



OFFICIAL MINUTES

STUDY/DIALOGUE SESSION BOARD OF EDUCATION

May 13, 2020
Via Zoom/Livestream

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: via Zoom/Livestream (streaming)

1.02 Call to Order – 8:30 a.m.

The study session was called to order at 8:35 a.m. by Susan Harmon, president of the Board of Education, via virtual participation on Zoom, Livestreamed from the Board Room, Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado, Wednesday, May 13, 2020.

1.03 Roll Call

Roll call indicated the Board was present, virtually through Zoom, 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.

The meeting was held virtually and livestreamed in compliance with Jefferson County Public Health 'safer-at-home' directives and the Governor's allowance of governing boards to establish a quorum virtually.

2. Study/Dialogue Session

2.01 Third Quarter Financial Report Review and Dialogue with Financial Oversight Committee (EL-5, 6)

PURPOSE: The Board received information on the districtwide financial condition through the third quarter of the 2019/20 school year in order to monitor district finances.

DISCUSSION: Staff, the independent auditor and members of the Financial Oversight Committee reviewed financial conditions of the district noting, outside the third quarter report that, fraud can increase with remote working and with controls in place the district will be good stewards of public funds received related to the pandemic.

Board discussion covered cash management and fund groups review, status of reserves, role in review and recommendation of Financial Oversight Committee members, supplemental appropriation and TABOR emergency status.

CONCLUSION: Board members received advice from FOC members Mary Everson and Mike Bestor that, based on their review of financials and reasonable interpretation from members' areas of expertise, in these unprecedented times the district has the best team ever, that budget reductions cannot be made only in central administration, and appreciation for this good board that works together.

2.02 Budget Development 2020/2021: Reduction Scenarios (EL-5, 6)

PURPOSE: The Board received new information on potential revenue adjustments, reductions and use of reserves for consideration in the development of the 2020/21 budget.

DISCUSSION: Superintendent Glass noted staff is planning on worst case scenarios (no federal aid and state must implement worst case school finance) for dialogue on options and models to solve any budget shortfall. Ms. Askelson noted that the state's lost of \$3.3 billion or 25% in revenues due to the impact of COVID-19, the delay in the legislature's convening, and no date forecast for completion of school finance makes budget planning challenging.

Board discussion covered percentage use of reserves over multiple years, anticipated organizational reductions centrally and a one percent reduction of funding to schools through SBB, furlough day application, and supports for students protected.

CONCLUSION: Board members were alerted to scheduling of a later June meeting and will look forward to further discussion after more information is known on state reductions after the legislature reconvenes.

2.03 Restart Plan Modeling (EL-11)

PURPOSE: The Board reviewed and discussed the process, planning and feedback structures of the restart plan to engage students in learning in Fall 2020 given known public health directives and guidance.

DISCUSSION: Staff identified preparations in progress, potential models for in-person and remote learning, community feedback opportunities and revision process and the research, best practices and data used in development of the plan.

Board discussion covered the 10-person limitation, common spaces use, meal provision, interventions, childcare (for children of staff and Jeffco students), delivery based on teacher practice, variation among elementary/middle/senior high levels, special education, cleaning and sanitation, budget impact, mental health needs of students, and timing of the roll-out for leadership and family planning.

CONCLUSION: Board members will continue to review the restart draft plan prior to its finalization.

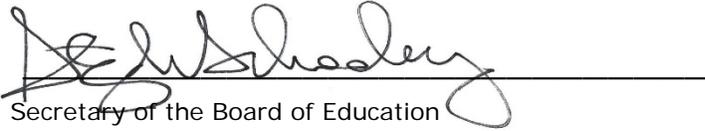
3. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:56 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for June 4, 2020.



Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on June 4, 2020.



Secretary of the Board of Education



President of the Board of Education