

Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

August 20, 2010 Seminar 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

1.02 Call to Order

A special meeting was called to order at 1:11 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, Friday, August 20, 2010.

1.03 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. Dr. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration. Matt Van Auken served as meeting facilitator. Breaks were taken from 2:02 p.m. to 2:15 p.m., 3:20 p.m. to 3:35 p.m., and 4:30 p.m. to 4:36 p.m.

2. Study/Dialogue Session

2.01 Effective and Responsible Teamwork (Ends 9)

PURPOSE: The Board of Education will develop strategies to meet its Ends statement, the Jeffco Board will be effective and responsible and will function as a highly effective team.

DISCUSSION: The Board determined ground rules and common desires for their meeting outcomes. Main topics of discussion covered: 1) clear lines of communication with the district and each other; 2) mutually respectful relationship with staff; and 3) common voice in public. Within those areas, the Board discussed the impact of advocacy for a single parent or student, protocols for addressing issues or questions that come to a board member, structures for regular meetings and study sessions, consequences for violation of agreements made among Board members, and conflict of

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interest issues. Governance process policies, GP-09 through 14, were reviewed.

CONCLUSION: The Board agreed not to advocate for a single parent or student; steps to use in communicating on issues, students, and advice among board members and the superintendent; meeting structure protocols to include timed presentations and board dialogue; and, to meet for two more sessions with Mr. Van Auken on September 16, 5-8 p.m., and September 17, Noon-4 p.m. Ms. Boggs will request her spouse resign from the Financial Oversight Committee as a conflict of interest issue. The Board will review governance process policy 13, Committee Structure, on September 16.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for August 26, 2010.

Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on September 2, 2010.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education