

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J**

**November 11, 2014  
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting  
Pennock Elementary School  
3707 Estrella Street  
Brighton, CO 80601**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MISSION STATEMENT**

The Board of Education is committed to the School District's overall success and improvement. The central focus of all meetings and discussions will be on establishing, monitoring, and supporting the District's goals. We will actively engage all segments of our community in this ongoing focus and provide an instructional program to assure that our students meet or exceed the highest and most rigorous standards.

**AGENDA**

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| <b>1. CALL TO ORDER</b>   | President Day |
| All matters noticed on this agenda, in any category, may be considered for action as listed. Any item not so noticed may not be considered. Items listed on this agenda may be considered in any order, at the discretion of the chairperson. |               |
| <b>2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</b>  | President Day |
| <b>ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1)</b>   | President Day |
| <b>3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>  | President Day |
| Recommended motion: .... "Move to approve the agenda dated November 11, 2014 as presented."   |               |
| <b>ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1).</b>  | President Day |

**4. PENNOCK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT PRESENTATION** President Day

- a. The Board of Education will hear a presentation from the Intermediate Student Leadership Group at Pennock Elementary School. Principal Valerie Ortega will introduce the group.

**5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** Dr. Fiedler

Dr. Fiedler will report on activities throughout the district.

**6. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT** President Day

The Board will now hear public comment on the following topics that have been indicated on the sign in sheet. A reminder that this Board meeting is a business meeting held in public not a public meeting. The Board hears public comment to learn about the preferences and concerns of our community. So, tonight we will listen. We are prohibited by state law to take any action on the items because law requires formal public notice prior to any action on an agenda item. During our next meeting, if appropriate, we will consider your comments in our discussion, and we will ask that the Superintendent attempt to find an answer for any of your questions by that time.

The Board welcomes the comments of our community members, but to ensure that everyone will have an opportunity to participate, we have a few ground rules we ask you to follow:

- Anyone intending to address the Board should sign the speaker sign in sheet at the back of the room. I will call speakers in the order in which they signed in.
- Speakers' comments are limited to three minutes.
- If more than one person wishes to speak on the same topic, the new speaker is limited to providing only new information. Please, do not repeat views already expressed by other speakers.
- We ask you to refrain from making complaints or negative comments against individual students or district employees; however, we cannot prevent you from doing so. Such complaints and comments should be addressed first at the classroom or school level, and then if still unresolved, to the Superintendent.
- Disturbing good order by inappropriate language or gestures is grounds for removal from the meeting.

We thank you in advance for your participation tonight.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA (Policy References: 2.C.4)** President Day

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are operational matters about which the Board has governing policies, implementation of which is delegated to the Superintendent. They will be enacted in one motion by category in the order listed below. There will be no discussion of these items prior to the time the Board of Directors votes on the motion,

unless members of the board, staff or public request specific items to be discussed separately and/or removed from this section.

Any member of the public who wishes to discuss Consent Agenda items should notify the President of the Board at the time requested and be recognized by invitation of the President to address the Board.

- a. Approval of the Board of Education Regular Meeting minutes dated October 28, 2014 (Enclosure)
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated November 6, 2014 (Confidential Enclosure)
- c. Approval of Resolution Four 2014-2015 to authorize the Superintendent or his designee to negotiate and execute any and all documents required to enter into the issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 in the Aggregate Principal Amount not to exceed \$55,380,000. Funding for such issuance will be available in the Bond Redemption Fund of the Fiscal Year 2015 (Enclosure) (Resolution is a Separate Enclosure)

Recommended motion: .... “Move to approve the consent agenda items as presented.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1)**

President Day

**8. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS**

President Day

- a. Ownership Linkage
- b. Board Education
- c. Board Committees
  1. Facility Planning Advisory Committee
  2. Capital Facility Fee Foundation
  3. BOCES
  4. Reaching Out/In
- d. Board Reports – Board Members will report on activities in which they have been involved that support our Global Goals.
- e. Other Matters of Information for the Board

**9. EXPECTATIONS OF THE BOARD (Policy Reference 4.E)**

Dr. Fiedler

- a. Board acts to accept/reject the following reports due/submitted since last meeting (ADDENDUM “A”): None at this time.
- b. Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler will present the Expectations of the Board Report through 3H Emergency Executive Succession. (Separate Enclosure)

