



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 7, 2008
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: A quorum of the Board of Education met in the Seminar Room at 5:15 p.m. in study/dialogue session. Jane Barnes joined the meeting at 5:16 p.m. Dave Thomas was excused from the meeting.

PURPOSE: The Board of Education discussed development of a legislative platform document to help direct the district lobbyist in the absence of the Board giving specific direction.

DISCUSSION: The reviewed the Jeffco Legislative Forum guide and the Jefferson Economic Council legislative statement. Topics of specific interest and direction from the Board were identified.

OUTCOME: The Board members gave direction to the superintendent and will review a final draft prepared by staff at a future meeting. The study/dialogue session adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

1. **PRELIMINARY**

01. **CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting was called to order by Scott Benefield, president of the Board of Education, at 6:06 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, February 7, 2008.

02. **WELCOME TO THE AUDIENCE:** Mr. Benefield welcomed the audience and acknowledged the musical performance by students at Foster Elementary School, led by Allison Bequette.

03. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** At the invitation of Mr. Benefield, the assembly repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.

04. **ROLL CALL:** Roll call indicated that a majority of the Board was present - Scott Benefield, President; Jane Barnes, First Vice President; Sue Marinelli Secretary; and Vince Chowdhury, Treasurer. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration.

Dave Thomas, Second Vice President, was excused from the meeting.

05. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

MOTION #1 (Approve Agenda): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Ms. Barnes, it was unanimous to approve the agenda as presented.

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

2. **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:** Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Chowdhury, and Ms. Barnes attended the National School Boards Association (NSBA) Federal Relations Network (FRN) conference in Washington, D.C. and updated the Board on their activities.

Ms. Barnes apologized for not being present at meetings as she has been traveling for her job.

Dr. Stevenson announced the Jeffco Public Schools Annual Report has been published and is available in schools, libraries and on the website. She also announced the Equity and Excellence Art Exhibit is open in the lobby.

The superintendent attended the Middle and High School All County Honor Band and Orchestra Concert at Boettcher Hall.

3. **PUBLIC AGENDA:**

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

02. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Alison Young – Appealed to the Board to overturn a choice enrollment decision.

Sarah Burrows – Expressed her concerns regarding the math and science graduation requirements

Ronna Burrows – Addressed the Board regarding the CSAP and IOWA testing at D'Evelyn Jr/Sr High.

Tom Murray – Requested an extension on the enrollment deadline for students in the masonry program at Warren Tech.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION #2 (Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Mr. Chowdhury, it was unanimous to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented: 4.01, Jefferson County Public Schools 2008-2010 Strategic Plan (Ends 1-3); 4.02, Employment (EL-3); 4.03, Administrative Appointments (EL-3); 4.04, Resignations/Terminations (EL-3); 4.05, Supplemental Funds-American Library Association to Weber Elementary (EL-6); 4.06, Supplemental Funds-Colorado Geographic Alliance to Department of Learning and Educational Achievement (DLEA) Social Studies (EL-6); 4.07, Expulsion of Students (EL-10, 12); 4.08, Contract Award: Asbestos Abatement-Phase 2 at Bear Creek High School (EL-7); 4.09, Contract Award: Cafeteria Paper Products (EL-7); 4.10, Contract Award: Design/Build Energy Performance Contract for Phase 1 Energy Infrastructure Improvements (EL-7); 4.11, Contract Award: Peiffer Elementary HVAC, Art and Electrical Improvements Projects (EL-7); 4.12, Contract Award: Synthetic Turf Project at Trailblazer Stadium (EL-7); 4.13, Contract Extension: Employee Dental, Vision and Standard Insurance Policies (EL-5, 6); 4.14, Re-Bid of Aruba Equipment (EL-6); 4.15, Board Policy Revision-Governance Process 4, Board Job Description; 4.16, Monitoring Report-EL6, Financial Administration; 4.17, Board Policy Revision-EL-6, Financial Administration; 4.18, Board Policy Revision-EL-11, Communication and Counsel to the Board.

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

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

01. **REPORT ON ONLINE EDUCATION (ENDS 1, ALL STUDENTS EXPLORE AND DEVELOP THEIR POTENTIAL AS PRODUCTIVE GLOBAL CITIZENS IN A 21ST CENTURY ENVIRONMENT):** John Canuel, director of Educational Technology; Debbie Backus, chief academic officer; and members from the Educational Technology/Instructional Literacy team presented the Board of Education with an update on online education and how the work of online education meets the needs of 21st century students.

6. **STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS AGENDA:**

01. MOTION #3 (Approve Excel Academy Renewal): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Ms. Barnes, it was unanimous to approve the requested five year contract renewal for Excel Academy by adopting the resolution as presented. (Attachment A)

02. MOTION #4 (Approve Compass Montessori-Golden Renewal): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Ms. Barnes, it was unanimous to approve the requested five year contract renewal for Compass Montessori-Golden by adopting the resolution as presented. (Attachment B)

03. MOTION #5 (Approve Woodrow Wilson Academy Renewal): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Ms. Barnes, it was unanimous to approve the requested five year contract renewal for Woodrow Wilson Academy by adopting the resolution as presented. (Attachment C)

7. **DISCUSSION AGENDA:** No discussion items scheduled.

8. **DEVELOP NEXT AGENDA:** The Board discussed the Board Work Calendar and the agendas for the special and regular meetings of February 12, 19, and 21, 2008.

Mr. Benefield requested two Board members to participate on the audit committee. Mr. Benefield and Mr. Chowdhury agreed to meet with the auditors.

There was discussion to cancel the April 17 special meeting in order for Board members to attend the 50th Anniversary Gala of Jefferson County Mental Health Association.

9. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular business meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held Thursday, March 6, 2008.

Amy Rogers, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on April 10, 2008.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education

Attachment A: Resolution-Excel Academy charter school renewal

Attachment B: Resolution-Compass Montessori-Golden charter school renewal

Attachment C: Resolution-Woodrow Wilson's charter school renewal