

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
27J SCHOOLS**

December 14, 2021

Regular Meeting Minutes

A livestream link was available at www.sd27j.org

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Conn, Director Green, Director Piotraschke, Director Thomas, Director Thornton, 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 Worth seconded by Director Thomas to amend and approve the agenda dated December 14, 2021 concerning item Number 17 Executive Session to also include an Executive Session per C.R. S. 24-6-402 (4)(f)(I) Personnel Matters to discuss the Bond Program Manager Position. Roll Call Vote: all ayes.

5. BOARD RECOGNITIONS

a. The Board of Education recognized the following staff members for receiving the Reaching Out Award for being The Gifts that Keep on Giving:

Classified:

Mari Kay Bass - Secretary - Special Education Department

Kristin Godwin - Preschool Group Lead - Henderson Elementary School

Rosario Monarrez - District Welcome Center Receptionist - Henderson Elementary School

Certified:

Tina Christenson - Instructional Coach - Vikan Middle School

Kay Dye - Special Education Teacher - Brantner Elementary School

Linda Horne - Digital Learning Coach - Vikan Middle School

Josh Linville - Physical Education Teacher - Reunion Elementary School
Veronica Randall - Project Lead the Way - BioMedical Sciences - Prairie View High School

Groups:

Prairie Vista Youth Services Center Staff - Kenlyn Newman, Kerri Pachelo, Chris Wenholtz, Jeff Tufano, Satoshi Hiramatsu, Avery Fromme, Kristine Corona, Kimary Marchese

b. The Board of Education would like to recognize the following family volunteers for receiving the Reaching In Award for being The Gifts that Keep on Giving:

Quist Middle School's Family Volunteers - Jessica Bata, Craig Castillo, CJ De Dios, Sara Gagliardi, Addison Keese (Student) and Family, Eli Ojeda-Ayala

Director Thomas explained that to align with the District's Believe marketing campaign, future Reaching In/Out awards will be called The 27J Believers.

6. STUDENT ADVISORY GROUP MONTHLY REPORT

Members of the advisory group presented information regarding school activities.

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the District.

A break occurred at this time to honor the award winners: 8:06 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 8:24 p.m. All Board members previously present remained present.

Director Vigil left the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

8. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT: None

9. CONSENT AGENDA

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

a. Approval of Board of Education minutes dated November 9, 2021 Regular Meeting, with a correction in Section Nine, Item d. changing the date that Director Piotraschke will be attending the National School Boards Association conference in January 2022, instead of February 2022, and November 30, 2021 Swearing In Ceremony and Reorganizational Meeting

b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated December 7, 2021

10. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS

- a. Ownership Linkage – No report was given by the past committee members. New members: Director Thornton and Director Vigil
- b. Board Education – No report was given by the past committee members. New Members: Director Conn and Director Thomas
- c. Board Committees
 - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee – No report was given by the past committee member. New member: Director Piotraschke
 - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation – No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting. New members: Director Conn, Director Vigil, and Director Worth
 - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk – No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting. New Members: Director Piotraschke and Director Thornton
 - iv. Reaching Out/In – Now known as The 27J Believers – Director Thomas reported that awards were distributed at tonight’s meeting. New Members: Director Green and Director Thomas for The 27J Believer awards.
 - v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee – No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting. New members: Director Green and Director Worth
 - vi. 2015/2021 Bond Oversight Committee – Director Piotraschke and Director Worth attended the last meeting and provided a report. New members: Director Thomas and Director Thornton
 - vii. Brighton Youth Commission – Member of new committee Director Worth gave a description of the commission’s activities and the District’s involvement. He is excited to represent the district on this committee.
- d. The Board of Education discussed during its study session, the above noted committee assignments, with the addition of the Brighton Youth Commission.
- e. Other Matters of Information for the Board: Director Thomas reported that Henderson Elementary is looking for readers at its Winter Wonderland event on Friday, December 17, 2021. See her for more details.

Note: Ms. Vigil left the meeting at this time, and did not return. Time noted 9:00 p.m.

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. External Expectations of the Board Report through 3.D – Financial Conditions and Activities. Partner Rodney Rice and Manager Max Haberkorn, both from RubinBrown LLP, presented the Independent Auditors’ Report.

Motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Thomas to acknowledge receipt of the 2020-2021 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. Roll Call Vote: all ayes.

