



**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
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**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
27J SCHOOLS  
January 26, 2021  
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting  
Electronic Meeting**

**A livestream link will be available at [www.sd27j.org](http://www.sd27j.org)  
Dial-in phone number:720-572-1628**

**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 January 26, 2021 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 school activities. This report will also include the reading of the State of Colorado Proclamation proclaiming January 2021 as School Board Appreciation Month.

**6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler

Dr. Fiedler will report on activities throughout the District.

**7. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Piotraschke

The Board is conducting this meeting virtually, and will now hear public comment on the following topics that were submitted by 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting via a submission document. 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, at this meeting, 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 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 each comment will have an opportunity to be heard, we have a few ground rules:

- Anyone submitting topics should include their name and address.
- The statements will be read in the order in which they were submitted. The submitter's comments are limited to a three-minute reading.
- If more than one person submitted comments on the same topic, new information will be provided when reading the next statement. Please avoid repeating views already expressed by other, if possible. Multiple names and addresses may be attached to the same submission.
- 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.

We thank you in advance for your participation tonight and submitting public-comment topics.

**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 or the Board secretary, in writing, by 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting, and be recognized by invitation of the President to address the Board.

Board President Greg Piotraschke – [gpiotraschke@sd27j.net](mailto:gpiotraschke@sd27j.net)

Board Secretary Lynn Ann Sheats – [lsheats@sd27j.net](mailto:lsheats@sd27j.net)

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated December 8, 2020 Regular Meeting (Enclosures)
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated January 19, 2021 and approval of Resolution Number Three 2020-2021 Non-Renewal of Contracts of Probationary Teachers (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 – 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. 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 Human Resource Officer Michael Clow will present the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers. (Separate Enclosure)

Recommended motion: “Move to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations.”

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

President Piotraschke

- c. Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek will present the Internal Expectations of the Board Report through 3.D Financial Condition and Activities (Separate Enclosure)

Recommended motion: Move 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 FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1)** President Piotraschke

d. Policy Review Schedule

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|--------------------------|--|
| i. January 26, 2021      | 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers                      |
| ii. February 23, 2021    | 3.D Internal Financial Condition and Activities                |
| iii. March 9, 2021       | 1.1 Graduation Rate  |
|                          | 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians                             |
| iv. April 27, 2021       | 3.G Compensation & Benefits                                    |
| v. May 25, 2021          | 1.4 Primary Literacy   |
| vi. June 8, 2021         | 3.E Asset Protection   |
| vii. August 24, 2021     | 3.A Treatment of Students/Public                               |
| viii. September 28, 2021 | 3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting                               |
|                          | 3.0 General Executive Constraint                               |
|                          | 1.2 Composite SAT Scores/1.3 Academic Status of School Ratings |
|                          | 3.J Charter Schools  |
| ix. October 26, 2021     | 3.D Financial Condition & Activities Internal                  |
| x. November 9, 2021      | 3.H Emergency Executive Succession                             |
| xi. December 14, 2021    | 3.D External Financial Condition & Activities                  |
|                          | 3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Inspection   |

**11. ADOPTION OF THE REVISED FISCAL YEAR 2020 – 2021 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS**

President Piotraschke

Approval of Resolution Number Four 2020-2021 regarding the Adoption of the Revised Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget and Appropriations. Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek will present information concerning the revised fiscal year budget and appropriations. (Enclosure and Budget as a Separate Enclosure)

Recommended Motion: “Move to approve Resolution Number Four 2020 - 2021 regarding the Adoption of the Revised Fiscal Year Budget and Appropriations as presented”

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

**12. CAPITAL FACILITY FEE FOUNDATION REQUEST**

President Piotraschke

Chief Operations Officer Terry Lucero will present information regarding approving a request for a draw from the School District 27J Capital Facilities Fee Foundation for funds related to the construction of a new elementary school. (Enclosures)

Recommended Motion: "... Move to approve a request for a draw from the School District 27J Capital Facilities Fee Foundation in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 for the design services related to the construction of a new elementary school and to authorize staff to execute all required documents related to the draw request."

