



*Building Bright Futures*

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

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### REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

March 25, 2010  
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.*

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**STUDY/DIALOGUE SESSION:** The Board met in its entirety – Dave Thomas, President; Jane Barnes, First Vice President; Laura Boggs, Second Vice President; Robin Johnson, Secretary; and, Paula Noonan, Treasurer - in study/dialogue session at 5:08 p.m. in the Seminar Room at Education Center, Golden, Colorado. Cindy Stevenson, superintendent, represented the administration.

**PURPOSE:** The Board met to with elected and city official from the City of Edgewater to discuss issues of mutual interest to support Jeffco students.

**DISCUSSION:** Board members welcomed City Manager H.J. Staf, Mayor Bonnie McNulty, Dan Maples, director of Parks and Recreation, and Dan Keough, Police chief. City officials updated the Board members regarding activities in the city of Edgewater. Topics covered included the school resource officers and the program's grant funding reaching its end, the teen court program's success, the homeless student population, city after-school programs in schools, youthful council members and the Edgewater community served.

**CONCLUSION:** The city manager and superintendent will add school resource officer funding to a future City/County Managers' meeting agenda. The Board members thanked the Edgewater officials for joining the meeting to discuss how to address the success of Edgewater and Jeffco students.

#### 1. PRELIMINARY

01. **CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting was called to order by Dave Thomas president of the Board of Education, at 6:12 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, March 25, 2010. Breaks were taken from 6:45 p.m. to 6:54 p.m., and 8:50 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

02. **WELCOME TO THE AUDIENCE:** Mr. Thomas welcomed the audience.

03. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** At the invitation of Mr. Thomas, the assembly repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.

04. **ROLL CALL:** Roll call indicated that the Board was present in its entirety-- Dave Thomas, President; Jane Barnes, First Vice President; Laura Boggs, Second Vice President; Robin Johnson, Secretary; and, Paula Noonan, Treasurer. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration.

05. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

MOTION #1 (Approve Agenda as Revised): Upon motion by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Boggs, it was unanimous to approve the agenda as amended by Ms. Noonan and seconded by Ms. Johnson and voted 4-1 (Boggs) to amend, to add an item to the agenda before Public Comment and after County Student Council Report, to address the boundary decision of March 4, 2010.

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

2. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION #2 (Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Boggs, it was unanimous to approve the consent agenda as presented: 2.01, Approval of Minutes - November 19, December 10, 12, 2009, January 9, 12, 14, February 17, and March 4, 16, 2010; 2.02, Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 2.03, Administrative Appointments (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 2.04, Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 2.05, Contract Award: Roof Replacement - Columbine High School (EL-8, Facilities); 2.06, Contract Award: Roof Replacement - Hutchinson Elementary School (EL-8, Facilities); 2.07, Contract Award: Roof Replacement - Marshdale Elementary School (EL-8, Facilities); 2.08, Contract Award: Electrical and HVAC Improvements - Patterson Elementary School (EL-8, Facilities); 2.09, Contract Award: Electrical and Mechanical Upgrades - Dutch Creek Elementary School (EL-8, Facilities); 2.10, Contract Award: Roof Replacement - Swanson Elementary School (EL-8, Facilities).

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

3. **COUNTY STUDENT COUNCIL:**

Student representatives from Chatfield and Dakota Ridge High Schools updated the Board on the progress of their activities, including the Senior Citizens Prom.

*Day Without Hate* will be held on April 30, 2010 and t-shirts are being sold to wear on that day.

4. **DISCUSSION AGENDA:**

**.01 BOUNDARY CHANGE DECISION OF MARCH 4, 2010:**

**MOTION #3 (Delay Indian Hills Boundary Change):** Upon motion by Ms. Noonan, seconded by Ms. Johnson, and amended unanimously by Ms. Barnes with a second by Ms. Boggs, the Board of Education voted to approve that the Board delay and suspend the March 4, 2010 boundary change decision; to initiate a task force with the community and staff for a thorough analysis of the issue, including districtwide transportation, using the procedures followed in previous school district boundary changes; for the 2010/2011 school year, to provide transportation in both directions for Indian Hills students; and, that staff will be directed to report back to the Board by November 2010.

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

Nay: Ms. Boggs

5. **PUBLIC AGENDA:**

Kerrie Dallman, president of the Jefferson County Education Association (JCEA), regarding Board member norms and the March 4 mountain boundary decision.

Debbie, Austin, Savannah and Cheyenne Millard, Biana and Antoinette Roybal, Gayle Vaughn and Mary Gay, Arvada and Lakewood, regarding middle school counselors and budget reductions before the Board of Education.

