

Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

December 9, 2010 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.

1. Preliminary

1.02 Call to Order

A special meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Dave Thomas, President of the Board of Education, in Conference Room 3AB of the Education Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, December 9, 2010.

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. Jane Barnes, First Vice President, arrived at 5:08 p.m. Paula Noonan, Treasurer, arrived at 5:22 p.m. Breaks were taken from 6:29 p.m. to 6:43 p.m. and 7:42 p.m. to 7:55 p.m.

2. Special Meeting - Study/Dialogue Session

2.01 Board Strategic Plan Development (Ends 8)

PURPOSE: The Board of Education will discuss its strategic work in leadership responsibilities and upcoming work to reach its Ends 8, the Board will be effective and responsible and will function as a highly effective team.

DISCUSSION: The Board received copies of the Call to Action: Building Bright Futures organized by Board Ends policies. The Board and the facilitator, Matt VanAuken, reviewed the special interests of Board members as outlined on September 17.

CONCLUSION: Mr. VanAuken will draft a section for Board prioritization based on the Board's Ends and special interests. He will work with Cabinet to identify where the Board's special interests are monitored in the Call to Action, and otherwise include them in the Board's strategic leadership section. The Board will schedule time to continue this work.

2.02 Report Out: Budget Forums (Ends 8)

PURPOSE: The Board of Education will discuss its experience of the November community budget forums.

DISCUSSION: Board members reviewed key themes and individual experiences shared with community members and staff attending the forums.

CONCLUSION: The Board thanked staff for the work associated with hosting the budget forums and looks forward to Spring forums.

2.03 Learning About Jeffco: Educational Technology (Ends 2)

PURPOSE: The Board of Education will receive information about the work being done in Educational Technology Services showcasing the knowledge, skills and resources that are being offered to staff and students to be successful in an increasingly complex, global and digital society.

DISCUSSION: Board members reviewed the educational outcomes for digital natives: core subjects, critical thinking and problem solving, communication and collaboration, information literacy, and creativity and innovation which will prepare students with job skills for jobs unknown today. Federal and state technology standards for students and teachers were reviewed along with internet safety and digital citizenship expectations. The use of libraries, the online Virtual Academy, online professional development, and mobile and cloud computing to support department goals for student achievement were covered. The current 2007-2010 Technology Plan will be updated fall 2011 to an 18-month 'roadmap,' due to the fluidity of technology development. Board members asked about available online coursework, student access to core technologies, participation in online courses for graduation, and the evaluation of effectiveness in engaging, replicating and ensuring students' technology literacy.

CONCLUSION: The Board was informed that 69 percent of 8th graders are proficient in technology; that department goals include supporting the lowest performing middle schools; that the online high school has graduated 12 students and seen a 50 percent increase in enrollment to 133 full time students and 196 part time students; that 7,500 students have engaged in at least one online or blended course (up 3,000 from last year); that \$14,000 in revenue has been made from Jeffco developed coursework; and, the invitation to the January 22 Jeffco Tech Share Fair at Arvada West High School.

2.04 Certification: 2010 Mill Levies for Collection in 2011 (EL-6)

Motion #1 (<u>Approve Mill Levy Certification</u>): At 7:55 p.m., upon motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Ms. Boggs, the Board unanimously voted to adopt the certification resolution as presented prior to the Board meeting. (Attachment A)

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

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

3. Executive Session

3.01 Negotiations with Employee Associations

Motion #2 (Executive Session for Negotiations): At 7:57 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

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

The Board reconvened in open session at 8:50 p.m. Ms. Boggs stated that she intended to request the opinion of the Attorney General regarding violation of the open meetings law in the Board's review of facilities information in groups of less than three members prior to the public Board discussion on January 6, 2011 being a violation of the open meetings law. The Superintendent noted that the facilities meetings were for information sharing only and that no decision-making was to take place before presentation to the entire Board of Education on January 6, 2011.

Motion #3 (Executive Session for Legal Advice): At 8:54 p.m., upon motion by Ms. Johnson, second by Mr. Thomas, the Board voted to enter into executive session to seek advice of legal counsel.

Motion by Ms. Barnes, second by Ms. Johnson

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

The Board reconvened in open session at 9:03 p.m. to adjourn the meeting.

4. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for January 6, 2011.

Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on January 6, 2011.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education

Attachment A - Resolution - 2010 Mill Levy Certification