

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J**

**May 23, 2017
Regular Meeting Minutes**

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 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 Venerable to approve the agenda dated May 23, 2017 as presented. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the District.

5. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT

| Name | Address |
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| Rodger Quist | 502 Farmhouse Way, Brighton, CO 80601 |

Mr. Quist thanked the Board of Education directors for the honor of having Middle School Number 5 named after him. He stated, "Grateful isn't a great enough word to express how humble and honored me and my family are." He also explained that when he was asked to return to the District, after retirement, to serve in many capacities, he lived by the motto, "You do it for the kids". He has lived by that motto for 40 years. Director Day thanked Mr. Quist for addressing the Board of Education and his many years of service.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Director Doucet, seconded by Director Worth to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated April 25, 2017 Regular Board Meeting.
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated May 17, 2017, and Resolution Number Seven 2016-2017 Non-Renewal of Contracts of Probationary Teachers.

- c. Approval of the Landmark Academy at Reunion waiver as presented.

7. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS

- a. Ownership Linkage: Director Venerable reported that on May 1, 2017 she gave a presentation to the West Ridge Parent/Teacher Association. (PTA) Her presentation included talking points about the Quality Schools Initiative (QSI) 2.0 results. The PTA group was appreciative of the information. Director Venerable felt they were in tune with district communications, and appreciative of time with Director Venerable. She also felt it was very positive to connect with the group. The Board of Education Directors will discuss at their planning session on June 6, 2017, additional ideas about getting in front of various groups. Director Worth reiterated the importance of being interactive with the community based on upcoming events. Director Venerable attended a session at the National School Board Association (NSBA) conference about connecting with the community by planning and strategizing about communicating with various groups.
- b. Board Education: At tonight's study session, the Board of Education Directors heard an overview presentation about the district's Preschool Program from Principal Bethany Ager. Director Nickeson was impressed with the top-notch programs that the district is using. Director Day thanked the education committee for recommending the study session topic. He explained that the Board of Education had not heard about this program, specifically. Director Nickeson and Director Piotraschke have a list of future topics for the directors to consider.
- c. Board Committees
 - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee: No report at this time.
 - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation: This group did not meet since the last Board of Education meeting.
 - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk: Director Day reported that the group continues to discuss the process of District 12 leaving the insurance pool.
 - iv. Reaching Out/In: Director Thimmig explained that the next awards will be October 2017, and the committee is working on award topics.
 - v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee: Director Doucet and Director Thimmig are members of this committee, which is meeting via a teleconference on May 24, 2017. Director Thimmig explained the use tax has been collected by the City of Commerce City from School District 27J on constructions costs. Approximately \$1.1 million has been pooled, and the committee will convene and mutually decide on cooperative projects that are acceptable and beneficial for both city and district use. The current proposal is to assist in financing the playground turf at Reunion Elementary School. The school is within proximity of a park that Commerce City is considering constructing. If this proposal is approved, this will be the first expenditure of these funds. Terry Lucero confirmed that Commerce City is collecting the same 1.5% use tax on their projects, such as the new recreation center that is currently under construction. Director Nickeson questioned the rationale of building a park adjacent to our school playground location.

