



OFFICIAL MINUTES

STUDY/DIALOGUE SESSION BOARD OF EDUCATION

May 8, 2019
Board Room

Jeffco Public Schools
1829 Denver West Dr., Bldg. 27
Golden, Colorado

Our mission: To provide a quality education that prepares all children for a successful future.

1. Preliminary

1.01 Location: Board Room, Education Center (streaming)

1.02 Call to Order: 9:00 a.m.

The study/dialogue session was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Ron Mitchell, president of the Board of Education, in the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Wednesday, May 8, 2019. A majority of the Board was present – Ron Mitchell, president; Ali Lasell, first vice president; Susan Harmon, second vice president; Brad Rupert, treasurer. Dr. Glass, superintendent, represented the administration. Amanda Stevens was excused from the meeting. A break was taken from 9:53 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. for travel and lunch.

Dr. Glass addressed the Highlands Ranch STEM school tragedy. We are grieving and have offered support which Douglas County has accepted.

2. Study/Dialogue Session

2.01 Stocktake: Funding for Equity and Financial Management (Finance Tactics #1 and #2) (FT1, FT2)

PURPOSE: The Board received an update on the strategic plan Finance strategy (effectively and efficiently manage district finances to support educational outcomes and stakeholder trust through transparent practices) tactics #1 Funding for Equity (FT1), and #2 Financial Management (FT2).

DISCUSSION: Staff brought forward the theory of action for FT1: if Jeffco Public Schools allocates financial resources equitably then schools will have the resources to support each student to be successful, and FT2: if Jeffco Public Schools effectively allocates resources and clearly communicates its financial status then stakeholders will be confident in effective resource management. Smart goals were shared for FT1 (by fall 2024 Jeffco will allocate at least an additional 20% (on top of non-Free/Reduced Lunch) per student funding for students who qualify for FRL), and FT2 (by 2023, 60% of stakeholders will agree or strongly agree that Jeffco Public Schools manages its resources effectively). Staff outlined: milestones, leading

indicators, MAP scores, State Finance Act, CAFR, and the implementation heat map showing problematic and mixed application to meet these tactics' goals. Successes and challenges were reviewed along with necessary resources to meet the goals.

The Board discussion included: telecom team's success, SBB process, school support, data collection, measuring equity, how additional funds/resources impact the FRL population and the challenges with benchmarking against other districts.

CONCLUSION: Mr. Mitchell congratulated the Finance department and the telecom team, adding that Jeffco should market the great things accomplished.

2.02 Third Quarter Financial Report review and Dialogue with Financial Oversight Committee (FOC), (EL-5, EL-6)

PURPOSE: For the Board of Education to hear from staff on the districtwide financial condition through the third quarter of the 2018/19 school year in order to monitor district finances.

DISCUSSION: The Board congratulated the Finance Department and the telecom team for receiving a "best brand communication plan." Discussion covered the Financial Oversight Committee's two vacancies and recommended appointments and thanked Bob West for serving on FOC for 15 years. Review of the third quarter report included a funds overview, food service fund running a deficit (5 less days of serving this year, increased wages and shorter lunch times), Great Work Montessori improvement plan, supplemental budget requests, mill levy funds, and insurance fund. No red flags were found with recommended monitoring areas of concern, and no issues with communication procedures.

CONCLUSION: Mr. Mitchell thanked staff for the report and recommended staff communicate the great work done. Mr. Rupert mentioned how incredibly complicated Jeffco's financial picture is and thanked the financial staff for keeping track.

The Board took a break from 9:53 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. to travel to Evergreen High School and eat lunch. The Board reconvened in open session at Evergreen 11:45 a.m.

2.03 Community Engagement: Jefferson County Commissioners

PURPOSE: The Board of Education met with the Jefferson County Commissioners to discuss items of mutual interest.

DISCUSSION: After introductions, principal representatives of the elementary, middle, high, option and charter schools provided highlights of the work in schools. Remarks were shared by Board members and commissioners related to internships, outreach to business partners, school-based clinicians through Jefferson Center for Mental Health, Bright Futures Roadmap (early childhood education) work, county budget reductions of \$16 million, townhall feedback, preschool teachers, and law enforcement and mental health supports.

CONCLUSION: Board members and commissioners appreciated the opportunity to gather together to discuss items of mutual interest to the Jefferson County community.

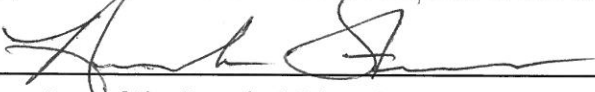
3. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:59 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for June 6, 2019.



Crystal Frigo, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on June 6, 2019.



Secretary of the Board of Education



President of the Board of Education