



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

May 1, 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 5:10 p.m., upon motion by Scott Benefield, seconded by Vince Chowdhury, a quorum of the Board voted to meet in executive session to discuss negotiations, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(e). Sue Marinelli joined the meeting at 5:13 p.m. Jane Barnes was excused from the meeting. Vince Chowdhury left the meeting at 5:37 p.m. The Board reconvened in open session 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 6:03 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, May 1 2008. Recess was held from 7:53 p.m. to 8:02 p.m.
02. **WELCOME TO THE AUDIENCE:** Mr. Benefield welcomed the audience.
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; Dave Thomas, Second Vice President; and Sue Marinelli, Secretary. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration.

Ms. Barnes, First Vice President, was excused from the meeting.
Mr. Chowdhury, Treasurer, was excused from the meeting until 7:11 p.m.

05. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

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

Aye: Mr. Benefield, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Thomas

2. **HONORS AND RECOGNITION:** Sixteen schools were recognized for receiving John Irwin Awards from the State of Colorado based on the schools' 2007 School Accountability Rating (SAR) reports: Bear Creek K-8, Bergen Valley Elementary, Bradford Intermediate, Dennison Elementary, D'Evelyn Junior/Senior, Evergreen High School, Evergreen Middle, Kyffin Elementary, Manning School, Normandy Elementary, Parmalee Elementary, Ralston Elementary, Ralston Valley High School, Shaffer Elementary and West Jefferson Middle.

The Board of Education also recognized 106 Jefferson County Public Schools that have received an Accreditation rating of "High Performing" and/or an "Excellent" or "High" designation on their state School Accountability Rating (SAR) reports: Adams Elementary, Arvada High School, Arvada West High School, Bear Creek K-8, Bear Creek High School, Bell Middle, Bergen Valley Elementary, Blue Heron Elementary, Bradford Primary, Bradford Intermediate, Carmody Middle, Chatfield High School, Coal Creek Canyon K-8, Colorow Elementary, Columbine High School, Compass Montessori-Golden, Conifer High School, Coronado Elementary, Creighton Middle, D'Evelyn Junior/Senior, Dakota Ridge High School, Deane Elementary, Deer Creek Middle, Dennison Elementary, Devinny Elementary, Drake Middle, Dunstan Middle, Elk Creek Elementary, Evergreen High School, Evergreen Middle, Fairmount Elementary, Falcon Bluffs Middle, Fitzmorris Elementary, Foothills Elementary, Foster Elementary, Free Horizon Montessori, Governor's Ranch Elementary, Green Gables Elementary, Green Mountain High School, Hackberry Hill Elementary, Hutchinson Elementary, Jefferson Academy Elementary and Secondary, Ken Caryl Middle, Kendallvue Elementary, Kendrick Lakes Elementary, Kyffin Elementary, Lakewood High School, Lasley Elementary, Leawood Elementary, Lincoln Academy Elementary and Middle School, Mandalay Middle, Manning School, Maple Grove Elementary, Marshdale Elementary, Meiklejohn Elementary, Mitchell Elementary, Molholm Elementary, Montessori Peaks Academy, Moore Middle, Mount Carbon Elementary, Normandy Elementary, Oberon Middle, Parmalee Elementary, Patterson Elementary, Peck Elementary, Pomona High School, Powderhorn Elementary, Prospect Valley Elementary, Ralston Elementary, Ralston Valley High School, Red Rocks Elementary, Rocky Mountain Academy of Evergreen, Rocky Mountain Deaf School, Rooney Ranch Elementary, Ryan Elementary, Semper Elementary, Shaffer Elementary, Sheridan Green Elementary, Sierra Elementary, Standley Lake High School, Stober Elementary, Stony Creek Elementary, Stott Elementary, Summit Ridge Middle, Thomson Elementary, Ute Meadows Elementary, Van Arsdale Elementary, Vanderhoof Elementary, Wayne Carle Middle, Weber Elementary, West Jefferson Elementary, West Jefferson Middle, West Woods Elementary, Westridge Elementary, Wilmot Elementary, Woodrow Wilson Academy Elementary and Secondary, and Zerger Elementary.

Victoria Kay, principal, Bear Creek K-8 School; and, Wendy Rubin, principal, Falcon Bluffs Middle School, were recognized for being named “profile success” schools by the Colorado Department of Education for their success on closing the achievement gap.

Pomona High School and Principal Dan Cohan were recognized for being awarded the 2008 Colorado Creative Schools of Excellence Award from Think360 Arts for its exemplary arts education program. Pomona High School will now be considered for the National Creative Ticket award sponsored by the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

Heather Perrie, teacher, Arvada High School, was recognized for earning a National Board Certification for Exceptional Needs Specialist/Early Childhood through Young Adulthood.

Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer, and members of the Budget office were recognized for receiving the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award.

Dr. Stevenson, superintendent, was honored for receiving a distinguished service award from the University of Colorado at Denver.

