



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 26, 2012
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 5:00 p.m. by Lesley Dahlkemper, President of the Board of Education, in the Board Room of the Education Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, January 26, 2012.

1.03 Roll Call

Roll call indicated that the Board was present in its entirety – Lesley Dahlkemper, President; Paula Noonan, First Vice President; Laura Boggs, Second Vice President; Jill Fellman, Secretary; and, Robin Johnson, Treasurer. Dr. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration. A break was taken from 7:00 p.m. to 7:08 p.m.

1.04 Approve Agenda

Motion #1 (Approve Agenda as Presented): Upon motion by Ms. Fellman, second by Ms. Boggs, the Board of Education approved the meeting agenda as presented.

Motion by Ms. Fellman, second by Ms. Boggs

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Boggs, Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman, Ms. Johnson, Ms. Noonan

2. Study/Dialogue Session

2.01 District Goals Impacting Student Achievement (Ends 1-3)

PURPOSE: The Board of Education will review a summary presentation and panel discussion on the district's continuous improvement process for increasing student achievement.

DISCUSSION: The Board heard from a panel of four school principals, chief academic officer, and the four executive directors of the Division of Instruction on how an effective teacher is supported and focused through the Unified Improvement Process (UIP) at the school level and how the District Performance Framework (DPF) identifies areas of strength and

challenges for work at the district level. Board discussion focused on impacts to student achievement given significant budget reductions for the next school year: reductions in instructional coaches, teachers, teachers-on-special-assignment, professional development, assessments, specifics on use of the UIP, supports for teachers, time in classes, class size, evaluation reforms, strategies used in 'approaching' areas of the DPF, benchmark assessment points, teacher-librarians, and foundations for students with appropriate funding provided.

CONCLUSION: The Board will keep the information learned through discussion for its future budget conversations.

2.02 Facilities Conditions Assessment Update (EL-8)

PURPOSE: The Board of Education will review the executive summary of the annual update of the Facilities Conditions Assessment *Summary of Findings*.

DISCUSSION: Board discussion identified that no assumptions on school closures are in the planned budget; that critical facilities funding needs are based on Facilities Condition Index (FCI) number; and, that the trending facilities conditions are deteriorating.

CONCLUSION: The Board will keep the information learned through the presentation and discussion for its future budget work.

2.03 Legislative Update

PURPOSE: The Board of Education will review pending legislation and provide direction as needed to the contract lobbyist.

DISCUSSION: The Board's discussion with Ed Bowditch, district lobbyist, covered highlights of pending legislative issues on third grade literacy, Senate Bill 15, Creating Optional Category of Higher Education; SB-46, Discipline in Public Schools; SB-61 and 67 from the Charter School Institute regarding applications and non-profit status of charters; SB-68, No Trans Fat in Public School Foods; House Bill 1043, Concurrent Enrollment for Early High School Grads; and HB 1013, Interventions for Middle School Students.

CONCLUSION: The Board looks forward to the next opportunity to discuss pending legislation.

2.04 Financial Oversight Committee Feedback-Suggested Budget Reductions

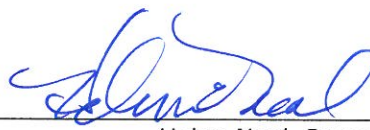
PURPOSE: The Board of Education will receive feedback on the prioritized suggested budget reductions from members of the Financial Oversight Committee (FOC) as part of the Board's process of gathering community priorities on budget reductions.

DISCUSSION: The Board discussed the feedback with the three FOC members present covering compensation, furlough days, reserves, bond ratings, and salary comparisons with other metro area districts.

CONCLUSION: The Board president thanked the FOC members for returning after the postponement of January 19 when the committee was first scheduled to report to the Board.


3. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for February 2, 2012.



Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on March 1, 2012.


Secretary of the Board of Education
President of the Board of Education