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

President Piotraschke

### **13. RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SUSPENSION OF 2020-2021 STATE TESTING**

The Board of Education will consider approval of Resolution Number Five 2020-2021 for the support of suspending the 2020-2021 state testing. (Enclosure)

Recommended Motion: ... "Move to approve Resolution Number Five 2020-2021 supporting suspension of the 2020-2021 state testing" (Enclosure)

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

President Piotraschke

### **14. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

February 9, 2021	6:00 p.m. Planning Session Group is to be determined Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room or Electronic Meeting
February 23, 2021	5:30 p.m. Study Session 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room or Electronic Meeting
March 9, 2021	5:30 p.m. Study Session 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room or Electronic Meeting

### **15. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

The next quarterly-meeting evaluation will be presented at the March 9, 2021 meeting.

### **16. CLOSING COMMENTS**

### **17. ADJOURNMENT**

Date of Notice: January 21, 2021

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



*WHEREAS, the education of our children is vital to the future of Colorado; and*

*WHEREAS, a solid education establishes the foundation upon which society builds achievement and advancement, and which also gives fulfillment to students' dreams and expectations; and*

*WHEREAS, local school board members are committed to children and the belief that all children can be successful learners with the intentional allocation of resources, instruction, and opportunities according to need; and*

*WHEREAS, local school board members work closely with parents, educational professionals, and other community members to create the educational vision we want for our students; and*

*WHEREAS, local school board members are responsible for ensuring the structure that provides a solid foundation for our school system; and*

*WHEREAS, local school board members are strong advocates for public education and are responsible for communicating the needs of the school district to the public and the public's expectations to the district; and*

*WHEREAS, school board members are extraordinary people who invest many hours of volunteer work to tackle the enormous job of governing our school districts and whose actions and decisions help impact the present and future lives of young Coloradans; and*

*WHEREAS, the dedication of school board members across our state should be recognized and commended;*

*THEREFORE, I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado do hereby proclaim the month of January, 2021 as*

**SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH**

in the State of Colorado. GIVEN  
under my hand and the Executive Seal  
of  
the  
State



  
Jared Polis  
Governor

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
27J SCHOOLS  
December 8, 2020  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Electronic Meeting**

A livestream link was available at [www.sd27j.org](http://www.sd27j.org).  
The dial-in phone number:720-572-1628 was available.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 7:03 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
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 Worth to approve the agenda dated December 8, 2020 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

5. **BOARD RECOGNITIONS**

- a. The Board of Education recognized Director Tom Green and Director Mary Vigil for their commitment and dedication. They will be receiving their one-year service pin. Also, existing Board members will be receiving an updated pin with the newly designed, colored logo.
- b. The Board of Education recognized the following staff members for receiving the Reaching Out award for Making the Impossible Possible. Dr. Fiedler started the recognitions with a special award.

Classified

Brenda Guadagnoli - Secretary at Overland Trail Middle School  
Josephine (Jojo) Moreno - Lead Campus Supervisor at Prairie View High School

Certified

Molly Biel - K-5 Achieve Institute virtual teacher at Pennock Elementary School  
Shanti Coviello - ECSE preschool teacher at Henderson Elementary School  
Cari Micala - Teacher at the Innovations & Options Campus

Administration

Michael Burke - Principal at Prairie View High School



Groups

Jim Cade and Neil Cade - Welding instructors at Prairie View High School

Melissa Cocharn, Elyse Coberly, Trudy Foster, Michelle Espinosa, Shannon Gerton, and Merisol Zamarron Cisneros - Student Data Team at T.R.A.C.E

Micha Strain - Kitchen Manager at Vikan Middle School

Diana Brooks - Kitchen Manager at Thimmig Elementary School

Bernadette Cole - Kitchen Manager at Prairie View High School

Stacy Vonau - Kitchen Manager at Brighton High School

Silvia Pastrana, Maribel Esparza de Meza, and Jenea Chavez - SpEd Para Team at Quist Middle School

**6. STUDENT ADVISORY GROUP MONTHLY REPORT**

Various members of the advisory group presented information regarding school activities.

