



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 9, 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.

STUDY/DIALOGUE SESSION: The Board met at 5:00 p.m. in the Seminar Room in a study/dialogue session.

PURPOSE: For the Board of Education to review revised budget parameters.

DISCUSSION: The Board reviewed the revisions requested on January 9 to the budget parameters.

OUTCOME: The Board agreed that the revisions reflected the Board's parameters and the Budgeting for Results focus.

STUDY/DIALOGUE SESSION: The Board met at 5:30 p.m. in the Seminar Room in a study/dialogue session.

PURPOSE: For the Board of Education to review and discuss the second quarter financial report with members of the Financial Oversight Committee.

DISCUSSION: The Board reviewed the transmittal letter, management letter, and the second quarter financial report with four members of the Financial Oversight Committee (FOC). The FOC members shared that they had no concerns to report: a judicious process was in place for staffing levels; and, given information on the KPMG audit, Budgeting for Results updates, and the tax-sheltered annuity issues the district is handling there are no new or startling financial matters to address. Board members noted the Free Horizon charter school loan of \$58,000 that had not been approved by the Board of Education. In review of information from Clifton Gunderson, the Board noted the completion of the September Business Impact Analysis, and KPMG's future update; and, the Business Continuance Project.

OUTCOME: The Board directed the superintendent to copy them on correspondence to the Free Horizon Board of Directors, and to prepare an agenda item for loan approval

for Free Horizon to the next regular Board meeting. The Board requested a copy of the Business Impact Analysis and KPMG's future report as well as a copy of the Business Continuance Project once completed. The Board requested additional information on the estimation of fuel cost rates for next year, auto claims, and waste water expenses.

1. **PRELIMINARY**

- a. **CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting was called to order by Jane Barnes, president of the Board of Education, at 7:01 p.m. in the Board Room of the Educational Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, February 9, 2006. Recess was held from 8:08 p.m. to 8:18 p.m.
- b. **WELCOME TO THE AUDIENCE:** Ms. Barnes welcomed the audience and recognized the Dakota Ridge High School choir, directed by Lance Nozot.
- 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 February 9, 2006 as revised, with the removal of agenda item 2. Honors and Recognition and agenda item 3. County Student Council and the revision of Consent Agenda item 6-m., Approval of Minutes, to reflect the year 2006 and the renumbering of subsequent agenda items as appropriate.

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

2. **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:** Ms. Barnes and Mr. Chowdhury recently attended the National School Boards Association's Federal Relations Network conference held in Washington, D.C.

Ms. Marinelli visited all the schools located in the Green Mountain articulation area, Rocky Mountain Academy, Parmalee Elementary and Evergreen High School.

Board members and district staff met with Jefferson County state legislators at the State Capitol regarding funding of K-12 education.

Ms. Barnes, Mr. Chowdhury, and Ms. Marinelli attended the ground breaking for Lakewood High School.

It was announced that student artwork from the Equity in Excellence Art program is currently being displayed on the first and second floors of the Educational Services Center.

Dr. Stevenson has been selected to testify at the National Science Board regarding the state of science and math in grades K-16. Additional information will be provided to members of the board in their weekly packets.

Dr. Stevenson was interviewed by CNN while the network was filming a segment on the state of education at Arvada West High School.

3. **PUBLIC AGENDA:**

a. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Public correspondence received by the Board was made available for public perusal.

b. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Jack Kinnear, Littleton – submitting a petition opposing any change to the current status of North Ranch Park.

It was noted that all parties interested in the final plans for this park are being asked for their input. It is hoped that a compromise that will benefit all interested parties will be reached.

Tom Roseen and Mike Ellis, Madison High School Charter School – outlining recent steps taken to address some of the concerns of the Board regarding the charter application.

Debbie Millard – requesting that the Board not approve the charter school application of Madison High School.

4. **STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS:**

a. **PUBLIC HEARING – CHARTER RENEWAL – COMPASS MONTESSORI – WHEAT RIDGE (EL-19, CHARTER SCHOOLS APPLICATION AND MONITORING):** Representatives from Compass Montessori were present to answer questions from the Board regarding the renewal application.

MOTION #2 (Approve Renewal Application): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Percy, it was unanimous to approve the requested contract renewal for Compass Montessori – Wheat Ridge.

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

- b. **REMAND – MADISON HIGH SCHOOL (EL-19, CHARTER SCHOOLS APPLICATION AND MONITORING):** Representatives from Madison High School were present to answer questions from the Board.

MOTION #3 (Deny by Resolution): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Percy, it was unanimous to deny the charter application on remand of Madison High School as entered into the record by resolution (Attachment A).

- c. **REMAND – TEDDY ROOSEVELT ACADEMY (EL-19, CHARTER SCHOOLS APPLICATION AND MONITORING):**

MOTION #4 (Deny by Resolution): Representatives from Teddy Roosevelt Academy were present to answer questions from the Board.

Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Chowdhury, it was approved by majority to deny the charter application on remand of the Teddy Roosevelt Academy as entered into the record by resolution (Attachment B).

Aye: Mr. Benefield, Mr. Chowdhury, Mr. Percy

Nay: Ms. Barnes, Ms. Marinelli

5. **DEVELOP NEXT AGENDA:** The Board discussed the agenda for the February 23, 2006 regular meeting and February study/dialogue session topics.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION #5 (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: 6-a., Requests for Letters of Authorization (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-001; 6-b., Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-002/2; 6-c., Administrative Appointments (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-003/2; 6-d., Licensed Transfers (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-004/2; 6-e., Requests for Leave With Pay (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-005/2; 6-f., Requests for Leave Without Pay (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-006/2; 6-g., Leave Returnees (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-007/2; 6-h., Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-008/2; 6-i., Military Leaves ((EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-010/2; 6-j., Expulsion of Students (EL-16, Treatment of Students), BA-06-011/2; 6-k., Supplemental Funds – Student Services-Rocky Mountain Center for Health Promotion and Education (EL-7, Financial Administration), BA-06-055; 6-l., Contract Award-High Bandwidth Circuits to Schools (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-06-058; 6-m., Approval of Minutes: January 12, 19, 26, 27-28, and 31, 2006.

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

7. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular business meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held Thursday, March 30, 2006.

Nancy Cook, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on March 30, 2006.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education

Attachment A – Resolution – Remand – Madison High School

Attachment B – Resolution - Remand – Teddy Roosevelt Academy

Attachment C – Resolution – Renewal – Compass Montessori-Wheat Ridge