



**SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J**

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**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J**

**August 23, 2016  
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting  
Educational Service Center  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
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**

**1. CALL TO ORDER** 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.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** President Day

**ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1)** President Day

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** President Day

Recommended motion: “...move to approve the agenda dated August 23, 2016 as presented.”

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

**4. BOARD OF EDUCATION RECOGNITIONS** President Day

a. The Board of Education would like to recognize Kyle Farner for his service and dedication to the Board of Education and the School District 27J community.

Mr. Farner resigned his position, and it was accepted by the Board of Education on August 9, 2016, due to attaining employment within School District 27J.

## **5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler

Dr. Fiedler will report on activities throughout the district.

A brief reception will occur to honor Mr. Farner.

## **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 minutes dated August 9, 2016 Special Board Meeting and Planning Session (Enclosure)
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated August 17, 2016 (Confidential Enclosure)
- c. Approval 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 2016 in the Aggregate Principal Amount not to exceed \$38,570,000. Funding for such issuance will be available in the Bond Redemption Fund of Fiscal Year 2017. (Enclosure)

Recommended motion: "...move to approval of 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
  - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee
  - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation
  - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk
  - iv. Reaching Out/In:
  - v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee
  - vi. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee

Appointment to Fill a Vacancy on the 2015 Bond Oversight Committee Members (Enclosure)

Recommended motion: "...move to approve the appointment of (*name*) to the 2015 Bond Oversight Committee."

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

President Day

- d. Board Reports – Board Members 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) NOTE Dr. Fiedler**

- a. Board acts to accept/reject the following reports due/submitted since last meeting (ADDENDUM "A"): None at this time.
- b. General Counsel Janet Wyatt will present the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.0 Global Executive Constraint. (Separate Enclosure)

Recommended motion: "move to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.0 Global Executive Constraint as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations."

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

President Day

**POLICY WORK**

President Day

c. Policy Review Schedule:

- i. August 23, 2016 3.0 General Executive Constraint
- ii. September 27, 2016 1.2 Composite ACT Scores/1.3 TCAP/CSAP Reading Writing, Math, and Science  
3.J Charter Schools
- iii. October 25, 2016 3.D Financial Conditions & Activities Internal
- iv. November 8, 2016 3.H Emergency Executive Succession
- v. December 13, 2016 3.D External Financial Conditions & Activities  
3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Insp.
- vi. January 24, 2017 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers  
3.D Financial Conditions and Activities
- vii. February 28, 2017 1.1 Graduation Rate  
3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians
- viii. March 14, 2017 3.G Compensation & Benefits
- ix. April 25, 2017 3.E Asset Protection
- x. May 23, 2017 3.A Treatment of Students/Public  
3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting
- xii. June 13, 2017 None

**10. PROCLAMATION OF SEPTEMBER AS ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH**

President Day

The Board of Education will consider approving Proclamation Number One 2016-2017 declaring September as Attendance Awareness Month. This is the third year that the Board of Education has approved this resolution promoting good attendance and recognizing how it is essential to student achievement and graduation. (Enclosure)

The Proclamation will be read into public record at this time.

Recommended motion: “Move to approve Proclamation Number One 2016-2017 as presented.”

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

President Day

**11. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

- August 30, 2016 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Councils  
6:00 p.m.  
District Training Room
- September 13, 2016 Linkage Meeting with Community Groups  
Lois Lesser Board Room

Educational Service Center  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601

September 14, 2016 Director District 4 Candidate Interviews  
6:00 p.m.  
Lois Lesser Board Room  
Educational Service Center  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601

September 27, 2016 5:30 p.m. Study Session  
7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting and Director District 4 Candidate  
Appointment  
Educational Service Center  
Lois Lesser Board Room  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601

October 11, 2016 Board of Education Planning Session  
Lois Lesser Board Room  
Educational Service Center  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601

October 26, 2016 5:30 p.m. Study Session  
7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting  
District Training Room  
80 S. 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601

**12. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

Director Doucet

**13. CLOSING COMMENTS**

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Date of Notice: August 18, 2016