**7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the District.

**8. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

**9 CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Kerber to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Director Vigil had technical issues and left the meeting at 812 p.m. and did not return. She did not participate in this or any other votes. Roll Call Vote: all members in attendance voted aye

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated November 10, 2020 Regular Meeting, and November 17, 2020 Executive Session
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated December 1, 2020

**10. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS**

- a. Ownership Linkage – Members: Director Kerber and Director Vigil: Director Kerber – No report was provided.
- b. Board Education – Members: Director Kerber and Director Thomas: Director Thomas reported that several Board members attended the annual Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) virtual conference. She suggested that at the January 26, 2021 study session, each attendee report on the various breakout sessions that they attended. At tonight's study session, Chief Academic Officer Will Pierce presented information regarding the District's academic achievement and dashboard.
- c. Board Committees

- i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee – Member: Director Nickeson: Director Nickeson reported that there is continued growth in district. He attended a breakout session at the CASB conference regarding school finance. Data reports that some districts’ enrollment are down 3%, some even as much as 10%. 27J’s forecast is lower than projected. Our enrollment is up by almost 1%. The western-area growth continues. Building permits are up compared to last year. 1,816 permits were issued in October 2020, with 1,600 being issued the prior year. The committee is concentrating on growth areas and strategizing how to serve those new families.
- ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation – Members: Director Kerber, Director Vigil and Director Worth: Director Kerber and Director Worth reported that the foundation reviewed their financials. At the last meeting, no quorum was attained so no action was taken. Their account balance contains approximately \$4 million. Full payment from a new apartment complex at 50<sup>th</sup> and Bridge was received making them the biggest contributor of last quarter.
- iii. Rocky Mountain Risk – Members: Director Piotraschke and Director Kerber is an alternate. Director Piotraschke reported the group reviewed the audit and all went well, with the pool being financially solvent. The Division of Insurance exit process of Adams 12 is complete. Delays occurred due to COVID. The pool continues to look at potential members, possibly one to four new members, being cautious of potential claims.
- iv. Reaching Out/In – Members: Director Green and Director Thomas: Director Thomas reported that the Board recognized great groups and staff members tonight for Making the Impossible Possible. The Prairie View High School welding group is a great story of constructing a mobile welding lab to facilitate skills testing. She also wanted to mention the great efforts of the entire nutrition services staff for their ability to provide thousands of meals during the pandemic. Director Green reminded the group of Dr. Fiedler’s nomination and recognition of the entire 27J community.
- 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: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting.
- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board: Director Piotraschke reported that the general sessions at the CASB conference were really good and invigorating even though it was a virtual format.

## **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 - Rodney Rice and Max Haberkorn from RubinBrown LLP, presented the Independent Auditors’ Report and the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Ms. Schiek introduced members of her team that were involved in the audit process, and gave accolades for completing the audit process in the current virtual environment. She wanted to give a special thank you to Finance Director Stacey Yoshimoto for

doing a lot of this work independently and offsite. Mr. Rice also thanked the finance team for their work and cooperation in preparation of this audit.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Green to acknowledge receipt of the 2019-2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

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

Motion by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Kerber 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

i. December 8, 2020	3.D External Financial Condition & Activities 3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Inspection
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xi. November 9, 2021	3.H Emergency Executive Succession

## **12. FISCAL YEAR 2021 CERTIFICATION OF MILL LEVY**

Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek presented information concerning the certification of the fiscal year 2021 mill levy.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Thomas to certify to the Board of County Commissioners in Adams, Broomfield, and Weld counties property tax amounts and mill levies required for Fiscal Year 2021 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. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

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|-------------------|---|
| January 12, 2021  | 6:00 p.m. Planning Session<br>Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room or Electronic Meeting   |
| January 26, 2021  | 5:30 p.m. Study Session<br>7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting<br>Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room or Electronic Meeting                       |
| February 9, 2021  | 6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting or Planning Session<br>Group is to be determined<br>Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room or Electronic Meeting |
| February 23, 2021 | 5:30 p.m. Study Session<br>7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting<br>Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room or Electronic Meeting                       |

**14. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

The quarterly-meeting evaluation was completed by Director Vigil and presented by Director Piotraschke due to Director Vigil's absence.

