

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
27J SCHOOLS
April 23, 2019
Regular Meeting Minutes**

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Kerber, Director Nickeson, Director Piotraschke, Director Thimmig, Director Thomas, Director Worth were in attendance at the entire meeting. Director Venerable was absent from this entire meeting.

3. COMMITMENT TO GOVERNING STYLE

Director 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 Worth to approve the agenda dated April 23, 2019 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

5. BOARD OF EDUCATION RECOGNITIONS

- a. The Board of Education recognized 4th Avenue Cleaners with the Reaching In Award for their commitment and dedication to the 27J school community.
- b. The Board of Education recognized Blackjack Pizza with the Reaching In Award for their commitment and dedication to the 27J school community.
- c. The Board of Education recognized Brighton Shares the Harvest with the Reaching In Award for their commitment and dedication to the 27J school community.
- d. The Board of Education recognized Old Chicago Pizza & Taproom with the Reaching In Award for their commitment and dedication to the 27J school community.
- e. The Board of Education recognized the Reading Literacy Project – Heritage Todd Creek Hatters and Friends with the Reaching In Award for their commitment and dedication to the 27J school community.

- f. The Board of Education recognized Rampart Search and Rescue with the Reaching In Award for their commitment and dedication to the 27J school community.
- g. The Board of Education recognized Rocky Mountain Music Repair with the Reaching In Award for their commitment and dedication to the 27J school community.
- h. The Board of Education recognized the following staff members with the Reaching Out Award for “Four-Day Achiever – First-Year Employees”:

Classified:

Krista Leverett - Stuart Middle School - SSN Paraprofessional

Certified:

Amber Buczkiewicz - 3rd/4th Grade GT Teacher - Pennock Elementary

Ruth Grevenow - Special Education Teacher - Henderson Elementary

Karena Langan - Business/Social Studies Teacher - Brighton High School

Naomi Picon - 5th Grade Teacher - Turnberry Elementary

Jennifer Page - School Counselor - Thimmig Elementary

Katie Romero - Special Education Teacher - Northeast Elementary

- i. Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler introduced the following members of the newly-formed Student Advisory Group:

Davi Kaplan-Gomez	Brighton High School
Alyssa Perez	Brighton High School
Emma Cable	Eagle Ridge Academy
Gabriela Chavez	Eagle Ridge Academy
Izabelle Abbey	Innovations and Options Campus
Jorge Echavarría	Innovations and Options Campus
Rodney Knodel	Innovations and Options Campus
Alexandria Bernhardt	Prairie View High School
Coby Clemons	Prairie View High School
Evan Partida	Prairie View High School
Landry Longmore	Riverdale Ridge High School
Cheyenne Rame	Riverdale Ridge High School
Karter Lee	Brighton High School
Mason Rice	PVHS
Brody Lucas	RRHS

The Board invited the Student Advisory Group and families to join Board members for a linkage meeting on May 14th at 6:00 p.m. at the District Training Room.

6. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the District.

A brief reception occurred at 7:56 p.m. to honor the award winners.

The meeting reconvened at 8:07 p.m. All Board members that were previously present, remained present.

7. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT: None

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Director Worth, seconded by Director Piotraschke to approve the consent agenda items as presented. All ayes

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated March 12, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated April 18, 2019 and April 22, 2019, and Resolution Number Nine 2018-2019 Non-Renewal of Contracts of Probationary Teachers

9. BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT

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

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Thomas to approve receipt of the April 23, 2019 Bond Oversight Committee report to the Board of Education. Roll Call Vote: All ayes

10. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS

- a. Ownership Linkage: Director Kerber reported that the Board conducted a linkage meeting with past 27J Schools Board members. It was a great meeting with a wonderful turnout. It provided history sharing, networking, and time for friends to reconnect. The next linkage meeting will be on May 14, 2019 with members of the Student Advisory Group and their families.
- b. Board Education: Director Nickeson reported that there was no educational session this evening. The Board members received a debrief from district staff about last week's events at Brighton High School.
- c. Board Committees
 - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee: Director Nickeson reported that he was unable to attend the meeting, but he reported that voting occurred for the boundary areas for ES #13 and recommendations to the superintendent will be made soon.
 - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation: Director Nickeson also reported that the foundation's last meeting was disrupted by the bomb cyclone, so an electronic meeting occurred.
 - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk: Director Piotraschke reported that the litigation continues due to District Adams 12's exit from the pool. Dates have been set for ongoing negotiations. He did report that the RMR Board members were looking at adding

another school district to the pool. A cost proposal is being reviewed that includes a liability analysis. Their next meeting will be on May 8, 2019. They will be discussing a possible 2% increase in premiums compared to some districts experiencing a possible 90% increase. Some deductibles may be increasing for specific incidents. Director Piotraschke stated that things are going well, and they continue to move in the right direction.

