

**Building Bright Futures** 

## **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

# SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

December 8, 2016 Remington Room The Broadmoor Hotel

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: Remington Room, The Broadmoor Hotel

1.02 Call to Order: 2 p.m.

The special meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m. by Ron Mitchell, President of the Board of Education, in the Remington Room of The Broadmoor Hotel, 1 Lake Avenue, Colorado Springs, Colorado, Thursday, December 8, 2016. Breaks were taken from 2:21 p.m. to 2:27 p.m. and 3:32 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

#### 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 December 8, 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. Study/Dialogue Session

2.01 Mid-Year Check: Annual Work Plan (EL-11)

**PURPOSE:** The Board of Education assessed its accomplishments and challenges in preparation for the work topics to be addressed in the second half of the school year.

**DISCUSSION:** The accomplishments discussed included the onboarding process of five new board members, community engagement efforts, ongoing efforts to reestablish trust in the Board, and connections to school communities. The community processes involving review/revision/focus of Board Ends policies, finalization of the Facilities Master Plan, adoption of 2016/17 budget with Vision 2020 goals in mind, and depth of conversation at the board table were noted. School visits, information shared in the weekly memo and receiving staff recommendations deepened understanding and connections to student needs. The civil, respectful and cordial tone at the Board table was noted as a success.

Efforts needing future focus included building relationships with communities that may not have regular contact with children or schools: service clubs, faith groups, business, civic and government partners; and, not allowing every forward-looking discussion in the Spring to be constrained due to budget concerns. Topics for future exploration: innovations involving sharing space within schools, lengthening of school year to mitigate 'summer drop,' shuttle service for bus transportation; outreach to citizens and legislators on real needs/work of Jeffco schools given available resources, preschool needs in the county, increasing funding to schools through student-based budgeting, and the superintendent's contract.

Motion #2 (Motion on Executive Session): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Harmon, the Board of Education voted to move into executive session to discuss a personnel matter involving the superintendent pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f)(I).

Motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Harmon

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

CONCLUSION: Board members would like to encourage school principals and district leaders to attend community events (not only school related) and engage with broader community efforts to build public awareness of the school district's work.

Board members reconvened in open session at 5:46 p.m. having discussed only a personnel matter during the executive session.

#### 3. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:46 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for January 12, 2017.

Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on January 12, 2017.

the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education