**15. CLOSING COMMENTS:** None

**16. ADJOURNMENT:** 9:27 p.m.



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

*(Accepted 8-24-10)*

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*Management Limitations 3.C*  
Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Chris Fiedler, Superintendent of Schools

Re: Expectations of the Board Report – 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers

I hereby present my Expectations of the Board Report on our Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers, Executive Limitations 3.C, 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: January 26, 2021

Dr. Chris Fiedler  
Superintendent, 27J Schools



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

*(Accepted 8-24-10)*

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*Management Limitations 3.D*  
Internal Financial Condition and Activities

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Chris Fiedler, Superintendent of Schools

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

I hereby present my Expectations of the Board Report on our Internal Financial Condition and Activities, Executive 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: January 26, 2021

Dr. Chris Fiedler  
Superintendent, 27J Schools

BOARD AGENDA NO 11  
 27J SCHOOLS  
 FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021  
 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION  
 RESOLUTION NUMBER FOUR 2020-2021

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the School District 27J that the fiscal year 2020-2021 Amended Budget for all funds as submitted to the Board by the Superintendent on January 26, 2021 be Amended as the budget of revenues and expenditures for the School District for the ensuing fiscal period beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, in the following amounts.

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Recommended 2020-2021 Appropriations</b>
General Fund	\$180,721,230
Capital Reserve Fund	\$2,761,122
Risk Management Insurance Fund	\$3,594,459
Colorado Preschool Program Fund	\$2,983,521
Governmental Designated Grants Fund	\$27,074,990
Pupil Activity Fund	\$4,320,994
Transportation Fund	\$7,205,824
Growth Impact Fund	\$69,064
Other Special Programs Fund	\$2,383,464
Bond Redemption Fund	\$81,468,183
Building Fund	\$33,310,798
Nutrition Services Fund	\$7,993,678
Child Care Program	\$1,071,499
Print Shop Fund	\$139,552
Dental Insurance Fund	\$1,553,123
Trust Fund	\$27,127

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that amounts which were authorized to be expended in the Building Fund, Designated-Purpose Grants Fund, and Capital Reserve Fund for various purposes and projects by Board action prior to June 30, 2020 and which are incomplete at the time be, and hereby are, ratified and re-appropriated for the 2020-2021 fiscal year for such purposes and projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the adoption of this Appropriation Resolution shall be deemed to include the irrevocable pledging of present cash reserves for future fiscal years' payments of any multiple-fiscal year financial obligations authorized or approved by the Board of Education subsequent to November 3, 1992; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the budgets for the following funds include the use of beginning fund balance as shown below.

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Revenues</b>	<b>Expenditures/ Transfer/ Allocations</b>	<b>Ending Fund Balance and Reserves</b>
General Fund	\$ 28,363,381	\$ 152,357,849	\$ 171,686,949	\$ 9,034,281
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 1,691,266	\$ 1,069,856	\$ 1,635,589	\$ 1,125,533
Risk Management Insurance Fund	\$ 1,361,031	\$ 2,233,428	\$ 2,273,044	\$ 1,321,415
Colorado Preschool Program Fund	\$ 308,330	\$ 2,675,191	\$ 2,906,176	\$ 77,345
Governmental Designated Grants Fund	\$ 1,162,659	\$ 25,912,331	\$ 27,074,990	\$ -
Pupil Activity Fund	\$ 2,480,965	\$ 1,840,029	\$ 4,320,994	\$ -
Transportation Fund	\$ -	\$ 7,205,824	\$ 7,205,824	\$ -
Growth Impact Fund	\$ 68,364	\$ 700	\$ 69,064	\$ -
Other Special Programs Fund	\$ 1,062,779	\$ 1,320,685	\$ 2,383,464	\$ -
Bond Redemption Fund	\$ 35,876,607	\$ 45,591,576	\$ 26,398,172	\$ 55,070,011
Building Fund	\$ 32,734,798	\$ 576,000	\$ 33,310,798	\$ -
Nutrition Services Fund	\$ 1,627,276	\$ 6,366,402	\$ 7,993,678	\$ -
Child Care Program	\$ 121,066	\$ 950,433	\$ 1,071,499	\$ -
Print Shop Fund	\$ -	\$ 139,552	\$ 139,552	\$ -
Dental Insurance Fund	\$ 665,645	\$ 887,478	\$ 1,553,123	\$ -
Trust Fund	\$ 26,627	\$ 500	\$ 27,127	\$ -