Recommended motion: ...“Move to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.H Emergency Executive Succession as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1)**

President Day

**10. POLICY WORK**

President Day

a. Policy Review Schedule

- |                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| 1. November 11, 2014   | 3.H Emergency Executive Succession  |
| 2. December 9, 2014    | 3.D External Financial Conditions & Activities<br>3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Insp. |
| 3. January 27, 2015    | 3.D Internal Financial Conditions & Activities<br>3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers               |
| 4. February 24, 2015   | 1.1 Graduation Rate<br>3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians   |
| 5. March 10, 2015      | 3.G Compensation & Benefits   |
| 6. April 28, 2015      | 3.E Asset Protection  |
| 7. May 26, 2015        | 3.A Treatment of Students/Public<br>3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting                                      |
| 8. June 9, 2015        | None  |
| 9. August 25, 2015     | 3.0 Global Executive Constraint   |
| 10. September 22, 2015 | 1.2 Composite ACT Scores/1.3 TCAP/CSAP Reading<br>Writing, Math, and Science<br>3.J Charter Schools       |
| 11. October 27, 2015   | 3.D Financial Conditions & Activities Internal  |

**11. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 17-21, 2014 AS AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK**

President Day

President Day will read the Proclamation into the official record of the Board of Education. (Enclosure)

Recommended Motion: ..... “Move to approve Proclamation Number Four 2014-2015 as presented.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1)**

President Day

**12. RENEWAL OF SUPERINTENDENT’S CONTRACT**

President Day

The Board of Education will discuss the renewal of Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler’s contract. (Confidential Enclosure)

Recommended Motion: ..... “Move to approve the renewal of Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler’s contract as presented.”

**13. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

- December 6, 2014 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Board Planning Session  
Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) Conference  
Colorado Springs, CO
- December 9, 2014 5:30 p.m. Study Session  
7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting  
Second Creek Elementary  
9950 Laredo Drive  
Commerce City, CO 80022  
Only Meeting of the Month – Note\*\*
- January 13, 2015 6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting with Service/Non-Profits/Adelante Juntos  
Educational Service Center  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601
- January 27, 2015 5:30 p.m. Study Session  
7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting  
Brighton Heritage Academy  
830 E. Bridge Street  
Brighton, CO 80601  
Note New Location \*\*
- February 10, 2014 6:00 p.m. Linkage meeting with High School Seniors  
Brighton High School  
270 S. 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601
- February 24, 2014 5:30 p.m. Study Session  
7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting  
Prairie View Middle School  
12915 E. 120<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Henderson, CO 80640

**14. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

Director Thimmig

**15. CLOSING COMMENTS**

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

Date of Notice: November 6, 2014

Expectations of the Board Report Evaluation Worksheet

Date Due	Policy No.	Policy Title	Frequency	Date Submitted	Date of Board Action	Accepted	Not Accepted	Comments Conditions

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J**

**October 28, 2014  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

School District 27J's Civil Air Patrol presented the Colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director Day, Director Doucet, Director Gallegos, Director Landwehr, Director Petrocco, Director Piotraschke, and Director Thimmig were present.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Director Thimmig, seconded by Director Landwehr to approve the agenda dated October 28, 2014 with the revision to move Item Number 11 Proclamation Recognizing the Colorado Mission of Mercy Group to Item 5.5. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

**4. RECOGNITIONS BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

- a. The Board of Education heard a presentation from students at Brighton Heritage Academy explaining what makes Brighton Heritage Academy different. Principal Cyndra Foster introduced Bretta D. Burke and Nick Stephan Torres. They explained the benefits of attending Brighton Heritage Academy. Some of these benefits include having four graduations per year, smaller class sizes, one-on-one time with instructors, and the ability to enroll in additional classes to graduate early.
- b. The Board of Education congratulated the Denver Area Labor Federation (DALF) and their partnership with First Book for receiving the "Reaching In" Award. Director Thimmig presented Madison Cassels with the award on behalf of the DALF group. First Book is a Washington D.C. National Organization, so their award was mailed.
- c. The Board of Education congratulated the Greater Brighton Neighborhood Volunteers for receiving the "Reaching In" Award. Director Thimmig presented Vicki Snider with the award.
- d. The Board of Education congratulated the following staff members for receiving the "Reaching Out" Award for Lights in Dark Places. Director Landwehr read a portion of the nominations for each award winner. Kay Collins presented the award to Martha Cosby.

