



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 5, 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: Upon motion by Scott Benefield, seconded Vince Chowdhury, a quorum of the Board of Education met in executive session at 5:08 p.m. to seek advice of legal counsel on a specific legal matter. Sue Marinelli joined the executive session at 5:10 p.m. Hereford Percy was excused from the meeting.

1. **PRELIMINARY**

- a. **CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting was called to order by Jane Barnes, president of the Board of Education, at 6:08 p.m. in the Board Room of the Educational Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, October 5, 2006. Recess was held from 7:34 to 7:46 p.m.
- b. **WELCOME TO THE AUDIENCE:** Ms. Barnes welcomed the audience and recognized the West Jefferson Middle School Orchestra, directed by Laura Garrison.
- c. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** At the invitation of Ms. Barnes, the assembly repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.
- d. **ROLL CALL:** Roll call indicated that a majority of the Board was present – Jane Barnes, President; Vince Chowdhury, First Vice President; Sue Marinelli, Second Vice President; Scott Benefield, Secretary; and, Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration.

Hereford Percy, Treasurer, was excused from the meeting.

- e. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

MOTION #1 (Approve Agenda as Revised): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Chowdhury, it was unanimous to approve the agenda as revised.

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

2. **HONORS AND RECOGNITION:** Eric Miller, student at Dakota Ridge High School, was recognized for receiving a perfect score on the ACT test as a sophomore.

Betty Standley, director of Purchasing and Victoria Weskamp, Purchasing Card Program specialist, were recognized as members of the Rocky Mountain Governmental Purchasing Association which received the Large Chapter of the Year Award from the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing.

Financial Services employees Lynn Acker, Nettie Garcia, Mary Nicholas, Deb Schwenke, Steve Seiger, and Margie Guthrie were recognized for the work of the Denver Chapter of the Payroll Association in being selected as the 2006 Chapter of the Year by the American Payroll Association Congress.

3. **COUNTY STUDENT COUNCIL:** Student representatives updated the Board on current activities of the council.

4. **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:** Mr. Benefield and Mr. Percy hosted a community meeting at Zerger Elementary.

Ms. Barnes and Ms. Marinelli hosted a community meeting at Wilmot Elementary.

Members of the Board attended the dedication at Dunstan Middle School.

Ms. Marinelli commended school staff and administrators for their support in ensuring school safety.

Mr. Chowhury reported the Board will take action this evening to oppose proposed Amendments 38, 39, 44, and Referendum J.

Members of the Board will be attending the Jeffco PTA 24 Hours to Grow conference in Estes Park.

Ms. Barnes reiterated to district staff the importance of their wearing ID badges and visitors to sign in and wear name tags when visiting schools.

Dr. Stevenson reviewed the increased safety measures being taken in schools.

Dr. Stevenson reported that Shirley Brooke, director of Food and Nutrition Services, would be assisting the San Diego school district on a review team for their Food and Nutrition Services department.

5. **PUBLIC AGENDA:**

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

b. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Randy Waters, Arvada – expressing concerns about charter school students being able to take orchestra classes at their neighborhood schools.

It was noted that this is a staffing issue at the neighborhood schools and that the charter schools should be offering orchestra classes at their sites based on parent input.

Nancy Henderson, JCEA – advising the Board and Superintendent that JCEA has issued a press release regarding the district's policy pertaining to unexcused absences.

The Superintendent noted that she had already begun a review process of the new policy. The Board requested the policy be revisited at the end of first semester.

Jennifer Eleniewski, Evergreen – expressing concerns about the inconsistency among schools regarding safety.

Cyndy Whitlock, executive director of School Management, will meet with Ms. Eleniewski to address her concerns.

6. **DISCUSSION AGENDA:**

a. **UPDATE ON BUS ADVERTISING (EL-8, ASSET PROTECTION):**

Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer, shared additional information with the Board regarding revenue projections, advertising opportunities, examples from other districts and the signage process.

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

a. **REPORT ON GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, (ENDS 1, ALL CHILDREN ARE PREPARED FOR A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE):**

The Superintendent shared information regarding graduation requirements in Jefferson County to help facilitate a discussion with the Board of Education on this topic.

8. **DEVELOP NEXT AGENDA:** The Board discussed the agenda for the October 13 study session and October 19 regular meeting.

9. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION #2 (Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Chowdhury, it was unanimous to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented: 9-a., Monitoring Report-Charter Schools Application and Monitoring (EL-19), BA-06-170; 9-b., Board Policy Revision for Study EL-19, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring, BA-06-171; 9-c., Board Policy Revision for EL-13, Instruction Program, BA-06-165/2; 9-d., Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-002/9; 9-e., Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-06-008/9; 9-f., Expulsion of Students (EL-16, Treatment of Students), BA-06-011/7; 9-g., Contract Award-Design Consultant Alameda High School (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-06-214; 9-h., Contract Award-Consultant Services PeopleSoft HR Systems (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-06-211; 9-i., Approval of Minutes: September 14, 2006; 9-j., Resolution-Amendment 38 (EL-17, Communication and Counsel to the Board), BA-06-215 (Attachment A); 9-k., Resolution-Amendment 39 (EL-17, Communication and Counsel to the Board), BA-06-216 (Attachment B); 9-l., Resolution-Amendment 44 (EL-17, Communication and Counsel to the Board), BA-06-218 (Attachment C); 9-m., Resolution-Referendum J (EL-17, Communication and Counsel to the Board), BA-06-217 (Attachment D);

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

10. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular business meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held Thursday, October 19, 2006.

Amy Rogers, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on November 2, 2006.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education

I hereby attest that in my opinion the portion of this executive session for which recorded minutes were not kept constituted a privileged attorney-client communication.

Alex Halpern
Board of Education Attorney

I hereby attest that in my opinion the portion of this executive session for which recorded minutes were not kept constituted a privileged attorney-client communication.

Allen Taggart
School District Attorney

I hereby attest that the portion of this executive session for which recorded minutes were not kept was confined to the topic authorized for discussion in an executive session pursuant to C.R.S. section 24-6-402(4)(b).

Jane Barnes
President

Attachment A – resolution – Amendment 38
Attachment B – resolution – Amendment 39
Attachment C – resolution – Amendment 44
Attachment D – resolution – Referendum J