



**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Greg Piotraschke, President  
Blaine Nickeson, Vice President  
Tom Green, Director  
Kevin Kerber, Director  
Mandy Thomas, Director  
Mary Vigil, Director  
Lloyd Worth, Director

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
27J SCHOOLS**

**December 10, 2019  
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting  
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room  
1850 Egbert Street  
Brighton, CO 80601**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MISSION STATEMENT**

The Board of Education is committed to the School District's overall success and improvement. The central focus of all meetings and discussions will be on establishing, monitoring, and supporting the District's goals. We will actively engage all segments of our community in this ongoing focus and provide an instructional program to assure that our students meet or exceed the highest and most rigorous standards.

**AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** President Piotraschke

All matters noticed on this agenda, in any category, may be considered for action as listed. Any item not so noticed may not be considered. Items listed on this agenda may be considered in any order, at the discretion of the chairperson.

- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** President Piotraschke

**ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE (Policy Reference: 2.C)** President Piotraschke

- 3. COMMITMENT TO GOVERNING STYLE** President Piotraschke

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** President Piotraschke

Recommended motion: “Move to approve the agenda dated December 10, 2019 as presented.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.C)**

President Piotraschke

**5 STUDENT ADVISORY GROUP MONTHLY REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler

Various members of the advisory group will present information regarding activities happening at their schools. They will also have recommendations of future activities that may be of interest to Board members.

**6. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler

Dr. Fiedler will report on activities throughout the District.

**7. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Piotraschke

The Board will now hear public comment on the following topics that have been indicated on the sign-in sheet. A reminder that this Board meeting is a business meeting held in public not a public meeting. The Board hears public comment to learn about the preferences and concerns of our community. So, tonight we will listen. We are prohibited by state law to take any action on the items because law requires formal public notice prior to any action on an agenda item. During our next meeting, if appropriate, we will consider your comments in our discussion, and we will ask that the Superintendent attempt to find an answer for any of your questions by that time.

The Board welcomes the comments of our community members, but to ensure that everyone will have an opportunity to participate, we have a few ground rules we ask you to follow:

- Anyone intending to address the Board should sign the speaker sign-in sheet at the back of the room. I will call speakers in the order in which they signed in.
- Speakers’ comments are limited to three minutes.
- If more than one person wishes to speak on the same topic, the new speaker is limited to providing only new information. Please, do not repeat views already expressed by other speakers.
- We ask you to refrain from making complaints or negative comments against individual students or District employees; however, we cannot prevent you from doing so. Such complaints and comments should be addressed first at the classroom or school level, and then if still unresolved, to the Superintendent.
- Disturbing good order by inappropriate language or gestures is grounds for removal from the meeting.

We thank you in advance for your participation tonight.

**8. CONSENT AGENDA (Policy References: 2.C)**

President Piotraschke

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are operational matters about which the Board has governing policies, implementation of which is delegated to the Superintendent. They will be enacted in one motion by category in the order listed below. There will be

no discussion of these items prior to the time the Board of Directors vote on the motion, unless members of the board, staff or public, request specific items to be discussed separately and/or removed from this section.

Any member of the public who wishes to discuss Consent Agenda items should notify the President of the Board at the time requested and be recognized by invitation of the President to address the Board.

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated November 12, 2019 Regular Board Meeting and November 19, 2019 Special Board Meeting Swearing-In Ceremony and Board of Education Officer Elections (Enclosures)
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated December 3, 2019 (Confidential Enclosure)

Recommended motion: “Move to approve the consent agenda items as presented.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.C)** President Piotraschke

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

President Piotraschke

- a. Ownership Linkage
- b. Board Education
- c. Board Committees
  - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee
  - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation
  - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk
  - iv. Reaching Out/In
  - v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee
  - vi. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee
- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board: The Board will reassign representatives to the committees.

