

Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

September 7, 2017 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

- 1.01 Location: Board Room, Education Center (streaming)
- 1.02 Musical Performance by West Jefferson Middle School

2. Study/Dialogue Session

2.01 Strategies Supporting Student Success (Ends 2)

The study session was called to order at 5:07 p.m. by Ron Mitchell, president of the Board of Education, in the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Thursday, September 7, 2017. 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. Superintendent Dr. Jason E. Giass represented the administration. Mr. Mitchell thanked the West Jefferson Middle School students and director for the orchestral performance.

PURPOSE: The Board of Education was engaged in dialogue with principals and district staff regarding schools' achievement and growth as measured by the Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS).

DISCUSSION: Principals from Vivian Elementary, Shelton Elementary, Drake Middle, Falcon Bluffs Middle and Conifer High schools described their school communities and the work undertaken to increase and succeed in moving student learning in a positive direction on CMAS tests and responded to questions from board members. Discussion covered professional learning communities, collaboration, relationships, highly skilled staff, systemic practices, engagement of students, and interventions.

CONCLUSION: The Board was shown it has not been just one thing that changed to increase student achievement in these schools but management of several areas involving quality educators, focus on essential learnings, and a school culture of safety, trust and respect in order to take the risks inherent in learning.

Preliminary

3.01 Call to Order, 6 p.m.

A regular meeting was called to order at 6:12 p.m. by Ron Mitchell, president of the Board of Education, in the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Thursday, April 6, 2017. Breaks were taken from 6 p.m. to 6:12 p.m. and 7 pm to 7:08 pm.

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. Dr. Jason E. Glass, superintendent, represented the administration.

3.05 Approve Agenda

Motion #1 (Motion to Approve Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Lasell, the Board of Education approved the agenda for the regular business meeting of September 7, 2017 as presented.

Motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Lasell

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

4. Honors, Recognition and School Reports

4.01 City of Lakewood Sustainability Award: Hutchinson Elementary

The Board of Education recognized the Environmental Club at Hutchinson Elementary School for achieving the City of Lakewood's 2017 Defender of the Planet Youth Award through the club's organization of a community recycling event.

4.02 3A Girls Tennis State Champions: D'Evelyn Jr./Sr. High School

The Board of Education honored D'Evelyn Jr./Sr. High School girls tennis team for winning the 3A state championship and No. 4 doubles team of Charity Perks and Keri Jennings; and, No. 2 doubles team of Cammy Lee and Elisa Dean won state titles, coached by Woody Oliver.

4.03 4A Girls Soccer State Champions: D'Evelyn Jr./Sr. High School

The Board of Education honored student athletes from D'Evelyn Jr./Sr. High School for winning the 4A girls soccer championship, coached by Paul Moline.

4.04 Colorado Bandmasters Hall of Fame: D'Evelyn's Stephen Martin

The Board of Education honored retired D'Evelyn Jr./Sr. High School Band Director Steve Martin for achieving the Colorado Bandmasters Association's 2017 Hall of Fame award after a 21 year career in Jeffco Public Schools.

4.05 Colfax Marathon: Jeffco Schools Team Winners

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The Board of Education recognized three Jeffco Public Schools employee teams for placing 3rd, 6th and 11th places in the Colfax Marathon public schools division. Kaiser Permanente, a sponsor, awarded each team \$1,000 for their schools.

5. Leadership Reports

5.01 Report of Superintendent

Superintendent Dr. Jason Glass reported on his activities since beginning his job at Jeffco Public Schools, local communications on state and national issues and upcoming work.

5.02 Reports of Board Members

The Board of Education members reported on their involvement with school opening events, dedication of the DeAngelis Center for Community Safety, Three Creeks K-8 opening (one of the first major decisions of this Board of Education), Jeffco Summer of Early Literacy program, and community partners working with the district to support students.

6. Public Agenda Part One

6.01 Correspondence - September 7, 2017

6.02 Public Comment (Agenda Related)

There were no speakers for part one public comment.

