



BOARD OF EDUCATION
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Tom Green, Director
Kevin Kerber, Director
Mandy Thomas, Director
Mary Vigil, Director
Lloyd Worth, Director

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
27J SCHOOLS**

**February 25, 2020
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 February 25, 2020 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 January 28, 2020 Regular Board Meeting (Enclosures)
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated February 20, 2020 (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. COMMERCE CITY - SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J USE TAX FUND EXPENDITURE

President Piotraschke

Dr. Chris Fiedler and Director Blaine Nickeson will present information concerning an authorization of expenditures from the Commerce City – School District 27J Use Tax Fund. (Enclosure and Commerce City Summary is a separate enclosure)

Recommended Motion: “... Move that the School District 27J Board of Education authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$500,000 for the purpose of adding ball fields and other improvements at Stuart Middle School, Turnberry Elementary and Second Creek Elementary and an amount not to exceed \$714,500 for the installation of a synthetic sports field system at Stuart Middle School from the Commerce City – School District 27J Use Tax Fund.

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. Chief Academic Officer Will Pierce will present the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians. (Separate Enclosure)

Recommended motion: “Move to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations.”

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

- c. Chief Academic Officer Will Pierce will present the Expectations of the Board Report on the Graduation Rate, Global Goal 1.1 (Separate Enclosure)

Recommended motion: “Move to accept the Expectations of the Board Report on the Graduation Rate, Global Goal 1.1 as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations.”

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

- d. Policy Review Schedule

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| i. | February 25, 2020 | 1.1 Graduation Rate
3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians |
| ii. | March 10, 2020 | 3.G Compensation & Benefits
1.4 Primary Literacy |
| iii. | April 28, 2020 | 3.E Asset Protection |
| iv. | May 26, 2020 | 3.A Treatment of Students/Public
3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting |
| v. | June 9, 2020 | None |
| vi. | August 25, 2020 | 3.0 General Executive Constraint |
| vii. | September 22, 2020 | 1.2 Composite SAT Scores/1.3 Academic Status of
School Ratings
3.J Charter Schools |
| viii. | October 27, 2020 | 3.D Financial Condition & Activities Internal |
| ix. | November 10, 2020 | 3.H Emergency Executive Succession |
| x. | December 8, 2020 | 3.D External Financial Condition & Activities
3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct
Inspection |
| xi. | January 26, 2021 | 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers
3.D Internal Financial Condition and Activities |

12. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

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| March 10, 2020 | 7:00 p.m. Board of Education Regular Meeting
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street
Brighton, CO 80601 |
| March 31, 2020 | 6:00 p.m. 5 th Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Council Members |

27J Schools to Host
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street
Brighton, CO 80601

April 14, 2020 6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting or Planning Session
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street

April 28, 2020 7:00 p.m. Board of Education Regular Meeting
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street
Brighton, CO 80601

13. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION

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

14. CLOSING COMMENTS

15. ADJOURNMENT

Date of Notice: February 20, 2020

Date Due	Policy No.	Policy Title	Frequency	Date Submitted	Date of Board Action	Accepted	Not Accepted	Comments Conditions

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
27J SCHOOLS
January 28, 2020
Regular Meeting Minutes**

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Green, Director Kerber, Director Nickeson, Director Piotraschke, Director Thomas, and Director Worth were present for this entire meeting. Director Vigil was absent from 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 Kerber to approve the agenda dated January 28, 2020 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

5. STUDENT ADVISORY GROUP MONTHLY REPORT

Various members of the advisory group presented information regarding activities happening at their schools. They also recommended future activities that may be of interest to Board members. In honor of January 2020 being Board appreciation month, the student advisory group recognized the Board members for their commitment and dedication by presenting them with balloons and personalized thank you cards.

6. BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board of Education was presented with the quarterly report from the 2015 Bond Oversight Committee. Vice-Chairperson Jason McEldowney presented the report.

