

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
27J SCHOOLS  
August 25, 2020  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Electronic Meeting**

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

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Green, Director Kerber, Director Nickeson, Director Piotraschke, Director Thomas, Director Vigil, and Director Worth were present for this entire meeting.

**3. COMMITMENT TO GOVERNING STYLE**

Director Piotraschke 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 Vigil to approve the agenda dated August 25, 2020 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

**5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the District.

Note: Director Nickeson suggested that Item Number 9, STEAD Charter School Amended and Restated Contract be moved to Item Number 6. Director Piotraschke asked if there was any opposition to the change of the agenda. None was noted. All items were renumbered accordingly.

**6. STEAD CHARTER SCHOOL AMENDED AND RESTATED CONTRACT**

The Board of Education considered approval of an amended and restated contract for the STEAD Charter School. The original contract was approved on March 10, 2020. Kelly Leid, and Amy Schwartz addressed the Board. Kevin Denton, founding principal of the school, introduced himself.

Motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Kerber to approve the amended and restated contract for the STEAD Charter School Contract dated March 10, 2020 with the edit in sections 9.1B Purchase of District Services (page 41) and 9.2 Direct Costs

(page 42) to include the fiscal years 2023 - 2024. This fiscal year was omitted as an oversight. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

## **7. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

Name	Address	Topic
Kevin Denton	33710 Mt. Harvard Circle Buena Vista, CO 81211	Introduction/STEAD School Principal

Note: Mr. Denton introduced himself to the Board during Item Number 6.

## **8. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated June 23, 2020 Regular Board Meeting and July 28, 2020 Linkage Meeting and Executive Session
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated August 19, 2020

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

- a. Ownership Linkage: Director Kerber and Director Vigil approved the next linkage meeting on September 8, 2020 with the Student Advisory Group. This will be an electronic meeting.
- b. Board Education: Director Thomas suggested reviewing and discussing Board goals. This discussion could occur during two meetings. One meeting to review and discuss and another meeting to suggest new goals. Director Thomas and Director Kerber will provide information to the Board prior to the discussion.
- c. Board Committees
  - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee: Director Nickeson reported that the committee is reviewing enrollment numbers for the fall. The residential construction and sales have not slowed. This growth is important for planning capacity needs. This year will be different due to on-line enrollment. The group will continue to monitor those numbers. Chief Operations Officer Terry Lucero addressed the city council members from the City of Brighton regarding the cash-in-lieu process. The District will be negotiating with the City of Brighton. City staff is working on draft language for an agreement. This may come before the council members within the month for vote. Commerce City's discussion is on hold until the city manager position is secured.
  - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation: Director Worth reported that no meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting. Construction continues to be strong, and funds are still being collected. The investment interest rates remain low, so the foundation members are seeking advisement from J.P Morgan Chase.
  - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk: Director Piotraschke reported that the group will meet again on September 8, 2020. This will be a "welcome back" meeting, and the start of the auditing process. There were no issues identified in the pre-audit. The

group is looking at underwriting profits from last year as well as a memorandum of understanding for CARES funds.

- iv. Reaching Out/In: Director Kerber suggested identifying opportunities to recognize groups through a virtual option. Director Vigil suggested a possible Lunch and Learn online format. Dr. Fiedler suggested the theme, “Making the Impossible, Possible.” Director Piotraschke suggested only recognizing groups twice per year.
- 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: Director Worth reported that construction projects are being completed. The construction staff have moved into Padilla Elementary to monitor any warranty issues. Project budgets are being finalized, with a possible \$14 million in excess that the committee is considering best uses. Construction staff has been reduced. The next meeting will occur October 2020.
- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board: Director Piotraschke stated that the deadline for resolutions to Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) closes on September 10, 2020. Board members can contact him to review the resolutions. Director Worth and Director Vigil sent their notes of appreciation to principals and other staff members.

## 10. 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 3.0 Global Executive Constraint.

Motion by Director Worth, seconded by Director Kerber to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.0 Global Executive Constraint as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

- c. Policy Review Schedule

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| i. August 25, 2020     | 3.0 General Executive Constraint  |
| ii. September 22, 2020 | 1.2 Composite SAT Scores/1.3 Academic Status of School Ratings<br>3.J Charter Schools                         |
| iii. October 27, 2020  | 3.D Financial Condition & Activities Internal   |
| iv. November 10, 2020  | 3.H Emergency Executive Succession  |
| v. December 8, 2020    | 3.D External Financial Condition & Activities<br>3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Inspection |
| vi. January 26, 2021   | 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers<br>3.D Internal Financial Condition and Activities                  |
| vii. February 23, 2021 | 1.1 Graduation Rate   |

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| viii. March 9, 2021 | 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians |
|                     | 3.G Compensation & Benefits        |
|                     | 1.4 Primary Literacy               |
| ix. April 27, 2021  | 3.E Asset Protection               |
| x. May 25, 2021     | 3.A Treatment of Students/Public   |
| xi. June 8, 2021    | 3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting   |

## **11. PROCLAMATION OF SEPTEMBER AS ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH**

The Board of Education considered approving Proclamation Number One 2020- 2021 declaring September as Attendance Awareness Month. This is the sixth year that the Board of Education has approved this resolution promoting good attendance and recognizing how it is essential to student achievement and graduation.

The Proclamation will be read by Director Nickeson. Director Nickeson and Director Thomas noted accolades to the intervention services staff for making personal contacts to families that have not enrolled.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Thomas to approve Proclamation Number One 2020-2021 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

## **12. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

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| September 8, 2020  | 6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting<br>Desserts delivered to homes.   |
| September 22, 2020 | 5:30 p.m. Study Session – Board Goals<br>7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting<br>Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room or Electronic Meeting<br>1850 Egbert Street<br>Brighton, CO 80601 |
| September 29, 2020 | 6:00 p.m. 5 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Councils<br>Host and Location are to be determined –  |

## **13. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

The next quarterly meeting evaluation will occur at the September 22, 2020 meeting.

**14. CLOSING COMMENTS:** Director Piotraschke stated that the district is off to a good start of the year!

**15. ADJOURNMENT:** 8:58 p.m.