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the adoption of this Budget and Appropriation Resolution shall be deemed to include the exercise of the School District's rights, if any, to renew for the 2020-2021 fiscal year all leases, lease purchase agreements, lease agreements with an option to purchase, installment purchase agreements, and other agreements in accordance with their terms, which have been authorized or approved by the Board of Education subsequent to November 3, 1992; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that designation "Amended Budget," the name of the School District 27J, the date of adoption and the signature of the President of the Board of Education be entered upon the Amended Budget and that the Amended Budget, together with the Appropriation Resolution, be placed on file at the principal administrative office of the School District, where both shall remain throughout the 2020-2021 fiscal year and be open for inspection during reasonable business hours.

Amended this 26th day of January, 2021.

27J Schools  
By

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Greg Piotraschke,  
President, Board of Education

(SEAL)  
Attest:

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Lynn Ann Sheats  
Board of Education Secretary



Board of Education Agenda Item

**Board Meeting of: January 26, 2021**

**Subject: Approval of a Draw Request to the Capital Facility Fee Foundation**

**Status of Item: Action**

**Time Needed: 10 Minutes**

**PERTINENT FACTS:**

- Enrollment projections indicate a continuing need for elementary student space in the West and South Planning Areas of the District.
- The District is currently holding unallocated funds in excess of \$18,000,000 remaining from the 2015 School Construction Bond.
- The Capital Facilities Fee Foundation (CFFF) is currently holding funds in excess of \$5,000,000.
- Based on proposals received from two architectural firms, staff believes that significant funds exist from the two funding sources to design, construct and furnish the first phase of an elementary school.
- The concept plans included within the proposals indicate the Phase 1 construction would include all of the required core elements for a complete school and sufficient classroom space for one Pre-K classroom and two classrooms for each of grades K-5. The Phase 1 construction would have capacity for 330-350 students.
- Phase 2 construction would increase total capacity to 650-685 students.
- The preliminary schedule for Phase 1 anticipates the school would be open and ready to serve students in the fall of 2022.
- Staff is recommending that the Board of Education seek funding from the Capital Facility Fee Foundation in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 for the design costs associated with the school.
- This request is in compliance with the bylaws established by the CFFF.
- The CFFF Draw Request is attached for your review.

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

- Asset Protection – Policy 3.E.7 – The Superintendent will not engage in design, construction or any other aspect related to the development of real property ... without obtaining comparative prices through a fair bidding process with supporting documentation.

**Originator: Terry Lucero, Chief Operating Officer**



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January 27, 2021

To: Board of Directors  
School District 27J Capital Facility Fee Foundation

From: Board of Education  
27J Schools

RE: Draw Request

Pursuant to Section 9.5, Article IX – Capital Facility Fees of the Bylaws of the School District 27J Capital Facility Fee Foundation, the Board of Education of 27J Schools hereby makes a Draw Request for funds to assist in the design and construction of a new school to be located in the western portion of the District.

A. Description of the purpose for which Capital Facility Fees are being released.

The District is preparing to construct Phase One of a new elementary school. The current planning schedule anticipates the school would be open and ready to serve students in August 2022.

The District holds an amount of bond funds remaining from the 2015 School Construction Bond which it intends to apply toward the total cost of this new school.

The District intends to use the funds being requested to fund the architectural, engineering and other consulting services costs associated with the design of the new school.

B. The dollar amount of Capital Facility Fees requested.

At this time, the District is requesting an amount not to exceed \$750,000 from the Foundation.