## **10. CAPSTONE ACADEMY CHARTER APPLICATION RESOLUTION**

President Piotraschke

The Board of Education will consider Resolution Number Eight 2019-2020 regarding the Capstone Academy charter application. (Enclosures and the overall recommendations from the Executive Team and the District Accountability Committee are separate enclosures)

Recommended Motion: “Move to approve Resolution Number Eight 2019-2020 as presented.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1)** President Piotraschke

## **11. EXPECTATIONS OF THE BOARD (Policy Reference 4.E)**

Dr. Fiedler

- a. Board acts to accept/reject the following reports due/submitted since last meeting. (ADDENDUM “A”) None at this time.

- b. External Expectations of the Board Report through 3.D – Financial Conditions and Activities Rodney Rice, from RubinBrown LLP, will present the Independent Auditors’ Report. (Separate Enclosures of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report that includes the Independent Auditors’ Report from RubinBrown LLP)

Recommended motion: “Move to acknowledge receipt of the 2018-2019 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.C)** President Piotraschke

- c. Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler will present the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.I Board Awareness & Support. (Separate Enclosure)

Recommended motion: “Move to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.I Board Awareness & Support as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1)** President Piotraschke

- d. Policy Review Schedule

i.	December 10, 2019	3.D External Financial Condition & Activities 3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Inspection
ii.	January 28, 2020	3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers 3.D Internal Financial Condition and Activities
iii.	February 25, 2020	1.1 Graduation Rate 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians
iv.	March 10, 2020	3.G Compensation & Benefits 1.4 Primary Literacy
v.	April 28, 2020	3.E Asset Protection
vi.	May 26, 2020	3.A Treatment of Students/Public 3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting
vii.	June 9, 2020	None
viii.	August 25, 2020	3.0 General Executive Constraint
ix.	September 22, 2020	1.2 Composite SAT Scores/1.3 Academic Status of School Ratings 3.J Charter Schools
x.	October 27, 2020	3.D Financial Condition & Activities Internal
xi.	November 10, 2020	3.H Emergency Executive Succession

**12. FISCAL YEAR 2020 CERTIFICATION OF MILL LEVY** President Piotraschke

Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek will present information concerning the certification of the fiscal year 2020 mill levy. (Enclosures)

Recommended Motion: “Move to certify to the Board of County Commissioners in Adams, Broomfield, and Weld counties property tax amounts and mill levies required for Fiscal Year 2020 Budget as presented in Enclosure A. Furthermore, we authorize the Superintendent or his designee, to modify the final mill levy to generate the budget property tax revenues as may be required by final calculations made by the Colorado Department of Education in accordance with the implementation of the Colorado School Finance Act of 1994.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1)**

President Piotraschke

### **13. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

January 14, 2020	6:00 p.m. Board Planning Session and Career and Technical Education Presentation Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room 1850 Egbert Street Brighton, CO 80601
January 28, 2020	7:00 p.m. Board of Education Regular Meeting Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room 1850 Egbert Street Brighton, CO 80601
February 11, 2020	6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room 1850 Egbert Street Brighton, CO 80601
February 25, 2020	7:00 p.m. Board of Education Regular Meeting Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room 1850 Egbert Street Brighton, CO 80601

### **14. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

The next quarterly meeting evaluation will be completed at the March 10, 2020 meeting.

### **15. CLOSING COMMENTS**

### **16. ADJOURNMENT**

Date of Notice: December 4, 2019



**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
27J SCHOOLS  
November 12, 2019  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

**1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:03 p.m.**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Nickeson, Director Piotraschke, Director Thimmig, Director, Thomas, Director Venerable, Director Worth were present for this entire meeting. Director Kerber 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 Piotraschke to approve the agenda dated November 12, 2019 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

**5. PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

- a. The High Schools of Business students from Prairie View High School shared some of their learning experiences, as well as expressed their gratitude to community members who have donated time to support their program. The following students presented to the Board:

Andrew Alexander  
Yadira Arias  
Daniela Cardona  
Tony Garcia  
Amar Hadzic  
Derrick Monks  
Brooklyn McKinney  
(Jacob Johnson was unable to attend tonight's meeting)

**6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the District.

A reception occurred at 7:30 p.m. to honor the community members that were recognized by the student group.

The meeting resumed at 7:37 p.m. All Board members that were present remained present.

