

**Building Bright Futures** 

# **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

## REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

December 10, 2015 Board Room

Jeffco Public Schools 1829 Denver West Dr., Bldg. 27 Golden, Colorado

Our mission: To provide a quality education that prepares all children for a successful future.

- 1. Musical Performance, 5 p.m.
  - 1.01 Location: Board Room, Education Center (streaming)
  - 1.02 Musical Performance by North Arvada Middle School
- 2. Study/Dialogue Session
  - 2.01 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)(EL-5, 6)

The special meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Ron Mitchell, President of the Board of Education, in the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Thursday, December 10, 2015. 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 Stevens, Secretary. Dan McMinimee, Superintendent, represented the administration.

The presentation to the Board reviewed the work undertaken by the external auditor, CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, the district's receipt of the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) certificate of excellence, financial statements, balance sheets, long term debt, financial controls and the audit of Child Nutrition and Title II programs, both of which showed 'no material weaknesses or significant deficiencies.' The Board's discussion covered TABOR, state education funding, PERA obligations and investments, anticipated district funding and reserves, all resulting in an 'unmodified opinion' indicating responsible financial reporting by the district.

#### 3. Preliminary

#### 3.01 Call to Order-6:30 p.m.

A regular meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Ron Mitchell, President of the Board of Education, in the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Thursday, December 10, 2015. Breaks were taken from 6:07 p.m. to 6:31 p.m. and 9:21 p.m. to 9:34 p.m.

#### 3.02 Welcome to Audience

#### 3.03 Pledge of Allegiance

#### 3.04 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 Stevens, Secretary. Dan McMinimee, Superintendent, represented the administration.

#### 3.05 Approve Agenda

Motion #1 (Motion to Approve Agenda as Revised): Upon motion by Ms. Lasell, second by Ms. Stevens, the Board of Education approved the agenda for the regular business meeting of December 10, 2015 as revised with the movement of Consent agenda item 7.07, Bradford K8 School Configuration, to the Discussion agenda, item 8.01, for ten minutes of discussion; and, to renumber agenda items as necessary.

Motion by Ms. Lasell, second by Ms. Stevens Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

## 4. Honors, Recognition and School Reports

### 4.01 Bergen Valley Elementary #1 Elementary School

The Board of Education recognized Bergen Valley Elementary School for being named the #1 elementary school in the state of Colorado by ColoradoSchoolGrades.com. Principal Beth Elmgreen represented the school community.

## 4.02 Evergreen High School National Blue Ribbon School

The Board of Education recognized the Evergreen High School community for its achievement, for the second time, of the 2015 National Blue Ribbon School award. Principal Ryan Alsup represented the school community.

# 4.03 2015 Colorado Outstanding High School Physical Science Teacher: Dr. Tom Bindel

The Board of Education recognized Pomona High School science teacher Dr. Tom Bindel for being chosen as Outstanding High School Physical Science Teacher in Colorado for 2015 by the Colorado Association of Science Teachers.

# 4.04 4A/5A Gymnastics State Champions: Rachel Cody, Pomona High School

The Board of Education recognized Standley Lake High School student Rachel Cody as Colorado's 4A Gymnastics Individual All-Around champion for 2015, Pomona High School gymnastics team as the state's 5A Gymnastics Team Champion with individual 5A state Gymnastics champions Alyssa Minyard for Uneven Bars and Kelsey Boychuk for Balance Beam, Vault, and All-Around champion for 2015.

### 4.05 4A Boys Soccer State Champions: Evergreen High School

The Board of Education recognized Evergreen High School Boys Soccer team for winning the 4A state championship.

# 4.06 Colorado High School Mixed State USA Ultimate Champions: Lakewood High School

The Board of Education recognized Lakewood High School's Ultimate Frisbee team for winning the USA Ultimate Colorado High School Mixed State championship.

## 4.07 Shell Eco-Marathon 1st Place: Wheat Ridge High School

The Board of Education received a presentation by the Wheat Ridge High School STEM/Engineering students of their Shell Eco-Marathon Competition's  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  place hydrogen fuel cell vehicle project.

#### 5. Board Reports

Board members reported on events and activities of interest in their board work including the Audit Committee, Colorado School Finance Project, Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) conference training, community engagement, development of Board Ends (district goals), and school visits.

### 6. Public Agenda Part One

#### 6.01 Correspondence - December 10, 2015

#### 6.02 Public Comment (Agenda Related)

Krista Newton, Jennifer Hamilton, Alisha Lindsey, Cara Berg, Wilson Murphy – Littleton – regarding agenda item 8.01, Bradford K-8 School Configuration.

