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## OFFICIAL MINUTES

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SPECIAL AND REGULAR  
BUSINESS MEETING  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 14, 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:** At 2:24 p.m., the Board of Education met in the Seminar Room.

**PURPOSE:** For the Board to receive an update on the progress made in implementation of recommendations from the communications audit.

**DISCUSSION:** Staff from the Communications Services department reviewed its three year plan with the Board. The plan covered the goals, strategies and tactics to be the focus of their work to implement key recommendations of the communications audit, including Jeffco Schools websites, Board of Education community meetings, and communications with non-parent Jeffco residents.

**CONCLUSION:** The Board of Education will review incorporation of the Communications Services mission statement into its Ends policies. The Board will receive follow-up information after the first of the school year on Campus communications from schools.

**STUDY/DIALOGUE SESSION:** At 3:04 p.m., the Board of Education met in the Seminar Room.

**PURPOSE:** For the Board to discuss the 2008-2009 budget development process to be implemented in the 2007-2008 school year and a recommendation on the pay calendar.

**DISCUSSION:** The Board agreed with the direction recommended by the administration regarding moving ahead with the pay calendar change and the loan to 12-month employees to be paid off upon retirement or end of employment with the district. Board members reviewed and discussed the history of budget reductions, revenues and community and Board expectations. The superintendent described for the Board a process, similar to the 2005-06 budget development process, to follow in the development of the 2008-2009 budget.

**CONCLUSION:** The Board of Education agreed with the recommendation of the superintendent on the process to be used in the development of the 2008-2009 budget. The Board will receive additional information after the beginning of the next school year.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 4:19 p.m., the Board of Education met in executive session in the Seminar Room to discuss property negotiations.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 5:10 p.m., the Board of Education met in executive session in the Seminar Room regarding the evaluation of the superintendent.

1. **PRELIMINARY**

a. **CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting was called to order by Jane Barnes, president of the Board of Education, at 6:09 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, June 14, 2007. No recess was held.

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 to the Consent Agenda of items 5.v., Award of Contract: Fire Restoration/Repairs to Weber Elementary, BA-07-165; and 5.w., Award of Contract: Tennis Court Reconstruction at Arvada High School, BA-07-166.

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

2. **HONORS AND RECOGNITION:** Four students were honored for their excellence in music, literature, film and visual arts in the PTA's annual "Reflections" program. This program offers students the opportunity to create works of art for fun and recognition. This year's theme was "My Favorite Place." Winners were: Kyle Jones, Standley Lake High School, award of excellence for music; Zachary Bahn, Shelton Elementary, award of merit for film; Iris Demboski, Mitchell Elementary, award of excellence for literature; Madison Quinton, Hackberry Hill Elementary, award of merit for visual art.

Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer, and Kathleen Askelson, director of Accounting, were recognized for receiving an award of excellence in financial reporting given by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA).

Mona Sandoval, executive director, and board members of the Jefferson Foundation, presented its 2006-2007 annual report to the Board of Education. Total funds in the amount of \$401,886 were contributed to expand educational opportunities for students and employees of Jeffco Public Schools. It was noted that the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Crystal Ball will be held on November 10, 2007 at the Grand Hyatt Hotel.

3. **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:** Members of the Board attended the New Century Schools Conference hosted by the Colorado Association of School Executives (CASE) in Breckenridge.

Mr. Percy mentioned the fire at Weber Elementary and commended the school staff, district staff, and the community who are working to get the school ready to open on time for the 2007-2008 school year.

Members of the Board and the superintendent attended the JCAA end of year function.

Mr. Benefield commented on the Board working together as a team.

Ms. Marinelli shared that the Board has been working with a facilitator to redefine the Board's Ends policies.

Dr. Stevenson announced that Jeffco has been reported by *Education Week* as the 33<sup>rd</sup> largest school district in the nation with the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest graduation rate.

Ms. Barnes reported that the P-20 Council, created by the Governor, has established its membership excluding Jeffco Schools; and expressed her frustration that Jeffco is not recognized at the state level.

