1. Preliminary

1.01 Location: Board Room, Education Center (streaming)

1.02 Call to Order: 8:30 a.m.

The study/dialogue session was called to order at 8:35 a.m. by Ron Mitchell, president of the Board of Education, in the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Wednesday, November 13, 2019. Breaks were taken from 9:38 a.m. to 9:49 a.m., and 11:14 a.m. to 11:26 a.m.

1.03 Roll Call

Roll call indicated the Board was present in its entirety – Ron Mitchell, president; Ali Lasell, first vice president; Susan Harmon, second vice president; Brad Rupert, treasurer; and, Amanda Stevens, secretary. Dr. Jason E. Glass, superintendent, represented the administration.

1.04 Approve Agenda

Motion #1 (Motion to Approve Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Lasell, the Board of Education approved the agenda for the special study session meeting of November 13, 2019 as presented.

Motion by Mr. Rupert, second by Ms. Lasell
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

2. Study/Dialogue Session

2.01 Engagement: Jefferson County Administrators Association (JCAA) (EL-11, GP-17)
PURPOSE: The Board of Education engaged in discussion on topics of mutual interest with the officers of the Jefferson County Administrators Association (JCAA).

DISCUSSION: The Board of Education and officers from JCAA discussed construction projects, improving general communication about bond improvements to our communities, creation of deeper learning environments for students, opportunities to thank our voters for 5A/5B, mental health supports, alternative placement facilities, suicide prevention training, and substitute teachers.

CONCLUSION: Mr. Mitchell thanked JCAA officers for their time and discussion.

2.02 Jeffco Deeper Learning Model Implementation Update (CMAS Response) (EL-11)

PURPOSE: The Board of Education received an update on implementation progress of the Jeffco Deeper Learning Model and its impact to-date on student achievement.

DISCUSSION: Staff reported that baseline scores on student achievement are too early to show progress from implementation of the Jeffco Deeper Learning Model. Thanks were noted for Education Research and Design colleagues for their work on this effort. Principals shared perspectives on implementation by level (elementary, middle, high schools) covering barriers, successes, resource needs, and how implementation is being created in their schools for delivery. Discussion covered planning time, formative assessment refinement, quantitative and qualitative data, the plan-teach-assess-reflect cycle, partnering with leadership, training modules, support resources, measurement of progress, engagement, higher level critical thinking, career readiness (transfer of knowledge) and improved collaboration.

CONCLUSION: Mr. Mitchell thanked staff for their presentation. Staff will have the results of the next assessments in January.

2.03 Stocktake: Nutritious and Healthy Meals (Operations Strategy #3) (OT3)

PURPOSE: The Board received an update on the strategic plan Operations strategy (maximize operational efficiencies to support the learning environment) Tactic 3: Nutritious and Healthy Meals.

DISCUSSION: Staff brought forward the tactic’s Theory of Action: If we increase the amount of locally prepared foods and enhance the environments in which meals are served then student participation in school meals will increase. The smart goal was shared (by school year 2024/25, school meal participation will be at least 37%). Staff outlined district comparable participation, milestones, investment in school kitchens, Food/Nutrition Services (FNS) Master Plan, leading indicators, lunch scheduling trends, sustainable practices and the implementation map showing mixed, good, problematic and highly problematic application to meet this tactic’s goals. Successes, challenges and opportunities were reviewed along with necessary resources to meet the goals.

The Board discussed marketing, alternatives (food trucks), central production facility (work with local producers), pricing trends, reimbursement, and difficulty in finding a la carte items that meet federal requirements.

CONCLUSION: Mr. Mitchell thanked staff for the update.

2.04 First Quarter Financial Report 2019-2020 Review and Dialogue with Financial Oversight Committee (EL-5, EL-6)
PURPOSE: The Board of Education met with a member of the Financial Oversight Committee (FOC) member and staff regarding the districtwide financial condition through the first quarter of the 2019/2020 school year in order to monitor the district finances.

DISCUSSION: Auditor highlights covered budget trends, funds monitoring (FNS and Central Service Fund), with no recommendations. Staff noted upcoming work on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), budget development, fund balances, reserves, cash balances, revenues/expenditures since issuance, student enrollment shortfall, retirement and turnover savings, 2020/2021 Governor’s proposal assumptions, and next steps likely involving budget reductions for the 2020/21 school year estimated at $10 million. The Employee Benefits Fund was reviewed and will continue to be monitored.

CONCLUSION: The Board requested staff provide further information and breakdown of enrollment shortfall projections, and CTE funding. Board requested FOC review of financial mandates/reporting/programs that are no longer needed so that the Board may report that to legislators. Mr. Mitchell thanked staff for the update.

2.05 Decision on Boundary Change: Bell Middle School (EL-11)

Dr. Glass provided the Board with answers to their requests from the November 7 proposal on Bell Middle School’s boundary change. Community feedback and themes were shared, along with the recommendation: designate Bell Middle School as the neighborhood school only for Maple Grove Elementary School in 2020/21 (next year) and to a portion of Stober ES families also in the two high school matriculation pattern, with no transportation. Board discussion covered Bell MS construction, current and future enrollment, cohort continuity, equity transparency, future programming and impact on choice access.

Motion #2 (Motion to Approve Boundary Change): Upon motion by Ms. Harmon, second by Ms. Lasell, the Board of Education approved the change in school boundary for Bell Middle School designating it as a neighborhood school for Maple Grove Elementary students and the portion of Stober Elementary students aligning enrollment with the historic high school pattern for both schools for the 2020/21 school year without transportation.

Motion by Ms. Harmon, second by Ms. Lasell
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Ms. Harmon, Ms. Lasell, Mr. Mitchell
Nay: Mr. Rupert, Ms. Stevens

3. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:16 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for December 12, 2019.

Crystal Frigo, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on December 12, 2019.
President of the Board of Education