3. **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:** Members of the Board of Education attended several events this month: Public Education Business Coalition (PEBC) 25th Anniversary Luncheon; Values Awards ceremony; Jeffco Mental Health 50th Anniversary Celebration; Outdoor Lab Foundation Gala Dinner/Silent Auction; Good News Breakfast at Jeffco Fairgrounds; Colorado PTA Annual Convention; Jeffco PTA 2008 Spring Fling Banquet; and the High School Art Show Awards Ceremony.

Mr. Thomas visited schools with Rick Myles, community superintendent, in the Arvada West/Ralston Valley articulation area. Schools included: Arvada West High School, Drake Middle, Fairmount Elementary, Vanderhoof Elementary, and Allendale Elementary.

Ms. Barnes and Ms. Marinelli attended an exploratory conference with members of the Compensation Study Team in Austin, Texas to discuss the Strategic Compensation Plan.

Ms. Marinelli visited schools in the Jefferson articulation area.

Board members met with Jeffco County Council students regarding the student advisor position.

4. **PUBLIC AGENDA:**

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

02. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Pam Morrison – Addressed the Board regarding a recruitment poster at Conifer High School. Ms. Anker followed up with Ms. Morrison on the issue.

Tom Foutch – Asked the Board three questions regarding the teacher hiring process. The questions were submitted in writing and will be responded to by the Board of Education. Ms. Kastberg followed up with Mr. Foutch on the issue.

Lyssa Towl – Addressed the Board regarding her concerns on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance issues at Litz Preschool.

Nancy Henderson – Addressed the Board with Jefferson County Education Association (JCEA) comments regarding the workload resolution.

Sandra Loucks - Addressed the Board regarding a personnel issue at Lakewood High School.

Eileen Schoenburger, Suzann Olsen, John Hume and Christy Mann – Addressed the Board regarding concerns about the 2008/2009 school calendar.

Lara Center, Silvija Karklis, Dustin Reynolds, Terry Slagel, Sue Brown – Addressed the Board with a video presentation requesting a future bond project for the rebuilding of Kendrick Lakes Elementary.

George Valuck, Scott LaBelle, Cynthia Ullman, Lakewood Mayor Bob Murphy - Presented the Board with their request for funds for phase II construction at Alameda High School.

David Weiss, Mary DePetro, Terri Carlson, and Collette Rodriguez – Requested a future bond project for the rebuilding of Patterson Elementary.

03. **PUBLIC HEARING – 2008/2009 PROPOSED BUDGET (EL-5, FINANCIAL PLANNING/BUDGETING):**

There was no one present to address the Board of Education during the public hearing on the proposed budget.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION #2 (Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Mr. Thomas, it was unanimous to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented: 5.01, Policy Governance Monitoring Report EL-3, Staff Treatment; 5.02, Board Policy for Study EL-3, Staff Treatment; 5.03, Policy Governance Monitoring Report EL-6, Financial Administration; 5.04, Board Policy for Study EL-6, Financial Administration; 5.05, Charter School Renewal Contracts: Compass Montessori School-

Golden, Excel Academy, Woodrow Wilson Academy (EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring); 5.06, Approval of Addenda for Collegiate Academy, Compass Montessori-Wheat Ridge, Free Horizon Montessori, Jefferson Academy Elementary, Jefferson Academy Secondary, Lincoln Academy, Montessori Peaks Academy, Mountain Phoenix Community School, New America School, Rocky Mountain Academy of Evergreen, Rocky Mountain Deaf School (EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring); 5.07, Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 5.08, Administrative Appointments(EL-3, Staff Treatment); 5.09, Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 5.10, Authorization to Non-Renew Teacher Contract (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 5.11, Supplemental Funds-Colorado Division of Vocational Rehabilitation to School to Work Alliance Program (EL-6, Financial Administration); 5.12, Contract Award Renewal: Milk Service for Food and Nutrition Services Department (EL-7, Asset Protection); 5.13, Contract Award: Tennis Court Replacement- Standley Lake High School (EL-7, Asset Protection); 5.14, Declaration as Surplus: Fruitdale School Building (EL-7, Asset Protection); 5.15, Declaration as Surplus: Water TAK Site Near Warren Tech (EL-7, Asset Protection); 5.16, Resolution: Bear Creek High School Waiver of Hours (EL-10, Treatment of Students) (Attachment A).

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

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

01. **MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD STUDENT SURVEY (EL-10):** Dr. Carol Eaton, executive director, Assessment and Research, presented the Board with the results of the 2007/2008 Make Your Voice Heard Student Survey and answered questions.

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

8. **DEVELOP NEXT AGENDA:** The Board discussed the Board Work Calendar and the agendas for the special and regular meetings of May 8 and May 15, 2008.

9. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular business meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held Thursday, May 15, 2008.

Amy Rogers, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on June 5, 2008.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education

Attachment A: resolution-Bear Creek High School