



*Building Bright Futures*

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

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### REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

December 12, 2013  
Auditorium

Lakewood High School  
9700 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Lakewood, Colorado

*Our mission: To provide a quality education that prepares all children for a successful future.*

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### **1. Study/Dialogue Session – 5:30 p.m.**

#### **1.02 Budget Development Process (EL-5)**

A special meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Ken Witt, President of the Board of Education, in Room C-101, Lakewood High School, 9700 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., Lakewood, Colorado, Thursday, December 12, 2013.

Roll call indicated that the Board was present in its entirety – Ken Witt, President; Julie Williams, First Vice President; Lesley Dahlkemper, Second Vice President; John Newkirk, Secretary; and, Jill C. Fellman, Treasurer. Dr. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration. A break was taken from 6:10 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

**PURPOSE:** For the Board of Education to receive an update and discussion on the budget development process.

**DISCUSSION:** The Board received its requested update and overview of the existing budget process including budget objectives, community outreach opportunities and timeline. Discussion covered the Board's budget parameters to be driven by the Board's academic goals developed during the December 14 work session; community involvement through an initial survey then later community engagement on the budget; and, advisory committee membership to include business community, less school-based/central administration and broad parent community involvement.

**CONCLUSION:** The Board requested a draft membership application for advisory committee in the budget development process.

### **2. Musical Performance, Auditorium, 6 p.m.**

#### **2.01 Musical Performance by Lakewood High School**

Audience members were treated to a vocal jazz performance by students from Lakewood High School, led by Teri Wilmarth, director, prior to the 6:30 p.m. start of the regular business meeting.

### **3. Preliminary**

### **3.01 Call to Order – Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.**

A regular meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Ken Witt, President of the Board of Education, in the auditorium of Lakewood High School, 9700 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., Lakewood, Colorado, Thursday, December 12, 2013. A break was taken from 8:36 p.m. to 8:50 p.m.

### **3.02 Welcome to Audience**

### **3.03 Pledge of Allegiance**

### **3.04 Roll Call**

Roll call indicated that the Board was present in its entirety – Ken Witt, President; Julie Williams, First Vice President; Lesley Dahlkemper, Second Vice President; John Newkirk, Secretary and Jill Fellman, Treasurer. Dr. Cynthia Stevenson, Superintendent, represented the administration. Lakewood High School Sophomore Ryan Cameron was thanked for assisting with the sound and light systems for the Board of Education.

### **3.05 Approve Agenda**

Motion #1 (Approve Agenda as Revised): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Dahlkemper, the Board of Education approved the agenda for the regular business meeting of December 12, 2013 as revised with the movement of #15 from Superintendent Consent Agenda item 6.06, Supplemental Funds Notification: December 2013, to the Discussion Agenda. A friendly amendment was made by Mr. Witt and accepted by Mr. Newkirk to move item #12 as well.

Motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Dahlkemper

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman, Mr. Newkirk, Ms. Williams, Mr. Witt

## **4. Honors, Recognition and School Reports**

### **4.01 State Champions: Wheat Ridge High Softball**

The Board of Education recognized the Wheat Ridge High School softball team and their coach, Marty Stricklett, for winning the 4A state championship.

### **4.02 State Champions: Lakewood High School Ultimate Frisbee**

The Board of Education recognized the Lakewood High School Ultimate Frisbee team and their coaches, Dena Slattery, Jessica Milano, Lisa Kornblith and Hannah Jones, for their state championship.

### **4.03 PeaceJam Global Call to Action Award: Standley Lake High School**

The Board of Education honored the students and staff of Standley Lake High School for receiving the Global Call to Action award from PeaceJam, for their coordination of Jeffco's Day Without Hate annual spring event.

### **4.04 Blue Ribbon School: Ralston Elementary**

The Board of Education honored Dawn Odean, principal, Ralston Elementary school, along with students and community members, for its achievement of the national Blue Ribbon School award.

#### **4.05 Milken Educator Award: Jose Martinez III**

Jose Martinez III, teacher, Bear Creek High School, was honored for receiving the national Milken Educator Award.

#### **4.06 Jeffco Sheriff Citizen Commendation Award: Dr. Wendy Rubin**

Chatfield Principal, Dr. Wendy Rubin, was recognized for receiving the Citizen Commendation Award from the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office.

## **5. Public Agenda Part One**

### **5.01 Correspondence – December 12, 2013**

Public correspondence received by the Board of Education office was made available for public viewing.

