



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

April 16, 2009
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.

1. PRELIMINARY

01. **CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting was called to order by Scott Benefield, president of the Board of Education, at 6:10 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Services Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, April 16, 2009. Recess was held from 7:07 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.
02. **WELCOME TO THE AUDIENCE:** Mr. Benefield welcomed the audience and acknowledged the musical performance by students from Pomona High School, and their director Kirstin Beebe.
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 Rick Rush, Treasurer. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration.
05. **APPROVE AGENDA:**

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

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

2. **HONORS AND RECOGNITION:** The Board of Education recognized Kaitlyn Hack, Wheat Ridge High School, and her coach, Mark Collings; and Raleigh Williams, Ralston Valley High School, and her coach, Joani Glidewell-Anderson. Ms. Hack is the 4A Girls' Swimming State Champion for her 1st place performance in the 100 yard breaststroke. Ms. Williams is the 5A Girls' Diving State Champion for her one meter diving performance.

The Board of Education recognized Jeffco's wrestling state champions: Tony Pena/Conifer High School, 4A 1st place in 112 weight; Gavin Peters/Standley Lake High School, 5A 1st place in 130 weight; and, Michael Morgan/D'Evelyn student for Lakewood High School's team, 5A 1st place in 171 weight. Their coaches, Barry Himmelman, Rich Talmich and Derrick Peterson, respectively, were also recognized.

Dan Cohan, principal, Pomona High School, was honored for being named the 2009 Colorado High School Principal of the Year by the Colorado Association of School Executives (CASE).

The Board of Education recognized Anna Crocker, world languages curriculum coordinator, Department for Learning and Educational Achievement (DLEA) for her award of the Fulbright-Hayes Scholarship.

Bergen Meadows Elementary School was awarded the Colorado Exemplary Reading Program Award by the Colorado Chapter of the International Reading Association.

The Board of Education honored 107 Jefferson County Public Schools for achieved of one or more of the following honors: John Irwin Schools of Excellence, Colorado Title I Distinguished Schools, Accredited: High Performing; and/or Excellent or High School Accountability Report (SAR) rating status. Colorado public school success is measured through three accountability measures: the federal requirement of Adequate Yearly Progress to the state's Colorado Student Assessment Program (CSAP) performance and SAR ratings and the Colorado Department of Education's accreditation rating.

The schools recognized were: Adams Elementary, Allendale Elementary, Arvada High School, Arvada West High School, Bear Creek K-8, Bear Creek High School, Bell Middle School, Bergen Meadow Elementary, Bergen Valley Elementary, Blue Heron Elementary, Bradford Primary and Intermediate, Carmody Middle School, Chatfield High School, Coal Creek Canyon K-8, Collegiate Academy, Colorow Elementary, Columbine Hills Elementary, Columbine High School, Compass Montessori-Golden High School, Conifer High School, Coronado Elementary, Creighton Middle School, Dakota Ridge High School, Dear Creek Middle School, Dennison Elementary, Deviny Elementary, D'Evelyn Jr./Sr. High School, Drake Middle School, Dunstan Middle School, Dutch Creek Elementary, Elk Creek Elementary, Evergreen Middle School, Evergreen High School, Excel Academy-Elementary, Fairmount Elementary, Falcon Bluffs Middle School, Fitzmorris Elementary, Foster Elementary, Free Horizon

Montessori, Golden High School, Governor's Ranch Elementary, Green Gables Elementary, Green Mountain High School, Hackberry Hill Elementary, Hutchinson Elementary, Jefferson Academy, Ken Caryl Middle School, Kendallvue Elementary, Kendrick Lakes Elementary, Kyffin Elementary, Lakewood High School, Lasley Elementary, Leawood Elementary, Lincoln Academy, Lucas Elementary, Mandalay Middle School, Manning School, Maple Grove Elementary, Marshdale Elementary, Meiklejohn Elementary, Mitchell Elementary, Montessori Peaks Academy, Mortensen Elementary, Mount Carbon Elementary, Normandy Elementary, Oberon Middle School, Parmalee Elementary, Patterson International, Peck Elementary, Pomona High School, Powderhorn Elementary, Prospect Valley Elementary, Ralston Elementary, Ralston Valley High School, Red Rocks Elementary, Rocky Mountain Academy of Evergreen, Rooney Ranch Elementary, Russell Elementary, Ryan Elementary, Shaffer Elementary, Sheridan Green Elementary, Sierra Elementary, Standley Lake High School, Stein Elementary, Stober Elementary, Stony Creek Elementary, Stott Elementary, Summit Ridge Middle School, Swanson Elementary, Thomson Elementary, Ute Meadows Elementary, Van Arsdale Elementary, Vanderhoof Elementary, Warder Elementary, Wayne Carle Middle School, Welchester Elementary, West Jefferson Elementary, West Jefferson Middle School, West Woods Elementary, Westgate Elementary, Westridge Elementary, Wheat Ridge High School, Wilmore-Davis Elementary, Wilmot Elementary, Witt Elementary, and Woodrow Wilson Academy.

