

**Building Bright Futures** 

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

### SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

August 18, 2011 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 - Education Center

### 1.02 Call to Order

A special meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Dave Thomas, President of the Board of Education, in the Board Room of the Education Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, August 18, 2011.

#### 1.03 Roll Call

Roll call indicated that a majority of the Board was present - Dave Thomas, President; Jane Barnes, First Vice President; Laura Boggs, Second Vice President; and, Robin Johnson, Secretary. Dr. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration. Paula Noonan, Treasurer, joined the meeting at 5:04 p.m. A break was taken from 6:28 p.m. to 6:37 p.m.

### 1.04 Approve Agenda

Motion #1 (<u>Approve Agenda as Presented</u>): Upon motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Boggs, the Board unanimously approved the meeting agenda for August 18, 2011 as presented.

Motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Boggs

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Barnes, Ms. Boggs, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Thomas

### 2. Study/Dialogue Session

### 2.01 Budget Development Process 2012-2014 (Ends 8)

**PURPOSE:** The Board of Education received information on the Citizens' Budget Academy and the budget development process for 2012/2013 and 2013/2014.

**DISCUSSION:** Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer, reviewed the key messages for the next budget development process including Board leadership, community involvement, biennial product to 'set the plan' and fine tune in year two, sustainability of systems, projected \$70

million in reductions, and why/how a Citizens' Budget Academy (CBA) precedes other community involvement in the budgeting process.

Board discussion covered Board input on the Citizens' Budget Academy, the continuity of a new board in the budget process, time commitment for citizens related to in-depth budget understanding, demographic representation of district in CBA membership, generation of possible reductions, student-based model funding allocation to schools, zero-based budgeting and best practices staffing, and program information covered each week in the CBA.

**CONCLUSION:** The Board revised the meeting time of the Citizens' Budget Academy (CBA) from 4:30-6:30 p.m. to 5:00-7:00 p.m., directed staff to hold space for the board candidates to participate in the CBA, determined dates for board member introductions of the CBA, and agreed the budget development plan was a sound concept to move forward.

### 2.02 Monitoring/Policy Review: ELMR-10, Treatment of Students

**PURPOSE:** The Board of Education received the monitoring report and executive limitation policy, EL-10, Treatment of Students, as part of the Board's evaluation of the work of the superintendent in meeting Board goals. The policy was brought forward for possible revisions.

Motion #2 (<u>Approve Monitoring Report ELMR-10</u>): Upon motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Barnes, the Board unanimously approved the monitoring report on Board executive limitation 10, Treatment of Students.

Motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Barnes

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Barnes, Ms. Boggs, Ms. Noonan, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Thomas

**DISCUSSION:** The Board discussed the monitoring report with members of staff including the administrator for Discipline, community superintendents, chief academic officer, executive director of Safety, Security and Emergency Planning, and the executive director of Instructional Data Services. Discussion covered the implementation of Make Your Voice Heard student survey data to improve treatment of students.

**CONCLUSION:** The Board approved the monitoring report on EL-10, Treatment of Students and suggested revisions to the policy for study.

# 2.03 Monitoring/Policy Review: ELMR-12, School Safety, with Conduct Code Review

**PURPOSE:** The Board of Education received the monitoring report and executive limitation policy, EL-12, School Safety, as part of the Board's evaluation of the work of the superintendent in meeting Board goals. The Board also discussed the student conduct code. The policy was brought forward for possible revisions.

Motion #3 (<u>Approve Monitoring Report ELMR-12</u>): Ms. Johnson moved to approve the monitoring report on Board executive limitation 12, School Safety. A second was made by Ms. Noonan and withdrawn after discussion that due to the Board's focus on the conduct code and not the monitoring report the Board should vote on approving the monitoring report at the next meeting. The motion was withdrawn as well.

**DISCUSSION:** The Board discussed the student conduct code with members of staff including the administrator for Discipline, community superintendents, chief academic officer, executive director of Safety, Security and Emergency Planning, and the executive director of Instructional Data Services. Discussion covered flexibility and consistency in consequences for student behaviors, the manner of communication of behaviors expected of students,

including a possible interactive webinar, restorative justice, mandatory expulsions, equitable treatment, and parameters on administrators.

**CONCLUSION:** The Board will discuss additional guidance to staff and students regarding parameters for the conduct code and discussion and a vote on the monitoring report for EL-12, School Safety at a future meeting.

### 3. Executive Session

### 3.01 Student Matter

Motion #4 (Executive Session on a Student Matter): At 7:51 p.m., upon motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Boggs, the Board unanimously voted to enter into executive session to discuss a student matter, pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(h).

Motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Boggs

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Barnes, Ms. Boggs, Ms. Noonan, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Thomas

The Board reconvened in open session in the Seminar Room at 8:07 p.m.

Mr. Thomas noted that he had distributed a draft work product on board member training and the superintendent's evaluation. The Board may schedule discussion of the items at the August 25 meeting.

### 4. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for September 1, 2011.

Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on October 6, 2011.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education