

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J
April 24, 2018
Regular Meeting Minutes**

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Kerber, Director Nickeson, Director Piotraschke, Director Thimmig, Director Thomas, Director Venerable and Director Worth were in attendance for this entire meeting.

3. COMMITMENT TO GOVERNING STYLE

President Thimmig read the following statement: The Board will govern lawfully, observing Policy Governance principles, with an emphasis on (a) outward vision rather than internal preoccupation, (b) encouragement of diversity in viewpoints, (c) strategic leadership more than administrative detail, (d) clear distinction of Board and chief executive roles, (e) collective rather than individual decisions, (f) future rather than past or present, and (g) governing proactively rather than reactively.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Thomas to amend the agenda dated April 24, 2018 by removing item 9c from the consent agenda, and moving it to agenda item number 12 and all other items will be renumbered accordingly. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

5. BOARD OF EDUCATION RECOGNITIONS

- a. The Board of Education recognized Morrell Printing Solutions with the Reaching In Award for their commitment and dedication to the 27J school community. Jeff Morrell accepted the award on their behalf.
- b. The Board of Education recognized the following staff members with the Reaching Out Award for "Outstanding Apprentice":

Classified

Cathia Covarrubias– Vikan Middle School
Debbie Hart – Northeast Elementary School
Robyn LeDoux – Finance Department
Mikel Philippi – Communications Department

Certified

Emily Barber – Prairie View High School
Colleen Erdman – District-Wide Teacher for the Hearing Impaired

Michelle Myers – Brighton High School
Lisa Morris – District-Wide Intervention Instructional Coach
Jean Schneider – Prairie View High School
Jennifer Strong – Early Childhood Special Educator
Kyle Waggoner – Prairie View High School

Groups

Amanda Gurney and Sarah Seele – Reunion Elementary School

6. BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board of Education was presented with the quarterly report from the 2015 Bond Oversight Committee. Committee Chairperson Troy Whitmore presented the report.

Motion by Director Venerable, seconded by Director Piotraschke to approve receipt of the April 24, 2018 Bond Oversight Committee report to the Board of Education. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

7. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the district.

A brief reception occurred at 7:50 p.m. to honor the award winners.
The meeting reconvened at 8:01 p.m. All Board of Education directors that were previously present, remained present.

8. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Nate Braden/Mile High Education Services	200 Rampart Way #326 Denver, CO 80230
<u>Topic</u>	
Intervention Strategies/Four-Day Programs	

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Kerber to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated March 13, 2018 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated April 18, 2018 and Resolution Number Seven 2017-2018 Non-Renewal of Contracts of Probationary Teachers
- c. Moved to Agenda Item 12

10. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS

- a. Ownership Linkage: Director Venerable reported that the Board of Education directors will be debriefing and planning for next year's linkage groups at their May 8, 2018 planning session. She also explained that at the last linkage meeting with school principals and key parents there were very robust conversations. Director Kerber will not be able to attend the planning session, but he will meet with Director Venerable prior to the meeting to prepare.
- b. Board Education: Director Nickeson reported that the Board of Education directors heard a presentation this evening from Riverdale Ridge High School Assistant Principal Harry Waterman about school athletics, and information about Colorado High School Activities Association (CHSAA). The education session at the May 22, 2018 meeting will be from the nutrition services staff.
- c. Board Committees:
 - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee: Director Thimmig reported that Previous Board President Patrick Day may come to a future Board of Education meeting and provide a report from this committee.
 - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation: Director Nickeson reported that Planning Director Kerrie Monti lead a discussion about what drives housing prices. Permitting fees of approximately \$40,000 per home is paid to the City of Brighton, and that is a factor in pricing. The group reviewed growth projections, and that there is not a lot of need for funds from the foundation at this time due to the passage of the bond. The foundation continues to collect approximately \$150,000 per month from developers. He feels it is good to monitor the foundation and the workings of the group.
 - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk Insurance Group: Director Piotraschke reported that the evaluation was completed for Executive Director Eric Wiant. Director Piotraschke also reported that the lawsuit is continuing regarding Adams 12 exiting from the pool, and no resolution being reached. The Division of Insurance board has stepped in to drive that initiative. The insurance group is the plaintiff and Adams 12 is the defendant. The insurance group board members are directing Mr. Wiant to add growth to the pool, and seek prospective members. Changes are being made, including one employee moving to a reduced schedule to save money, and the contracts of other employees are being reviewed. The attorney fees for the lawsuit are being paid from the pool, and Dr. Fiedler will research more details and report to the Board of Education members. Director Piotraschke also reported that the premium costs will not increase as much as projected, and that is a positive outcome. School District 27J will be approximately 50% of the pool. Budget and evaluations will be handled at their next meeting. The group is also looking at pooling with other districts for some purchases, such as busses, etc., but the districts will need to plan ahead, prior to any purchases. Director Piotraschke agreed to do more research if there are items that wish to be pooled as a purchase.
 - iv. Reaching Out/In: Awarded: Director Kerber reported that Reaching In/Out awards were given this evening for outstanding apprentice. Topics will be discussed for next year's awards.

