



*Building Bright Futures*

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

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### SPECIAL AND REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

November 8, 2007  
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.*

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**STUDY/DIALOGUE SESSION:** The Board of Education met in the Seminar Room at 5:07 p.m. in study/dialogue session to discuss Graduation Requirements.

**PURPOSE:** The Board of Education reviewed the year's work on revising district graduation requirements with members of staff.

**DISCUSSION:** Discussion covered topics including math requirements, credit recovery, online and summer school, electives, financial impact of implementation, counselors and the P-20 Council.

**OUTCOME:** Of the three electives options in draft #12, a majority of Board members supported option 3, the graduation committee's recommendation. The superintendent will report on implementation plans at a future meeting.

#### 1. PRELIMINARY

01. **CALL TO ORDER:** A special meeting was called to order by Jane Barnes, president of the Board of Education, at 6:07 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, November 8, 2007.

02. **WELCOME TO THE AUDIENCE:** Ms. Barnes welcomed the audience.

03. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** At the invitation of Ms. Barnes, the assembly repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.

04. **ROLL CALL:** Roll call indicated that the Board was present in its entirety—Jane Barnes, President; Vince Chowdhury, First Vice President; Sue Marinelli, Second Vice President; Scott Benefield, Secretary; and Hereford Percy, Treasurer. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration.

**05. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OUTGOING BOARD OF EDUCATION:**

The Board of Education recognized Mr. Percy for his work on the Board and expressed appreciation for his dedication and service. Mr. Percy was presented with an award, left the dais and meeting.

**2. DECLARATION OF RESULTS OF THE REGULAR BIENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2007 (GP-1, GOVERNANCE COMMITMENT):**

MOTION #1 (Adopt Resolution): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Chowdhury, it was unanimous to adopt the resolution declaring the results of the November 6, 2007 regular biennial school board election as presented (Attachment A).

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

**3. OATH OF OFFICE:** The Honorable Brooke Jackson, First Judicial District Court Judge, administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected and re-elected Board members Dave Thomas and Jane Barnes.

**4. BOARD REORGANIZATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS (GP-4, BOARD JOB DESCRIPTION; GP-5, PRESIDENT'S ROLE):** Allen Taggart, legal counsel for the school district, reviewed for the Board and audience the sequence of events for the reorganization of the Board. Mr. Benefield received a majority of the votes by confidential ballot and was elected president of the Board.

MOTION #2 (Dispense with Confidential Ballot): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Thomas, it was unanimous to dispense with the confidential ballot to elect a first vice president and to elect Jane Barnes to the position.

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

MOTION #3 (Dispense with Secret Ballot): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Ms. Barnes, it was unanimous to dispense with the confidential ballot to elect a second vice president and to elect Dave Thomas to the position.

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

MOTION #4 (Appoint Secretary): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Thomas, it was unanimous to elect Ms. Marinelli as secretary.

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

MOTION #5 (Appoint Treasurer): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Thomas, it was unanimous to elect Mr. Chowdhury as treasurer.

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

**MOTION #6 (Appoint Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Secretary):** Upon motion by Ms. Barnes, seconded by Mr. Thomas, it was unanimous to appoint Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer, to the position of assistant treasurer and Helen Neal, manager of Administrative Services, to the position of assistant secretary.

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

5. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the special meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

1. **PRELIMINARY**

01. **CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting was called to order by Scott Benefield, president of the Board of Education, at 7:10 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, November 8, 2007.

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 the Board was present in its entirety—Scott Benefield, President; Jane Barnes, First Vice President; Dave Thomas, Second Vice President; Sue Marinelli, Secretary; and Vince Chowdhury, Treasurer. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration.

05. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

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

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

2. **HONORS AND RECOGNITION:** Lane Warner, Alameda High School biology and Process Technology teacher, was recognized as the first high school teacher in the country to be awarded Teacher of the Year award from The Center for the Advancement of Process Technology. Mr. Warner explained his use of Process Technology in the classroom and it's benefit to students.

3. **COUNTY STUDENT COUNCIL:** Student representatives updated the Board members on current activities of the council.

4. **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:** Ms. Marinelli visited Coal Creek K8.

Mr. Thomas attended the Legislative Forum School Visit at Foster Elementary and Chatfield High School.

Board members and the Superintendent attended the dedication for the John and Karen Litz Preschool.

Mr. Thomas and Dr. Stevenson visited the School Age Enrichment program at Van Arsdale Elementary.

Mr. Thomas attended the rededication of Weber Elementary.

Mr. Thomas mentioned he met with Irene Griego, community superintendent, and would be scheduling a meeting with Rick Myles, community superintendent.

Ms. Barnes attended the Jefferson Economic Council: Economic Forecast 2008.

Ms. Marinelli and Ms. Barnes participated in the Future Search at Green Mountain High School.

Ms. Barnes attended a health conference hosted by the Colorado Business Group of Health and a School Age Committee meeting with the Metro Denver Health and Wellness Commission. She also mentioned her work for the Rose Community Foundation and the Workforce Committee.

Dr. Stevenson attended the Jeffco Technology Summit presented by David Warlick.

Dr. Stevenson shared that the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) has released the AYP results and Jeffco has the highest number of targets achieved (145/153) in the state.

5. **PUBLIC AGENDA:** There was no one present to address the Board.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**MOTION #2 (Approve Agenda):** Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Mr. Thomas, it was unanimous to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented: 6.01, Approval of Minutes for October 25, 2007; 6.02, Policy Governance Monitoring Report EL-7, Financial Administration; 6.03, Board Policy Revision Executive Limitation 13, Instructional Program; 6.04, Employment; 6.05, Administrative Appointments; 6.06, Resignations/Terminations.

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

7. **ENDS DEVELOPMENT AND MONITORING AGENDA:** No reports for action or discussion.
8. **DISCUSSION AGENDA:** No items for action or discussion.
9. **STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS AGENDA:** No items for action or discussion.
10. **DEVELOP NEXT AGENDA:** The Board discussed the agenda for the special and regular meetings of November 13 and 15, 2007. They also discussed possible dates and times for a Board retreat.
11. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular business meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held Thursday, November 15, 2007.

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Amy Rogers, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on December 6, 2007.

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Secretary of the Board of Education

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President of the Board of Education

Attachment A: Resolution Declaring the Results of the November 6, 2007 Election