- c. Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler presented the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.I Board Awareness & Support.

Motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Thomas to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.I Board Awareness & Support as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: all ayes.

d. Policy Review Schedule

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| i. December 14, 2021 | 3.D External Financial Condition & Activities
3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Inspection |
| ii. January 25, 2022 | 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers
3.D Internal Financial Conditions and Activities |
| iii. February 22, 2022 | 1.1 Graduation Rate
1.2 Post Secondary Readiness (3E's)
3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians |
| iv. March 8, 2022 | 1.4 School SEL Dashboard (Good Humans)
3.G Compensation & Benefits |
| v. April 26, 2022 | 3.E Asset Protection |
| vi. May 24, 2022 | 3.A Treatment of Students/Public |
| vii. June 14, 2022 | 3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting |
| viii. August 23, 2022 | 3.0 Global Executive Constraint |
| ix. September 27, 2022 | 1.3 School Academic Dashboard
3.J Charter Schools |
| x. October 25, 2022 | 3.D Financial Condition & Activities Internal |
| xi. November 8, 2022 | 3.H Emergency Executive Succession |

12. FISCAL YEAR 2022 CERTIFICATION OF MILL LEVY

Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek presented information concerning the certification of the fiscal year 2022 mill levy.

Motion by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Worth to certify to the Board of County Commissioners in Adams, Broomfield, and Weld counties property tax amounts and mill levies required for Fiscal Year 2022 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 Vote: all ayes.

13. CAPSTONE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT TIMELINE

The Board of Education considered an additional extension of the deadline for approval of the Capstone Academy Charter School contract between 27J Schools and Capstone Academy. The Board approved an extension at the November 9, 2021 regular meeting.

Motion by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Thornton to approve the request for an extension of the deadline for the Capstone Academy charter school contract. The date to rule on the contract will now be no later than January 25, 2022. Roll Call Vote: all ayes.

14. EAGLE RIDGE ACADEMY CONTRACT RENEWAL APPLICATION

The Board of Education considered accepting receipt of the Eagle Ridge Academy contract renewal application.

Motion by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Green to accept receipt of the Eagle Ridge Academy contract renewal application. Roll Call Vote: all ayes.

15. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

January 11, 2022 5:30 p.m. Board Orientation
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120
Brighton, CO 80601

January 25, 2022 5:30 p.m. Study Session
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120
Brighton, CO 80601

February 8, 2022 5:30 p.m. Board Orientation
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120
Brighton, CO 80601

February 22, 2022 5:30 p.m. Study Session
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting
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16. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION

Director Vigil completed the quarterly meeting evaluation prior to her leaving the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Director Piotraschke presented the meeting evaluation on her behalf.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Education conducted an Executive Session per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(a) for the purpose of discussing the purchase, acquisition, lease, or transfer or sale of any real, personal or other property interests, and per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f)(I) for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter regarding the bond program manager.

The topics discussed were:

- a. Willow Bend school site and the purchase and sale contract
- b. Comprehensive High School #4 site
- c. West Area Middle School site
- d. Bond Program Manager Position

Motion by Director Worth, seconded by Director Thornton to approve entering into an Executive Session per C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4)(a) for the purpose of discussing the purchase, acquisition, lease, or transfer or sale of any real, personal or other property interests and per C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4) (f) (I) Personnel Matters to discuss the Bond Program Manager Position. Roll Call Vote: all ayes. Note: Director Vigil was absent from this executive session due to her leaving the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

The Board invited Dr. Chris Fiedler, Chief Operations Officer Terry Lucero and Planning Manager Kerrie Monti to attend the executive session.

Start Time of Executive Session: 9:51 p.m.

West Area Middle School site

Start Time: 9:53 p.m.

End Time: 10:08 p.m.

Willow Bend school site and the purchase and sale contract

Start Time 10:08 p.m.

End Time: 10:17 p.m.

Comprehensive High School #4 site

Start Time: 10:17 p.m.

End Time: 10:33 p.m.

Note: Planning Manager Kerrie Monti left the executive session at this time.

Bond Program Manager Position

Start Time: 10:33 p.m.

End Time: 11:07 p.m.

End Time of Executive Session: 11:07 p.m.

18. CLOSING COMMENTS: None

19. ADJOURNMENT: 11:08 p.m.