1. Preliminary

1.01 Location: via Webex/Livestream (streaming)

1.02 Call to Order – 8 a.m.

The study session was called to order at 8:10 a.m. by Susan Harmon, president of the Board of Education, via virtual participation on Webex, Livestreamed from the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Wednesday, April 8, 2020.

1.03 Roll Call

Roll call indicated the Board was present, virtually through Webex, in its entirety – Susan Harmon, president; Brad Rupert, first vice president; Ron Mitchell, second vice president; Susan Miller, treasurer; and, Stephanie Schooley, secretary. Dr. Jason E. Glass, superintendent, represented the administration.

Ms. Harmon noted the meeting was taking place virtually and livestreamed (due to Governor Polis’ executive order encouraging everyone to stay at home and his allowance of governing boards to establish a quorum virtually due to the novel coronavirus, COVID-19).

2. Study/Dialogue Session

2.01 Remote Learning and Work Plan (EL-11)

PURPOSE: The Board received a report on the status of Jeffco Public Schools Remote Learning and work Plan including areas related to instruction, student engagement, evaluation of effectiveness, graduation plans, communication efforts, public health directives/guidelines, operations efforts, financial status and staffing impacts.

DISCUSSION: Board members acknowledged the significant impact of remote learning to families, parents, students and educators and thanks were shared for all parties in these efforts to provide stability for students in their learning. Discussion of instruction covered student participation levels, technology device needs, supports available for different learners, teachers and parents. Discussion of the plan’s evaluation involved how survey data is
collected, comparative data, possible applications in the future, and anticipation of future information. The health portion of the plan included discussion of SafeToTell reports, emergency meal service, and a request from the Jefferson County Commissioners to co-sign a letter to the Colorado Congressional Delegation to increase SNAP resources to Jefferson County families. In discussion of the finance/staffing portion of the presentation, Board members covered personal protective equipment available to staff, potential layoffs of staff, school carryforward funds, anticipated costs of staffing during the emergency phase, financial reconciliation timeline, and break-even of funds for the current fiscal year.

CONCLUSION: Board members thanked staff for the report on the Remote Learning and Work Plan, sharing appreciation for the adaptability and problem-solving of staff to provide safety, stability and inspiration for the Jeffco Public Schools community, noting that leadership matters in times of crisis. The Board agreed to co-sign a letter to the Colorado Congressional Delegation in support of increased benefits to Jefferson County SNAP recipients.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for May 7, 2020.

Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on May 7, 2020.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education