



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 12, 2009
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

01. **CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting was called to order by Scott Benefield, president of the Board of Education, at 6:13 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, February 12, 2009.
02. **WELCOME TO THE AUDIENCE:** Mr. Benefield welcomed the audience.
03. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** At the invitation of Mr. Benefield, the assembly repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.
04. **ROLL CALL:** Roll call indicated that the Board was present in its entirety- Scott Benefield, President; Jane Barnes, First Vice President; Dave Thomas, Second Vice President; Sue Marinelli, Secretary; and, Rick Rush, Treasurer. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration.
05. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

MOTION #1 (Approve Agenda): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Mr. Thomas, it was unanimous to approve the agenda as amended with the removal of Consent Agenda items 4.04, District Policy for Approval - Investment Policy; and, 4.15, Naming Online High School, to the Discussion Agenda items 5.02 and 5.03, respectively.

Aye: Ms. Barnes, Mr. Benefield, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Rush, Mr. Thomas

2. **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:** Ms. Barnes and Ms. Marinelli attended the Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) Winter Legislative Conference and provided an update to Board members.

Mr. Thomas, Ms. Marinelli and Ms. Barnes reported on the state legislative issues discussed at the special meeting.

Mr. Rush attended the Cooperative Decision Making (CDM) meeting at Summit Ridge Middle School and also attended an information night at Collegiate Academy.

Ms. Barnes commended the charter schools' renewal items on the Consent Agenda.

3. **PUBLIC AGENDA:**

01. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Public correspondence received by the Board of Education was made available for public perusal.

02. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Billie J. Wolter – Spoke on the appealed decision on Learning Resources Challenge (book challenge).

4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION #2 (Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Mr. Thomas, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as amended: 4.01, Approval of Minutes for January 7, 15, 20, 22, 29 and February 5, 2009; 4.02, Policy Governance Monitoring Report: Financial Administration (EL-6); 4.03, Board Policy for Study – Financial Administration (EL-6); 4.04, Resolution: Names for Jeffco Public Schools (EL-6, Financial Administration) (Attachment A); 4.05, Expulsion of Students (EL-10, Treatment of Students); 4.06, Board Approval of Learning Resource Materials Recommended for Use in Jefferson County Public Schools (EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board); 4.07, Charter School Renewal Application: Jefferson Academy Elementary, Jefferson Academy Middle, Jefferson Academy Senior (EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring); 4.08, Charter School Renewal Application: Rocky Mountain Academy of Evergreen (EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring); 4.09, Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 4.10, Administrative Appointments (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 4.11, Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 4.12, Supplemental Funds – RMC to Student Services (EL-6, Financial Administration); 4.13, Financial Oversight Committee Membership (EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board).

Aye: Ms. Barnes, Mr. Benefield, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Rush, Mr. Thomas

5. **DISCUSSION AGENDA:**

01. APPEALED DECISION ON LEARNING RESOURCE CHALLENGES: CARRIE, CHRISTINE, CUJO, THE GIRL WHO LOVED TOM GORDON (EL-11, COMMUNICATION AND COUNSEL TO THE BOARD)

MOTION #3 (Consider Book Challenge): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Mr. Thomas, a majority of the Board voted after review of the record, hearing from the appellant, and other interested parties to take the matter under consideration and render a decision on the appeal of the Superintendent's decision at the next regular business meeting of February 26, 2009. (Attachment B)

Aye: Ms. Barnes, Mr. Benefield, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Thomas
Nay: Mr. Rush

02. DISTRICT POLICY FOR APPROVAL – INVESTMENT POLICY (EL-6, FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION)

MOTION #4 (Acceptance of Policy): Upon motion by Ms. Barnes, seconded by Mr. Thomas, the Board voted unanimously to approve the district Investment policy as presented with direction to return to the Board of Education with revisions regarding the diversification of financial instruments and the firms handling those instruments; and further, to schedule time with the Financial Oversight Committee to discuss the policy, particularly sections #8 and #10 on page 5 so that final policy approval is completed before the end of the 2008-2009 school year.

Aye: Ms. Barnes, Mr. Benefield, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Rush, Mr. Thomas

03. NAMING ONLINE HIGH SCHOOL (EL-11, COMMUNICATION AND COUNSEL TO THE BOARD)

MOTION #5 (Approve Name of Online School): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Thomas, the Board voted unanimously to approve the name of the new Jeffco Public Schools online high school as Jeffco's 21st Century Virtual Academy.

Aye: Ms. Barnes, Mr. Benefield, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Rush, Mr. Thomas

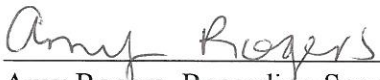
6. **DEVELOP NEXT AGENDA:** The Board discussed its work calendar and the agenda items for the regular meeting of February 26, 2009. Members of the Board requested an agenda item on its regular meeting agenda for Weekly Update Discussion.

7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

MOTION #6 (Move to Executive Session): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Mr. Thomas, the Board voted unanimously to move into executive session to discuss negotiations at 8:08 p.m.

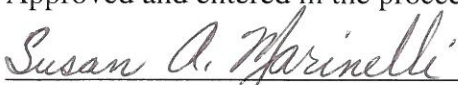
Aye: Ms. Barnes, Mr. Benefield, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Rush, Mr. Thomas

8. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular business meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held Thursday, February 26, 2009.

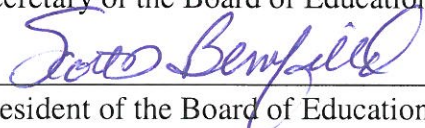


Amy Rogers, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on March 5, 2009.



Secretary of the Board of Education



President of the Board of Education

Attachment A - Resolution: Names for Jeffco Public Schools
Attachment B – Superintendent’s Decision on Book Challenge of *Carrie*, *Christine*, *Cujo* and,
The Girl Who Loved Tom Gordon