

BOARD Meeting Activity
May 12, 2021

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AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Holmes and Odyssey Students Take Home Top Honors from the State FCCLA Leadership Conference

The Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) held a virtual statewide conference in April. All gold and high silver level competitors qualified for competition at the 2021 National FCCLA Leadership Conference.

Five Holmes Middle School students took home the following honors:

Lisette Rodriguez received a gold in Career Investigation;
Maverick McDonald and Bryce McDonald received a gold in Food Innovations;
Lillie Rice and Bailey Wiebe received a very high silver in Chapter Service Project;
Bennett Sufak will compete at Nationals with the FCCLA Chapter Website Design; and,
Isabella Rivera received a silver on her Focus on Children STAR event.

In addition to the individual events:

Lisette Rodriguez received a Power of One Award (the only middle school student in Colorado);
The chapter received a Gold Merit Award - based on involvement levels of national programs, activities, & membership;
Holmes FCCLA also received the Families First Award - based upon the school's "Soap for Hope" drive and "Thanksgiving" contributions; and,
Holmes' FCCLA chapter received the Outstanding Chapter Service Project in the state of Colorado.

From Odyssey Early College and Career Options, the following students also have been named as top FCCLA recipients:

Vanessa Lenn received a first place Silver Medal and is a National Qualifier for the Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation Level 2 category;
Savanna Linn received a Gold Medal for the Gourmet Food Presentation Sweet Level 2 category;
Brithany Garces Zermeno received a first place Gold Medal and is a National Qualifier for the Early Childhood Education Level 3 category; and,

Presley Abeyta received a Gold Medal for the Gourmet Food Presentation Savory Level 2 category.

Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA), is a dynamic and effective national student organization that helps young men and women become leaders and address important personal, family, work, and societal issues through Family and Consumer Sciences education. FCCLA has nearly 155,000 members and more than 5,300 chapters from 50 state associations, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. Kelly Gauck is the FCCLA instructor at Holmes and we thank her for leading this incredible team.

Coronado Students Earn Scholastic Gold Key Awards

The Scholastic Art and Writing Awards program is the nation's longest-running and most prestigious recognition program for creative teams. Coronado senior, Hannah Behm took the Gold Key award for her submission, *Anthrophile*. Coronado junior, Mabel Starkie took the Gold Key award for her submission, *Petra*.

Since 1923, the Scholastic Awards have sparked the creative growth of many teens. Submissions are judged by luminaries in the visual and literary arts. Students in grades 7-12 can apply in 28 categories of art and writing.

Coronado Students Selected to Represent in All-State Band and All-State Jazz Band

Three Coronado High School students have been selected to be a part of the All-State Band ensemble:

- Alexander Hollingsworth (clarinet and baritone saxophone)
- Ashton Oaks (oboe and English horn)
- Josiah Rice (clarinet)

These students represent the best of the best among statewide high school musicians. Although the 70th Annual Colorado All-State Band in-person event was cancelled this year, these students were recognized for their hard work with an all-state band patch and participant certificate, an all-state band t-shirt, and a virtual masterclass with a faculty member or teacher/performer on each instrument. The Colorado All-State Band program is presented by the University of Northern Colorado School of Music, Colorado Music Educators Association, Colorado Bandmasters Association, Colorado High School Activities Association.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Thomas provided a Return to Learn update.

Science / Health K-12 Facilitator Darian Founds, provided an update on the 2021 summer programs.

Legislative Update

Deputy Superintendent and Chief Financial Officer Glenn Gustafson and district lobbyist Karen Wick of Swift Strategies LLC, discussed the following legislative matters:

- State Budget Bill (Long Bill) & School Finance Act Update

- Draft Collective Bargaining bill
- BOCES School Status Language
- Workers Compensation Bills
- Other Bills that require attention

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 April 28, 2021, 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

The Board of Education approved the May 12, 2021, Personnel Recommendations, as submitted by the administration.

Proposed Board Meeting Dates for FY 2021-2022

The Board of Education approved the Proposed Board Meeting Dates for FY 2021-2022.

ACTION ITEMS

Contract Awards

There were no Contract Awards

Budget Transfers, Appropriations and FTE Approvals

There were no Budget Transfers, Appropriations and FTE Approvals.

NON-ACTION ITEMS

Resolution 2021-37 May Supplemental Modification to the FY21 Budget

Deputy Superintendent and Chief Financial Officer Glenn Gustafson, and Executive Director of Financial Services Laura Hronik provided the following information:

The Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic placed a financial strain on the Food Service and Production Printing funds. Both funds experienced a significant loss of revenue for both FY 19/20 and FY 20/21 causing their respective fund balances to potentially go negative by year-end. State of Colorado financial accreditation rules require school districts to have a positive fund balance at year-end. The amendment to the FY21 budget is necessary to transfer funds from the General Fund to the Food Services Fund and the Production Printing Fund in order to replenish those reserves.

The mechanism to move these funds is known as an Operating Transfer. This transfer requires

Board of Education approval since it changes the total appropriation (maximum spending amount) for each fund.

Upon approval by the Board of Education, the Districts' Financial Services department will transfer the cash to the respective funds accordingly.

The Board agreed to move this item to action at the May 26 regular meeting.

Policy GE, Teleworking Policy

Human Resources Director Karey Urbanski, and Director of Policy and Archives Katherine Ritchie Rapp provided the following information:

Policy GE, Teleworking Policy, is a new policy. As a result of recent global health and safety events, the District has learned to adapt to various situations and continue with its mission as a school district, sometimes in a remote manner. GE encompasses the possibility of limited duration telework, to be arranged in emergency situations, and flexible telework, allowing some employees able to perform essential functions remotely to do so on a flexible schedule. The policy may be appropriate for some employees and positions, but not for others that are not able to perform their essential functions remotely. But the availability of a flexible work schedule for at least some employees is an attractive option, could be used as a recruiting tool, and allows for flexibility in various types of situations.

The Board's Policy Committee recommended that the Board adopt Policy GE, Teleworking Policy.

The Board agreed to move this item to consent at the May 26 regular meeting.

Policy BDF, Advisory Committees and Regulation AE-R-1, District Accountability Committee
Chief Financial Officer and Deputy Superintendent Glenn Gustafson, and Director of Policy and Archives Katherine Ritchie Rapp provided the following information:

Policy BDF, Advisory Committees, currently contains language establishing various District Advisory Committees, one of which is the Audit Advisory Committee. Regulation AE-R-1, District Accountability Committee, includes the by-laws of the DAC, in addition to language establishing the duties of the DAC Budget Committee.

BDF was recommended for one revision; deletion of the language establishing the Audit Advisory Committee. AE-R-1 is recommended for one revision; the addition of audit responsibilities to the DAC Budget Subcommittee. The District has been overwhelmed with managing 3 different financial committees (Audit, DACBC & MLOOC) and the DAC Budget Subcommittee is well-versed in the areas of District finances. It would be more efficient to merge the audit governance role into the DAC Budget Subcommittee since it's fairly seasonal. The Audit Committee chair Mr. Jeff Ingrum, is in full support of this change.

The Board's Policy Committee recommended that the Board adopt the revised versions of BDF, Advisory Committees, and AE-R-1, District Accountability Committee.

The Board agreed to move this item to action at the May 26 regular meeting.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

The Board members reported on their various activities.

FUTURE MEETING/WORK SESSIONS

The Board of Education will meet on the following dates:

Graduations: May 18-21

Wednesday, May 26, Regular Board Meeting, 4:00 p.m., Boardroom (with Executive Session)

Wednesday, June 2, Work Session, 4:00 p.m., Video Conference

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.