



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION

March 11, 2010
Conference Room 3AB
Seminar 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.

PRELIMINARY

CALL TO ORDER: A special meeting was called to order by Dave Thomas, President of the Board of Education at 5:10 p.m. in the Conference Room 3AB of the Education Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado.

ROLL CALL: Roll call indicated that a majority of the Board met – Dave Thomas, President; Laura Boggs, Second Vice President; Paula Noonan, Treasurer; and, Robin Johnson, Secretary – for a special meeting. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration. Jane Barnes, First Vice President, joined the meeting at 5:25 p.m. A break was taken from 6:50 p.m. to 7:01 p.m., and 7:46 p.m. to 8:01 p.m.

STUDY/DIALOGUE SESSION:

BOARD VALUES IN THE BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PROCESS (ENDS 1)

PURPOSE: For the Board of Education to discuss and determine its values to guide further budget development and provide direction for staff following its previous work on the budget process and values definition in August and September 2009, January 15, 21, 28, February 6, 15 and March 4.

DISCUSSION: Following previous work with the Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) facilitators, the superintendent requested direction on Board values and priorities to prepare a draft budget for public hearings. Board members discussed the importance of teachers in classrooms, opportunities to invest in technology and professional development, the value of intervention programs, compensation equivalent for quality teachers and staff, what can be built upon again in the future, use of reserves to sustain the needs of the district.

CONCLUSION: Board members agreed to draft ends/goal statements of every child is provided a well prepared, well trained teacher; every school is led by a well trained principal; and, every child grows one year's growth or 'catches up.' The superintendent will propose to the Board how it might monitor those goals.

The Board agreed to spend \$35-40 million in reserves for the draft 2010/2011 budget to sustain district systems in place; and, further that reserves should last three years.

The Board agreed to move forward with the proposed reductions to keep its Board value of teachers, supports for staff, students' 'keep up/catch up'/one year's growth. The superintendent will have Cabinet review and comment on the \$16 million in proposed reductions to verify Board goals can be met or suggest changes.

The Board of Education confirmed a special meeting for March 27, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) office to continue the Board's ends and monitoring discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION #1 (Move to Executive Session: Employee Negotiations): At 8:01 p.m., upon motion by Ms. Johnson seconded by Ms. Boggs, the Board of Education unanimously agreed to move into executive session in the Seminar Room to discuss negotiations with its employee associations, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(e). The Board reconvened in open session at 8:57 p.m.

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

DISCUSSION AGENDA:

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (ENDS 1)

MOTION #2 (To Monitor HB10-1343, HB10-1344, HB10-1345, SB10-111): Upon motion by Ms. Boggs seconded by Ms. Barnes, it was unanimous to monitor House Bill 10-1343, Charter School Governance Standards; HB10-1344, Authorizing Standards Charter Schools; HB10-1345, Approval of Legislative Interim Studies; and, Senate Bill 10-111, Institute Charter Schools.

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

MOTION #3 (To Oppose HB10-1162): Upon motion by Ms. Boggs seconded by Ms. Barnes, it was unanimous to oppose House Bill 10-1162, Retainage Construction Contracts.

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

Nay: Ms. Noonan

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

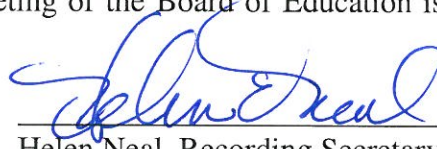
PURPOSE: For the Board of Education to discuss the draft formats for executive summary information presented on consent agenda items for approval by the Board of Education.

DISCUSSION: Following the Board's February 6 discussion on being presented clear, concise information on consent agenda items presented for action to the Board of Education, the Board continued its review of the draft document.

CONCLUSION: Board members agreed that, with the addition under Costs: 'savings, over time if possible,' the document be used on all consent agenda items for action by the Board of Education until further notice.

The Board requested talking points for members and district staff related to the March 4 Board of Education mountain boundary decision. Additionally, information was requested for the Board of Education regarding how the decision will be implemented.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for March 25, 2010.

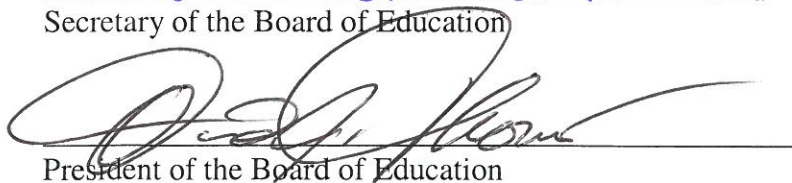


Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on June 24, 2010.



Secretary of the Board of Education



President of the Board of Education