CLASSIFIED

Nancy Astor – Second Creek Elementary School  
Shawn Gallardo – Prairie View Middle School  
Virginia Gallegos – Prairie View High School  
Martha Cosby – South Elementary School  
Naomi Gallawa – Brighton Heritage Academy

The Board of Education congratulated the following staff members for receiving the “Reaching Out” Award for Lights in Dark Places. Nate Golich read a portion of the nominations for each winner. Director Thimmig presented the awards. Kay Collins presented the award to Heather Evans.

CERTIFIED

Susan Baber – Prairie View High School  
Cheyanne Dischinger – Henderson Elementary School  
Heather Evans – South Elementary School  
Ted (Edward) Halbert – Brighton High School  
Ann Harding – Vikan Middle School  
Dionne McGrady – Prairie View Middle School  
Lori Miller – Thimmig Elementary School  
John “Jake” Nelson – Brighton Heritage Academy

The Board of Education congratulated the following groups for receiving the “Reaching Out” Award for Lights in Dark Places. Director Petrocco read a portion of the nominations for each group. Director Thimmig presented the awards.

GROUP

PVHS Administrative Team – Jaime White, Michael Burke, Rocky Schneider and Heath Wilson  
PVHS Welding/Engineering Team – James Cade and Tami Hart

**5. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the district. Dr. Fiedler thanked Cyndra Foster for hosting the meeting this evening.

**5.5. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE COLORADO MISSION OF MERCY GROUP**

President Day read the Proclamation into the official record of the Board of Education. Pam Dinkfelt accepted the proclamation on behalf of the COMOM group.

Motion by Director Landwehr, seconded by Director Piotraschke to approve Proclamation Number Two 2014-2015 as presented. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.



A reception occurred at this time to honor the award winners and guests.

## **6. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

Vincent Lucero, 151 W. Egbert Street #303, Brighton, presented information concerning miscommunication that occurred at his student's school which caused the family to miss an important meeting. Kelly Corbett will follow up with Mr. Lucero.

## **7. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- a. Approval of the Board of Education Regular Meeting minutes dated September 23, 2014 and Linkage Meeting and Executive Session minutes dated October 14, 2014
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated October 21, 2014
- c. Approval of Resolution Number Three 2014-2015 to designate the district attendance officers and to authorize the attendance officers to represent the district in truancy court proceedings

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

- a. Ownership Linkage: The Board members met with representatives from various local religious groups. Director Thimmig expressed that this was another good resource to reach groups in the community. The group provided the Board members many suggestions regarding their needs. The Board members would like to meet with this group next year, at this same time, to verify information and monitor the partnership.
- b. Board Education: Director Piotraschke is organizing information for the Board members regarding PERA and other laws that effect PERA and SSA. He is also researching information on common core, and organizing educational sessions with external groups and School District 27J administration.
- c. Board Committees
  1. Facility Planning Advisory Committee: No meeting occurred in October. This group will meet again in November.
  2. Capital Facility Fee Foundation: No meeting occurred in October. This group will meet again in November.
  3. BOCES: This group is scheduled to meet on November 12<sup>th</sup>.
  4. Reaching Out/In: Winners were honored this evening. Next winners will be honored at the January 27, 2015 Board of Education meeting.
- d. Board Reports – Board Members will report on activities in which they have been involved that support our Global Goals. Director Thimmig attended the Buddy Bench dedications that occurred on October 21<sup>st</sup> at North Elementary School, Pennock Elementary School, and South Elementary School. Students from the fifth-grade student council also attended the dedication at North Elementary School. Director

