#### BOARD OF EDUCATION

27J SCHOOLS Greg Piotraschke, President Lloyd Worth, Vice President Ashley Conn, Director Tom Green, Director Mandy Thomas, Director Leon Thornton, Director Mary Vigil, Director

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION 27J SCHOOLS

September 27, 2022
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. NATIONAL ANTHEM PERFORMED BY THE SELECT TREBLE CHOIR FROM RIVERDALE RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL President Piotraschke
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE President Piotraschke
- 4. ADDITIONAL PERFORMANCES BY THE SELECT TREBLE CHOIR FROM RIVERDALE RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

The Select Treble Choir will perform additional pieces for the Board of Education. Choir Teacher Susan Ritter Forsyth directs the Select Treble Choir.

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

President Piotraschke

5. 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.

#### 6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Piotraschke

Recommended motion: "Move to approve the agenda dated September 27, 2022 as presented."

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

President Piotraschke

#### 7. STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MONTHLY REPORT

Dr. Fiedler

Members of the student advisory council will present information regarding school activities.

#### 8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Fiedler

Dr. Fiedler will report on activities throughout the District.

#### 9. 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. Therefore, 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, we ask that the speaker limit their comments to only new information. We ask that you do not repeat views already expressed by other speakers, although we cannot prevent you from doing so.
- 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.

#### 10. 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 August 23, 2022 Study Session and Regular Meeting, September 6, 2022 Special Meeting, and September 13, 2022 Planning Session (Enclosures)
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated September 20, 2022 (Confidential Enclosure)
- c. Authorize the Superintendent or his designees to negotiate the final terms of the proposed Intergovernmental Agreement concerning a Joint School Resource Officer Program with the City of Commerce City and to execute all necessary documents." (Enclosure and Draft IGA is a separate enclosure)

Recommended Motion: "Move to approve the consent agenda as presented."

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

President Piotraschke

#### 11. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS

President Piotraschke

- a. Ownership Linkage Members: Director Thornton and Director Vigil
- b. Board Education Members: Director Conn and Director Thomas
- c. Board Committees
  - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee Member: Director Piotraschke
  - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation Members: Director Conn, Director Vigil and Director Worth
  - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk Members: Director Piotraschke and Director Thornton
  - iv. The 27J Believers Members: Director Green and Director Thomas
  - v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee Members: Director Green and Director Worth
  - vi. 2021 Bond Oversight Committee Members: Director Thomas and Director Thornton
  - vii. Brighton Youth Commission Member: Director Worth
- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board

#### 12. 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 1.3 School Academic Dashboard. (Separate Enclosure)

Recommended motion: "Move to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 1.3 School Academic Dashboard as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations."

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

President Piotraschke

c. Charter Liaison Kenlyn Newman will present the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.J Charter Schools. (Separate Enclosures)

Recommended motion: "Move to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.J Charter Schools as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations."

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

President Piotraschke

#### d. Policy Review Schedule

i. September 27, 2022	1.3 School Academic Dashboard
	3.J Charter Schools
ii. October 25, 2022	3.D Financial Conditions & Activities Internal
iii. November 8, 2022	3.H Emergency Executive Succession
iv. December 13, 2022	3.D External Financial Conditions & Activities
	3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct
	Inspection
v. January 24, 2023	3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers
	3.D Internal Financial Condition and Activities
vi. February 21, 2023	1.1 Graduation Rate
	1.2 Post Secondary Readiness (3E's)
	3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians
vii. March 14, 2023	1.4 School Social Emotional Learning Dashboard (Good Humans)
	3.G Compensation & Benefits
viii. April 25, 2023	3.E Asset Protection
ix. May 23, 2023	3.A Treatment of Students/Public
x. June 13, 2023	3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting
xi. August 22, 2023	3.0 Global Executive Constraint

#### 13. NAMING OF THE WILLOW BEND SUBDIVISION K-8 SCHOOL

President Piotraschke

The Board of Education will discuss the naming of the new K-8 School located in the Willow Bend Subdivision located in Thornton, Colorado. (Enclosure and Name Nominations PowerPoint presentation is a separate enclosure)

Recommended Motion: '	'Move to approve the new	K-8 School located at 4949 E.	147 <sup>th</sup> Avenue,
Thornton, Colorado be off	ficially named	;	

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

President Piotraschke

#### 14. ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICATION APPROVAL

President Piotraschke

The Board of Education will consider approving Resolution Number Two 2022-2023 regarding the Ascent Classical Academies charter application. (Enclosure and the overall recommendations from the Executive Leadership Team and the District Accountability Committee are separate enclosures)

The resolution may be read at this time.

Recommended Motion: "Move to approve Resolution Number Two 2022-2023 as presented."

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

President Piotraschke

#### 15. CAPSTONE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICATION APPROVAL

President Piotraschke

The Board of Education will consider approving Resolution Number Three 2022-2023 regarding Capstone Academy charter application. (Enclosure and the overall recommendations from the Executive Leadership Team and the District Accountability Committee are separate enclosures)

The resolution may be read at this time.

Recommended Motion: "Move to approve Resolution Number Three 2022-2023 as presented."

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

President Piotraschke

#### 16. RESOLUTION FOR VOTER REGISTRATION OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

President Piotraschke

The Board of Education will consider approving Resolution Number Four 2022-2023 approving the voter registration of 27J Schools High School Students. (Enclosure)

The resolution may be read at this time.

