

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J**

**December 9, 2014  
Regular Meeting  
Minutes**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Day, Director Doucet, Director Landwehr, Director Petrocco, and Director Thimmig were present for the entire meeting. Director Gallegos and Director Piotraschke were absent from this entire meeting.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Director Landwehr, seconded by Director Thimmig to accept the agenda dated December 9, 2014 with the revision of item number 10.b Expectation of the Board Report 3.D Financial Conditions and Activities External Report to be moved to item 8.B and all appropriate items will be renumbered. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

**4. SECOND CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT AND STAFF PRESENTATION**

- a. The Board of Education heard a presentation from a group of fifth grade students from Second Creek Elementary school. Principal Evoice Sims introduced the group. The students conducted a Thinking Classroom scenario.

**5. BOARD OF EDUCATION RECOGNITIONS**

- a. President Day recognized Director Landwehr and Director Doucet for their commitment and dedication as Board of Education directors.
- b. The entire Board of Education recognized members of the Engage 27J group, the Iam27J group and the Quality Schools Initiative (QSI) group for their commitment and dedication to the school district through their efforts during the 2014 Bond Election. Various community members, community groups, and businesses were recognized as well. Jason McEldowney recognized Dr. Fiedler for his commitment and leadership through these efforts.
- c. Amanda Griffin from the Brighton Kiwanis Group recognized the district for the partnership during the Predator A.W.A.R.E. Fair that occurred on Saturday, October 4, 2014. She presented the Board of Education with a glass plaque.

**6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the district.

A brief reception occurred to recognize these groups.

## **7. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

Joe Martin – 3441 Maple Circle, Brighton, CO 80601. Mr. Martin expressed his concerns concerning the failure of Ballot 3B. He suggested that the Board members take a leadership role and work with the City Councils and the members of the Iam27J. He will commit his personal time to assist with future efforts.

## **8. CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Director Thimmig, seconded by Director Landwehr to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

- a. Regular Meeting minutes dated November 11, 2014
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated December 2, 2014

## **8.B EXPECTATIONS OF THE BOARD**

Paul Neidermuller from CliftonLarsonAllen presented the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report to the Board of Education. He noted that this was a clean report with no exceptions.

1. External Expectations of the Board Report through 3.D-Financial Conditions and Activities and the Independent Auditors' Report from CliftonLarsonAllen)

Motion by Director Thimmig, and jointly seconded by Directors Petrocco and Director Doucet to acknowledge receipt of the 2013-2014 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

## **9. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS**

- a. Ownership Linkage: The next linkage meeting will occur on January 13, 2015 with representatives from various non-profit groups.
- b. Board Education: None
- c. Board Committees
  1. Facility Planning Advisory Committee: Next meeting will occur on December 16, 2014.
  2. Capital Facility Fee Foundation: The next meeting will occur on December 12, 2014. The topic will be a bond election debrief.
  3. BOCES: A meeting occurred on November 12, 2014. The majority of the discussion was the preliminary budget. The self-insurance pool is changing the wordage that is being sent to the department of insurance to reflect the change from five members to four members.
  4. Reaching Out/In: Next awards will be distributed at the January 27, 2015 meeting
- d. Board Reports – Board Members will report on activities in which they have been involved that support our Global Goals. Director Landwehr presented information about “What’s hot and what’s not for elections.” This was a breakout session that he

- attended at the Colorado Association of School Boards conference. George K. Baum & Company presented the information. They provided statistics stating during the 2014 election, 26 measures passed which was a 57% approval rate and a failure rate of 43%. Director Landwehr recommended using words that “sizzle” to assist with campaign literature. He stated it was a very informative breakout session. Director Landwehr and Director Piotraschke attended Delegate Election Assembly at the conference. They ran for positions, but were unsuccessful. They enjoyed the process, and were glad to be involved and represent the Board of Education. During the conference, Director Thimmig connected with the leader of the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) committee that was working on the Individual Career and Academic Plan (ICAP) process. The committee has issued their tool kit to CDE. Implementation was recommended for easing up on what counselors have to do in career planning. CDE will publish the final information.
- e. Other Matters of Information for the Board: President Day stated that the Board will review the percentage of the budget that is held in contingency. They will discuss that policy at their next opportunity.

## 10. EXPECTATIONS OF THE BOARD

- a. Board acts to accept/reject the following reports due/submitted since last meeting (ADDENDUM “A”): None at this time.
- b. Dr. Fiedler presented the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.I Board Awareness & Support

Motion by Director Petrocco, seconded by Director Landwehr to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.I Board Awareness and Support as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

## 11. POLICY WORK

- a. Policy Review Schedule

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| 1. December 9, 2014 | 3.D External Financial Conditions & Activities<br>3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Insp. |
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Director Day asked the board for input or changes to these reports. None suggested at this time.

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| 2. January 27, 2015   | 3.D Internal Financial Conditions & Activities<br>3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers |
| 3. February 24, 2015  | 1.1 Graduation Rate<br>3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians                                   |
| 4. March 10, 2015     | 3.G Compensation & Benefits   |
| 5. April 28, 2015     | 3.E Asset Protection  |
| 6. May 26, 2015       | 3.A Treatment of Students/Public<br>3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting                        |
| 7. June 9, 2015       | None  |
| 8. August 25, 2015    | 3.0 Global Executive Constraint   |
| 9. September 22, 2015 | 1.2 Composite ACT Scores/1.3 TCAP/CSAP Reading  |

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|                       | Writing, Math, and Science                     |
|                       | 3.J Charter Schools                            |
| 10. October 27, 2015  | 3.D Financial Conditions & Activities Internal |
| 11. November 10, 2015 | 3.H Emergency Executive Succession             |

**12. FISCAL YEAR 2015 CERTIFICATION OF MILL LEVY**

Chief Financial Officer, Suzanne DeYoung presented information concerning the Certification of the Fiscal Year 2015 Mill Levy

Motion by Director Doucet, seconded by Director Thimmig to certify to the Board of County Commissioners in Adams, Broomfield, and Weld counties property tax amounts and mill levies required for Fiscal Year 2015 budget as presented in Enclosure A. Furthermore, we authorize Suzanne DeYoung, Chief Financial Officer, to modify the final mill levy to generate the budget property tax revenues as may be required by final calculations made by the Colorado Department of Education in accordance with the implementation of the Colorado School Finance Act of 1994. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

**13. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

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| January 13, 2015  | 6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting with Service/Non-Profit Groups<br>Educational Service Center<br>18551 E. 160 <sup>th</sup> Avenue<br>Brighton, CO 80601             |
| January 27, 2015  | 5:30 p.m. Study Session<br>7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting<br>Brighton Heritage Academy<br>830 E. Bridge Street<br>Brighton, CO 80601<br>Note New Location ** |
| February 10, 2015 | 6:00 p.m. Linkage meeting with High School Seniors<br>Brighton High School<br>270 S. 8 <sup>th</sup> Avenue<br>Brighton, CO 80601                             |
| February 24, 2015 | 5:30 p.m. Study Session<br>7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting<br>Prairie View Middle School<br>12915 E. 120 <sup>th</sup> Avenue<br>Henderson, CO 80640          |
| March 10, 2015    | 5:30 p.m. Study Session<br>7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting<br>Northeast Elementary School<br>1605 Longspeak Street<br>Brighton, CO 80601                      |

**14. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

Director Petrocco presented the meeting evaluation on behalf of Director Piotraschke.

**15. CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Director Petrocco mentioned the emotion that is involved in the failure of 3B. She was personally touched by Mr. Martin's public comments this evening.

**16. ADJOURNMENT: Time:** 8:48 p.m.