



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**

**October 26, 2021
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street
Suite 120
Brighton, CO 80601**

A livestream link will be available at www.sd27j.org

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 October 26, 2021 as presented.”

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

President Piotraschke

5. STUDENT ADVISORY GROUP MONTHLY REPORT

Dr. Fiedler

Members of the advisory group will present information regarding school activities.

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. 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 Board of Education minutes dated September 28, 2021 Study Session, Executive Session, and Regular Meeting (Enclosure)
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated October 20, 2021 (Confidential Enclosure)

Recommended Motion: “Move to approve the consent agenda 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 – Members: Director Kerber and Director Vigil
- b. Board Education – Members: Director Kerber and Director Thomas
- c. Board Committees
 - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee – Member: Director Nickeson
 - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation – Members: Director Kerber, Director Vigil and Director Worth
 - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk – Members: Director Piotraschke and Director Kerber is an alternate.
 - iv. Reaching Out/In – Members: Director Green and Director Thomas
 - v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee – Members: Director Nickeson and Director Worth, Director Green is an alternate.
 - vi. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee – Members: Director Piotraschke and Director Worth
- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board

10. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 15-19, 2021 AS AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

President Piotraschke

The Proclamation may be read at this time. (Enclosure)

Recommended Motion: “Move to approve Proclamation Number Two 2021-2022 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. Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek will present the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.D Financial Conditions & Activities. (Separate Enclosure)

Recommended motion: “Move to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.D Financial Conditions & Activities as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations.”

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

c. Policy Review Schedule

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| i. October 26, 2021 | 3.D Financial Condition & Activities Internal |
| ii. November 9, 2021 | 3.H Emergency Executive Succession |
| iii. December 14, 2021 | 3.D External Financial Condition & Activities |
| | 3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Inspection |
| iv. January 25, 2022 | 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers |
| | 3.D Internal Financial Condition and Activities |
| v. February 22, 2022 | 1.1 Graduation Rate |
| | 1.2 Post Secondary Readiness (3E’s) |
| | 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians |
| vi. March 8, 2022 | 1.4 School SEL Dashboard (Good Humans) |
| | 3.G Compensation & Benefits |
| vii. April 26, 2022 | 3.E Asset Protection |
| viii. May 24, 2022 | 3.A Treatment of Students/Public |
| ix. June 14, 2022 | 3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting |
| x. August 23, 2022 | 3.0 Global Executive Constraint |
| xi. September 27, 2022 | 1.3 School Academic Dashboard |
| | 3.J Charter Schools |

12. APPROVAL OF NAME FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL #14 President Piotraschke

The Board of Education will consider approving the name for Elementary School #14. (Enclosure)

Recommended motion: “Move to approve the name _____ for Elementary School #14”

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

13. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

November 9, 2021 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
 **Note – Only regular meeting of the month

- November 30, 2021 6:00 p.m. 5th Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Council Members
Host and Location are to be determined.
- December 2-4, 2021 Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB)
Annual Conference
The Broadmoor Hotel
1 Lake Avenue
Colorado Springs, CO 80906
- December 14, 2021 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
**Note – Only regular meeting of the month

14. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION

The next quarterly-meeting evaluation will be at the December 14, 2021 meeting.

15. CLOSING COMMENTS

16. ADJOURNMENT

Date of Notice: October 21, 2021

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

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
27J SCHOOLS**

September 28, 2021

Study Session and Executive Session Minutes

A livestream link was available at www.sd27j.org

1. Call to order: 5:35 p.m.
2. Executive Session

The Board of Education considered conducting 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 interest.

Motion by Director Vigil, seconded by Director Thomas 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 interest. Roll Call Vote: Director Green, no, Director Kerber, yes, Director Nickeson, yes, Director Piotraschke, yes, Director Thomas, yes, Director Vigil, yes, and Director Worth, yes. Motion passed by majority.

Executive Session start time: 5:45 p.m.

All Board members attended the executive session, and invited Dr. Chris Fiedler, Terry Lucero, and Kerrie Monti to participate in the executive session, as well.

Executive Session end time: 6:19 p.m.