Recommended motion: "Move to approve Resolution Number Four 2022-2023 as presented."

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

President Piotraschke

#### 17. RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR PROPOSITION FF: HEALTHY SCHOOL MEALS FOR ALL

President Piotraschke

The Board of Education will consider approving Resolution Number Five 2022-2023 supporting Proposition FF – Healthy School Meals for All. (Enclosure)

The resolution may be read at this time.

Recommended motion: "Move to approve Resolution Number Five 2022-2023 as presented."

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

President Piotraschke

### 18. RESOLUTION OF ADVOCACY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J MILL LEVY OVERRIDE BALLOT ISSUE President Piotraschke

The Board of Education will consider approving Resolution Number Six 2022-2023 supporting the advocacy for a mill levy override ballot issue 5B. (Enclosure)

The resolution may be read at this time.

Recommended motion: "Move to approve Resolution Number Six 2022-2023 as presented."

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

President Piotraschke

#### 19. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

October 11, 2022 6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting with Charter School Board Members and

Administrators/Executives

Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room

1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120

Brighton, CO 80601

October 25, 2022 5:30 p.m. Study Session

7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room

1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120

Brighton, CO 80601

November 8, 2022 5:30 p.m. Study Session

7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room

1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120

Brighton, CO 80601

Note: Only Regular Meeting of the Month

#### 20. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION

Director Worth will provide the quarterly meeting evaluation.

#### 21. CLOSING COMMENTS

#### 22. ADJOURNMENT

Date of Notice: September 22, 2022

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

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION 27J SCHOOLS August 23, 2022 Study Session Minutes

Dinner was provided at 5:30 p.m.

Director Conn, Director Green, Director Piotraschke, Director Thomas, Director Thornton, Director Vigil, and Director Worth were present for the entire study session.

- 1. Call to order: 6:10 p.m.
- 2. Agenda Review
- 3. Adjourn: 6:40 p.m.

No official Board of Education Business was conducted at this study session.

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION 27J SCHOOLS August 23, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

A livestream link was available at <a href="www.sd27j.org">www.sd27j.org</a> A recording of the entire meeting is available on the district website. (sd27j.org)

**1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:04** 

#### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Conn, Director Green, Director Piotraschke, Director Thomas, Director Thornton, Director Vigil, and Director Worth were present for the entire meeting.

#### 3. COMMITMENT TO GOVERNING STYLE

President 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 Thornton, seconded by Director Conn, to approve an amended agenda adding item #18 to discuss controversial issues with all following items to be renumbered accordingly. Roll Call Vote: Director Conn, aye, Director Green, no, Director Piotraschke, no, Director Thomas, no, Director Thornton, aye, Director Vigil, no, Director Worth, no. motion failed.

Motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Vigil to approve the agenda for August 23, 2022 as previously presented with no amendments. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

#### 5. BOARD PRESENTATIONS

- a. The Board of Education honored Yvonne Bradford and Kathey Ruybal for their leadership, relationship building, and extraordinary gift of time in making 27J Schools' bond program possible and in bringing our district marketing plan to life.
- b. The Board of Education congratulated the 27J Schools communication team, for receiving the National Gold Medallion Award. This award was presented at the National School Public Relations Association conference in July 2022. The team was one of only four school districts across the nation to earn this achievement. Congratulations to Janelle Asmus, Mikel Philippi, and Janet Najar.

#### 6. STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MONTHLY REPORT

Members of the student advisory council presented information regarding school activities.

#### 7. 2021 BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE QUARTERLY REPORT

The Board of Education was presented with the quarterly report from the 2021 Bond Oversight Committee. Chairperson Troy Whitmore presented the report.

Motion by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Green, to accept the report dated August 23, 2022 from the 2021 Bond Oversight Committee as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

#### 8. MAGELLAN STRATEGIES PRESENTATION

The Board of Education was presented with a report from Magellan Strategies. Director of Data Analysis and Campaign Strategy, Ryan Winger, presented the information. This was informational only and no Board action was required.

#### 9. BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION PRESENTATION

Members of the Blue Ribbon Commission John Myers, Gaby Chavez, Peter Padilla, and Julie Stewart presented information from the Blue Ribbon Commission. This was informational only and no Board action was required.

#### 10. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Name	In/Out of District	Topic
Luke Grein	Out of District	Support of Ascent Classical Academies
Stacy Grein	Out of District	Support of Ascent Classical Academies
Megan Siegle	Out of District	Support of Ascent Classical Academies
Grace Staehlin	Out of District	Support of Ascent Classical Academies
Jacob Staehlin	Out of District	Support of Ascent Classical Academies
Annie Jensen	Out of District	Support of Ascent Classical Academies
Kristy Reynolds	Out of District	Support of Mill Levy Ballot Issue
Kathy Gustad	In District	Support of Mill Levy Ballot Issue
Shawna Hirter	Not Provided	Support of Ascent Classical Academies
Kathy Mohr	Not Provided	Support of Ascent Classical Academies
		Support of Trust Clause and Transparency
		Policy
Zach Leintz	In District	Support of Ascent Classical Academies
		Support of Mill Levy Ballot Issue
		Public Comment Process
Jean Schneider	Statement Read	Support of Mill Levy Ballot Issue
		For CTE Center Staffing
Alicia Pfeiffer	Out of District	Support of Ascent Classical Academies
Barb Haggerty	In District	Support of Mill Levy Ballot Issue
Kathey Ruybal	In District	Support of Mill Levy Ballot Issue
Paulina Romano	In District	Support of Ascent Classical Academies
Brooke Besser	In District	Support of Adoption of Controversial Topic
		Board of Education Policy
Erica Lippolis	<b>Email Received</b>	Support of Ascent Classical Academies

\*\*Note: A 45-minute time limit was scheduled for public comment. Everyone that signed in and was present was able to provide public comment. A full recording of public comments is available on the District's website.