Motion by Director Kerber, seconded by Director Thomas to approve receipt of the January 28, 2020 Bond Oversight Committee report. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

7. RECOGNITIONS BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education honored the following staff and community members for receiving the Reaching In and Reaching Out Awards:

Fantastic Classified Employee(s)

Felipa Huerta - Custodian at Thimmig Elementary Schools

Riverdale Ridge Office Staff - Leslie Baca, Carrie Romero, Kerrie Korneychuk, Stacy Bushlack, Keli Lambert, Stephanie Walker, Julie Shaw and Lisa Shaffer

Conquering Certified

Erin McDonald - Teacher/Sources of Strength Leader at Prairie View High School
Sheila Love - P.E. Teacher at Overland Trail Middle School

Triumphant Student Group

South Elementary School Leadership Team

Blockbuster Business

Allstate - Melissa Rippy

Compassionate Community Leaders

Childcare Program Managers and Staff

Accomplished Assembly

SHOUT (Senior Hub Outreach)

Judy and Jeff Trzeciak, Dr. Midge Mougey, Claudia Wilson, and Brad Nathos

A brief reception occurred at 7:51 p.m. to honor the awards winners. The meeting reconvened at 7:59 p.m. All Board members that were previously present remained present until Director Nickeson left the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the District. This report included the reading of the State of Colorado Proclamation proclaiming January 2020 as School Board Appreciation Month.

9. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT: None

10. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated December 10, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated January 22, 2020 and corrected January 27, 2020

11. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS

- a. Ownership Linkage: Director Kerber reported that the committee is discussing the linkage-meeting groups. The linkage meeting that is scheduled on February 11, 2020 will be a Board planning session.
- b. Board Education: Director Thomas reported that at tonight’s study session, the Board reviewed and discussed data on the 4-Day schedule and the impacts on the District. She and Director Kerber will have a schedule of the education topics. The planning session that is scheduled for February 11, 2020 will include a debrief from the Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) conference.
- c. Board Committees
 - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee: Director Nickeson reported that the committee is having further discussions about visioning for the district and growth plans. The committee continues to look at information to form a recommendation of future facility needs to the superintendent and the Board.
 - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation: Director Worth reported that no meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting.
 - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk: Director Piotraschke reported that the group will meeting again on February 12, 2020. He wanted to mention that the separation of one partner has been completed. The current partnerships are financially growing and stable. The District may see a slight increase in premiums due to growth, new buildings opening, etc. The District’s area was put in a high-wind category so that may result in a possible increase as well.
 - iv. Reaching Out/In: Director Thomas reported that awards were distributed at tonight’s meeting, and the topic will remain the same for the April 28, 2020 nominees.
 - v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee: Director Nickeson reported that no meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting.
 - vi. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee: Director Piotraschke reported that the Board received the quarterly report at tonight’s meeting. That report included an update on various projects.
- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board: None

12. STEAD SCHOOL CHARTER CONTRACT TIMELINE

The Board of Education considered an extension of the deadline for approval of the STEAD School charter contract between 27J Schools and the STEAD School.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Green to approve the request for an extension of the deadline for the STEAD School charter contract. The date to rule on the contract by resolution will be no later than March 20, 2020. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

13. 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 Human Resource Officer Michael Clow presented the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers. Mr. Clow noted that the safety and security section of this report was not included.

This item was tabled for presentation at a future meeting.

- c. Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek presented the Internal Expectations of the Board Report through 3.D Financial Condition and Activities

Motion by Director Worth, seconded by Director Thomas to accept the Internal Expectations of the Board Report through 3.D Financial Condition and Activities as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