4. **PUBLIC AGENDA:**

- a. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Public correspondence received by the Board was made available for public perusal.
- b. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** There was no one present to address the Board.
- c. **PUBLIC HEARING – 2007/2008 PROPOSED BUDGET (INCLUDING USE OF AMENDMENT 23 FUNDS (EL-6, FINANCIAL PLANNING/BUDGETING)):**

There was no one present to address the Board during the public hearing on the proposed budget.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION #2 (Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Ms. Marinelli, it was unanimous to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented: 5-a., Monitoring Report-Global Executive Constraint (EL-1), BA-07-012; 5-b., Board Policy for Study EL-1, Global Executive Constraint, BA-07-013; 5-c., Monitoring Report-Staff Compensation (EL-4), BA-07-018; 5-d., Board Policy for Study EL-4, Staff Compensation, BA-07-019; 5-e., Student Conduct Code Revision (EL-16, Treatment of Students), BA-07-121/2; 5-f., Contract Amendment-Excel Academy, H.O.P.E. (EL-19, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring), BA-07-156; 5-g., Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-07-002/6; 5-h., Administrative Appointments (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-07-003/4; 5-i., Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment), BA-07-008/6; 5-j., Recommendation for Dismissal of a Teacher (EL-3 Staff Treatment), BA-07-164 (Attachment A); 5-k., Designated Election Official (EL-1, Global Executive Constraint), BA-07-163 (Attachment B); 5-l., Budget Resolution Authorizing Use of Fund Balance (EL-6, Financial Planning/Budgeting), BA-07-160 (Attachment C); 5-m., Budget Resolution Authorizing Interfund Borrowing (EL-6, Financial Planning/Budgeting), BA-07-161 (Attachment D); 5-n., Supplemental Funds – No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Funds Plan – Colorado Department of Education (EL-7, Financial Administration), BA-07-152; 5-o., Supplemental Funds – Homeless Services, Title X McKinney-Vento Act Homeless Assistance Act – Colorado Department of Education (EL-7, Financial Administration), BA-07-153; 5-p., Supplemental Funds – School to Work (EL-7, Financial Administration), BA-07-154; 5-q., Supplemental Funds – Math, Science – Colorado Department of Education (EL-7, Financial Administration), BA-07-158; 5-r., Contract Award: Library Books – Mackin Library Curriculum Services (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-155; 5-s., Contract Award: Smartboard - SMART Technologies (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-157; 5-t., Contract Award: Milk Service – Robinson Dairy (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-162; 5-u., Approval of Minutes: May 31, 2007; 5-v., Contract Award: Fire Restoration/Repairs, Weber Elementary (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-165; 5-w., Contract Award: Tennis Court Reconstruction, Arvada High School (EL-8, Asset Protection), BA-07-166.

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

6. **STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS AGENDA:**

a. **ADOPTION AND APPROPRIATION OF 2007/2008 BUDGET (EL-6, FINANCIAL PLANNING/BUDGETING):**

MOTION #3 (Adopt Budget): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Ms. Marinelli, it was unanimous to approve the resolution for the adoption and appropriation of the 2007-2008 budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008. (Attachment E)

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

**b. RESOLUTION – SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 (EL-6, FINANCIAL PLANNING/BUDGETING):**

MOTION #4 (Adopt Resolution): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Percy, it was unanimous to adopt the resolution approving the supplemental appropriation of funds and budget adjustments for fiscal year 2006-2007. (Attachment F)

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

**7. DISCUSSION AGENDA:**

**a. NAMING OF REPLACEMENT PRESCHOOLS (EL-9, FACILITIES):**

MOTION #5 (Name Preschools): Upon motion by Mr. Benefield, seconded by Mr. Percy, it was unanimous to accept the recommendation to name two replacement preschools: Fruitdale Preschool to Norma Anderson Preschool in recognition of Norma Anderson; and Tanglewood Preschool to John and Karen Litz Preschool in recognition of John and Karen Litz.

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

**8. DEVELOP NEXT AGENDA:** The Board discussed the Board's work calendar.

**9. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular business meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held Thursday, August 23, 2007.

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Amy Rogers, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on August 23, 2007.

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Secretary of the Board of Education

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President of the Board of Education

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Attachment A: Recommendation for Dismissal (R. Shaw)

Attachment B: Designated Election Official

Attachment C: Use of Fund Balance

Attachment D: Authorizing Interfund Borrowing

Attachment E: Adoption and Appropriation of the 2007-2008 budget

Attachment F: Supplemental Budget Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2006/2007