President Piotraschke scheduled a special meeting on September 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the mill levy ballot issue. All Board members were present and received notification of the special meeting.

#### 11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the District.

Director Conn exited at 10:10 p.m.

#### 12. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Director Worth, seconded by Director Thomas to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes. Director Conn was absent from this roll call vote. Motion passed by majority.

- a. Approval of Board of Education minutes dated June 14, 2022 Regular Meeting and August 9, 2022 Planning Session correcting that Director Thomas was absent from the planning session.
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated August 16, 2022

Director Green exited at 10:12 p.m.

#### 13. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS

- a. Ownership Linkage Members: Director Thornton and Director Vigil: Linkage groups will be identified at the September 13, 2022 planning session.
- b. Board Education Members: Director Conn and Director Thomas: Director Thomas reported that last month's topic was safety and security. The committee is working on additional topics.
- c. Board Committees
  - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee Member: Director Piotraschke: Director Piotraschke reported that the next meeting is in September 2022.
  - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation Members: Director Conn, Director Vigil and Director Worth: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting
  - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk Members: Director Piotraschke and Director Thornton: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting.
  - iv. The 27J Believers Members: Director Green and Director Thomas: No report. The next awards will be distributed at the December 13, 2022 meeting.
  - v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee Members: Director Green and Director Worth: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting.
  - vi. 2021 Bond Oversight Committee Members: Director Thomas and Director Thornton: The Board accepted a report at tonight's meeting.
  - vii. Brighton Youth Commission Member: Director Worth: Director Worth provided a report.
- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board: Director Piotraschke attended the Commerce City Area Board meeting and provided a report.

Director Conn returned at 10:14 p.m.

#### 14. EXPECTATIONS OF THE BOARD

a. Board acts to accept/reject the following reports due/submitted since last meeting. (ADDENDUM "A") None at this time.

Director Green returned 10:19 p.m.

b. Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler presented the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.0 Global Executive Constraint.

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

c. Policy Review Schedule

<ul><li>i. August 23, 2022</li><li>ii. September 27, 2022</li></ul>	<ul><li>3.0 Global Executive Constraint</li><li>1.3 School Academic Dashboard</li><li>3.J Charter Schools</li></ul>
<ul><li>iii. October 25, 2022</li><li>iv. November 8, 2022</li><li>v. December 13, 2022</li></ul>	<ul> <li>3.D Financial Conditions &amp; Activities Internal</li> <li>3.H Emergency Executive Succession</li> <li>3.D External Financial Conditions &amp; Activities</li> <li>3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal &amp; Direct</li> </ul>
vi. January 24, 2023	Inspection 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers 3.D Internal Financial Condition and Activities
vii. February 21, 2023	1.1 Graduation Rate 1.2 Post Secondary Readiness (3E's)
viii. March 14, 2023	<ul><li>3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians</li><li>1.4 School Social Emotional Learning Dashboard</li><li>(Good Humans)</li><li>3.G Compensation &amp; Benefits</li></ul>
<ul><li>ix. April 25, 2023</li><li>x. May 23, 2023</li><li>xi. June 13, 2023</li></ul>	3.E Asset Protection 3.A Treatment of Students/Public 3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting

#### 15. ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES CHARTER SCHOOL PRESENTATION

The Board of Education heard a presentation from representatives from the Ascent Classical Academies Charter School. This was informational only and no Board action was required. Derec Shuler, Kim Gilmartin and Tom Tacoma presented on behalf of the charter school.

Director Thomas exited at 10:36 p.m.

Director Vigil exited at 10:39 p.m.

Director Thomas returned at 10:40 p.m.

Director Vigil returned at 10:41 p.m.

#### 16. CAPSTONE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL PRESENTATION

The Board of Education heard a presentation from representatives from the Capstone Academy Charter School. This was informational only and no Board action was required. Yvette Martinez, Danny Sandoval, and Jeff Ichesco presented on behalf of the charter school.

Director Thornton exited at 11:09 p.m.

Director Thornton returned at 11:12 p.m.

#### 17. PROCLAMATION OF SEPTEMBER AS ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH

The Board of Education considered approving Proclamation Number One 2022-2023 declaring September as Attendance Awareness Month. This was the eighth year that the Board of Education has approved this resolution promoting good attendance and recognizing how essential it is to student achievement and graduation.

The Proclamation was read by Director Green.

Motion by Director Vigil, seconded by Director Worth to approve Proclamation Number One 2022-2023 declaring September as Attendance Awareness Month as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes.

#### 18. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

August 30, 2022 6:00 p.m. Joint Meeting with City Council Members

27J Schools to Host

Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room

1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120

Brighton, CO 80601

September 6, 2022 Added 7:00 p.m. Special Meeting

Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room and Virtual Meeting – 1850 Egbert

Street, Suite 120 Brighton, CO 80601

All Board members received notice of this meeting.