- vi. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee: Director Thimmig reported that the group did not meet, but information was distributed electronically
- d. Board Reports – Board members will report on activities in which they have been involved that support our Global Goals: Director Day and other directors attended the kickoff for the renovation at Brighton High School. He, along with Director Thimmig served lunch to the Prairie View High School catering students that have been providing dinners for the board throughout the year. Director Day explained that it was a great experience to spend time with the students, and that the students were very polite and excited for “Lunch with the Board”. Ms. Karl, the catering instructor, encouraged everyone to attend, and more than 60 students were served. The Board of Education directors expressed interest in doing this again next year, and getting it on the calendar a bit earlier. Director Worth attended South Elementary’s “Moms and Muffins” event. It is a good program with a good turnout of parents. He also attended the 27J Retirement Dinner with various Board of Education directors. There were a lot of years represented and celebrated. Several directors also attended the Riverdale Ridge High School Topping Out Ceremony, the Prairie View High School Phoenix Awards, the Brighton High School Academic awards, and the Eagle Ridge Academy Farewell Celebration to honor Dr. Ben Ploeger. The Brighton Legacy Foundation distributed \$10,000 in scholarships, and Director Worth is proud to serve on that board as well. Director Nickeson apologized for leaving the retirement dinner early, due to an emergency at his place of employment. He was happy to report that the Old Chicago soft opening raised approximately \$11,000 for the 27J Education Foundation. He saw a rotation of district leaders greeting patrons, and expressing appreciation for their support. He reminded everyone of a 10% discount that applies to online orders and a portion of each pizza will continue to support the foundation. Director Nickeson wanted to add to the report about Brighton High School’s construction open house. He attended with his 5-and 7-year-old future Bulldogs. They were impressed with the young lady that provided them with their guided tour. He added that he is still amazed with the views from Riverdale Ridge High School that he saw during the Topping Out Ceremony. Director Thimmig reported that she attended the Prairie View High School engineering student presentations. The students had great ideas. She also enjoyed the biomedical presentations, and explained that some of these high school students are studying topics that she studied in college. Director Thimmig also attended the first Iam27J strategic meeting. They reviewed the polling information, and are planning a half-day retreat to continue their work and strategies. She believes the group will continue working with Strategies 360 for campaign information and coordination of fall election plans. The need is to interact with parents and get them out to vote.
- e. Other Matters of Information for the Board: Director Day reminded the Board of Education Directors of the 27J Education Foundation luncheon on June 1, 2017. Seats are available if they would like to attend. He also reported that he and Dr. Fiedler will be attending a meeting on May 30, 2017 with board members and superintendents from the Rocky Mountain Risk pool to continue the discussion about Adams 12 exiting the insurance pool.

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. Chief Academic Officer Kelly Corbett presented the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.A Treatment of Students/Public.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Piotraschke to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.A Treatment of Students/Public as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations.

A brief break occurred at 8:05 p.m. due to Director Doucet needing to leave the meeting at this time.

The meeting reconvened at 8:12 p.m. All Board of Education directors that were present originally remained present.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

- c. Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek presented the expectation of the Board Report through 3.F Financial Planning and Budgeting as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations.

Motion by Director Venerable, seconded by Director Piotraschke to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.F Financial Planning and Budgeting as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

9. POLICY WORK

- a. Policy Review Schedule

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| i. May 23, 2017 | 3.A Treatment of Students/Public 3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting |
| ii. June 6, 2017 | None |
| iii. August 22, 2017 | 3.0 General Executive Constraint |
| iv. September 26, 2017 | 1.2 Composite ACT Scores/1.3 Academic Status of 27J 3.J Charter Schools |
| v. October 24, 2017 | 3.D Financial Conditions & Activities Internal |
| vi. November 14, 2017 | 3.H Emergency Executive Succession |
| vii. December 12, 2017 | 3.D External Financial Conditions & Activities 3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Inspection |
| viii. January 23, 2018 | 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers 3.D Financial Conditions and Activities |

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| ix. February 27, 2018 | 1.1 Graduation Rate 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians |
| x. March 13, 2018 | 3.G Compensation & Benefits |
| xi. April 24, 2018 | 3.E Asset Protection |

10. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NUMBER EIGHT 2016-2017 ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS

Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek presented information pertaining to the 2017-2018 budget.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Thimmig to approve the Resolution Number Eight 2016-2017 Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget and Appropriations as presented. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

11. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

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| June 6, 2017 | 6:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting Lois Lesser Board Room 18551 E. 60 th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601 **Note: Only Board of Education Meeting of the Month |
| July 25, 2017 | 6:00 p.m. Annual Meeting with School District 27J Principals District Training Room (Possible location may be Reunion Elementary School) 80 S. 8 th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601 |
| August 8, 2017 | 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Linkage or Planning Session Educational Service Center 18551 E. 160 th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601 |
| August 22, 2017 | 5:30 p.m. Study Session 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting Lois Lesser Board Room 18551 E. 60 th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601 |
| August 29, 2017 | 5 th Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Council Members City of Brighton to host Riverdale Golf Course Clubhouse 13300 Riverdale Road Brighton, CO 80602 This meeting could possibly include a tour of Riverdale Ridge High School |

12. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION

Director Thimmig presented the Board Meeting Evaluation.

13. CLOSING COMMENTS:

Director Venerable thanked everyone for accommodating her family needs of bringing her children to tonight's meeting. Director Piotraschke apologized for arriving late.

14. ADJOURNMENT: 9:02 p.m.