Dr. Stevenson noted that district Cabinet has recommended to the Board that middle school counselors be added back to the 2010-2011 budget.

Erin Mayer, Sierra Elementary School parent and Jeffco teacher, regarding choice enrollment.

Kara Johnston, Sierra ES PTA, regarding choice enrollment.

Tammy Storey, parent and CDM chairperson, Conifer High School, at the request of the Board President to provide a briefer allotment of public comment time on the mountain boundary change issues, represented the mountain area groups and proposed that Student Council students present this evening and that a special session with the Board of Education be scheduled to receive the information prepared by the groups present.

Conifer High School Student Council, regarding the impact and their opposition to the mountain boundary change.

Brock Benson, student, regarding his appreciation for Ms. Boggs' visit to his school.

Sharon Edelen, parent, regarding IDEA and 504 compliance.

Karen Rosenberg, Conifer, regarding the mountain boundary and budget issues.

Billie Wolter, parent and librarian, regarding not removing Steven King's book *It* from the high school library shelves to allow choice for students.

Lisa Scott, parent of two GMHS students, regarding support of Green Mountain High School and Board norms.

Marcella Hiebert, teacher, and two students, regarding support of Family Consumer Sciences and Career/Technical Education and the postponement of increased of graduation requirements.

Essie Long, student, regarding opposition to the mountain boundary change.

Forrest Grasberger, student, regarding opposition to the mountain boundary change.

A break was taken at 8:50 pm. The meeting resumed at 9:00 pm.

**6. ENDS DEVELOPMENT AND MONITORING AGENDA:**

**.01 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT: JEFFCO PTA ON MIDDLE LEVEL EDUCATION (ENDS 1)** Representatives from the Jeffco Parent/Teacher Association (PTA) addressed the Board and answered questions regarding their perspective on parent involvement in middle school.

**7. DISCUSSION AGENDA:**

**.01 APPEALED DECISION ON LEARNING RESOURCE CHALLENGE (EL-11)** After an overview of the district appeal process by Dr. Stevenson, Mr. Craig Sheffield addressed the Board of Education on his appeal of the superintendent's decision to keep Steven King's *It* on high school library shelves. John Canuel, executive director of Educational Technology, and Mary Beth Bazzanella, curriculum coordinator for Library Services, responded to questions from the Board of Education.

**MOTION # 4 (Consider Book Challenge):** Upon motion by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Ms. Boggs it was unanimous to take the matter of 7.01, Appealed

Decision on Learning Resource Challenge, under consideration and render a decision at the meeting of April 29, 2010.

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

**.02 APPROVAL OF MINUTES – OCTOBER 22, NOVEMBER 5, 10, 12, 2009**

MOTION #5 (Approve Minutes pre-November 19, 2009): Upon motion by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Ms. Barnes it was unanimous to approve the minutes of October 22, November 5, 10, and 12, 2009 as presented.

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

Abstain: Mr. Boggs, Ms. Noonan

**.03 SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS – CDE ACT TO JEFFCO PUBLIC SCHOOLS (EL-6)**

MOTION #6 (Approve Supplemental Funds-Alternatively Compensate Teachers (ACT) Grant): Upon motion by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Ms. Barnes it was unanimous that the Board of Education be informed of the grant award of \$473,923.00 (BA-10-009) from the Colorado Department of Education Alternatively Compensate Teachers (ACT) grant to Jeffco Public Schools.

Ms. Barnes reported on the continuing work of the district alternative compensation committee which will be supported through this grant, not that the grant itself provides alternative compensation. Ms. Barnes and Ms. Noonan represent the Board of Education on this working committee.

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

**8. BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:**

Ms. Noonan reported on the walking grant of \$5,000 for Normandy Elementary School students to walk to school accompanied by adults.

Dr. Stevenson displayed the workforce development awards received by Jeffco Public Schools for 2009: Jefferson County Workforce Development's Partnership for Business Award, and the Business Agency and Partnership Award.

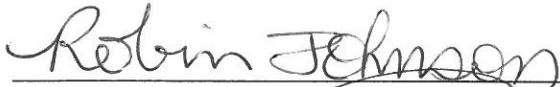
Ms. Johnson attended a town hall meeting and a Pomona High School play.

April 7, 2010 will be the new opening date for the district's Connections Learning Center.

9. **WEEKLY UPDATE DISCUSSION:** No items for discussion were brought forward.
10. **DEVELOPMENT NEXT AGENDA:** The Board discussed its work calendar and the regular meetings of March 27 and April 15, 2010.
11. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular business meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

  
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Marta Neil, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on June 3, 2010.

  
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Secretary of the Board of Education

  
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President of the Board of Education