September 13, 2022 6:00 p.m. Planning Session

Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room

1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120

Brighton, CO 80601

September 27, 2022 5:30 p.m. Study Session

7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room

1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120

Brighton, CO 80601

#### 19. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION

The next quarterly meeting evaluation will be at the September 27, 2022 meeting.

**20. CLOSING COMMENTS:** Director Piotraschke thanked everyone for their participation in this lengthy and late meeting.

#### **21. ADJOURNMENT:** 11:34 P.M.

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION 27J SCHOOLS September 6, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes

A livestream link was be available at <a href="www.sd27j.org">www.sd27j.org</a> A recording of the entire meeting is available on the district website. (sd27j.org)

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

#### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Conn, Director Green, Director Piotraschke, Director Thomas, Director Thornton, Director Vigil and Director Worth were present for the entire meeting. Director Thornton and Director Vigil attended virtually.

#### 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 Conn to approve the special meeting agenda dated September 6, 2022 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

#### 5. 2022 BALLOT QUESTION(S) FOR CONSIDERATION

The Board of Education considered approval of Resolution Number One or additional resolutions 2022-2023 placing one or more mill levy override question(s) before the eligible electors of the District in the November 8, 2022 election. (Four separate resolutions are attached)

#### All Needs in One Question – Option A

The mill levy override would be increased by \$17.74 million beginning in the tax collection year 2023, and by whatever amounts as may be generated annually thereafter by the imposition of an additional mill levy not to exceed 8 mills thereafter. The funds generated from this mill levy override will be used for:

- Safety of Students, Staff and Community
- Compensation To Attract and Retain Effective and Experienced Staff To Serve and Support Students
- Career And Technical Education/STEM Center Staffing

Safety Question - Option B

The mill levy override would be increased by \$6.65 million beginning in tax collection year 2023, and by whatever amounts as may be generated annually thereafter by the imposition of an additional mill levy not to exceed 3 mills thereafter. The funds generated from this mill levy override will be used for:

• Safety Of Students, Staff And Community

#### Compensation Question – Option C

The mill levy override would be increased by \$8.31 million beginning in tax collection year 2023, and by whatever amounts as may be generated annually thereafter by the imposition of an additional mill levy not to exceed 3.75 mills thereafter. The funds generated from this mill levy override will be used for:

 Compensation To Attract and Retain Effective and Experienced Staff To Serve and Support Students

#### <u>Career and Technical Education Question – Option D</u>

The mill levy override would be increased by \$2.77 million beginning in tax collection year 2023, and by whatever amounts as may be generated annually thereafter by the imposition of an additional mill levy not to exceed 1.25 mills thereafter. The funds generated from this mill levy override will be used for:

• Career and Technical Education/STEM Center Staffing

The Board may approve Option A or any combination of options B, C, and/or D.

Motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Vigil to approve Resolution Number One 2022-2023 Mill Levy Override Ballot Issue for the 2022 November Election calling an election on November 8, 2022, to authorize additional local property tax revenues for the general fund of the District and the levy of ad valorem property taxes, and determine the ballot title and text of the questions to be submitted at such election. The amended ballot language, if approved by legal counsel, would reflect the "All Needs in One Question – Option A. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

**6. ADJOURNMENT:** 8:08 p.m.

#### SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J ADAMS, WELD AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF BROOMFIELD, COLORADO

#### BALLOT ISSUE NO. 5[\_\_]:

SHALL SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J'S TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$17.74 MILLION BEGINNING IN TAX COLLECTION YEAR 2023, AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS AS MAY BE GENERATED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY THE IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL MILL LEVY OF NOT TO EXCEED 8 MILLS, BY THE COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR DEPOSIT IN THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL FUND FOR THE EXPLICIT PURPOSES DESCRIBED BELOW:

SAFETY OF STUDENTS, STAFF AND COMMUNITY:

PROVIDING ARMED SAFETY PERSONNEL FOR ALL DISTRICT MANAGED SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE PREVENTIVE SAFETY MEASURES TO INCREASE STUDENT, STAFF, AND COMMUNITY SAFETY IN AND AROUND DISTRICT SCHOOLS:

PROVIDING SAFETY SPECIALISTS TO COLLABORATE WITH SCHOOLS AND LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES TO IMPLEMENT SAFETY AND SECURITY, TRAINING, PROGRAMS, DIRECTIVES AND POLICIES;

SUPPORTING SCHOOL SAFETY OPERATIONS INCLUDING TRAINING, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, EMERGENCY RESPONSE, SCHOOL SECURITY SYSTEMS, PLANNING, AND ROUTINE EMERGENCY SYSTEM AUDITS:

COMPENSATION TO ATTRACT AND RETAIN EFFECTIVE AND EXPERIENCED STAFF TO SERVE AND SUPPORT STUDENTS:

ATTRACTING AND RETAINING QUALITY TEACHERS FOR STUDENTS BY RAISING SALARIES CLOSER TO THE MARKET AVERAGE FOR TEACHERS IN SURROUNDING SCHOOL DISTRICTS;

ATTRACTING AND RETAINING QUALITY STUDENT SUPPORT STAFF (HOURLY STAFF MEMBERS) FOR STUDENTS BY INCREASING THEIR HOURLY RATE CLOSER TO THE MARKET AVERAGE FOR STUDENT SUPPORT STAFF IN SURROUNDING SCHOOL DISTRICTS:

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION/STEM CENTER STAFFING:

PROVIDING TEACHERS AND STUDENT SUPPORT STAFF TO OPERATE THE NEW CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION/STEM CENTERS SO STUDENTS RECEIVE HANDS-ON JOB SKILLS IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, MATH, CAREER EDUCATION AND OTHER EMPLOYMENT READY TRAINING TO BE PREPARED FOR A CAREER AFTER HIGH SCHOOL;

PROVIDING THE MATERIALS AND RESOURCES TO SUPPORT CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION/STEM AND EMPLOYMENT READY EDUCATION;

PROVIDED THAT NO REVENUE FROM THIS TAX WILL BE USED FOR ADMINISTRATION SALARY INCREASES OR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND PROVIDED THAT EXPENDITURES WILL BE SUBJECT TO AN ANNUAL AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT BY A COMMITTEE OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS;

AND SHALL SUCH TAX INCREASE BE AN ADDITIONAL PROPERTY TAX MILL LEVY IN EXCESS OF THE LEVY AUTHORIZED FOR THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL FUND, PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 22-54-108, C.R.S.; AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO INCREASE SUCH MILL LEVY BEGINNING IN THE TAX COLLECTION YEAR 2023 NOT TO EXCEED 8 MILLS?

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION 27J SCHOOLS September 13, 2022 Planning Session Minutes

Dinner was be served at 5:30 p.m.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER by Vice President Worth at 6:05 p.m.

#### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Conn, Director Green, Director Piotraschke, Director Thomas, Director Thornton, Director Vigil, and Director Worth were present for the planning session. Note: Director Piotraschke arrived at 6:15 p.m. and Director Conn arrived at 6:21 p.m.

#### 3 CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES POLICY TRAINING

Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessments Karla Reider presented information regarding the district's controversial issues policy.

#### 4 LINKAGE MEETING GROUPS AND SCHEDULE

The Board members discussed past and future groups that may be invited to participate in linkage meetings.

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**: 8:25 p.m.

No official Board of Education Business was conducted at this planning session.

#### Board of Education Agenda Item

**Board Meeting of:** September 27, 2022

Subject: Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding a Joint School Resource

Officer Program with the City of Commerce City

Status of Item: Action per Board Policy 2.C.4

Time Needed: Consent Agenda

#### **PERTINENT FACTS:**

- The Colorado Safe Schools Act as contained in C.R.S. 22-33-109.1 requires each board of education to cooperate and, to the extent possible, develop written agreements with law enforcement, the juvenile justice system, and social services, as allowed under state and federal law, to keep each school environment safe.
- It is District staff's intention to have a full time School Security Officer (SRO) in each of the District operated secondary schools.
- Reunion Elementary, Second Creek Elementary, Southlawn Elementary, Thimmig Elementary, Turnberry Elementary and Stuart Middle School are all located within the City of Commerce City.
- After discontinuing SRO services in Commerce City in the spring of 2020, due to staffing shortages, Commerce City is prepared to resume providing the services under a newly drafted Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA).
- The agreement requests financial support to fund fifty (50) percent of one full time officer and twenty-five (25) percent of the annualized rate of s supervising sergeant at a total approximate cost of \$64,000.
- The separately attached draft was received on September 22, 2022 and requires negotiation prior to approval.
- The terms within the proposed IGA, developed by the City of Commerce City, are relatively similar to the practices currently being operated under with the City of Brighton and City of Thornton.
- The proposed IGA is for two years terminating on July 31, 2024.
- A copy of the draft IGA is included for your review.
- Due to the late receipt of the draft IGA, staff is recommending that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent of Schools or his designees to complete final negotiations with the City of Commerce City regarding the aforementioned IGA and to execute all necessary documents.

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

C.R.S. 22-33-109(3) – Safe Schools Act –Agreement with State Agencies

**Originator: Terry Lucero** 



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

(Accepted 8-24-10)

#### **GLOBAL GOALS**

1.3 School Academic Dashboard

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Chris Fiedler, Superintendent of Schools

Re: Expectations of the Board Report – 1.3 School Academic Dashboard

I hereby present my Expectations of the Board Report on our School Academic Dashboard Global Goals 1.3, in accordance with the monitoring schedule as set forth in Board policy. I certify the information in this report is true. (Separate Enclosure)

Date: September 27, 2022

Signed:

Dr. Chris Fiedler

Superintendent, 27J Schools



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

(Accepted 8-24-10)

Management Limitations
3.J Charter Schools

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Chris Fiedler, Superintendent of Schools

Re: Expectations of the Board Report – 3.J Charter Schools

I hereby present my Expectations of the Board Report on our Charter Schools 3.J, in accordance with the monitoring schedule as set forth in Board policy. I certify the information in this report is true. (Separate Enclosure)

Date: September 27, 2022

Signea:

Dr. Chris Fiedler

Superintendent, 27J Schools

#### **Board of Education Agenda Item**

**Board Meeting of:** September 27, 2022

Subject: Naming Approval for the New K-8 School -

**Located Within the Willow Bend Subdivision** 

**Status of Item:** Action

Time Needed: 15 Minutes

#### **PERTINENT FACTS:**

- The 2021 Bond Election authorized the construction of Phase II of Southlawn Elementary School and a second elementary school.
- As National Heritage Academies was unable to construct a K-8 charter school in the Willow Bend subdivision as planned, the District is constructing a K-8 school at the same location.
- The school is located at 4949 E 147<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Thornton and is scheduled to open in August of 2023.
- 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.
- A full report of the naming process is a separate attachment.
- The top three names for the New K-8 as suggested by the Facility Planning Advisory Committee are, in alphabetical order:
  - Alida Avery
  - Discovery
  - Moreland
- The Facility Planning Advisory Committee preferred the title Academy be attached to the name but has deferred this portion of the naming to the Board of Education. Other potential suffixes include K-8, School, Magnet or any combination thereof.
- 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

# 27J SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION NUMBER TWO 2022-2023 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMY CHARTER APPLICATION WITH CONDITIONS

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Ascent Classical Academy has submitted an application to the 27J Schools Board of Education seeking authorization of a charter school to open in the 2023- 2024 school year as the result of 27J Schools Request for Qualifications for Charter Partners to assist with the district's continued enrollment growth; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ascent Classical Academy charter application was submitted in of June 2022 as a result of the District's Request for Qualifications; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ascent Classical Academy Board was notified on June 20, 2022 that the charter application contains all of the minimum requirements specified in CRS 22-30.5-106 (1); and

**WHEREAS**, the Ascent Classical Academy charter application has been reviewed by outside third party expert reviewers and 27J Schools' Executive Leadership Team; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ascent Classical Academy Community Meeting was held at the August 23, 2022 Board of Education Meeting as required by CRS 22-30.5-107 (2); and

**WHEREAS**, the Ascent Classical Academy charter application was reviewed by the District Accountability Committee at its August 24, 2022 meeting as required by CRS 22-30.5-107 (1)(c); and

**WHEREAS**, Ascent Classical Academy will provide additional school space as the District continues to increase in student enrollment;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the 27J Schools Board of Education approves the Ascent Classical Academy charter application and directs the superintendent or his designees to enter into charter contract negotiations with Ascent Classical Academy as specified in CRS 22-30.5-107 (2) for the Board's review and consideration with the following conditions and contract considerations:

Conditions - To be fulfilled before execution of the contract to resolve the discrepancies described below that exist between the philosophies, policies, and practices of Ascent Classical Academy's application and the standard of care within 27J Schools for our students, their families, and our community.

- 1. Ascent Classical Academy will agree to have an elected local school board that reflects and represents the local school community that Ascent Classical Academy will serve in 27J Schools.
- 2. Ascent Classical Academy will agree to offer a free and reduced lunch option for students who are unable to provide one for themselves. 27J Schools is willing to partner with Ascent Classical Academy to provide these services if helpful, or Ascent may choose to partner with another provider, but a plan for free and reduced lunch services is a 27J Schools standard of care that we would expect from all of our schools.
- 3. Ascent Classical Academy will agree to and work to provide a plan for services and support for students who qualify for special education and/or need additional help transitioning in their English language development. Ascent will agree to have 27J Schools serve as the administrative unit for special education students. 27J Schools is willing to collaborate in the development and articulation of programming and resource/staffing needs.

4. Ascent Classical Academy will agree to amend its dress code to provide no distinction between what boys and girls must wear. A general uniform concept with specific colors and pants/dresses options is acceptable.

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The above conditions are standard expectations for all 27J schools, both district managed schools and charter schools, within the 27J Schools community. Failing to agree to these terms and supports for students and their families excludes these students from enrolling in Ascent Classical Academy and from access to a Classical Academy education and experience.

#### Other Contract Considerations:

- 1. The contract will require at a minimum, a specified location and timing of the opening of the Ascent Classical Academy as well as a plan for capital construction as Ascent Classical Academy reaches capacity. Without additional clarity, we cannot approve an opening prior to the 2024-2025 school year.
- 2. The contract would require Ascent Classical Academy to provide additional details, evidence of planning, and articulation related to the established standard of care for every student and their family, as outlined in the conditions above, prior to contract approval.
- 3. The contract would require an agreement to review data exchange processes to ensure accurate and timely data transfer with specific benchmarks and methods to monitor progress.
- 4. The contract would require Ascent Classical Academy to ensure compliance with all state and federal laws and requirements, (i.e. Colorado Read Act, Title IX, McKinney Vento, etc.)

27J Schools is willing to extend the contract timeline if mutually agreed upon to support Ascent Classical Academy in having the time to meet these outlined conditions and considerations.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 27th day of September, 2022
27J SCHOOLS
By:
Greg Piotraschke, President Board of Education
ATTEST: By:
Lynn Ann Sheats, Secretary Board of Education

# 27J SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION NUMBER THREE 2022-2023 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CAPSTONE ACADEMY CHARTER APPLICATION WITH CONDITIONS

**WHEREAS**, the founding Board of Capstone Academy has submitted an application to the 27J Schools Board of Education seeking authorization of a charter school to open in the 2024 - 2025 school year as the result of 27J Schools Request for Qualifications for Charter Partners to assist with the district's continued enrollment growth; and

**WHEREAS**, the Capstone Academy charter application was submitted in of June 2022 as a result of the District's Request for Qualifications; and

**WHEREAS**, the Capstone Academy Board was notified on June 20, 2022 that the charter application contains all of the minimum requirements specified in CRS 22-30.5-106 (1); and

**WHEREAS**, the Capstone Academy charter application has been reviewed by outside third party expert reviewers and 27J Schools' Executive Leadership Team; and