### **5.02 Public Comment**

Jenny Braketa – Arvada – regarding iPD (innovative professional development) grant.

Rachael Strickland – Littleton – regarding Gates foundation grant.

Sunny Flynn – Littleton – regarding Teaching Strategies Gold (TS Gold).

Pegg Hrouda – Denver – regarding Wheat Ridge football coach, Reid Kahl.

Regan Benson – Morrison – regarding student achievement and public comment.

Jim Fernald – Lakewood – regarding InBloom.

Lisa Lee – Centennial – regarding Wheat Ridge 5-8 successes and growth.

Azalea Hagerty – Wheat Ridge – regarding how the school recognizes dual enrollment classes.

Rhiannon Wenning – Lakewood – regarding school achievement.

Karen Workman, Shawn Bloomer, Justin Vella, Katherine Orms – Denver, Wheat Ridge – regarding Wheat Ridge football coach, Reid Kahl.

Liz Kahl, Dean Rossi, Zak Wagner, Zak Oletski – Arvada, Wheat Ridge – regarding Wheat Ridge football coach, Reid Kahl.

Matt Teegarden – Arvada – regarding the importance of understanding the diverse communities of Jeffco before changing the structure of the district.

Kara Johnston – Arvada – regarding Sierra Elementary’s need for a new building.

### **5.03 Board Agenda Changes**

Motion #2 (Combine Public Comment): Upon motion by Ms. Williams, second by Mr. Newkirk, the Board of Education approved non-agenda related public comment in Public Comment Part 1 for up to 45 minutes and only require non-agenda public comment to wait for Public Comment Part 2 when the time for Public Comment Part 1 exceeds 45 minutes.

Motion by Ms. Williams, second by Mr. Newkirk

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman, Mr. Newkirk, Ms. Williams, Mr. Witt

Motion #3 (Combine Board and Superintendent Consent Agendas): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams, the Board of Education approved combining Board and Superintendent Consent agendas, effective immediately, to a single consent agenda for which any board member may request any consent agenda item be moved to the Discussion Agenda.

Motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman, Mr. Newkirk, Ms. Williams, Mr. Witt

## **6. Superintendent Consent Agenda\***

Motion #4 (Approve Superintendent Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams, it was voted to approve the items on the Consent Agenda: 6.01, School Unified Improvement Plans: Draft Versions for Submission to CDE (Ends 1); 6.02, Charter School Renewal Contracts: Jefferson Academy, Rocky Mountain Academy of Evergreen and Two Roads Charter School (EL-13, Charter Schools Application and Monitoring); 6.03, Employment (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 6.04, Administrative Appointments (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 6.05, Resignations/Terminations (EL-3, Staff Treatment); 6.06, Supplemental Funds Notification: December, 2013; 6.07, Donation: Bergen Meadow and Bergen Valley Elementary Schools; 6.08, Replacement Bus Purchase (EL-7, Asset Protection); 6.09, Contract Renewal: Beverages (EL-7, Asset Protection); 6.10, Contract Award: District Trash and Recycling (EL-8, Facilities); 6.11, Contract Award: Custodial Cleaning Supplies/Equipment (EL-7, Asset Protection); 6.12, Contract Award: Pizza Delivery, Food and Nutrition Services (EL-7, Asset Protection); 6.13, Contract Award: Dakota Ridge High School General Upgrades (EL-8, Facilities); 6.14, Contract Award: Columbine High School General Upgrades (EL-8, Facilities); 6.15, Contract Award: Districtwide Paving and Concrete Project (EL-8, Facilities); 6.16, Contract Award: Motor Vehicle Fuel FY 2014/2015 (EL-7, Asset Protection); 6.17, Contract Award: Districtwide General Upgrades-Alameda, Green Mountain, Lakewood Articulation Areas (EL-8, Facilities); 6.18, Contract Award: Districtwide Mechanical Upgrades Golden Articulation Area (EL-8, Facilities) and 6.19, Contract Award: Acer and Samsung Chromebooks (EL-7, Asset Protection).

Motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman, Mr. Newkirk, Ms. Williams, Mr. Witt

\*Per Motion #3 in 5.03, Superintendent and Board Consent Agenda items were approved with the same motion.

## **7. Board Consent Agenda\***

Motion #4 (Approve Board Consent Agenda): Upon motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams, it was voted to approve the items on the Consent Agenda: 7.01, Approval of Minutes-November 7, 2013; 7.02, Policy for Study: BEAA, Electronic Participation in School Board Meetings; 7.03, Certification: 2013 Mill Levies for Collection in 2014 (EL-6, Financial Administration); and 7.04, Charter School Short Term Loan Renegotiation: Two Roads.