The John Irwin Schools of Excellence 2008 are schools in the top eight percent of the state based on overall academic performance. Jeffco schools honored: Bear Creek K-8, Bergen Valley Elementary, Bradford Primary and Intermediate, Coal Creek K-8, Conifer High School, Deer Creek Middle School, Dennison Elementary, D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High, Devlin Elementary, Evergreen Middle School, Evergreen High School, Jefferson Academy Senior High, Manning Option Middle School, Marshdale Elementary, Normandy Elementary, Parmalee Elementary, Ralston Elementary, Ralston Valley High School, Red Rocks Elementary, Rocky Mountain Academy of Evergreen Elementary, Shaffer Elementary, West Woods Elementary, and Wilmot Elementary.

The Colorado Department of Education has recognized Allendale and Foster Elementary schools as Title I Distinguished schools.

3. **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:** Mr. Rush attended an accountability meeting at Falcon Bluffs Middle School.

Mr. Thomas attended a Jefferson Foundation meeting and the Strategic Planning and Advisory Council meeting.

Two members of the Board attended the National School Board Association (NSBA) Annual Conference in San Diego, CA and shared their experience.

Mr. Benefield and Dr. Stevenson attended the Middle School and High School Art Shows.

Ms. Marinelli visited Bell Middle School.

4. **WEEKLY UPDATE DISCUSSION:** Board of Education members and the superintendent discussed topics of interest including trends articles and the projects proposed for stimulus and Budgeting for Results funding.

5. **PUBLIC AGENDA:**

01. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Public correspondence received by the Board of Education was made available for public perusal.

02. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Troy Horne – Lakewood: presented the Board with information regarding a summer program he offers for film writing and acting.

Dr. Stevenson advised Mr. Horne how to proceed with sharing the information.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOTION #2 (Approve Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Ms. Marinelli, seconded by Mr. Thomas, a majority of the Board voted to approve the Consent Agenda as presented: 6.01, Board Policy No Revision-Financial Planning/Budgeting (EL-5); 6.02, Board Policy No Revision-Financial Administration (EL-6); 6.03, Board Policy Revisions for Approval-Facilities (EL-8); 6.04, Board Policy Revisions for Approval-Communication and Counsel to the Board (EL-11); 6.05, Superintendent's Contract 2009-2011 (EL-1, Global Executive Constraint) (Attachment A); 6.06, Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 6.07, Administrative Appointments (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 6.08, Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 6.09, Authorization to Non-Renew Teacher Contract (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 6.10, Resolution to Accept Decision-Grievance 768 (EL-3, Staff Treatment) (Attachment B) ; 6.11, Supplemental Retirement Plan (EL-3, Staff Treatment) (Attachment C); 6.12, Medical Plan Benefits for 2009/2010 (EL-3, Staff Treatment; EL-5, Financial Planning/Budgeting); 6.13, Expulsion of Students (EL-10, Treatment of Students); 6.14, Supplemental Funds- CDE Charter School Start Up, New America School (EL-6, Financial Administration); 6.15, Supplemental Funds-City of Arvada, Arvada Middle, Lincoln Academy, Fitzmorris Elementary, Excel Academy (EL-6, Financial Administration); 6.16, Contract Award: Dried/Prepared Foods (EL-6, Financial Administration); 6.17, Contract Award: Food and Nutrition Services Steamers (EL-6, Financial Administration); 6.18, Contract Award: Xerographic Paper (EL-6, Financial Administration).

Aye: Ms. Barnes, Mr. Benefield, Ms. Marinelli, Mr. Rush
Abstain: Mr. Thomas

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

01. **DISCUSSION OF BOARD ENDS POLICY:**

The Board of Education continued their discussion with Jim Weigel, facilitator from the Colorado Association of School Boards, on what results the Board expects the district to accomplish for Jeffco Public Schools students. Discussion covered results to create in students' lives, at what cost, what resources should be devoted to which results, and what performance will the district/taxpayers support.

8. **DISCUSSION AGENDA:** There were no discussion items brought forward.

9. **DEVELOP NEXT AGENDA:** The Board discussed its work calendar and the agenda items for the special and regular meetings of April 23 and 30, 2009.

Sue Marinelli left the meeting for the evening due to deteriorating weather conditions.

10. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 8:34 p.m., upon motion by Jane Barnes, seconded by Dave Thomas, a majority voted to move into executive session to discuss negotiations, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(e). The Board reconvened in open session at 9:03 p.m.

11. **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, April 30, 2009.

Amy Rogers, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on May 7, 2009.

Secretary of the Board of Education

President of the Board of Education

Attachment A – Contract: Superintendent 2009-2011

Attachment B – Resolution: Grievance 768

Attachment C – Resolution: Supplemental Retirement Plan