**WHEREAS**, the Capstone Academy Community Meeting was held at the August 23, 2022 Board of Education Meeting as required by CRS 22-30.5-107 (2); and

**WHEREAS**, the Capstone Academy charter application was reviewed by the District Accountability Committee at its August 24, 2022 meeting as required by CRS 22-30.5-107 (1)(c); and

**WHEREAS**, Capstone Academy will provide additional school space as the District continues to increase in student enrollment;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the 27J Schools Board of Education approves the Capstone Academy charter application and directs the superintendent or his designees to enter into charter contract negotiations with Capstone Academy as specified in CRS 22-30.5-107 (2) for the Board's review and consideration with the following conditions and contract considerations:

Conditions - To be fulfilled before execution of the contract and based on identified weaknesses in the proposal:

- 1. The contract will require at a minimum, a specified location and timing of the opening of Capstone Academy, as well as a plan for capital construction with milestones ensuring on-time project completion.
- 2. The contract will require an agreement for data exchange processes to ensure accurate and timely data transfer with specific benchmarks and methods to monitor progress.
- 3. The contract will require Capstone Academy to ensure compliance with all state and federal laws, and ensure the 27J standard of care through superintendent policies (i.e. Colorado Read Act, Title IX, discipline and expulsion, etc.), and not ask for universal waivers from all superintendent policies.

27J Schools is willing to extend the contract timeline if mutually agreed upon to support Capstone Academy in having the time to meet these outlined conditions and considerations.

27J SCHOOLS	
By:	
Greg Piotraschke, President Board of Education	
ATTEST: By:	
Lynn Ann Sheats,	

Secretary Board of Education

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 27th day of September, 2022.

#### 27J SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION NUMBER FOUR 2022-2023 VOTER REGISTRATION OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

**WHEREAS**, 27J Schools is committed to civic education and civic participation by the students and families in our district;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education recognizes that the election in November of 2022 provides a great opportunity to educate and motivate students regarding civic participation;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education recognizes the opportunity to further civic education by encouraging our students who are eligible to register to vote;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of 27J Schools recognizes that the Colorado Revised Statute 1-2-401 Legislative Declaration states that voter registration should be made as convenient as possible for our qualified high school students, employees, and other persons;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education recognized that a number of non-partisan, civic participation organizations, including the Iam27J group, Brighton High School, Prairie View High School, Riverdale Ridge High School, Innovations and Options, 27J Online Academy, the Brighton Education Association (BEA), the Colorado Classified School Employees Association (CCSEA), and a youth-led coalition through Rocky Mountain Partnership are prepared to provide voter registration efforts in 2022;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education recognizes that these civic-minded organizations will abide by all laws, regulations and superintendent policies regarding visitation and appropriate conduct on school grounds, and online;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education abides by the Colorado Revised Statute Section 1-2-402 that all high schools may have appointed deputy registrars on file with the county clerk and recorder;

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The District will provide access to our high schools with the approval of the school leader, to engage in voter registration of our qualified students, parents, employees and other persons during school building hours and online.
- 2. The District and school leaders will provide reasonable assistance to these civic groups to provide voter registration, such registration including assistance by the high school deputy registrars.

#### RESOLVED AND PASSED THIS 27th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2022.

#### BRIGHTON, COLORADO

#### **27J SCHOOLS**

By:	
Greg Piotraschke, President	
Board of Education	
ATTEST:	
By:	
Lynn Ann Sheats, Secretary	
Board of Education	

#### **Board of Education Agenda Item**

**Board Meeting of:** September 27, 2022

**Subject:** Approval of a Resolution Supporting

**Proposition FF - Healthy School Meals for All** 

**Status of Item:** Action

Time Needed: 10 Minutes

#### **PERTINENT FACTS:**

- School District 27J recognizes the importance of proper nutrition for its students in its quest for academic improvement
- School District 27J also recognizes that many students, due to family economic hardship and other reasons, are unable to access the nutritional meals provided by the School Nutrition Program
- The Colorado State House of Representatives and Senate have authorized the placement of Proposition FF- Health School Meals for All on the November 2022 ballot.
- If successful would provide free meals for all District students.
- Under the Fair Campaign Practices Act, divisions of government may take a position of advocacy on issues.
- Additional information regarding this proposition is available in the 2022 State Ballot Information Booklet.

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

• C.R.S 1-45-101 – Fair Campaign Practices Act

**Originator**: Dr. Chris Fiedler

### 27J SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION NUMBER FIVE 2022-2023 RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION FF- HEALTHY SCHOOL MEALS FOR ALL

Whereas, the Board of Education believes every student should have the opportunity to reach his or her full potential and to participate meaningfully in the civic and economic life of the community; and

Whereas, healthy kids perform better at school; and

Whereas, research shows that children experiencing hunger have lower grades than their peers, and are more likely to struggle with behavioral problems and experience emotional, mental, and physical health issues; and

WHEREAS, no child should go hungry because they can't afford a nutritious meal; and

WHEREAS, more than 60,000 kids in Colorado can't afford school meals, but don't qualify for free or reduced-price lunches; and

WHEREAS, 2 out of every 5 Colorado families struggle to put food on the table for their children; and

WHEREAS, the Healthy School Meals for All Program ensures students can focus on learning, not hunger; and

**WHEREAS**, Colorado Proposition FF would create and fund the Healthy School Meals for All Program in Colorado to reimburse participating schools to provide free meals to all students and provide schools with local food purchasing grants and school food-related funding; and

**Whereas**, Proposition FF provides access to two healthy, free, nutritious school meals each day for all students in Colorado; and

Whereas, Proposition FF supports local farmers and ranchers by reimbursing school districts for purchasing locally sourced food.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the 27J Schools Board of Education officially declares its support for Proposition FF for the purposes of providing healthy school meal access for all Colorado students.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the 27J Schools Board of Education calls upon District 27J voters to vote "yes" on Proposition FF in the November 8, 2022 General Election.