3. Agenda review
4. Adjournment was prior to the start of the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
27J SCHOOLS**

September 28, 2021

Regular Meeting Minutes

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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 the 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 September 28, 2021 as presented. Roll Call Vote: Director Green, no, Director Kerber, yes, Director Nickeson, yes, Director Piotraschke, yes, Director Thomas, yes, Director Vigil, yes, and Director Worth, yes. Motion passed by majority.

5. STUDENT ADVISORY GROUP MONTHLY REPORT

Members of the advisory group presented information regarding school activities.

6. RECOGNITIONS BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

a. President Piotraschke presented Board of Education Directors Kevin Kerber and Lloyd Worth with the McGuffey award. This longtime Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) Award honors board members who make a difference. Most important, these individuals improve the lives of student in their district. Honorees were recognized at CASB's Fall Regional Meetings.

7. 2015 BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT

Board of Education and Bond Oversight Committee member Lloyd Worth presented the Board of Education with the quarterly report from the 2015 Bond Oversight Committee.

Motion by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Vigil to approve receipt of the September 28, 2021 Bond Oversight Committee report. Roll Call Vote: Director Green, no, Director Kerber, yes, Director Nickeson, yes, Director Piotraschke, yes, Director Thomas, yes, Director Vigil, yes, and Director Worth, yes. Motion passed by majority.

8. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the District.

9. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Name	Address	Topic
Zach Lentz	11380 Ironton Street Henderson, 80640	Agenda Item #3
Jean Schneider	10180 Yampa Street Commerce City, 80022	27J Schools Intern Program
Trevor Steen	11093 Pitkin Street Commerce City, 80022	Agenda Item#13 Voter Registration Resolution
Zach Lentz	Same as Above (#1)	Masking, CRT and Mask Exemption Form
Noah Seis	16033 E. 106 th Ct. Commerce City, 8033	Actions of the Board in violation as mentioned in various laws.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Director Kerber, seconded by Director Worth to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote: Director Green, no, Director Kerber, yes, Director Nickeson, yes, Director Piotraschke, yes, Director Thomas, yes, Director Vigil, yes, and Director Worth, yes. Motion passed by majority.

- a. Approval of Board of Education minutes dated August 24 2021 regular meeting
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated September 21, 2021

11. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS

- a. Ownership Linkage – Members: Director Kerber and Director Vigil: Director Kerber reported that the Board will be conducting a virtual linkage meeting/town hall format on October 12, 2021.
- b. Board Education – Members: Director Kerber and Director Thomas: No report
- c. Board Committees
 - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee – Member: Director Nickeson: Director Nickeson reported that the committee will be working on recommendations for the boundaries for Elementary School #14.
 - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation – Members: Director Kerber, Director Vigil and Director Worth: Director Worth reported that the annual audit report for the

foundation is complete, and no findings were noted. A draw request for Elementary School #14 was made to coincide with Commerce City funds to backfill a portion of the project. The members reviewed the building permit report, and tremendous growth is expected with no signs of slowing down. This growth includes properties east of E470, in close proximity to the Denver International Airport.

- iii. Rocky Mountain Risk – Members: Director Piotraschke and Director Kerber is an alternate: Director Piotraschke reported that they have underwriter approval on their insurance policies. Secondary insurance premiums were higher than expected. Many insurance companies are leaving the state due to hail damage claims, increasing premiums, and deductibles. The group is reviewing succession plans for future longevity. Many members are term limited, and many staff members are approaching retirement age. They have identified a district in the area that matches the current membership, and they may join the pool.
 - iv. Reaching Out/In – Members: Director Green and Director Thomas: Director Thomas reported that the next awards will be recognized at the December 14, 2021 meeting, with nomination forms being distributed during November 2021.
 - v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee – Members: Director Nickeson and Director Worth, Director Green is an alternate: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting.
 - vi. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee – Members: Director Piotraschke and Director Worth: Director Worth presented the report at tonight’s meeting. The next meeting for the committee is on October 21, 2021.
- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board: None

12. 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 Academic Officer Will Pierce presented the Expectation of the Board Report through 1.3 School Academic Dashboard.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Vigil to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 1.3 School Academic Dashboard as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations Roll Call Vote: Director Green, no, Director Kerber, no, Director Nickeson, yes, Director Piotraschke, yes, Director Thomas, yes, Director Vigil, yes, and Director Worth, yes. Motion passed by majority.

