



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

April 26, 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board of Education met at 5:13 p.m. in the Seminar Room in executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

1. **PRELIMINARY**

- a. **CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting was called to order by Jane Barnes, president of the Board of Education, at 6:11 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, April 26, 2007. Recess was held from 6:43 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. and 7:12 p.m. to 7:22 p.m.
- b. **WELCOME TO THE AUDIENCE:** Ms. Barnes welcomed the audience.
- c. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** At the invitation of Ms. Barnes, the assembly repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.
- d. **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.
- e. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

MOTION #1 (Approve Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Percy, it was unanimous to approve the agenda as revised with the addition of Consent Agenda item 5.r., Charter Contract Approval – Mountain Phoenix Community School BA-07-115.

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

2. **HONORS AND RECOGNITION:** The Evergreen High School Mock Trial Team was recognized for its state championship in winning the Ells Cup Trophy at the state Mock Trial Competition.

Robin Ortiz, teacher at Columbine High School, was recognized for receiving the 9 News Teacher Who Cares award.

Seventeen schools were recognized for receiving John Irwin Awards from the State of Colorado based on the schools' 2006 School Accountability Rating (SAR) reports. All 17 schools have also been accredited at a "High Performing" level through the state Accreditation process: Bear Creek K-8, Bergen Valley Elementary, Bradford Intermediate, Dennison Elementary, D'Evelyn Junior/Senior, Evergreen Middle, Evergreen High School, Kyffin Elementary, Manning School, Maple Grove Elementary, Normandy Elementary, Parmalee Elementary, Ralston Elementary, Ralston Valley High School, Shaffer Elementary, West Jefferson Middle and West Woods Elementary.

In Jeffco neighborhood elementary schools, over half (53 percent) were rated "Excellent" or "High," while more than 70 percent of Jeffco neighborhood middle and high schools were rated "Excellent" or "High."

Schools were also recognized that have received an Accreditation "High Performing" rating and/or an "Excellent" or "High" mark on their state School Accountability Rating (SAR) reports: Adams Elementary, Arvada West High School, Bear Creek High School, Bell Middle, Belmar Elementary, Bergen Meadow Elementary, Blue Heron Elementary, Bradford Primary, Brady Exploration High School, Campbell Elementary, Carmody Middle, Chatfield High School, Coal Creek Canyon K-8 School, Collegiate Academy, Colorow Elementary, Columbine High School, Columbine Hills Elementary, Compass Montessori-Golden, Conifer High School, Coronado Elementary, Dakota Ridge High School, Deer Creek Middle, Devanny Elementary, Drake Middle, Dunstan Middle, Dutch Creek Elementary, Edgewater Elementary, Elk Creek Elementary, Excel Academy, Fairmount Elementary, Falcon Bluffs Middle, Fremont Elementary, Glennon Heights Elementary, Golden High School, Governor's Ranch Elementary, Green Gables Elementary, Green Mountain High School, Hackberry Hill Elementary, Hutchinson Elementary, Jefferson Academy Elementary and Secondary, Ken Caryl Middle, Kendallvue Elementary, Kendrick Lakes Elementary, Lakewood High School, Leawood Elementary, Lincoln Academy, Lukas Elementary, Lumberg Elementary, Mandalay Middle, Martensen Elementary, Marshdale Elementary, Mitchell Elementary, Montessori Peaks Academy, Moore Middle, Mortensen Elementary, Mount Carbon Elementary, North Arvada Middle, Oberon Middle, Parr Elementary, Peck Elementary, Peiffer Elementary, Pomona High School, Powderhorn Elementary, Prospect Valley Elementary, Red Rocks Elementary, Rocky Mountain Academy of Evergreen, Rocky Mountain Deaf School, Rooney Ranch Elementary, Russell Elementary, Ryan Elementary, Semper Elementary, Shelton Elementary, Sheridan Green Elementary, Sierra Elementary, South Lakewood Elementary, Stevens Elementary, Stober Elementary, Stony Creek Elementary, Stott Elementary, Summit Ridge Middle, Ute

Meadows Elementary, Van Arsdale Elementary, Vanderhoof Elementary, Vivian Elementary, Warder Elementary, Weber Elementary, West Jefferson Elementary, Westridge Elementary, Wilmore-Davis Elementary, Wilmot Elementary, Witt Elementary and Woodrow Wilson Academy.

3. **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:** Ms. Barnes announced the opening reception of the High School Art Show Monday, April 30, from 6-9 p.m. at the Arvada Center. The art show will continue through May 14.

