

**BOARD Meeting Activity
January 11, 2023**

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Education convened into executive session to discuss personnel [per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f)] particular matter: Board of Education-Superintendent relationship.

SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT – BUENA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Buena Vista Elementary Principal Angela Marie Prochnow presented a PowerPoint on the Montessori philosophy, staff longevity timeline, family involvement, after-school enrichment, and student work. Students demonstrated classroom lessons.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

The Board members reported on their various activities.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Gaal included the following in his report:

- Buena Vista students gave shout-outs to Library Technology Educator Marni Zabel, Counselor Carrie Delius, Art teacher Kurt Bakken, and Music teacher Lashele Warren.
- Visited Steele Elementary and spoke with students Juliana Gillis, and Willa Greenberg regarding the use of Styrofoam plates. He announced that reusable trays and a dishwasher will now be used at the school.
- Visited with the Palmer High School Snow Day Committee and announced that snow days will be reinstated.
- Recognized and thanked the Doherty Culinary Arts and ProStart students for catering provided during the meeting.
- American Heart Association regarding the GO RED Campaign for cardiovascular health.
- Schedule for upcoming high school open houses.
- Introduced DAC Chair Velvet Stepanek who presented a PowerPoint on Family, School, and Community Partnerships (FSCP).

CONSENT ITEMS

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

Certified copies of the Board of Education's official minutes may be obtained from the Records Management Center. The cost of copying will be borne by the requester, per Board Policy BEDG. The Board of Education approved the minutes of the December 14, 2022, regular board meeting. All minutes are available in BoardDocs through the Board of Education District website, after approval by the Board of Education.

Personnel Recommendations – January 11, 2023

The Board of Education approved the Personnel Recommendations for January 11, 2023.

Policy DIA Online Schools and Online Programs

The Board of Education repealed regulation JH-R-2 (Online School Student Participation and Absences) and adopted Board of Education Policy DIA - Online Schools and Online Programs.

ACTION ITEMS

Contract Awards

There were no Contract Awards.

Budget Transfer, Appropriations, and FTE Approvals

There were no Budget Transfers, Appropriations, or FTE Approvals.

Unified Improvement Plans (UIP)

This item was removed from the table and placed under Action as the first item.

Each school in Colorado is assigned an overall school performance rating every year based on student performance and growth on state assessments. Graduation rates and college matriculation are also considered for high schools. Following the assignment of performance ratings, each school is required to develop a Unified Improvement Plan (UIP) that outlines targets for performance outcomes and strategies that the school will implement to improve academic outcomes for students.

UIPs provide a focused improvement plan, including an analysis of student performance data and a detailed action plan. These plans must incorporate ideas and feedback from parents, be approved by the District 11 Board of Education, and be submitted to the Colorado Department of Education on or before January 25, 2023, for review.

DAC Accreditation Subcommittee Chair Marion Clawson provided comments and recommendations.

The Accreditation Subcommittee recommended a rating of Accredited with Distinction for the following schools:

Odyssey Early College and Career Options, Academy for Advanced and Creative Learning, Stratton Elementary School, Trailblazer Elementary School, Howbert Elementary School, Scott Elementary School, Chipeta Elementary School, Taylor Elementary School, and Bristol Elementary School.

The Board of Education approved the Unified Improvement Plans for submission to the Colorado Department of Education for the following schools: Adams Elementary School, Audubon Elementary School, Carver Elementary School, Columbia Elementary School, Fremont Elementary School, Martinez Elementary School, Penrose Elementary School, Twain Elementary School, Mann Middle School, Swigert Aerospace Academy Middle School, and West Middle School.

Designation of Official Posting Location for Board of Education Meetings & Notices

Colorado law and the Board of Education bylaws require that the Board designate a public place, or places, for posting notices of Board meetings each year at the Board's first regular meeting during the calendar year.

The Board of Education designated the bulletin board immediately outside the boardroom at the School District 11 Administration Building, located at 1115 North El Paso Street, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80903, as the official location for posting notices. In addition, the Board also designated the District 11 Board of Education web page, along with the BoardDocs website, as official locations for posting notices of Board meetings for 2023.

Legislative Agenda

This item was reviewed by the Board of Education at the Jan. 4, 2023, work session.

District 11 Board of Education policy BJA states that the Board of Education annually shall adopt a legislative agenda describing legislative positions and objectives that it supports.

The District believes it is advantageous to take an active role in the development of K-12 education legislation at the national, state, and local level.

The Board of Education approved the 2023 Legislative Agenda.

NON-ACTION ITEMS

6:00 p.m. Public Hearing: Priority Improvement and Turnaround Schools

There were no public comments for the Public Hearing regarding Priority Improvement and Turnaround Schools.

Mid-Year Modifications to the 2022-23 Adopted Budget

Sr. Executive Director of Financial Services Laura Hronik presented information on the Mid-Year Modifications to the 2022-23 Adopted Budget.

Each year, to update the adopted budget based on the most current information, the District prepares a mid-year budget modification document. The mid-year revision incorporates the final, certified pupil count, property tax revenues based on the county's final assessed valuations, the audited beginning fund balances for each fund, final staffing numbers, and other revenue and expenditure adjustments, as needed.

For FY 22/23 there are 7 incremental budget requests for funding in the mid-year budget. The total amount of incremental budget requests comes to \$3,073,726 and includes 3.0 additional FTE. All requests are non-recurring including the FTE which will be considered in the staffing formulas for next year.

The purpose of the mid-year budget is to adjust the June adopted budget for the following:

- Final total program funding from the Colorado Department of Education
- Final pupil count
- Final staffing
- Final payroll spread, based on raises given at the beginning of the year
- Final property taxes
- Final audited fund balance
- New funding requests supported by the Superintendent
- Anything else new or updated

The Board agreed to move this item to Action on the Jan. 25 regular board meeting.

Policy IHB and regulation IHB-R, Parent/Guardian Engagement in Title I Education

Director of Policy Dr. Gregory B. Ecks presented information on the policy and regulation.

Board policy IHB and regulation IHB-R were presented for repeal and adoption as policy KBA and regulation KBA-R. The policy informs Parent/Guardian engagement in Title I education. This action will remove the current policy from Section I: Instruction and add the policy to Section K: Parent Community Home Relations. This alignment conforms to national/state coding standards and legal requirements.

The Board agreed to move this item to consent at the Jan. 25 regular board meeting.

Policy KEC, Public Concerns/Complaints About Instructional and Library Resources

Director of Policy Dr. Gregory B. Ecks presented information on the policy.

Board policy KEB was revised to update language related to instructional and library resource review.

The Board agreed to have this topic brought forth at a future work session.

CALENDAR REVIEW

President Melpakam reviewed the following dates:

Wed., Work Session, January 18, 2023, 4:00 pm, boardroom

Wed., Regular Meeting, January 25, 2023, 5:30 pm, boardroom

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.