



*Building Bright Futures*

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

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### SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 20, 2011  
Seminar Room,  
3AB Conference 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.*

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## **1. Preliminary**

### **1.02 Call to Order**

A special meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Dave Thomas, President of the Board of Education, in the Seminar Room of the Education Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, on Thursday, January 20, 2011.

### **1.03 Roll Call**

Roll call indicated that a majority of the Board was present - Dave Thomas, 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. Jane Barnes, First Vice President, joined the meeting at 8:23 p.m. Breaks were taken from 6:01 p.m. to 6:07 p.m., 7:04 p.m. to 7:11 p.m., and 8:08 p.m. to 8:23 p.m.

## **2. Executive Session**

### **2.01 Negotiations with Employee Associations**

Motion #1 (Executive Session for Negotiations): At 5:00 p.m., upon motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Boggs, the Board unanimously voted to enter into executive session to discuss negotiations with district employee associations, pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(e).

Motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Boggs  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Ms. Boggs, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Thomas

The Board reconvened in open session at 6:01 p.m.

## **3. Study/Dialogue Session**

### **3.01 Legislative Update (EL-11)**

The Board received information from Ed Bowditch, district lobbyist, on legislation pending in the 2011 Legislative Session. Mr. Thomas noted he will recuse himself from voting on positions related to PERA legislation as he is a PERA retiree. Motions were taken as the Board covered legislation discussed.

Motion #2 (To Oppose HB11-1048): Upon motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Noonan, a majority of the Board voted to oppose HB11-1048, Income Tax Credits for Nonpublic Education.

The Board determined this measure would result in less funding to school districts.

Motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Noonan  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Ms. Johnson, Ms. Noonan, Mr. Thomas  
Nay: Ms. Boggs

Motion #3 (To Oppose HB11-1055): Upon motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Noonan, a majority of the Board voted to oppose HB11-1055, Facilities for Charter Schools.

The Board concern was that this measure would result in less local control for school districts.

Motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Noonan  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Ms. Johnson, Ms. Noonan, Mr. Thomas  
Nay: Ms. Boggs

Motion #4 (To Support HB11-1077): Upon motion by Ms. Boggs to support HB11-1077, Education of Gifted Children, the motion failed for lack of a second.

More information was needed by other members before taking a vote on the measure.

Motion by Ms. Boggs  
Final Resolution: Motion Failed

Motion #5 (To Support SB11-029): Upon motion by Ms. Noonan, second by Ms. Boggs, the Board unanimously voted to support SB11-029, State Land Board Annual Reports.

The Board supports increased communications between the Land Board and the House and Senate Education Committees.

Motion by Ms. Noonan, second by Ms. Boggs  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Ms. Boggs, Ms. Johnson, Ms. Noonan, Mr. Thomas

Motion #6 (To Support SB11-040): Upon motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Noonan, the Board voted unanimously to support SB11-040, Coach Youth Sports Concussion Education.

The Board supports this safety measure and believes this implements current CHSAA rules and requires no additional funding as middle school sports are not financially supported by Jeffco Public Schools.

Motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Noonan  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Ms. Boggs, Ms. Johnson, Ms. Noonan, Mr. Thomas

The Board President will work with staff to finalize Board correspondence to Jeffco legislators regarding the Board's relationship with the Jeffco Association Legislative Forum.

### **3.02 Monitoring Ends 1-6 (End 8)**

**PURPOSE:** The Board of Education will receive the monitoring information requested to determine district performance toward meeting the Board's Ends, or goals, 1 through 6: 1) Every student will master the Colorado Content Standards at grade level; 2) every student will achieve one year's growth or more as needed to 'catch up' in every year of school and be ready for the next level; 3) every student will graduate career and workforce and/or post secondary ready; 4) every student will learn in a caring, safe and engaging school environment that maximizes parental involvement and encourages community support; 5) every student will become a responsible citizen; and, 6) every student will be taught by an effective teacher in a school led by an effective principal.

**DISCUSSION:** Board discussion was facilitated by Matt Van Auken and covered the kind of work district staff is doing and identified challenges still to be met. Each End statement with the material presented was discussed. Board members were asked to consider how data they request will help direct the district toward future success.