- c. Charter Liaison Kenlyn Newman presented the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.J Charter Schools.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Vigil to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.J Charter Schools as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: Director Green, no, Director Kerber, yes, Director Nickeson, yes, Director Piotraschke, no, Director Thomas, yes, Director Vigil, yes, and Director Worth, yes. Motion passed by majority.

d. Policy Review Schedule

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3.J Charter Schools |
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| xi. August 23, 2022 | 3.0 Global Executive Constraint |

13. RESOLUTION FOR VOTER REGISTRATION OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The Board of Education considered approving Resolution Number Three 2021-2022 approving the voter registration of 27J Schools' high school students.

The Proclamation was read by Director Thomas.

Motion by Director Kerber, seconded by Director Vigil to approve Resolution Number Three 2021-2021 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

14. RESOLUTION OF ADVOCACY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J'S MILL LEVY OVERRIDE BALLOT ISSUE 5A AND BOND BALLOT ISSUE 5B

The Board of Education considered approving Resolution Number Four 2021-2022 supporting the advocacy for a mill levy override ballot issue 5A and a bond ballot issue 5B.

The Resolution was read by Director Nickeson.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Thomas to approve Resolution Number Four 2021-2022 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

15. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

October 5, 2021 6:00 p.m. Student Advisory Group Hosting a Candidate Forum
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120
Brighton, CO 80601

October 12, 2021 6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting or Planning Session Virtual town hall
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120
Brighton, CO 80601

October 26, 2021 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

16. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION

Director Worth presented the quarterly-meeting evaluation.

17. CLOSING COMMENTS: None

18. ADJOURNMENT: 9:35 p.m.

**27J SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
PROCLAMATION NUMBER TWO
2020-2021**

American Education Week

WHEREAS, public schools are the backbone of our democracy, providing young people with the tools they'll need to maintain our nation's precious values of freedom, civility, and equality; and

WHEREAS, by equipping young Americans with both practical skills and broader intellectual abilities, schools give them hope for, and access to, a productive future; and

WHEREAS, education employees – be they substitute educators, custodians, teachers, bus drivers, paraprofessionals, or librarians – work tirelessly to serve our children and communities with care and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, schools are community linchpins, bringing together adults and children, educators and volunteers, business leaders and elected officials in a common enterprise;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Education of 27J Schools does hereby proclaim the week of November 15-19, 2021 as the annual observance of AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK.

PROCLAIMED AND PASSED THIS 26TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021.

BRIGHTON, COLORADO

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)

Management Limitations 3.D
Financial Condition & Activities

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Chris Fiedler, Superintendent of Schools

Re: Expectations of the Board Report – 3.D Financial Condition & Activities

I hereby present my Expectations of the Board Report on our Financial Condition & Activities Management Limitations 3.D, 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: October 26, 2021

Dr. Chris Fiedler
Superintendent, 27J Schools

Board of Education Agenda Item

Board Meeting of: October 26, 2021

Subject: Approval of Name for Elementary School #14

Status of Item: Action

Time Needed: 15 Minutes

PERTINENT FACTS:

- Elementary School #14 is currently under construction.
- The school will be located at 10075 Walden Street in Commerce City and is scheduled to open in August of 2022.
- Pursuant to Superintendent Policy FF- Naming of Facilities, the Facility Planning Advisory Committee established and followed an approved process to solicit, review and suggest names for the new school to the Superintendent.
- The Naming Committee consisted of all members of the current Facility Planning Advisory Committee.
- The Superintendent and Board of Education has received a full report of the naming process.
- The suggested names for Elementary School #14 are, in alphabetical order:
 - Great Plains Elementary School
 - Maya Angelou Elementary School
 - Southlawn Elementary School
- The final decision for naming a new facility or significant public venue is the responsibility of the Board of Education.

Board Policy or C.R.S. regarding this item:

There are no applicable Board Policies or statutory requirements.

Originator: Dr. Chris Fiedler

	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
1.2 - Post Secondary Readiness (3E's)	Internal	Annually	February
3.B - Treatment of Parents/Guardians	Internal	Annually	February
3.G - Compensation & Benefits	Internal	Annually	March
1.4 – School SEL Dashboard (Good Humans)	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 (Remained in June due to State Budgeting Timeline)
3.0 - Global Executive Constraint	Internal	Annually	August
1.3 –School Academic Dashboard	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