**Director Nickeson left the meeting at this time – 8:50 p.m.

- d. Policy Review Schedule

i. January 28, 2020	3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers 3.D Internal Financial Condition and Activities
ii. February 25, 2020	1.1 Graduation Rate 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians
iii. March 10, 2020	3.G Compensation & Benefits 1.4 Primary Literacy
iv. April 28, 2020	3.E Asset Protection
v. May 26, 2020	3.A Treatment of Students/Public 3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting
vi. June 9, 2020	None
vii. August 25, 2020	3.0 General Executive Constraint
viii. September 22, 2020	1.2 Composite SAT Scores/1.3 Academic Status of School Ratings 3.J Charter Schools
ix. October 27, 2020	3.D Financial Condition & Activities Internal
x. November 10, 2020	3.H Emergency Executive Succession
xi. December 8, 2020	3.D External Financial Condition & Activities 3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Inspection

14. ADOPTION OF THE REVISED FISCAL YEAR 2019 – 2020 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS

Approval of Resolution Number Nine 2019-2020 regarding the Adoption of the Revised Fiscal Year 2019 - 2020 Budget and Appropriations. Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek presented information concerning the revised fiscal year budget and appropriations.

Motion by Director Thomas seconded by Director Kerber to approve Resolution Number Nine 2019 - 2020 regarding the Adoption of the Revised Fiscal Year Budget and Appropriations as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes **This vote did not include Director Nickeson due to him leaving the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Quorum still remained.

15. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

February 11, 2020 6:00 p.m. Board Planning Session

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

March 10, 2020 7:00 p.m. Board of Education Regular Meeting
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street
Brighton, CO 80601

March 31, 2020 5th Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Council Members
Host and Location are to be determined

16. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION

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

17. CLOSING COMMENTS

18. ADJOURNMENT: 9:12 p.m.

Board of Education Agenda Item

Board Meeting of: February 25, 2020

Subject: Approval of an Expenditure from the
Commerce City/School District 27J Use Tax Fund

Status of Item: Action

Time Needed: 10 minutes

Pertinent Facts:

- Commerce City and School District 27J entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement in 2002 regarding the collection and expenditure of use tax payable to Commerce City for public school construction projects constructed within Commerce City.
- The agreement was amended in 2012 to redefine the potential uses of the fund allowing for the enhancement of recreational facilities and school/park sites.
- The process to consider and approve such requests was also amended to provide for a committee made up of membership from the elected bodies of the two entities to consider requests and make recommendations to their respective elected bodies regarding such requests.
- The current balance of the fund is approximately \$1,300,000.
- The fund has been accessed one time since its inception, providing approximately \$155,000 to fund fifty percent of the artificial turf installation at Reunion Elementary.
- Commerce City is currently requesting funds from this restricted account in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 to cover ballfield additions and improvements at Stuart Middle School, Turnberry Elementary and Second Creek Elementary.
- 27J Schools is currently requesting an amount not to exceed \$714,450 for the installation of a synthetic turf sports field system at Stuart Middle School.
- A detailed description of the projects is attached for your review.
- The Commerce City – School District 27J Use Tax Committee met via teleconference on February 5, 2020 to consider the requests and agreed to present this matter to their respective elective bodies.
- Commerce City staff intends to present this request to the Commerce City Council in the upcoming month of March 2020.

Board Policies or C.R.S. Relating to Item:

C.R.S. 22-54-102(3)(a) – Intergovernmental Agreements

Originator: Terry Lucero



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

(Accepted 8-24-10)

Management Limitations 3.B
Treatment of Parents/Guardians

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Chris Fiedler, Superintendent of Schools

Re: Expectations of the Board Report – 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians

I hereby present my Expectations of the Board Report on our Treatment of Parents/Guardians, Management Limitations 3.B, 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: February 25, 2020

Dr. Chris Fiedler
Superintendent, 27J Schools



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

(Accepted 8-24-10)

Global Goal 1.1
Graduation Rate

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Chris Fiedler, Superintendent of Schools

Re: Expectations of the Board Report – Graduation Rate – Global Goal 1.1

I hereby present my Expectations of the Board Report on the Graduation Rate – Global Goal 1.1 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: February 25, 2020

Dr. Chris Fiedler
Superintendent, 27J Schools

	METHOD	FREQUENCY	SCHEDULE
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