December 12, 2016; 7.06, Approval of Minutes-December 15, 2016; 7.07, Donation: Dennison Elementary School (EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board); 7.08, Supplemental Funds Notification: January 2017 (EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board); 7.09, Recommendation for Dismissal of Teacher (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 7.10, Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 7.11, Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 7.12, Administrative Appointments (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 7.13, Contract Amendment: RevGen Partners, Inc. (EL-7, Asset Protection).

Motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Stevens

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

8. Ends Discussion Agenda

8.01 Superintendent Search Consideration (GP-4)

Motion #3 (Motion to Begin Search): Upon motion by Ms. Stevens, second by Mr. Rupert, the Board of Education voted to begin a superintendent search process and that staff be authorized to take the necessary and appropriate steps to begin the process as soon as possible.

Motion by Ms. Stevens, second by Mr. Rupert

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

Discussion covered the Board of Education role in directing the mission, vision and forward movement of the district through effective support from leadership in educational expertise, proactive ambassador and strategic initiator who routinely informs the Board of necessary topics. Challenges were shared privately; no public evaluation of the superintendent was conducted. Praise was shared for the stability provided under difficult transitions and promised steps taken in special education and career/workforce readiness.

Staff outlined the search firm selection and likely process including initial job description posting, search firm engagement with community and board members on development of the superintendent profile. Applicant names are protected by law from public release and if more than one finalist is named it may be difficult to release names due to typical job search

professional reputation protection practices. The Board directed staff to communicate accurately and often with the public on each step of the superintendent search process.

9. Discussion Agenda

9.01 Charter School Application on Remand: Great Work Montessori School (EL-13)

Motion #4 (Motion on GWMS): Upon motion by Ms. Stevens, the motion failed for lack of a second, to adopt the resolution conditionally approving the charter school application on remand of Great Work Montessori School as read into the record.

Motion by Ms. Stevens
Final Resolution: Motion Fails

Motion #5 (Motion on GWMS): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Lasell, the Board of Education voted to adopt the resolution conditionally approving the charter school application on remand of Great Work Montessori School (GWMS) as read into the record with the following amendments to paragraph #2 on page two, on or before April 1, 2017, Great Work shall submit evidence to the District demonstrating that at least 120 students have provided letters of intent in its ECE program for Year 1 and 161 students have submitted letters of intent for its K-3 program for Year 1. These milestones represent 75% of Great Work's Year 1 total projected enrollment with a 50 percent attrition rate for the letters of intent.

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

Discussion covered the extensive work accomplished with district staff and the GWMS applicants to address budget concerns. Cabinet recommended an April 1 deadline when 75 percent of enrollment projections would be met to present a balanced budget. Additional discussion involved surveys used to determine the strength of letters of intent, concerns for enrollment in grades above preschool, opening a Montessori option within a Jeffco school, viability of program if enrollment doesn't meet targets.

10. Public Agenda Part Two

10.01 Public Comment (Not on Agenda)

Gabriel Grunspan, Isabella Grunspan, Bill Finger – Pine – regarding anti-Semitic remarks at West Jefferson Middle School.

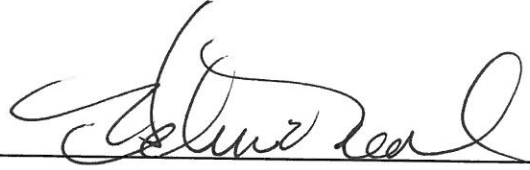
11. Develop Next Agenda

11.01 Board Work Calendar

11.02 Special and Regular Meetings of January 19, 26 and February 9, 2017

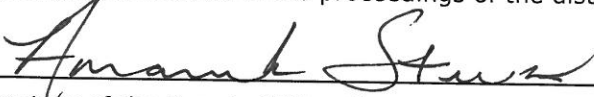
12. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for February 9 2017.

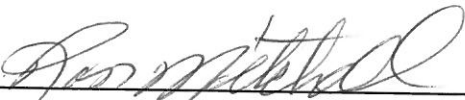


Helen E. Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on March 9, 2017.



Secretary of the Board of Education



President of the Board of Education