



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 12, 2006
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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board met in executive session at 5:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room in executive session on a personnel matter and to seek the advice of legal counsel on a specific legal issue.

1. PRELIMINARY

- a. **CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting was called to order by Jane Barnes, president of the Board of Education, at 7:10 p.m. in the Board Room of the Educational Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, January 12, 2006. No recess was held.
- b. **WELCOME TO THE AUDIENCE:** Ms. Barnes welcomed the audience and recognized the Falcon Bluffs Jazz Band, directed by Steve Martin.
- c. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** At the invitation of Ms. Barnes, the assembly repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.
- d. **ROLL CALL:** Roll call indicated that the Board was present in its entirety – Jane Barnes, President; Vince Chowdhury, First Vice President; Sue Marinelli, Second Vice President; Scott Benefield, Secretary; and, Hereford Percy, Treasurer. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration.
- e. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

MOTION #1 (Approve Agenda as Revised): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Percy, it was unanimous to approve the agenda of the regular board meeting of January 12, 2006 as revised, with the removal of item 3., County Student Council, and the revision of the Superintendent's recommendation on Consent Agenda item 8-w., Property Exchange – Jefferson

County Open Space, BA-06-052, to state, "that the Board of Education declares approximately 8.7 acres of Tanglewood site as surplus and not required for school purposes, authorizes administrative staff to negotiate the exchange of the property with Jefferson County Open Space and that the Board of Education authorizes the Chief Operating Officer to execute the necessary documentation to finalize the transaction."

Aye: Ms. Barnes, Mr. Benefield, Mr. Chowdhury, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Percy

2. **HONORS AND RECOGNITION:** Jayne Vahle, English teacher at Bear Creek High School, was recognized for receiving the \$25,000 Milken Award for her outstanding teaching skills, awarded by the U.S. Department of Education and the Milken Foundation.

Members of the Evergreen High School pom squad were recognized for winning the Colorado State Spirit Championship 4A division.

January is National Board of Education month. The Superintendent recognized the members of the Board of Education for their dedication and the countless hours of work they contribute to the school district.

3. **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:** Mr. Benefield visited Foster, Swanson, Zerger and Little Elementary Schools and Arvada High School.

Ms. Marinelli attended the dual language program at Foster and visited Welchester elementary schools.

Mr. Chowdhury commended Dakota Ridge High School for its efforts in communicating with parents.

It was noted that Molly Niven, music teacher at Foster Elementary, was recognized for being chosen 9News Teacher of the Month.

Members noted that Nigel Middleton, from Colorado School of Mines, discussed math and science education at the recent Strategic Planning and Advisory Council meeting.

Earlier in the day a meeting was held with elementary, middle and senior high level representative principals and instructional coaches to discuss the Department of Learning and Educational Achievement's work to improve high school instruction. The process began today to implement a training program for teachers in pre-advanced placement so that all students are taught to high levels. The training will begin with 600 teachers and grow to 1700 secondary teachers.

The Board will be receiving information on upcoming classes to be held by the Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB).

4. **PUBLIC AGENDA:**

- a. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Public correspondence received by the Board was made available for public perusal.
- b. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no one present to address the Board.

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

- a. **REPORT ON MIDDLE LEVEL PROGRAMS (ENDS 1, ALL CHILDREN ARE PREPARED FOR A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE):** Sherida Peterson, chief academic officer; Chrysann McBride, executive director of the Department of Learning and Educational Achievement; Dave Wendelin, director, English Language Arts and Social Studies; and, Jean Kelley, principal at West Jefferson Middle School, presented information to the Board of Education on instructional programs in Jefferson County middle schools, highlighting English Language Arts and Social Studies programming and answered questions from the Board.

6. **DEVELOP NEXT AGENDA:** The Board discussed the agenda for the January 26, 2006 regular meeting and January study/dialogue session topics.

7. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION #2 (Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Ms. Marinelli, it was unanimous to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented: 7-a., Board Policy-No Revision, EL-8, Asset Protection, BA-05-136/2; 7-b., Board Policy-No Revision, EL-12, Commitment to Accomplishment, Accountability and Accreditation, BA-05-140/2; 7-c., Board Policy-No Revision, EL-15, School Year Calendar, BA-05-145/2; 7-d., Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-002; 7-e., Administrative Appointments (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-003; 7-f., Licensed Transfers (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-004; 7-g., Requests for Leave With Pay (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-005; 7-h., Requests for Leave Without Pay (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-006; 7-i., Leave Returnees (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-007; 7-j., Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-008; 7-k., Military Leaves ((EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-010; 7-l., Recommendation-Non-Renewal of Teacher (McBride) (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-047 (Attachment A); 7-m., Recommendation-Non-renewal of Assistant Principal (Lewis) (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-045 (Att. B); 7-n., Resolution to Accept Decision (Att. C) (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-049; 7-o., Expulsion of Students (EL-16, Treatment of Students), BA-06-011; 7-p., Supplemental Funds – Russell Elementary-City of Arvada (EL-7, Financial Administration), BA-06-042; 7-q., Supplemental Funds – Math – University of Colorado (EL-7, Financial Administration), BA-06-043; 7-r., Supplemental Funds – Budget Office – Daniels Fund (EL-7, Financial Administration), BA-06-044; 7-s., Contract Award-Chatfield High School Guaranteed Maximum Price (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-06-041; 7-t., Contract Award-Bear Creek K-8 Replacement School (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-06-048; 7-u., Purchase Support Vehicles and Equipment (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-06-050; 7-v., Declaration of Surplus Property-Applewood Knolls

Cottages (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-06-051; 7-w., Property Exchange-Jefferson County Open Space (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-06-052; 7-x., Contract Award-Ralston Valley High School Addition-revised (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-06-046; 7-y., Approval of Minutes: December 8 and 15, 2005.

Aye: Ms. Barnes, Mr. Benefield, Mr. Chowdhury, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Percy

8. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular business meeting was adjourned at 8:56 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held Thursday, January 26, 2006.

Nancy Cook, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on February 9, 2006.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education

Attachment A – Resolution - Non-Renewal of Teacher (McBride)

Attachment B – Resolution - Non-Renewal of Assistant Principal (Lewis)

Attachment C – Resolution to Accept Decision