## 7. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Crystal Elliott Census Liaison	9828 Olathe Street Commerce City, CO 80022	Census 2020
Donna Golston Census Recruiting Assistant	811 S. Joplin Circle Aurora, CO 80017	Census 2020

## 8. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated October 22, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated November 5, 2019

## 9. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS

- a. Ownership Linkage: No report
- b. Board Education: Director Nickeson reported that the Board received information pertaining to the physical activity and physical education (P.E.) classes that our students receive. There is strategy for students to be active, including how it affects academic achievement.
- c. Board Committees:
  - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting. The next meeting will be on November 19, 2019.
  - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting. The next meeting will be on November 14, 2019.
  - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting. The next meeting will be on November 13, 2019. Director Piotraschke asked for ideas of how to grow the pool, and branch out with different ideas and tactics.
  - iv. Reaching Out/In: Director Venerable reported that the next awards will be distributed at the January 28, 2020 meeting. She suggested using the previous topic for the next two awards. There was a great pool of nominations that were received for the October 22, 2019 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: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting.



- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board: Director Piotraschke read portions of the nominations for the McGuffey Awards that Director Thimmig and Director Venerable received at the October 22, 2019 Board meeting.

**10. RESOLUTION AFFIRMING IMPORTANCE OF THE 2020 CENSUS**

The Board of Education considered a resolution affirming the importance of the 2020 Census for the 27J Schools’ community.

The resolution was read by Director Venerable.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Venerable to approve Resolution Number Seven 2019-2020 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

**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. Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler presented the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.H Emergency Executive Succession.

Motion by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Nickeson to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.H Emergency Executive Succession as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

- c. Policy Review Schedule

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. November 12, 2019</li> <li>ii. December 10, 2019</li> <li>iii. January 28, 2020</li> <li>iv. February 25, 2020</li> <li>v. March 10, 2020</li> <li>vi. April 28, 2020</li> <li>vii. May 26, 2020</li> <li>viii. June 9, 2020</li> <li>ix. August 25, 2020</li> <li>x. September 22, 2020</li> <li>xi. October 27, 2020</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3.H Emergency Executive Succession</li> <li>3.D External Financial Condition &amp; Activities</li> <li>3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal &amp; Direct Inspection</li> <li>3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers</li> <li>3.D Internal Financial Condition and Activities</li> <li>1.1 Graduation Rate</li> <li>3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians</li> <li>3.G Compensation &amp; Benefits</li> <li>1.4 Primary Literacy</li> <li>3.E Asset Protection</li> <li>3.A Treatment of Students/Public</li> <li>3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting</li> <li>None</li> <li>3.0 General Executive Constraint</li> <li>1.2 Composite SAT Scores/1.3 Academic Status of School Ratings</li> <li>3.J Charter Schools</li> <li>3.D Financial Condition &amp; Activities Internal</li> </ul>
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## **12. ADDENDUM TO THE 2019-2020 SUPERINTENDENT’S CONTRACT**

The Board of Education discussed the addendum to Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler’s 2019-2020 contract.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Worth to approve the addendum to Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler’s contract as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

## **13. RENEWAL OF THE SUPERINTENDENT’S CONTRACT**

The Board of Education discussed the renewal of Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler’s contract.

Motion by Director Venerable, seconded by Director Piotraschke to approve the renewal of Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler’s contract as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

## **14. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

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| November 13, 2019  | 7:00 p.m. Capstone Academy Charter School<br>Community Meeting<br>Bison Ridge Recreational Center<br>13905 E. 112 <sup>th</sup> Avenue<br>Commerce City, CO 80022        |
| November 19, 2019  | 7:00 p.m. Board of Education Swearing-In Ceremony<br>and Reorganizational Meeting<br>Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room<br>1850 Egbert Street<br>Brighton, CO 80601   |
| December 5-8, 2019 | Colorado Association of School Boards Annual Convention<br>The Boadmoor Hotel<br>1 Lake Avenue<br>Colorado Springs, CO 80906   |
| December 10, 2019  | 7:00 p.m. Board of Education Regular Meeting<br>Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room<br>1850 Egbert Street<br>Brighton, CO 80601<br>(Only regular meeting of the month) |
| January 14, 2020   | 6:00 p.m. Board Planning Session<br>and Career and Technical Education Presentation<br>Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room<br>1850 Egbert Street<br>Brighton, CO 80601 |
| January 28, 2020   | 7:00 p.m. Board of Education Regular Meeting<br>Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room<br>1850 Egbert Street<br>Brighton, CO 80601  |

## **15. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

The quarterly meeting evaluation was completed by Director Thomas. This was the final meeting evaluation of this seated Board. The next meeting evaluation will occur at the March 10, 2020 meeting.

