



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

August 2, 2016
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: Board Room/Education Center (streaming)

1.02 Call to Order: 5:30 p.m.

A special meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m. by Ron Mitchell, President of the Board of Education, in the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Tuesday, August 2, 2016.

1.03 Roll Call

Roll call indicated the Board was present in its entirety – Ron Mitchell, President; Ali Lasell, First Vice President; Susan Harmon, Second Vice President; Brad Rupert, Treasurer; and, Amanda Steven, Secretary. Dan McMinimee, superintendent, represented the administration.

1.04 Approve Agenda

Motion #1 (Motion to Approve Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Stevens, the Board of Education approved the agenda for the special meeting of August 2, 2016 as presented.

Motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Stevens

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

2. Public Agenda

2.01 Public Comment: Bond Issue and Mill Levy Override Ballot Questions

Rebekah Brown – Wheat Ridge – regarding Facilities Master Plan and proposed bond plan to move 6th graders to middle school.

Tom Coyne – Wheat Ridge – regarding proposed mill levy override and return on investment for existing funding to meet student achievement goals.

Bill Bottoms, Will Bottoms, Angela Geier, Chris Webber – Lakewood – regarding proposed mill levy override and bond issue meeting the needs for student achievement in Jefferson County.

3. Discussion Agenda

3.01 November 8, 2016 – Authorize Election for Voter Approval of Additional Local Property Tax Revenues for the District General Fund (Mill Levy Override Election) and Capital Fund (Bond Issue) and Approve Ballot Question (GP-4)

Motion #2 (Motion to Adopt Resolutions): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Lasell, the Board of Education adopted the resolutions calling an election on November 8, 2016 to authorize additional local property tax revenues for the general fund of the district and general obligation indebtedness and determine the ballot title and text of the ballot issue to be submitted at such election. (Attachments A, B)

Motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Lasell

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

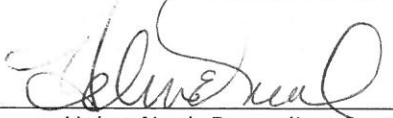
Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

Superintendent Dan McMinimee addressed the cost to residential taxpayers of the proposed mill levy and bond as, at most \$4.12/month/\$100,000 in property value. Staff addressed ballot text dealing with compliance issues for TABOR provisions, state statute and Private Securities Act.

Board member comments included: Colorado is now ranked 40th in nation in funding of public k-12 education; local control of funding is long overdue (2004 last significant investment in facilities); Jeffco must remain competitive in hiring and currently stands at 4th (mill funding) and 6th (bond dollars) of its six neighboring school districts; support for mill and bond builds Jeffco communities and addresses inequities among our schools and the experiences of our students; great futures start with a great education and Jeffco has fallen behind over recent years; financing provides for minimal and predictable impact to taxpayers; this investment will raise up our own children for the information-based economy of the future (2015 Workforce Talent Pipeline Report); since recession, only one quarter of industry standard maintenance funds have gone into schools and facilities; cannot wait to accumulate cash for facilities as children as here now; it is fair to ask why other districts may perform better but the answer isn't to lose Jeffco's best teachers to other districts; and, timing to finance this borrowing is good.

4. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for September 8, 2016.


Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on September 8, 2016.



Secretary of the Board of Education



President of the Board of Education

Attachment A - Certified Record of Proceedings Relating to an Election Held November 8, 2016 (Bond Issue)

Attachment B - Resolution Calling an Election on November 8, 2016 to Authorize Additional Local Property Tax Revenues for General Fund of the District and Determining the Ballot Title and Text of the Ballot Issue to be Submitted at Such Election (Mill Levy Override)