

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

A livestream link was available at www.sd27j.org
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 |
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| 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 |

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| Jean Schneider | Statement Read | Support of Mill Levy Ballot Issue Public Comment Process 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 | Email Received | 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

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. August 23, 2022 ii. September 27, 2022 iii. October 25, 2022 iv. November 8, 2022 v. December 13, 2022 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.0 Global Executive Constraint 1.3 School Academic Dashboard 3.J Charter Schools 3.D Financial Conditions & Activities Internal 3.H Emergency Executive Succession 3.D External Financial Conditions & Activities 3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct |
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| | Inspection |
| vi. January 24, 2023 | 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) |
| | 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians |
| viii. March 14, 2023 | 1.4 School Social Emotional Learning Dashboard (Good Humans) |
| | 3.G Compensation & Benefits |
| ix. April 25, 2023 | 3.E Asset Protection |
| x. May 23, 2023 | 3.A Treatment of Students/Public |
| xi. June 13, 2023 | 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.