**16. CLOSING COMMENTS:** Director Venerable thanked the Board members. She stated that she has truly enjoyed serving on the Board. She also feels blessed to serve with an amazing group of people. Director Thimmig distributed a photo of a previous Board room used many years ago. She believes the room was housed within Vikan Middle School.

**17. ADJOURNMENT:** 8:11 p.m.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
27J Schools**

**November 19, 2019  
7:00 p.m. Special Meeting  
Swearing-In Ceremony  
and  
Board of Education Officer Elections**

**1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:01 p.m.**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Kerber, Director Nickeson, Director Piotraschke, Director Thimmig, Director Thomas, Director Venerable, Director Worth were present for this entire meeting.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Director Venerable, seconded by Director Nickeson to approve the agenda dated November 19, 2019 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

Note: This roll call included Director Kerber, Director Nickeson, Director Piotraschke, Director Thimmig, Director Thomas, Director Venerable, and Director Worth.

**4. CERTIFICATION OF DIRECTORS DULY ELECTED**

The Board of Education certified that the following candidates have been duly elected by acclamation pursuant to the resolution of the Board of Education, cancelling the November 5, 2019 election:

DIRECTOR DISTRICT 1 for a FOUR-YEAR TERM: Thomas Green  
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 3 for a FOUR-YEAR TERM: Lloyd Worth  
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 6 for a FOUR-YEAR TERM: Mary Vigil  
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 7 for a FOUR-YEAR TERM: Gregory Adam Piotraschke

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Thomas to approve the newly-elected Board members that were elected by acclamation following the cancellation of the November 5, 2019 election. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

Note: This roll call included Director Kerber, Director Nickeson, Director Piotraschke, Director Thimmig, Director Thomas, Director Venerable, and Director Worth.

**5. OATH OF OFFICE**

The Honorable Brian N. Bowen, County Court Judge, administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Board of Education Directors.

## **6. RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING DIRECTORS**

Director Piotraschke honored President Roberta Thimmig, and Director Jennifer Venerable for their commitment and dedication to the 27J Schools community by serving on the Board of Education.

## **7. ELECTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICERS**

The Board of Education is required to elect officers of the Board within fifteen days after receiving the official abstract of votes and certified election results or election by acclamation of directors if the election is cancelled. At such meeting the incumbent president of the Board shall preside until a successor has been elected and qualified. [C.R.S. 22-32-104 (1)]

President Thimmig opened the nominations for officers of the Board of Education.

Motion by Director Worth, seconded by Director Nickeson to nominate Director Greg Piotraschke as president of the Board of Education to serve for a two-year term. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

Past President Thimmig passed the gavel to newly-elected President Piotraschke, and he facilitated the remainder of the meeting.

Motion by Director Kerber, seconded by Director Worth to nominate Director Blaine Nickeson as vice president of the Board of Education to serve for a two-year term. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Kerber to nominate the administrative assistant to the superintendent as the secretary of the Board of Education for a two-year term. The secretary is an ex-officio officer of the Board of Education. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Worth to nominate the chief financial officer to the district as the treasurer of the Board of Education for a two-year term. The treasurer is an ex-officio officer of the Board of Education. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

Note: The roll calls for the election of officers included the newly-seated Board members of Director Green, Director Kerber, Director Nickeson, Director Piotraschke, Director Thomas, Director Vigil, and Director Worth.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT: 7:40 p.m.**

Committee Assignments (Prior to November 19, 2019 Reorganizational Meeting)