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**

**August 9, 2016  
Special Meeting and Planning Session Minutes**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Day, Director Doucet, Director Gallegos, Director Piotraschke, Director Thimmig, and Director Worth were present for this entire meeting. Director Farner was absent from this entire meeting.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Director Thimmig, seconded by Director Piotraschke to approve the agenda dated August 9, 2016 as presented. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

**4. BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION**

Per Colorado Revised Statutes 22-31-129 (c) A school director office shall be deemed to be vacant upon the occurrence of the following event prior to the expiration of the term of office: c. If the person who was duly elected or appointed submits a written resignation to the Board of Education and such resignation has been duly accepted by the Board of Education. A written resignation was received from Director Kyle Farner on August 1, 2016.

Motion by Director Doucet, seconded by Director Worth to accept the resignation of Board Member Kyle Farner. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

**5. BOARD VACANCY RESOLUTION**

Per Colorado Revised Statutes 22-31-129 (2) At the next Board of Education meeting immediately following the occurrence of any condition specified in subsection (1) of this section, the Board of Education of the district shall adopt a resolution declaring a vacancy in the school director office. Because of the resignation of Kyle Farner, a Resolution declaring a vacancy in Director District 4 needs to be approved.

Motion by Director Piotraschke, seconded by Director Thimmig to approve Resolution Number One 2016-2017 declaring a vacancy in Director District 4. The Resolution was read into record by Director Piotraschke. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

**6. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated June 14, 2016 Regular Board Meeting (Enclosure)

**8. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

President Day

The Board of Education considered conducting an Executive Session per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4) (a) for the purpose of discussing the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real, personal or other property interest.

Motion by Director Thimmig, seconded by Director Doucet to approve an Executive Session per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4) (a) for the purpose of discussing the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real, personal or other property interest. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes

The Executive Session started at 6:15 p.m. and the following people were invited to attend the Executive Session:

Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler  
Chief Operations Officer Terry Lucero  
General Counsel Janet Wyatt  
Citizen Member Chris Wahrle

Motion was made and seconded to conclude the Executive Session. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. The Executive Session concluded at 7:05 p.m.

**9. BOARD OF EDUCATION PLANNING SESSION**

The Board of Education conducted a planning session.

**10. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

August 23, 2016	5:30 p.m. Study Session 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting Lois Lesser Board Room Educational Service Center 18551 E. 160 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Brighton, CO 80601
August 30, 2016	5 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Councils 6:00 p.m. District Training Room or Brighton Heritage Academy



Aug/Sept/Oct TBD 2016

Director District 4 Candidate Interviews  
Date and Time are TBD  
Lois Lesser Board Room  
Educational Service Center  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601

September 13, 2016 Linkage Meeting with Community Groups and  
Possible Director District 4 Candidate Appointment  
Lois Lesser Board Room  
Educational Service Center  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601

September 27, 2016 5:30 p.m. Study Session  
7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting and Possible Director District 4  
Candidate Appointment  
Educational Service Center  
Lois Lesser Board Room  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601

## **11. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

Director Doucet did not present a meeting evaluation.

**12. CLOSING COMMENTS:** None

**13. ADJOURNMENT:** Approximately 8:30 p.m.

**Board of Education Agenda Item**

**Board Meeting Date:** August 23, 2016

**Item:** Approval of an Authorization for the Issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2016 in the Aggregate Principal Amount not to exceed \$38,570,000

**Status of Item:** Consent Agenda

**Relevant Information:**

- In February of 2006 the District issued \$26.5 million in General Obligation Refunding Bonds with Maturity Dates through 2024 and Interest Rates ranging from 3.50% to 5.0%.
- Of the original issuance of the Series 2006 Bonds, the District has \$24.415 million of outstanding principal which is eligible for a current refunding on a tax-exempt basis.
- In March of 2008 the District issued \$18.7 million in General Obligation Building and Refunding Bonds with Maturity Dates through 2027 and Interest Rates ranging from 3.25% to 5.25%.
- Of the original issuance of the Series 2008 Bonds the District has \$14.155 million of outstanding principal of which a portion is available for an advance refunding on a tax-exempt basis and a portion of which is eligible for an advance refunding on a taxable basis
- 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.
- Refunding the Series 2006 and 2008 bonds at a projected True Interest Cost (TIC) of 1.78% equates to a present value savings of \$6.5 million which or 17.1%.
- The Government Finance Officers Association recommends that a present-value savings of 3% should be an issuer's target to make a refinancing worthwhile.