An additional amount to assist in the cost of constructing the school will be requested at a future date.

- C. A statement that the Capital Facility Fees so released shall be forthwith deposited in an account of the District, and uses solely for the purposes stated in the Draw Request.

The fees requested with this Draw Request will be withdrawn according to the schedule noted in Item D from the Foundation and placed in a designated 27J Schools project account identified by a unique expense code for the purposes designated by this Draw Request and audited through the School District and Foundation audits.

- D. A statement describing the time frame within which the funds are expected to be used.

The District intends to select the design team for this school no later than March 1, 2021.

A schedule for proposed draw down of these funds will be provided once a contract has been established.

- E. A statement that the District is in compliance with its obligations under the Foundation Bylaws.

Article 9.5 of the Bylaws states that the Fees paid to the Foundation shall be used for the purpose of acquiring (inclusive of acquisition of water resources and/or water supplies), developing, constructing or expanding school facilities (including but not limited to elementary, middle school, K-8 school, high school facilities, or any combination thereof, but excluding school administration and/or transportation facilities).

The requested funds will be used for professional services related to the design of the new school.

- F. Such documentation as the Foundation may reasonably require in order to substantiate the contents of the Draw.

Upon the selection of the design team the District will enter into a contract with the team and provide proof of such contract to the Foundation. The District will also provide any other documentation that the Foundation may reasonably require to substantiate the contents of the draw.

Approval of the Draw Request is requested at this time so that the District is able to enter into a contract with a design/build team. Specifics of the project budget and a draw schedule will be forwarded to the Foundation as soon as available.

Sincerely,

Greg Piotraschke, President  
Board of Education

27J SCHOOLS

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SUSPENATION OF 2020-2021 STATE TESTING  
RESOLUTON NUMBER FIVE 2020-2021

WHEREAS, the Board of Education (the “Board”) of 27J Schools (the “District”) believes that schools should be held accountable to the public for providing rigorous and effective academic programing to District students; and

WHEREAS, the Board is dedicated to protecting the health and safety of all students, staff and visitors to

District schools and, to that end, is adhering to the recommendations and guidelines set forth by the Center for Disease Control, the Colorado Governor’s Office, Tri-County Health Department and the Colorado Department of Education (“CDE”) related to controlling the spread of the COVID-19 Pandemic (the “Pandemic”), and

WHEREAS, the Pandemic has created unforeseeable obstacles to student learning, including access to teachers, materials and support services provided by the school district and has resulted in numerous disruptions to school and the academic success of students; and

WHEREAS, the Pandemic has made instruction and learning eminently more difficult in both the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years; and

WHEREAS, the State has properly made the health and safety of all students and staff a priority during the Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the mental health of students and staff has been seriously and negatively impacted by stress and concerns related to Pandemic and would be unnecessarily exacerbated by mandatory, high-stakes state testing this spring, particularly in light of the academic difficulties teachers and students are already facing due to the Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the CDE correctly suspended state level testing for the 2019-2020 school year due the difficulties school districts, school staff and students faced, including the cessation of in-person learning, due to the Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the 2020-2021 school closures for in-person learning have continued for the majority of the 2020-2021 school year and school districts across Colorado, and the services they provide, have been severely disrupted due to the Pandemic during the 2020-2021 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that high-stakes, standardized testing this spring would fail to fairly assess student achievement and growth given the Pandemic’s disruption to education and would result in a loss of instructional time just as students are finally able to return to in-person learning throughout Colorado, at a critical moment in students’ education; and

WHEREAS, the District believes that, just as CDE’s decision to suspend testing for the 2019-2020 school year was in the best interest of students, schools and school districts, suspension of

state testing for the 2020-2021 school year is in the best interest of students, schools and school districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby recommends that the CDE suspend state testing for the 2020-2021 school year.

Approved this 26th day of January, 2021.

27J Schools

By

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Greg Piotraschke,  
President, Board of Education

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Attest:

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Lynn Ann Sheats  
Secretary, Board of Education

	<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 27J Schools	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