1. Ownership Linkage Committee:  
Actual Linkage Meeting with Various groups 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Various Months  
Calendar Planning  
Director Kerber and Director Venerable
2. Education Committee  
Education of the Board occurs during dinner before board meeting (4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday)  
Director Nickeson and Director Thomas
3. Reaching In/Reaching Out Awards  
Meet usually 7am the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday before the board meeting we present (Oct, Jan, April)  
May be revising schedule to Nov, Feb, April  
Director Venerable and Director Kerber
4. Capital Facility Fee Foundation  
Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday every other month during the year (January....March)  
Director Worth, Director Thimmig and Director Nickeson
5. Rocky Mountain Risk  
Insurance Pool for district. Board meetings are at least quarterly  
Director Piotraschke and Director Kerber is the alternate
6. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee  
Meets on demand  
Director Nickeson and Director Worth
7. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee  
Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month (do have electronic meetings via email)  
Director Thimmig and Director Piotraschke

Updated: 9-22-15  
10-27-15  
12-5-15 (CASB Planning Session)  
8-23-16 \*Board Meeting  
12-10-16 (CASB Planning Session)  
12-2-17 (CASB Planning Session)

## Board of Education Agenda Item

**Board Meeting of:** December 10, 2019

**Subject:** Resolution to Approve the Capstone Academy Charter Application with Conditions

**Status of Item:** Action

**Time Needed:** 15 Minutes

### PERTINENT FACTS:

- The founding Board of Capstone Academy has submitted an application to the Board of Education seeking authorization of a K-8 school to open in the 2021-2022 school year.
- The Capstone Academy charter application was submitted on August 1, 2019 in compliance with state statute and District policy.
- The Capstone Academy founding Board was notified on August 23, 2019 that the charter application contains all of the minimum requirements specified in CRS 22-30.5-106 (1).
- The Capstone Academy charter application was reviewed by the 27J's Executive Team on September 16, 2019.
- The Capstone Academy charter application was reviewed by the District Accountability Committee at its September 18, 2019 meeting as required by CRS 22-30.5-107 (1)(c).
- The resolution is not location specific and will be determined at a later time through contract negotiations and future 27J Schools Board action should Capstone Academy be constructed on an existing 27J Schools' school site.
- The Capstone Academy Community Meeting was held on November 13, 2019 as required by CRS 22-30.5-107 (2).
- CRS 22-30.5-107 (2) requires that the Board of Education to rule by resolution on the application within ninety days of its receipt.
- The Capstone Academy founding Board and 27J Schools Board of Education mutually agreed to an extension of the deadline for consideration of the Capstone Academy charter application as allowed by CRS 22-30.5-107(2.5) to occur no later than December 15, 2019.

**Board Policy or C.R.S. regarding this item:** Colorado Revised Statutes specific to this agenda item are referenced above.

**Originator:** Dr. Chris Fiedler

**27J SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RESOLUTION NUMBER EIGHT  
2019-2020**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE  
CAPSTONE ACADEMY CHARTER APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the founding Board of Capstone Academy has submitted an application to the 27J Schools Board of Education seeking authorization of a charter K-8 school to open in the 2021-2022 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Capstone Academy charter application was submitted on August 1, 2019 in compliance with state statute and District policy; and

WHEREAS, the Capstone Academy founding Board was notified on August 23, 2019 that the charter application contains all of the minimum requirements specified in CRS 22-30.5-106 (1); and

WHEREAS, CRS 22-30.5-107 (2) requires that the Board of Education to rule by resolution on the application within ninety days of its receipt; and

WHEREAS, the Capstone Academy founding Board and 27J School Board of Education mutually agreed to an extension of the deadline for consideration of the Capstone Academy charter application as allowed by CRS 22-30.5-107(2.5) to occur no later than December 15, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Capstone Academy charter application was reviewed by the 27J's Executive Team on September 16, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Capstone Academy charter application was reviewed by the District Accountability Committee at its September 18, 2019 meeting as required by CRS 22-30.5-107 (1)(c); and

WHEREAS, the Capstone Academy Community Meeting was held on November 13, 2019 as required by CRS 22-30.5-107 (2); and

WHEREAS, Capstone Academy will provide additional elementary and middle school space as the District continues to increase in student enrollment;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 27J Schools Board of Education approves the Capstone Academy charter application and directs the superintendent or his designees to enter into charter contract negotiations with Capstone Academy as specified in CRS 22-30.5-107 (2) for the Board's review and consideration with the following conditions:

- 1) Capstone Academy will match the demographics of the 27J neighborhood schools. It is the intent of 27J Schools that every student desiring to attend Capstone Academy have the necessary assistance to enroll and attend there;



- 2) Capstone Academy will open no later than September of 2021. 27J Schools is counting on the successful opening of Capstone Academy in the fall of 2021 as a part of a larger plan to meet the District's need for additional elementary and middle school space as our student enrollment continues to increase to a projected 26,440 students in the fall of 2028.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

27J SCHOOLS

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Greg Piotraschke, President  
Board of Education

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lynn Ann Sheats, Secretary  
Board of Education



**GOVERNING POLICY OF  
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Policy 4.E – MONITORING SUPERINTENDENT PERFORMANCE**

*(Accepted 8-24-10)*

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*Management Limitations 3.I*  
Board Awareness & Support

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Chris Fiedler, Superintendent of Schools

Re: Expectations of the Board Report – 3.I Board Awareness & Support

I hereby present my Expectations of the Board Report on our Board Awareness & Support 3.I, in accordance with the monitoring schedule as set forth in Board policy. I certify the information in this report is true. (Separate Enclosure)

Signed: 

Date: December 10, 2019

Dr. Chris Fiedler  
Superintendent, 27J Schools

**Board Meeting Date:** December 10, 2019

**Item:** 2019 Mill Levy Certification

**Status of Item:** Action

**Time Needed:** 10 minutes

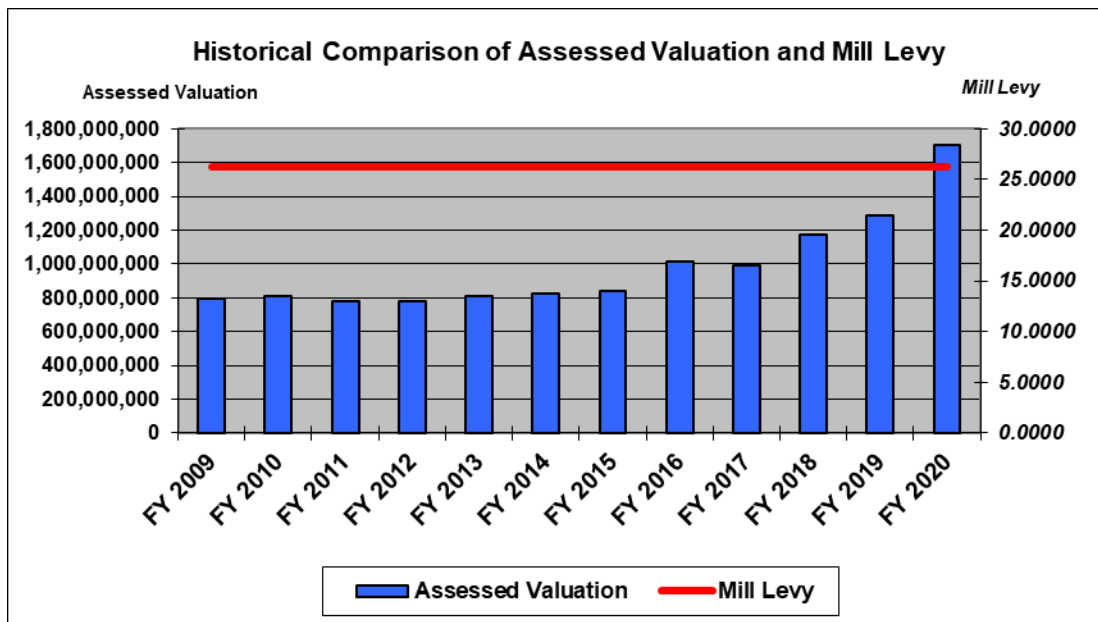
**Relevant Information:**

The District is required by December 15<sup>th</sup> of each year to certify to the county treasurers within the district’s boundaries the general and bond mill levies. The certification information is contained in Enclosure A. See below for historical information pertaining to the general mill levy.