- iv. Reaching Out/In: Director Kerber reported about tonight's presentations, and that it was an amazing group. The committee is looking for topic ideas for next year's awards.
- v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee: Director Thimmig reported that no meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting. Terry Lucero may have a request for artificial turf at Stuart Middle School. Commerce City staff may also have requests. A meeting should occur within the next few months.
- vi. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee: Director Thimmig reported that the Board accepted the quarterly report at tonight's meeting. The committee is reviewing a list of physical repairs to existing facilities that need to be completed. Construction of Elementary School #13 is on schedule with the groundbreaking ceremony occurring on May 10, 2019. The committee is also reviewing security measures that have been implemented in schools. When the committee first conducted the review, they found different tiers of security exist. The committee wants to improve older schools to consistent security levels. She did report that all entrances to buildings are secure with one-point of entrance.
- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board: Director Thimmig reported about initiatives that were on the state ballot two years ago. State leaders are currently looking at ways to revise or repeal items of the Gallagher Amendment, the TABOR Amendment, and Amendment 23 that affect school finance. She stated that it will be an interesting exercise for the group. Director Piotraschke provided a legislative update. He stated that he believes the full-day kindergarten initiative will pass. The legislative group is working on Budget Stabilization adjustments and future budgets. The final decision needs to be completed by May 3, 2019. He also stated that the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget Package and Long Bill is currently passing in the general assembly.

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.

Motion by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Nickeson 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

c. Policy Review Schedule

i. April 23, 2019	3.E Asset Protection
ii. May 28, 2019	3.A Treatment of Students/Public 3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting
iii. June 11, 2019	None
iv. August 27, 2019	3.0 General Executive Constraint
v. September 24, 2019	1.2 Composite SAT Scores/1.3 Academic Status of School Ratings 3.J Charter Schools
vi. October 22, 2019	3.D Financial Condition & Activities Internal
vii. November 12, 2019	3.H Emergency Executive Succession
viii. December 10, 2019	3.D External Financial Condition & Activities 3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Inspection
ix. January 28, 2020	3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers 3.D Internal Financial Condition and Activities
x. February 25, 2020	1.1 Graduation Rate 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians
xi. March 10, 2020	3.G Compensation & Benefits 1.4 Primary Literacy

12. PRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSED 2019-2020 BUDGET

Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek presented information concerning the 2019-2020 proposed budget. No action was needed by the Board of Education at this time.

13. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

April 30, 2019	6:00 p.m. 5 th Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Council Members City of Commerce City to host Bison Grille-Buffalo Run Golf Course 15700 E. 112 th Avenue, Commerce City, CO 80022
May 14, 2019	6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting with Student Advisory Group families 18551 E. 160 th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601
May 28, 2019	5:30 p.m. Study Session 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting Educational Service Center/Lois Lesser Board Room 18551 E. 160 th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601
June 11, 2019	6:00 p.m. Board Work Session Educational Service Center/Lois Lesser Board Room 18551 E. 160 th Avenue Brighton, CO 80601

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Education conducted an executive session per CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) for the purpose of conferring with General Counsel Janet Wyatt to receive legal advice. Dr. Chris Fiedler was invited into the session.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Piotraschke to approve entering into an executive session per CRS 24-6- 402(4)(b) for the purpose of receiving legal advice. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

The Executive Session started at: 9:15 p.m.
The Executive Session concluded at: 10:03 p.m.
The Regular meeting reconvened at: 10:04

15. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION

The next quarterly meeting evaluation will be presented at May 28, 2019 meeting.

16. CLOSING COMMENTS

17. ADJOURNMENT: 10:05 p.m.