- v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting.
- vi. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee: This group met last month and toured Riverdale Ridge High School. The Board of Education members received a report from this group at tonight's meeting.
- d. Board Reports – Board Members will report on activities in which they have been involved that support our Global Goals:
 - Director Thimmig reminded the other directors that they are in the “home stretch” of activities. She, along with Director Piotraschke, Director Kerber, and Director Worth attended the DECA Awards and the Board of Education members were presented an appreciation award. Director Kerber added that he will review the businesses that were honored and reach out to them for potential linkage-meeting groups.
 - Director Venerable continues to volunteer in all three 4th grade classes at Brantner Elementary School, and she enjoyed the tour at Riverdale Ridge High School, with other Board of Education directors.
 - Director Kerber invited the other directors to the May 4th Family Game Night at West Ridge Elementary School. There will be some amazing “life sized” games that will be fun for all.
 - Director Thomas attended the Parent Teachers Organization (PTO) meeting at Second Creek Elementary school. They had a great discussion, and the group felt that the four-day student contact calendar message only stressed the benefits to teachers and staff, and that it didn't highlight the benefits to students. She suggested that the communications staff should consider spelling that out better for future publications.
 - Director Worth attended the National Honor Society ceremony at Brighton High School. He also attended the 27J Job Fair, with other Board of Education directors, and it was well attended and very exciting to see the interest by potential hires. He enjoyed the DECA Awards Program, and Henderson Elementary School's school-wide celebration. Students interviewed teachers at this event, and that was entertaining. Prairie View Middle School hosted the 10th Annual Honor Band concert. Five schools participated with great musicians. It was a fun celebration.
 - Director Piotraschke presented information about Senate Bill 200 – PERA. The bill made it to the house for consideration. Several of the highlights include that there will be no defined contribution expansion, a one-time \$225 million contribution by the State, which would be beneficial to the school district. The bill still needs to be passed by the house, and he feels that good compromises were made. The School Finance Act is progressing and may include approximately a \$475 per student increase. He stated positive things are happening, but things could still change.
- e. Other Matters of Information for the Board: None

11. 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 Operations Officer Terry Lucero presented the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.E Asset Protection as conveying reasonable interpretation of the

executive limitations. Revisions to page two and page twenty-four of the report were distributed to the Board members.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Worth to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.E Asset Protection as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

12. APPROVAL OF WAIVER OF MANAGEMENT LIMITATION 3.E.6 – RELATED TO THE DESIGN SERVICES REQUIRED FOR THE COMPLETION OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL #13

Superintendent Chris Fiedler presented information concerning the waiver of management limitations 3.E.6 – related to the design services required for the completion of Elementary School #13.

Motion by Director Venerable, seconded by Director Piotraschke to approve the waiver of management limitations 3.E.6 related to the design services required for the completion of elementary school #13. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

13. POLICY WORK

a. Policy Review Schedule

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| i. April 24, 2018 | 3.E Asset Protection |
| ii. May 22, 2018 | 3.A Treatment of Students/Public
3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting |
| iii. June 12, 2018 | None |
| iv. August 28, 2018 | 3.0 General Executive Constraint |
| v. September 25, 2018 | 1.2 Composite SAT Scores/1.3 School
Performance Ratings/1.4 DIBELS Benchmarks
3.J Charter Schools |
| vi. October 23, 2018 | 3.D Financial Conditions & Activities Internal |
| vii. November 13, 2018 | 3.H Emergency Executive Succession |
| viii. December 11, 2018 | 3.D External Financial Conditions & Activities
3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct
Inspection |
| ix. January 22, 2019 | 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers
3.D Financial Conditions and Activities |
| x. February 26, 2019 | 1.1 Graduation Rate
3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians |
| xi. March 12, 2019 | 3.G Compensation & Benefits
1.4 Primary Literacy |

14. PRESENTATION OF THE PRELIMINARY 2018-2019 BUDGET

Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek presented information concerning the 2018-2019 preliminary budget. No action was needed by the Board of Education.

15. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

May 2, 2018	6:00 p.m. Joint Meeting with City of Thornton Council Members Heritage Todd Creek Golf Club 8555 Heritage Drive Thornton, CO 80601
May 8, 2018	6:00 p.m. Linkage Debrief and Board Brainstorming Meeting Educational Service Center 18551 E. 160 th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601
May 22, 2018	5:30 p.m. Study Session 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting Educational Service Center 18551 E. 160 th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601
May 29, 2018	6:00 p.m. 5 th Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Council Members School District 27J to host District Training Room 80 S. 8 th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601
June 12, 2018	5:30 p.m. Study Session 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting Educational Service Center 18551 E. 160 th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601
July 31, 2018	6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting with School District 27J Principals Riverdale Ridge High School 13380 Yosemite Street Thornton, CO 80602

16. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION

The next meeting evaluation will be presented at the June 12, 2018 meeting.

17. CLOSING COMMENTS: None

18. ADJOURNMENT: 9:55 p.m.