Thimmig commended Bob Grant, from the Kiwanis group, for his thoughtful and engaging presentations. He involved the students, and explained the purpose of the Buddy Benches. Many of the students already knew the purpose, and had already used the benches to gain a buddy. Director Thimmig attended the Early Childhood Partnership meeting. The counties identified their early childhood needs. The group is also identifying that the need extends from prenatal care to preschool. They would also like to track those students and follow their progress. They are also discussing the achievement gap, and looking at data. This conversation included looking at the poverty gap. There is a huge increase in this group and it is very important to identify the gap. She believes School District 27J is working towards these goals. Director Gallegos and Director Thimmig attended the Brighton Heritage Academy graduation. Five students graduated, and expressed appreciation to the staff members at Brighton Heritage Academy. Ms. Gallegos expressed that it was a very emotional ceremony, and she was touched that many of the graduates expressed that they would not have been able to graduate from any other school. They appreciated the chances they received at Brighton Heritage Academy.

- e. Other Matters of Information for the Board: None

## 9. 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. Chief Financial Officer Suzi DeYoung presented the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.D Financial Conditions and Activities.

Motion by Director Thimmig, seconded by Director Landwehr to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.D Financial Conditions and Activities as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

## 10. POLICY WORK

- a. Policy Review Schedule

1. October 28, 2014	3.D Financial Conditions & Activities Internal
2. November 11, 2014	3.H Emergency Executive Succession
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| 9. June 9, 2015        | None   |
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| 11. September 22, 2015 | 1.2 Composite ACT Scores/1.3 TCAP/CSAP Reading Writing, Math, and Science<br>3.J Charter Schools |

**11. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE CITY OF BRIGHTON AND THEIR SUPPORT DURING THE ANNUAL BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING PARADE**

President Day read the Proclamation into the official record of the Board of Education. Deputy Chief Paul Southard accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the City of Brighton.

Motion by Director Piotraschke, seconded by Director Landwehr to approve Proclamation Number Three 2014-2015 as presented. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

**12. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

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|-------------------|---|
| November 11, 2014 | 5:30 p.m. Study Session<br>7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting<br>Pennock Elementary<br>3707 Estrella Street<br>Brighton, CO 80601<br>Only Meeting of the Month – Note**        |
| December 9, 2014  | 5:30 p.m. Study Session<br>7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting<br>Second Creek Elementary<br>9950 Laredo Drive<br>Commerce City, CO 80022<br>Only Meeting of the Month – Note** |
| January 13, 2015  | 6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting with Service/Non-Profits/Adelante Juntos<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>District Training Room<br>80 S. 8 <sup>th</sup> Avenue<br>Brighton, CO 80601                                  |

**13. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

Director Doucet presented the meeting evaluation.

**14. CLOSING COMMENTS:** None

**15. ADJOURNMENT: 8:46**

**Board of Education Agenda Item**

**Board Meeting of: November 11, 2014**

**Subject: Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 in the Aggregate Principal Amount not to exceed \$55,380,000 (enclosure)**

**Status of Item: Consent Agenda**

**PERTINENT FACTS:**

- In December 2006 the District issued \$74.0 million in General Obligation Bonds with Maturity Dates through 2027 and Interest Rates ranging from 3.75% to 5.5%.
- Of the original issuance the District has \$60.6 million of outstanding principal and \$55.4 million is available for advance refunding.
- In accordance with Board Policy 3.E.5 and Superintendent Policy DJE the District completed the competitive bid process for the selection of the underwriter and received approval from the Board for a multi-year agreement in September 2013.
- AAA Municipal Yields are still in a favorable position and the District is looking to capture the savings of this refunding in years 2017 through 2020 as part of a long term debt strategy.
- Refunding the callable 2004 bonds at a 2.54% TIC equates to a present value savings of \$5.7 million which equates to 10.33%.
- The Government Finance Officers Association recommends that a present-value savings of 3% should be an issuer’s target to make a refinancing worthwhile.



