

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J  
March 13, 2018  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

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

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Kerber, Director Piotraschke, Director Thimmig, Director Thomas, and Director Worth were in attendance for this entire meeting. Director Nickeson was absent from this entire meeting. Director Venerable arrived at 7:15 p.m. and was present for the remainder of the 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 Worth, seconded by Director Kerber to approve the agenda dated March 13, 2018 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

**5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the district.

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

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated February 27, 2018 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated March 6, 2018

7:15 p.m. Director Venerable arrived at this time.

## 8. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS

- a. Ownership Linkage: Director Kerber explained that the next linkage meeting will occur with elementary and middle school principals, and key parents from each school.
- b. Board Education: Director Piotraschke explained that the Board of Education heard a presentation during tonight's study session from high school counselors and Career and Technical Education Director Paul Francisco. The high school counselors are overloaded by attempting to service 400 students per counselor. The ideal ratio is 300 per counselor. They are doing the best they can with the resources available. The counselors are proud of the work they are doing. Director Thomas suggested getting volunteers at the high schools to enter data that is currently being entered by the counselors. This would free up counselors for one-on-one student counseling. Director Kerber would like to see a focus at an earlier age to get students started on their career pathway. He would also like to see partnerships with local companies within the district for student internships. Director Piotraschke explained that roadblocks occur when there may be an age-level restriction on some professions when entering the workforce.
- c. Board Committees
  - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee: Director Thimmig explained that this committee meets the third Tuesday of each month if a Board member would like to attend. This committee did not meet since the last Board of Education meeting.
  - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation: Director Thimmig explained that the foundation will meet again in April.
  - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk: This group will meet on March 14, 2018. The State's deputy insurance commissioner will be in attendance. The group is working on a resolution concerning the exit of Adams 12 from the insurance pool.
  - iv. Reaching Out/In: Director Kerber explained that the next awards will be distributed at the April 24, 2018 Board of Education meeting. The theme of the award is "outstanding apprentice".
  - v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee: Director Thimmig explained that this committee did not meet since the last Board of Education meeting. Neither party has had new projects to request. There may be a request for a sidewalk on 120<sup>th</sup> near the Prairie View complex. Staff will provide a traffic study, and the guidelines for the placement of a traffic light in the area.
  - vi. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee: Director Thimmig explained that this committee will meet again on March 15, 2018. Due to the resignation of Committee Member Chris Wahrle, President Thimmig appointed Natalia Ledezma-Rollins to the committee to represent the north area of the district.
- d. Board Reports – Board Members will report on activities in which they have been involved that support our Global Goals: Director Worth participated in the Read Across America celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday at Pennock Elementary. He had the pleasure of reading Green Eggs and Ham and left the book for the classroom library. He also participated in the City of Brighton's Image Summit. There were very inspirational speakers to promote leadership skills and encouraged students to get their voices heard. He had the pleasure of chaperoning a group of 29 students. On the

second day of the summit he participated on an elected-official panel. It was eye opening to students that they discovered that they could attend Board of Education meetings and participate during the public comment section. Director Thimmig explained that the summit had all ages of students, but middle school students seemed to express themselves more. She also added that great group activities were created during the inspirational speaker's direction. She expressed it was a great event to attend. Director Thomas also read at Pennock's Dr. Seuss event. She conducted a Junior Achievement session at Thimmig Elementary and they are needing a representative at Brantner Elementary School. Director Piotraschke thanked the Board members for participating and for their feedback during the recent planning session that occurred on Saturday, March 10, 2018. He feels the Board is on a great track.

- 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. Human Resource Office Manager Andrew Pippin presented the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.G Compensation and Benefits.

Motion by Director Piotraschke, seconded by Director Venerable to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.G Compensation and Benefits as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

- c. Chief Academic Officer Will Pierce presented the Expectation of the Board Report Primary Literacy, Global Goal 1.4.

Motion by Director Venerable, seconded by Director Kerber to accept the Expectations of the Board Report Primary Literacy, Global Goal 1.4 as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

## 10. POLICY WORK

- a. Policy Review Schedule

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| i.   | March 13, 2018     | 3.G Compensation & Benefits<br>1.4 Primary Literacy                  |
| ii.  | April 24, 2018     | 3.E Asset Protection   |
| iii. | May 22, 2018       | 3.A Treatment of Students/Public<br>3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting |
| iv.  | June 12, 2018      | None   |
| v.   | August 28, 2018    | 3.0 General Executive Constraint                                     |
| vi.  | September 25, 2018 | 1.2 Composite SAT Scores/1.3 School                                  |

- vii. October 23, 2018 Performance Ratings/1.4 DIBELS Benchmarks
  - viii. November 13, 2018 3.J Charter Schools
  - ix. December 11, 2018 3.D Financial Conditions & Activities Internal
  - 3.H Emergency Executive Succession
  - 3.D External Financial Conditions & Activities
  - 3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Inspection
  - x. January 22, 2019 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers
  - 3.D Financial Conditions and Activities
  - xi. February 26, 2019 1.1 Graduation Rate
  - 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians
- b. The Board of Education discussed Policy 2.C Agenda Planning and accepted the Board of Education 2018-2019 calendar.

Motion by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Worth to approve the Board of Education 2018-2019 calendar as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

- c. The Board of Education discussed Policy 2.J Policy Governance Investment.

Motion by Director Worth, seconded by Director Piotraschke to approve the policy 2.J Governance Investment Budget as presented with no revisions. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

## 11. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

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| March 10, 2018 | 8:00 a.m. Board Planning Session<br>Executive Conference Room/Educational Service Center<br>18551 E. 160 <sup>th</sup> Avenue<br>Brighton, CO 80601   |
| March 13, 2018 | 5:30 p.m. Study Session<br>7:00 p.m. Regular Board of Education Meeting<br>Lois Lesser Board Room/Educational Service Center<br>18551 E. 160 <sup>th</sup> Avenue<br>Brighton, CO 80601                         |
| April 10, 2018 | **Note only meeting of the month<br>6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting with Elementary and Middle School Principals and Parents<br>Educational Service Center<br>18551 E. 160 <sup>th</sup> Avenue<br>Brighton, CO 80601 |
| April 24, 2018 | 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  |
| May 8, 2018    | 6:00 p.m. Linkage Debrief and Board Brainstorming Meeting<br>Educational Service Center   |

May 22, 2018	18551 E. 160 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Brighton, CO 80601 5:30 p.m. Study Session 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting Educational Service Center 18551 E. 160 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Brighton, CO 80601
May 29, 2018	5 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Council Members School District 27J to host District Training Room 80 S. 8 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Brighton, CO 80601

## **12. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

Director Worth presented the meeting evaluation.

**13. CLOSING COMMENTS:** Director Venerable apologized for arriving late to tonight's meeting. Director Piotraschke reminded the Board of Education members of the many events that will be coming up in the month of May.

**14. ADJOURNMENT:** 8:35 p.m.