

**SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J**

**December 13, 2016**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:** 7:10 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Day, Director Doucet, Director Nickeson, Director Piotraschke, Director Thimmig, Director Venerable, and Director Worth were present for this entire meeting.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Thimmig to approve the consent agenda dated December 13, 2016 with the removal of item 6b November 8, 2016 regular meeting minutes to be considered as its own agenda item 6.1. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes

**4. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the district.

**5. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Brock A. Gagna	28615 E. 160 <sup>th</sup> Place Brighton, CO	(CASB) Conference

Mr. Gagna is a Brighton High School student, and he thanked the Board of Education for the opportunity to attend the Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) conference. He would like to work more with the Board members so that they can understand his perceptions and he can share information. Director Day noted that the Board of Education will be having a planning session on January 14, 2017 and Mr. Gagna would be invited to attend.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- a. Moved to item 6.1
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated December 7, 2016

**6.1. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 8, 2016 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

- a. Motion by Director Thimmig, seconded by Director Venerable to approve the Board of Education minutes dated November 8, 2016 Regular Board Meeting as corrected and amended as follows:

Item 9b Expectations of the Board Report shall be revised to reflect “Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Piotraschke to accept the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.H Emergency Executive Succession as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.”

Item 12 Renewal of Superintendent’s contract motion shall be revised to capitalize Director Venerable’s last name as noted in the motion.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

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

- a. Ownership Linkage: The meeting on January 10, 2017 will be a linkage meeting with 27J Graduating Seniors.
- b. Board Education: Director Day explained that the Board of Education was presented information explaining the Thinking Classroom, Interventions, and Managed Autonomy, during this evening’s study session.
- c. Board Committees
  - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee: Director Day explained that this committee met on November 15, 2016. The committee received enrollment updates for all schools. The committee continues to review the boundaries for High School #3 and Middle School #5. This is interesting work for our fast growing district.
  - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation: Director Thimmig explained that the group met on December 15, 2016. The committee is discussing the best way to invest the funds that are being collected by the foundation. Currently, there is no demand for funds due to the bond funding the projects. They are working on an investment strategy that includes liquid, short term, and long term investments. Kerrie Monti is researching the best investment instruments to use, and will provide the information to the committee. Various low-income apartment buildings projects that are in various areas are requesting fee adjustments. The group will be reviewing this structure. They do not plan on meeting during the month of December, 2016.
  - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk: No meeting occurred since the last Board of Education meeting.
  - iv. Reaching Out/In: Director Thimmig explained that the next awards presentation will be at the January 24, 2017 Board of Education meeting. The topic will be Inventor Extraordinaire.
  - v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee: No meeting since last Board of Education meeting.
  - vi. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee: Director Piotraschke explained that the committee met on November 17, 2016. He stated that the construction projects seem to be on schedule, with a Topping Off ceremony occurring at Reunion Elementary School. The asphalt is complete at High School #3. The committee

discussed the main parcel purchase of the property for Middle School #5, and the purchase is complete. The committee will meet again on Thursday, December 15, 2016 via an electronic meeting.

- d. Board Reports – Board Members report on activities in which they have been involved that support our Global Goals: Director Nickeson reported that he attended the Topping Off Ceremony at Reunion Elementary School. Director Day and Director Worth were also in attendance. It was a great experience. Director Nickeson had attended these types of ceremonies in the past for multi-story buildings, so this being just one story, it was fun to see the entire process. He expressed gratitude that the organizers made it a ceremony that could be seen by everyone. Director Venerable reported that she attended a tour of North Elementary School. She was happy to see Principal Carmella Schroeder’s enthusiasm and teachers doing a great job. Director Venerable also reported that she and Director Thimmig attended the Instructional Rounds that were facilitated by School District 27J staff. They enjoyed speaking with various principals, and receiving the perspective from other district staff members. Director Thimmig explained that it was reassuring to see that people outside the 27J community feel we are doing the right things and looking for ways to grow.
- e. Other Matters of Information for the Board: Director Day presented the Committee Structure that was discussed at the planning session that occurred at the Colorado Association of School (CASB) conference on December 10, 2016:
  - i. Owner Linkage Committee: Director Worth and Director Venerable
  - ii. Education Committee: Director Nickeson and Director Piotraschke
  - iii. Reaching In/Out Committee: Director Thimmig and Director Worth
  - iv. Capital Facility Fee Foundation: Director Day and Director Thimmig (Director Worth will serve as an alternate.)
  - v. Rocky Mountain Risk: Director Day (Director Nickeson will serve as an alternate)
  - vi. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee: Director Thimmig and Director Doucet
  - vii. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee: Director Thimmig and Director Piotraschke

## **8. 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. Cheryl Wallace from RubinBrown, LLP presented the External Expectations of the Board Report through 3.D – Financial Conditions and Activities. The auditor’s ViewPoints document was reviewed that summarized the audit. The final audited Comprehensive Annual Financial Report was distributed to the Board of Education members.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Thimmig to acknowledge receipt of the 2015-2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.



Lois Lesser Board Room  
Educational Service Center  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601  
\*\*Note: Only meeting of the month

- January 10, 2017 6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting with Graduating Seniors  
Lois Lesser Board Room  
Educational Service Center  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601
- January 14, 2017 Adding a Board of Education Planning Session  
8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
Educational Service Center/Executive Conference Room  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601
- January 24, 2017 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
- January 31, 2017 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Councils  
Time and Location are To Be Determined
- February 14, 2017 6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting or Planning Session  
Lois Lesser Board Room  
Educational Service Center  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601
- February 28, 2017 5:30 p.m. Study Session  
7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting  
Lois Lesser Board Room  
18551 E. 160<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601

## **11. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

Director Doucet presented the meeting evaluation.

**12. CLOSING COMMENTS:**

Director Piotraschke expressed appreciation for the heartfelt concerns and communications that he received during his mother's passing.

**13. ADJOURNMENT:** Time: 8:35 p.m.