**SAVINGS BY MATURITY**  
**Brighton School District Number 27J**  
**Refunding 2006C Bonds**  
**Advance Refunding of Selected Series 2006C Bonds (Mty 2016-2026)**  
**RBC Rates with MMD as of November 4, 2014**  
**Preliminary / Subject to Change**  
**Structured for Savings in 2017-2020**

Bond	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Par Amount	Nominal Savings	Nominal Savings Percent
<b>General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006C, 2006C:</b>					
SERIAL	12/01/2016	4.000%	2,800,000.00	2,687.89	0.096%
	12/01/2017	4.000%	2,910,000.00	61,871.42	2.126%
	12/01/2018	5.000%	3,025,000.00	161,651.25	5.344%
	12/01/2019	5.000%	3,175,000.00	240,331.03	7.569%
	12/01/2020	4.250%	3,340,000.00	234,817.27	7.030%
	12/01/2021	4.500%	3,480,000.00	282,576.44	8.120%
	12/01/2022	5.000%	3,635,000.00	398,476.20	10.962%
	12/01/2023	5.000%	3,820,000.00	456,872.17	11.960%
	12/01/2024	4.000%	4,005,000.00	252,410.49	6.302%
	12/01/2025	5.375%	12,265,000.00	1,789,876.95	14.593%
	12/01/2026	5.375%	12,925,000.00	1,774,538.93	13.730%
			<b>55,380,000.00</b>	<b>5,656,110.04</b>	

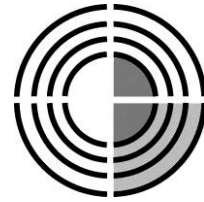
**Board Policies of C.R.S. Relating to Item:**

C.R.S. 22-43-102(2) – Refunding bonds may be issued  
Board Policy III.D.1(b) - The Superintendent will not borrow funds

**Originator: Suzi DeYoung**



**COLORADO SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J**  
**GOVERNING POLICY OF**  
**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**



**Policy 4.E – MONITORING SUPERINTENDENT PERFORMANCE**  
*(Accepted 8-24-10)*

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*Executive Limitations 3.H*  
**Global Executive Constraint**

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Chris Fiedler, Superintendent of Schools

Re: Expectations of the Board Report– 3.H Emergency Executive Succession

I hereby present my Expectations of the Board through 3.H Emergency Executive Succession in accordance with the Expectations of the Board Report schedule as set forth in Board policy. I certify the information in this report is true. (Separate Enclosure)

Signed: 

Date: November 11, 2014

Dr. Chris Fiedler  
Superintendent, School District 27J

**PROCLAMATION**

**Number Four  
2014-2015**

**American Education Week**

WHEREAS, public schools are the backbone of our democracy, providing young people with the tools they'll need to maintain our nation's precious values of freedom, civility, and equality; and

WHEREAS, by equipping young Americans with both practical skills and broader intellectual abilities, schools give them hope for, and access to, a productive future; and

WHEREAS, education employees – be they substitute educators, custodians, teachers, bus drivers or librarians – work tirelessly to serve our children and communities with care and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, schools are community linchpins, bringing together adults and children, educators and volunteers, business leaders and elected officials in a common enterprise;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Education of School District 27J does hereby proclaim the week of November 17-23, 2014 as the annual observance of AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK.

Signed this 11th day of November 2014.

SCHOOL DISTRICT 27 J

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Patrick Day, President - Board of Education

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lynn Ann Sheats, Board of Education Secretary



	<b>METHOD</b>	<b>FREQUENCY</b>	<b>SCHEDULE</b>
3.D - Financial Condition & Activities	Internal	Semi - Annually	January & October
	External	Annually	December
3.C - Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers	Internal	Annually	January
1.1 - Graduation Rate	Internal	Annually	February
3.B - Treatment of Parents/Guardians	Internal	Annually	February
3.G - Compensation & Benefits	Internal	Annually	March
3.E - Asset Protection	Internal	Annually	April
3.A - Treatment of Students/Public	Internal	Annually	May
3.F - Financial Planning/Budgeting	Internal	Annually	May
3.0 - Global Executive Constraint	Internal	Annually	August
1.2 - Composite ACT Scores	Internal	Annually	September
1.3 - CSAP/TCAP in reading, writing, math and science	Internal	Annually	September
3.J - Charter Schools	Internal	Annually	September
3.H - Emergency Executive Succession	Internal	Annually	November
3.I - Board Awareness & Support	Internal	Annually	December
	Direct Inspection	Annually	December