7. Consent Agenda

Motion #2 (Motion to Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Ms. Stevens, second by Mr. Rupert, the Board of Education approved the Consent agenda as presented: 7.01, Approval of Minutes-May 4, 2017; 7.02, Approval of Minutes-June 1, 2017; 7.03, Approval of Minutes-August 2, 2017; 7.04, Approval of Minutes-August 24, 2017; 7.05, Resolution: Free Expression and Engagement in Jeffco Public Schools (GP-4, Board Job Description; EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board) (Attachment A); 7.06, Monitoring: EL-1, Global Executive Constraint; 7.07, Monitoring: EL-6, Financial Administration; 7.08, Monitoring: EL-9, Emergency Superintendent Succession; 7.09, Monitoring: EL-12, School Safety; 7.10, Supplemental Funds Notification: September 2017 (EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board); 7.11, Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 7.12, Administrative Appointments (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 7.13, Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 7.14, Limited Waiver District Policy: Localworks Ridgefest (EL-7, Asset Protection); 7.15, Donation: Everitt Middle School (EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board); 7.16, Donation: Meiklejohn Elementary School (EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board); 7.17, Contract Award: Professional Services Drake Middle School Renovation and Addition (EL-8, Facilities); 7.18, Contract Award: Conifer High School Fire Pump/Generator Replacement Contract Manager/General Contractor (EL-7, Asset Protection; EL-8, Facilities).

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

Ms. Stevens made a statement on the resolution passed by the Board.

8. Ends Discussion Agenda

8.01 Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) Spring Results (Ends 2)

Staff presented student achievement data in three sections: English Language Arts (ELA), mathematics, science and career-readiness; focusing on high level reports, strengths and challenges for 2017/18. In ELA, Jeffco students exceeded the state in all grade levels, increased performance in all grade levels, median growth of 52 overall exceeded the state and improved by three points, and early literacy is celebrated while subgroup performance remains mostly unchanged; in math, students exceeded the state across the board with a one-year trend showing all but two grades improved or remained stable; at 53rd percentile Jeffco improved and continues to exceed state performance; and, the students with individual education plans (IEP) increased growth scores; and, in science, scores exceeded the state at all grade levels and the performance trend improved across all grade levels compared to the prior year. PSAT and SAT performance showed Jeffco students exceeded the state score in reading/writing and math with this first year of SAT statewide administration.

Discussion covered prioritizing title and performance schools for resources, subgroup improvement strategies, English language learners, Colorado being one of few states to administer SAT to all students not just those college-bound.

8.02 Teacher Dismissal Matter: Act on Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact and Recommendation (EL-3, 10, 12)

Motion #3 (Motion to Dismiss): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Stevens, the Board of Education adopted the written Order for Dismissal of Daniel Steever as entered into the record. (Attachment B)

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

Policy Work

9.01 Policy Adoption: AD, AE

Motion #4 (<u>Motion to Adopt Revisions</u>): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Stevens, the Board of Education adopted revisions to district policies AD, School Safety; and, AE, Accreditation, 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

9.02 Policy Adoption: EL-4, Staff Compensation

Motion #5 (<u>Motion to Adopt Revisions</u>): Upon motion by Ms. Lasell, second by Mr. Rupert, the Board of Education adopted revisions to Board executive limitation policy 4, Staff Compensation, as presented.

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

9.03 Policy Review: EL-1, Global Executive Constraint

The Board reviewed and provided no revisions to executive limitation policy 1, Global Executive Constraint.

9.04 Policy Review: EL-6, Financial Administration

The Board reviewed and provided no revisions to executive limitation policy 6, Financial Administration.

9.05 Policy Review: EL-9, Emergency Superintendent Succession

The Board reviewed and provided no revisions to executive limitation policy 9, Emergency Superintendent Succession.

9.06 Policy Review: EL-12, School Safety

The Board reviewed and provided no revisions to executive limitation policy 12, School Safety. Director Stevens offered thoughts on grants received by the school district: to alert the Board when grants time out on successful work and additional resources may be needed.

10. Public Agenda Part Two

10.01 Public Comment (Not on Agenda)

Jim Fernald - Lakewood - regarding welcoming the new superintendent.

11. Develop Next Agenda

12. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for October 5, 2017.

Helen E. Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on October 5, 2017.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education

Attachment A – resolution – Free Expression and Engagement in Jeffco Public Schools

Attachment B - Order for Dismissal - D.Steever