Members of the Board attended the National School Boards Association (NSBA) Annual Conference, held in San Francisco.

Mr. Percy participated in interviewing applicants from Standley Lake High School for challenge scholarships awarded by the Westminster Rotary Club.

Mr. Benefield participated on a committee to award scholarships from the Jeffco Dems to outstanding students from Jeffco. The recipients were selected from Alameda, Arvada and Pomona High Schools.

Mr. Taggart explained the process for applying for and retaining exclusive chartering authority to members of the Board.

Ms. Barnes thanked Board members for covering in her absence.

4. **PUBLIC AGENDA:**

- a. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Public correspondence received by the Board was made available for public perusal.
- b. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Tim Vialpando, Pomona High School; Arlene Glatther, Columbine Hills Elementary; Arianne Rivera, Slater Elementary and Nancy Henderson, JCEA – addressed the Board with issues around negotiations and the impasse.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION #2 (Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Percy, it was unanimous to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented: 5-a., Board Policy for Study EL-9, Facilities, BA-07-027/2; 5-b., Expulsion of Students (EL-16, Treatment of Students), BA-07-011/3; 5-c., Supplemental Funds – Mountain Phoenix Charter-Colorado Department of Education (EL-7, Financial Administration), BA-07-097; 5-d., Supplemental Funds – Mountain Phoenix Charter-Colorado Department of Education (EL-7, Financial Administration), BA-07-100; 5-e., Supplemental Funds – New America School Charter-Colorado Department of Education (EL-7, Financial Administration), BA-07-101; 5-f., Supplemental Funds – No Child Left

Behind (NCLB) Program Funds-Colorado Department of Education (EL-7, Financial Administration), BA-07-102; 5-g., Contract Award: Xerographic Paper (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-095; 5-h., Contract Award: PC Workstations, Laptops, Tablets, File Servers-Hewlett Packard, Dell Computers (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-103; 5-i., Contract Award: Sierra Elementary Partial Replacement-Yon Tanner Architecture (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-104; 5-j., Contract Award: Lasley Elementary Kitchen Improvements-LBA Corporate Services (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-105; 5-k., Contract Award: Wheat Ridge High School Addition/Renovation-Alliance Construction Solutions (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-106; 5-l., Contract Award: Rocky Mountain Academy of Evergreen Road, Civil and Utility-Brannan Sand & Gravel (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-107; 5-m., Contract Award: Wheat Ridge High School Synthetic Turf-Designscapes Colorado (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-108; 5-n., Contract Award: Districtwide Wireless System-Accuvant (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-109; 5-o., Site Capacity Increase-Jefferson Academy K-12 (EL-19, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring), BA-07-110; 5-p., Approval of Addenda-Compass Montessori Golden, Compass Montessori Wheat Ridge, Excel Academy, free Horizon Montessori, Jefferson Academy Elementary and Secondary, Lincoln Academy, Montessori Peaks Academy, New America School, Rocky Mountain Academy of Evergreen, Woodrow Wilson Academy (EL-19, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring), BA-07-111; 5-q., Charter Contract Renewal-Collegiate Academy of Colorado (EL-19, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring), BA-07-096; 5-r., Charter Contract Approval – Mountain Phoenix Community School (EL-19, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring), BA-07-115; 5-s., Approval of Minutes: March 22, April 2, 5, 9, and 10, 2007.

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

6. **ENDS DEVELOPMENT AND MONITORING AGENDA:**

- a. **REPORT ON STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVE 6 (ENDS 1, ALL CHILDREN ARE PREPARED FOR A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE):** Debbie Backus, chief academic officer, Lynn Huizing, president-elect of Colorado PTA, Peg Kastberg, community superintendent, and Bev Cosey, director, Educational Equity, presented the Board with an update on strategic plan objective 6: ensure staff, community, and parent/family involvement focuses on increased student achievement and answered questions from members of the Board.
- b. **REPORT ON STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVE 11 (ENDS 1, ALL CHILDREN ARE PREPARED FOR A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE):** Dr. Carol Eaton, executive director, Assessment and Research, updated the Board on strategic plan objective 11: ensure employees demonstrate the district values of teamwork, integrity, exemplary performance, and valuing people and presented the 2006 Employee Survey results.

7. **DEVELOP NEXT AGENDA:** The board discussed the agenda for the May 10 regular meeting and May study session topics.

8. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular business meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held Thursday, May 10, 2007.

Amy Rogers, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on May 10, 2007.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education