The certification of the mill levies addresses the following Board Governance policies:

- Policy 3.D – Financial Condition & Activities: With respect to financial condition and activities, the Superintendent will not cause or allow the development of fiscal jeopardy, or a material deviation of actual expenditures from the Board’s End priorities.
- Policy 3.F – Financial Planning & Budgeting: Financial planning for any fiscal year or the remaining part of any fiscal year will not deviate materially from the Board’s Ends priorities, risk financial jeopardy, or fail to be derived from a multi-year plan.
- Policy 3.I – Board Awareness & Support: The Superintendent will not cause or allow the Board to be uninformed or unsupported in its work.

Historical Information:



C.R.S. requirements:

- **C.R.S. 39-5-128(1):** No later than August 25 of each year, the assessor shall certify to the department of education, to the clerk of each town and city, to the secretary of each school district, and to the secretary of each special district within the assessor's county the total valuation for assessment of all taxable property located within the territorial limits of each such town, city, school district, or special district and shall notify each such clerk, secretary, and board to officially certify the levy of such town, city, school district, or special district to the board of county commissioners no later than December 15. The assessor shall also certify to the secretary of each school district the actual value of the taxable property in the district
- **C.R.S. 22-40-102(6):** Each school district, with such assistance as may be required from the department of education, shall inform the county treasurer for each county within the district's boundaries no later than December 15 of each year of said district's general fund mill levy in the absence of funds estimated to be received by said district pursuant to the "Public School Finance Act of 1994", article 54 of this title, and the estimated funds to be received for the general fund of the district from the state
- **C.R.S. 22-42-117(1):** If the board of education has issued any of said bonds, at the time of certifying to the board of county commissioners a statement showing the amount necessary to raise from the taxable property of said district for the general fund as required by law, it shall also certify to said board of county commissioners the amount needed for its bond redemption fund to pay all installments of principal and interest of said bonds, which, according to their terms, have already become due and payable or shall become due and payable during the next ensuing fiscal year, or both, together with such additional amount, if any, as in the judgment of the board of education it is desirable to raise from the taxable property of said district for the purpose of redeeming, during the said ensuing fiscal year, any of said bonds which are redeemable but not due. Separate amounts shall be certified for the bond redemption fund to satisfy the outstanding obligations of bonded indebtedness which involve separate tax levies on taxable property located within different territorial limits.
- **C.R.S. 22-54-106(a)(I):** Every district shall levy the number of mills determined pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of this section, and the amount of property tax revenue which the district is entitled to receive from the levy, assuming one hundred percent collection, along with the amount of specific ownership tax revenue paid to the district, as defined in section 22-54-103 (11), shall be the district's share of its total program.

**Originator:** Lori Schiek, Chief Financial Officer

**Enclosure A**

Board of Education Meeting – December 10, 2019

General Fund Mill Levy	26.262
Abatements	.040
Total General Fund Mill Levy	26.302
Mill Levy Override	.439
Total	26.741
Bond Redemption Mill Levy	22.069
Total School District 27J Mill Levy Certification	48.810

	<b>METHOD</b>	<b>FREQUENCY</b>	<b>SCHEDULE</b>
3.D - Financial Condition & Activities	Internal	Semi - Annually	January & October
	External	Annually	December
3.C - Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers	Internal	Annually	January
1.1 - Graduation Rate	Internal	Annually	February
3.B - Treatment of Parents/Guardians	Internal	Annually	February
3.G - Compensation & Benefits	Internal	Annually	March
1.4 – Primary Literacy	Internal	Annually	March
3.E - Asset Protection	Internal	Annually	April
3.A - Treatment of Students/Public	Internal	Annually	May
3.F - Financial Planning/Budgeting	Internal	Annually	May
3.0 - Global Executive Constraint	Internal	Annually	August
1.2 - Composite SAT Scores	Internal	Annually	September
1.3 - Academic Status of School Ratings	Internal	Annually	September
3.J - Charter Schools	Internal	Annually	September
3.H - Emergency Executive Succession	Internal	Annually	November
3.I - Board Awareness & Support	Internal	Annually	December
	Direct Inspection	Annually	December