Motion by Mr. Newkirk, second by Ms. Williams  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman, Mr. Newkirk, Ms. Williams, Mr. Witt

\*Per Motion #3 in 5.03, Superintendent and Board Consent Agenda items were approved with the same motion.

## **8. Ends Discussion**

There was no Ends discussion.

## **9. Ends Monitoring**

### **9.01 Monitoring: First Quarter Financial Report (EL-5, EL-6)**

Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer; Kathleen Askelson, executive director of Finance, and Jean Bushong, independent auditor from CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP, presented the Board of Education with the First Quarter Financial Report and identified funds, departments and/or schools to monitor closely throughout the year. Financial Oversight Committee (FOC) member Gordon Callahan while present made no comment as FOC consensus communication was not reached.

## **10. Discussion Agenda**

### **10.01 Charter School Loan: Collegiate Academy of Colorado**

Motion #5 (Modify Original Loan): Upon motion by Ms. Fellman, second by Ms. Dahlkemper, it was voted to modify the original loan of \$150,000 to \$200,000 to Collegiate Academy Charter School with the understanding and contingent on presenting in January an in-depth marking plan, five year strategic plan and corrective action plan vetted by qualified consultants.

Motion by Ms. Fellman, second by Ms. Dahlkemper  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman, Mr. Newkirk, Ms. Williams, Mr. Witt

### **10.02 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) (EL-5, EL-6)**

Jean Bushong, independent auditor from CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP; Lorie Gillis, chief financial officer; and, Kathleen Askelson, executive director of Finance, presented the Board of Education with the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013.

### **10.03 Supplemental Funds Notification, Item #12: Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (iPD) Grant**

Motion #6 (Approve Grant Award): Upon motion by Ms. Fellman, second by Mr. Witt, it was voted to approve the Gates Foundation grant award in the amount of \$5,197,878 to support innovative professional development.

Motion by Ms. Fellman, second by Mr. Witt  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman, Mr. Newkirk, Ms. Williams, Mr. Witt

#### **10.04 Supplemental Funds Notification, Item #15: School Readiness Program (TS Gold)**

Motion #7 (Refuse Grant Item #15): Upon motion by Mr. Witt, second by Ms. Williams, it was voted not to approve the grant award item #15 (TS Gold) to participate in the school readiness assessment program in the period July 15, 2013 to June 30, 2014 and to further stop all use of TS Gold pending pursuit of alternatives for the 2014-2015 year.

Motion by Mr. Witt, second by Ms. Williams  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Mr. Newkirk, Ms. Williams, Mr. Witt  
Nay: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman

#### **10.05 Attorney for Board of Education**

Motion #8 (Hire Board Attorney): Upon motion by Mr. Witt, second by Ms. Williams, it was voted to hire Brad Miller as board attorney.

Motion by Mr. Witt, second by Ms. Williams  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yea: Mr. Newkirk, Ms. Williams, Mr. Witt  
Nay: Ms. Dahlkemper, Ms. Fellman

#### **10.06 Wait Lists in Jeffco**

Superintendent, Dr. Cindy Stevenson, presented the Board of Education with information on the waiting lists for schools in Jefferson County including updated plans for centralized enrollment and recommendations based on the wait lists and needs in Jeffco Schools.

Motion by Ms. Fellman to move forward with the Choice and Enrollment Steering Committee as recommended in Dr. Stevenson's presentation failed for lack of a second.

### **11. Public Agenda Part Two**

#### **11.01 Public Comment (Not on Agenda)**

See Public Comment under 5.02

### **12. Develop Next Agenda**

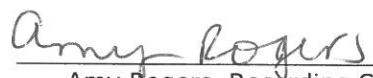
#### **12.01 Board Work Calendar**

#### **12.02 Special and Regular Meetings of January 16, 30, 2014**

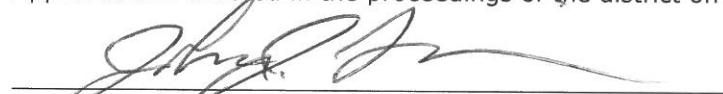
The Board of Education discussed its work calendar and special and regular meetings of January 16 and 30, 2014.

### 13. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for January 16, 2014.

  
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Amy Rogers, Recording Secretary

Approved and entered in the proceedings of the district on January 16, 2014.

  
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Secretary of the Board of Education

  
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President of the Board of Education