RESOLVED AND PASSED THIS 27th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2022.

**BRIGHTON, COLORADO** 

27J SCHOOLS	
By:	
Greg Piotraschke, President	
<b>Board of Education</b>	

ATTI	EST:
Ву: _	
•	Lynn Ann Sheats, Secretary
	Board of Education

## 27J SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION NUMBER SIX 2022-2023 ADVOCACY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J'S MILL LEVY OVERRIDE BALLOT ISSUE 5B FOR THE 2022 NOVEMBER ELECTION

WHEREAS, strong schools build strong communities; and

WHEREAS, 27J Schools has provided a significant return on investment with the resources available for the students and the communities we serve, and

WHEREAS, 27J Schools' Class of 2021's overall graduation rate was 88.2%; and

**WHEREAS**, 27J Schools had the highest 2021 overall graduation rate (88.2%) among the Adams County Metro School Districts – Adams 12 (80.5%), Aurora (76.2%), Mapleton (75.6%), Westminster (68.2%), and Adams 14 (67.0%); and

WHEREAS, 27J Schools students have posted the highest graduation rates among Adams County Metro School districts for three consecutive years; and

**WHEREAS**, the only Denver Metro School Districts with a higher 2021 overall graduation rate than 27J Schools are Boulder (91.9%), Cherry Creek, Douglas County, Littleton (all at 90.7%), and St. Vrain (90.3%); and

**WHEREAS**, local school district mill levy overrides provide additional annual general fund operating revenues for schools to serve the needs of students above what is received from the state through the School Finance Act of 1994; and

**WHEREAS**, during the 2021-2022 school year, the other Adams County Metro School districts mentioned above received local mill levy override revenue in the following amounts as raised by the mill levy override rate shown:

Adams 12 -	\$64.2 million	(19.256 mills)
Adams 14 -	\$4.9 million	(4.963 mills)
Aurora -	\$103 million	(27.697 mills)
Mapleton -	\$7.8 million	(8.020 mills)
Westminster -	\$26.2 million	(27.851 mills); and

**WHEREAS**, during the 2021-2022 school year, the five Denver Metro School Districts with a higher 2021 overall graduation rate than 27J Schools mentioned above received local mill levy override revenue in the following amounts as raised by the mill levy override rate shown:

Boulder -	\$67.3 million	(9.490 mills)
Cherry Creek -	\$129.9 million	(16.244 mills)
Douglas County -	\$73.6 million	(9.077 mills)
Littleton -	\$28.7 million	(12.711 mills)
St. Vrain -	\$55.8 million	(13.590 mills)

all compared to the current additional mill levy override revenue of \$750,000 (0.363 mills) received by 27J Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed 2022 mill levy override (5B) will provide an additional \$17.74 million in annual operating revenue for district managed and district charter partner schools raised by an increased mill levy override of 8 mills; and

**WHEREAS**, the additional operating revenue will be used to provide armed safety personnel for all district managed schools, safety specialists to collaborate with schools and local municipalities, and support school safety operations; and

**WHEREAS**, the additional operating revenue will be used to attract and retain quality teachers and student support staff (hourly) members by raising salaries and hourly rates closer to the market average for their counterparts in surrounding school districts; and

**WHEREAS**, the additional operating revenue will be used to provide teachers, support staff, materials, and resources to operate the new career and technical education/STEM centers; and

**WHEREAS**, an increase of \$17.74 million in annual mill levy override operating revenue equates to an additional \$880 of revenue per student; and

**WHEREAS**, this is an increase from the current \$750,000 (\$41 per student) in annual mill levy override operating revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been twenty-two (22) years since the voters in 27J Schools last approved a mill levy override request (\$750,000 in the year 2000); and

WHEREAS, the proposed 2022 mill levy override (5B) will require an 8 mill tax increase; and

**WHEREAS**, an 8 mill tax increase is equal to \$4.63 per month per \$100,000 of home value.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the 27J Schools Board of Education as follows:

- 1. That the Board hereby declares its support for the approval of Ballot Issue 5B; and
- 2. The Board encourages all eligible voters of the 27J School District to make sure that their voter registration is current, that they vote, and that they encourage others to vote; and
- 3. That the Board appeals to all citizens of the 27J School District to devote some of their personal time in an effort to pass this critically-important ballot issue; and
- 4. The Board urges all registered voters of the 27J School District to vote "YES" on Ballot Issue 5B.

RESOLVED AND PASSED THIS 27th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2022.

**BRIGHTON, COLORADO** 

27J SCHOOLS

By:	
•	Greg Piotraschke, President
	Board of Education
	ATTEST:
By: _	
-	Lynn Ann Sheats, Secretary
	Board of Education

	METHOD	FREQUENCY	SCHEDULE
3.D - Financial Condition &	Internal	Semi - Annually	January & October
Activities	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 2021)
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