**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

**Board of Education Agenda Item**

**Board Meeting of:** August 23, 2016

**Subject:** Appointment to Fill a Vacancy on the 2015 Bond Oversight Committee Members

**Status of Item:** Action

**Time Needed:** 10 Minutes

**PERTINENT FACTS:**

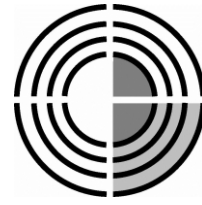
- On September 22, 2015 the Board of Education authorized the establishment of an official Board committee to monitor the activities and expenditures of funds authorized by the election.
- The committee is to consist of:
  - Eight members to be appointed by the Board of Education.
    - 2 members from each of the District's three planning areas (north, south and west) and;
    - 2 members of the Board of Education.
- Eight original members were appointed on October 27, 2015.
- The Board of Education accepted Kyle Farner's resignation on August 9, 2016.
- This resignation causes a vacancy for a Board of Education representative.

**Board Policy or C.R.S. regarding this item:**

Board Policy 2.H – Board Committee Principles

Board Policy 2.I – Board Committee Structure

**Originator:** Patrick Day, President of the Board of Education



**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 Limitation 3.0**  
**Global Executive Constraint**

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Chris Fiedler, Superintendent of Schools

Re: Expectations of the Board Report – 3.0 Global Executive Constraint

I hereby present my Expectations of the Board Report on our Global Executive Constraint, Executive Limitation 3.0, in accordance with the monitoring schedule as set forth in Board policy. I certify the information in this report is true. (Separate Enclosure)

Signed: 

Date: August 23, 2016

Dr. Chris Fiedler  
Superintendent, School District 27J

**PROCLAMATION**

**Number One  
2016-2017**

**Proclamation of September as Attendance Awareness Month**

WHEREAS good attendance is essential to student achievement and graduation, and we are committed to dedicating our resources and attention to reducing chronic absenteeism rates, with a focus starting as early as kindergarten,

WHEREAS chronic absence – missing 10 percent or more of school for any reason including excused and unexcused absences, or just two of three days a month – is a proven predictor of academic trouble and dropout rates,

WHEREAS improving attendance and reducing chronic absence takes commitment, collaboration and tailored approaches to particular challenges and strengths in each community,

WHEREAS chronic absence predicts lower third-grade reading proficiency, course failure and eventual dropout, it weakens our communities and our local economy,

WHEREAS the impact of chronic absence hits low-income students and children of color particularly hard if they don't have the resources to make up for lost time in the classroom and are more likely to face systemic barriers to getting to school – such as unreliable transportation, lack of access to health care, unstable or unaffordable housing,

WHEREAS schools and community partners can reach out more frequently to absent students to determine why they are missing school and what would help them attend more regularly,

WHEREAS schools and community partners must do more to track, calculate and share the data on how many students are chronically absent so that we can deliver the right interventions to the right students,

WHEREAS chronic absence can be significantly reduced when schools, parents and communities work together to monitor and promote good attendance and address hurdles that keep children from getting to school,

WHEREAS engaging parents and the community – including civic and elected leaders, local businesses, faith based members and nonprofit organizations – to help us spread the message that good attendance matters and helps us come up with solutions to ensure all children are in school as much as possible.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED this 23rd day of August, 2016 that School District 27J proclaims that our community will stand with the nation and Adams County partners in recognizing September as “Attendance Awareness Month.” We hereby commit to focusing on reducing chronic absenteeism to give all children an equitable opportunity to learn, grow and thrive academically, emotionally and socially.

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Patrick Day, President

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Lynn Ann Sheats, Secretary

<b>POLICY</b>	<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 -General 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