



*Building Bright Futures*

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

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### SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

August 22, 2013  
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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## 1. Preliminary

### 1.01 Call to Order – Board Room

A special meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Lesley Dahlkemper, President of the Board of Education, in the Board Room of the Education Center, 1829 Denver West Drive, Golden, Colorado, Thursday, August 22, 2013.

### 1.02 Welcome to Audience

### 1.03 Pledge of Allegiance

### 1.04 Roll Call

Roll call indicated that a majority of the Board was present – Lesley Dahlkemper, President; Laura Boggs, Second Vice President; and Jill Fellman, Secretary. Dr. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration. Robin Johnson, Treasurer, resigned from the Board of Education effective August 12, 2013. Paula Noonan, First Vice President, joined the meeting at 5:10 p.m. A break was taken from 7:40 p.m. to 7:55 p.m.

### 1.05 Approve Agenda

Motion #1 (Motion to Approve Agenda as Presented): Upon motion by Ms. Fellman, second by Ms. Boggs, the Board of Education approved the agenda for the special meeting of August 22, 2013 as presented.

Motion by Ms. Fellman, second by Ms. Boggs  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Ms. Boggs, Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman

## 2. Study/Dialogue Session

### 2.01 Classroom Dashboard System

**PURPOSE:** For the Board of Education to receive an overview of Jeffco's plans, the concerns that have been raised, the role of the state, information on inBloom, and the work of the Data Management Advisory Council which was formed to study the issues and make recommendations to Jeffco Schools.

**DISCUSSION:** Jill Hawley, associate commissioner of achievement and strategy, Colorado Department of Education; Tony Dyl, senior assistant attorney general, State of Colorado; Kaliah Barnes, administrative law counsel, EPIC; Barmak Nassirian, director of federal relations and policy analysis, American Association of State Colleges and Universities; Rachael Stickland, parent; Sharren Bates, chief product officer, inBloom; Reg Leichty, partner, EducationCounsel, Delson Mullins Riley and Scarborough; Marty Reames, member, Jeffco School Data Management Advisory Council; David Millard, 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Weber Elementary School; and, Matt Cormier, executive director of Educational Research and Design, constituted a panel of invited guests who provided a variety of perspectives on the work of Jeffco Schools and on inBloom. Associate commissioner Hawley expressed Commissioner Robert Hammond's regrets at being unable to attend the meeting.

The panelists answered questions from Board of Education and audience members. Topics covered data type, data security and data storage, opt-out, integration of data systems, teacher workload and supports, FERPA, parent access, costs, misperceptions and challenges of a dashboard system, contract issues, quality student instruction, and access to Schoology.

**CONCLUSION:** The Board of Education thanked the panelists and noted the district will continue to move cautiously on the classroom dashboard project.

## **2.02 Jeffco Reform Priorities**

**PURPOSE:** For the Board of Education to receive a brief overview of the reform priorities for the 2013-2014 school year from staff members who are leaders in the district and leaders on the initiatives.

**DISCUSSION:** Dr. Heather Beck, chief academic officer; Allen Taggart, chief legal counsel; Priscilla Straughn, executive director of Educational Research and Design; Dr. Carol Eaton, executive director of Educational Research and Design; Matt Cormier, executive director of Educational Research and Design; Marcia Anker, chief school effectiveness officer; Todd Engels, executive director of Educational Research and Design; and, Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer, provided information regarding educator effectiveness, READ Act, Colorado Academic Standards, PARCC assessments, and district structural changes to support this work.

Discussion also covered future issues related to graduation requirements, the endorsed diploma, compensation, new generation of data, staffing flexibility, and time/extended learning opportunities. Board questions addressed challenges, reactions of staff, preparation of students for PARCC assessments, instructional rounds, principal autonomy, and new supports to schools.

**CONCLUSION:** The Board of Education thanked staff for the swift, comprehensive overview.

## **2.03 Declaration of Board of Education Vacancy District 1 (GP-2)**

**Motion #2 (Motion to Adopt Resolution on Vacancy):** Upon motion by Ms. Fellman, second by Ms. Dahlkemper, the Board of Education failed to adopt the resolution declaring a vacancy in director district 2 as required by C.R.S. 22-31-129(2) (Attachment A).

Motion by Ms. Fellman, second by Ms. Dahlkemper  
Final Resolution: Motion Fails

Yea: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman  
Nay: Ms. Boggs, Ms. Noonan

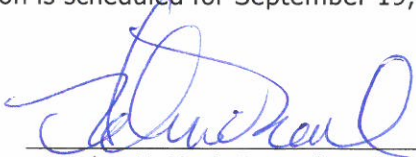
Following a reading of the resolution, the Board discussed the procedures for appointing a person to fill the vacancy in director district 1.

Motion #3 (Motion to Declare Vacancy): Motion by Ms. Noonan, second by Ms. Fellman, to declare the vacancy, on September 19 agree to questions, depending on the number of applicants on the 19<sup>th</sup> establish the interview day (September 19 will not be an interview date), and schedule interviews in an expedient way with members sharing their available dates with Helen Neal.

Motion by Ms. Noonan, second by Ms. Fellman  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Ms. Boggs, Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman, Ms. Noonan

### 3. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for September 19, 2013.

  
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Helen E. Neal, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on September 19, 2013

  
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Secretary of the Board of Education  
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President of the Board of Education

Attachment A – R. Johnson resignation letter