**CONCLUSION:** Board members requested easy to read charts, what it would take to meet growth goals, remediation rates (released in February by CDE), discipline information, health and wellness data, community engagement on volunteerism in schools, Young AmeriTowne data, and information related to the Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) pilot, data warehouse and system management related to monitoring Ends 6. The Board will continue its discussion and monitoring at future meetings.

### **3.03 Board Budget and Quarterly Review (End 8)**

**PURPOSE:** The Board of Education will review its budget reduction for 2011/12 and its quarterly expenses to date for 2010/11.

**DISCUSSION:** Due to the absence of Ms. Barnes, the discussion and review was postponed to a future meeting.

**CONCLUSION:** Board members requested each member come prepared with recommendations for what to reduce in the Board budget at the next discussion of this agenda item.

### **3.04 Preliminary Facilities Master Plan: 2011 Non-Bond Recommendations (EL- 8)**

**PURPOSE:** The Board of Education will discuss the 2011 non-bond recommendations of the preliminary facilities master plan.

**DISCUSSION:** Board discussion was facilitated by Matt VanAuken, who categorized Board comments into: 1) identified non-philosophical non-bond items, 2) philosophical non-bond items, 3) values behind decisions on philosophical items, 4) safety concerns; and, 5) work for either 2011 or 2012. Issues discussed included: articulation areas with school closures and preschool moves; use of assets for preschools; work necessary to stay static and safe with facilities; long term planning to finance facilities needs; community conversations; and, consistency in application of rules on Board facilities decision-making across district.

Motion #7 (Postpone 2011 Non-Bond Recommendations): Upon motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Mr. Thomas, a majority of the Board voted to postpone the 2011 non-bond recommendations and to not implement the \$3.5 million recommendations for fall 2011.

Motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Mr. Thomas  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Ms. Barnes, Ms. Boggs, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Thomas  
Nay: Ms. Noonan

Motion #8 (Discuss Values of Seven Recommendations): Upon motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Mr. Thomas, with a friendly amendment by Ms. Boggs, the Board unanimously voted to discuss all seven 2011 non-bond recommendations to identify Board values for each recommendation and to end discussion by 10 p.m.

Motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Mr. Thomas  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Ms. Barnes, Ms. Boggs, Ms. Johnson, Ms. Noonan, Mr. Thomas

Motion #9 (Chatfield Non-Bond Recommendation): Upon motion by Ms. Noonan, second by Ms. Johnson, a majority of the Board rejected the Chatfield recommendation to move the Challenge Program from Shaffer Elementary to Ute Meadows Elementary by the timeline on the recommendation.

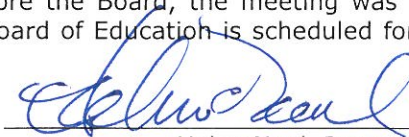
Motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Mr. Thomas  
Final Resolution: Motion Fails  
Yea: Ms. Noonan  
Nay: Ms. Barnes, Ms. Boggs, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Thomas

**CONCLUSION:** Board members postponed the non-bond recommendations and will not implement the \$3.5 million recommendations for fall 2011. Board members identified their concerning issues by articulation area on the 2011 non-bond recommendation list. Board discussions will continue on those identified values to determine future direction for action on the facilities master plan before community meetings are scheduled.

The Superintendent will cancel community meetings emphasizing that the current funding level is unable to implement the vast majority of the facilities recommendations.

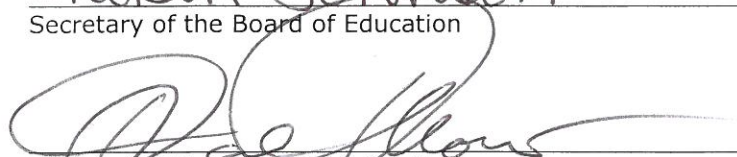
#### 4. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:57 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for February 3, 2011.

  
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Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on February 3, 2011.

  
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Secretary of the Board of Education

  
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President of the Board of Education