



Building Bright Futures

OFFICIAL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 15, 2009
Seminar Room
Golden, CO

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.

STUDY/DIALOGUE SESSION: A majority of the Board met – Sue Marinelli, President; Jane Barnes, First Vice President, and Rick Rush, Secretary/Treasurer – in study/dialogue session at 5:06 p.m. in the Seminar Room of the Education Center, 1829 Denver West Dr., Golden, Colorado. Cindy Stevenson, superintendent, represented the administration. Dave Thomas, Second Vice President, arrived at 5:17 p.m. Robin Johnson, Member, was excused from the meeting.

PURPOSE: The Board of Education requested time to receive feedback from its student advisors on its draft goal statements regarding student achievement.

DISCUSSION: The superintendent outlined how the Board's governance structure guides district work through the Board's goal (End) for student achievement. Student advisors gave feedback on the draft statement. Topics discussed included physical education, realistic achievement, an understanding of the world and the scientific process, most/least important skill sets, missing aspects, and identifying what is the responsibility of schools to provide.

CONCLUSION: The Board thanked the student advisors for their participation. The next topic to be discussed with student advisors may cover how the district needs to operate or what would have made a difference so that students are interested in attending school.

PURPOSE: At 6:03 p.m., the Board continued a discussion of student engagement and what was learned from the student advisor discussion with the assistance of Jim Weigel, facilitator from the Colorado Association of School Boards.

DISCUSSION: The Board discussed how members could use what they heard from students (community groups) to ask for further clarification on goal statements (i.e.,

'Why? What does that mean to you? Tell me more.')

and/or to tailor executive limitation policies to instruct the superintendent and staff. Discussion covered developing consistent questions for constituent groups so that Board members see patterns develop which will facilitate policy development and direction for the work of the superintendent and staff.

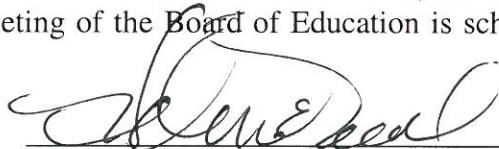
CONCLUSION: The Board will work to develop consistent questions to address with community groups for the refinement of goal (Ends) policy statements.

PURPOSE: At 7:03 p.m., the Board began its discussion of revisions to executive limitation policies.

DISCUSSION: The Board reviewed policies from other districts and discussed its own priorities for the treatment of parents/guardians, community, students and staff.

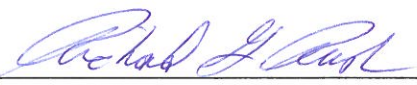
CONCLUSION: The Board revised its executive limitation policy 2 and 10, respectively, Treatment of Parents/Guardians and Community; and Treatment of Students policies.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for October 22, 2009.

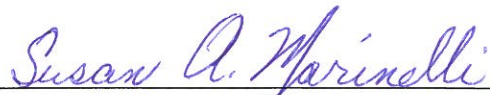


Helen Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the District on November 5, 2009.



Secretary of the Board of Education



President of the Board of Education