Leonor Lucero - Littleton - regarding agenda item 8.01, Bradford K-8 School Configuration.

Meg Hollingsworth – Littleton – regarding agenda item 8.01, Bradford K-8 School Configuration.

Joanne, Alex, Aurora, and BellaNova McDaniel – Littleton – regarding agenda item 10.01, Board Orientation: Legal Responsibilities and Limitations.

#### 7. Consent Agenda

Motion #2 (Motion to Approve Consent Agenda as Revised): Upon motion by Ms. Stevens, second by Mr. Rupert, the Board of Education approved the Consent agenda as revised: 7.01, Approval of Minutes-October 29, 2015; 7.02, Approval of Minutes-November 5, 2015; 7.03, Approval of Minutes-November 19, 2015; 7.04, Approval of Minutes-November 30, 2015; 7.05, Charter School Renewal Contracts: Addenbrooke Classical Academy, Compass Montessori Wheat Ridge, New America School (EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring); 7.06, Charter Application Cycle (EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring) (Attachment A); 7.07, Certification: 2015 Mill Levies for Collection in 2016 (EL-6, Financial Administration) (Attachment B); 7.08, Resolution: Authorizing the District to Enter into a Line of Credit (EL-6, Financial Administration) (Attachment C); 7.09, Supplemental Funds December 2015 (EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board); 7.10, Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 7.11, Administrative Appointments (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 7.12, Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 7.13, Contract Award: Temporary Classrooms Site Development Package/West Woods, Meiklejohn Elementaries (EL-8, Facilities).

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> Motion by Ms. Stevens, second by Mr. Rupert Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

### 8. Discussion Agenda

## 8.01 Bradford K-8 School Configuration (Ends 1-3)

Motion #3 (Motion to Establish Bradford K-8): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Harmon, the Board of Education approved the establishment of the Bradford K-8 School for the Chatfield Articulation Area by allowing the current Bradford K-6 program to expand to include  $7^{\rm th}$  grade programming beginning with the 2016/2017 school year and  $8^{\rm th}$  grade programming beginning with the 2017/2018 school year.

Motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Harmon Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

Discussion covered the community input, work with Chatfield area principals, program alignment, school staff involvement, boundary changes and choice enrollment, funding, facilities and sustainable model.

## Public Agenda Part Two

#### 9.01 Public Comment (Not on Agenda)

Steve Swanson – Austin, TX – (permission granted) regarding leadership, community involvement, management, assessing and improving service to students.

Joni Inman, Dot Miller, Sean Kaiser – Golden – regarding the Jefferson County Business Education Alliance and discussion time with the Board of Education.

Jim Fernald – Lakewood – regarding student experiences in Jeffco schools.

Jim Ellis – Arvada – regarding formal recognition of former superintendent Dr. Cynthia Stevenson through resolution expressing gratitude, grant access to schools and naming of school.

Eric Kolmar - Broomfield - regarding merging 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades.

Lisa Zale, Marti Rumin, Chad Vandergriff – Conifer – regarding bus transportation, first on/first dropped off and communications.

Matthew, Joey and Randy Bramer, Tammy Story – Kittredge – regarding student perspective on new Board of Education and thank you cake.

Ryan Seastrom – Westminster – regarding Americans for Prosperity watching Board actions on pledges and transparency.

## 10. Develop Next Agenda

#### 10.01 Board Work Calendar

# 10.02 Special and Regular Meetings of December 17, 2015, January 9 and 14, 2016

#### 11. Executive Session

## 11.01Board Orientation: Legal Responsibilities and Limitations (GP-1)

Superintendent Dan McMinimee and legal counsel noted elected bodies may legally move to executive session on certain topics as needed. The Board agreed to move ahead in open session with an overview of requirements for Open Meetings (Title 24) and Open Records (Title 22) law.

Following the overview, board members had specific questions for legal advice and determined to move into executive session.

Motion #4 (Motion for Executive Session on Specific Legal Advice): Upon motion by Ms. Stevens, second by Mr. Rupert, the Board of Education moved to executive session, pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute 24-6-402(4)(b) to receive specific legal advice on the Colorado Open Meetings Law, the Colorado Open Records Act, conflicts of interest and standards of conduct for local public officials, and relevant board and district policies related to same.

Motion by Ms. Stevens, second by Mr. Rupert Final Resolution: Motion Carries Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

## 12. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:28 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for January 14, 2016.

Helen E. Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on February 4, 2016.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education

Attachment A – resolution – Charter Application Cycle Attachment B – resolution – Certification of Mill Levy 2016 Attachment C – resolution – Authorizing Line of Credit