

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
27J SCHOOLS**

**October 25, 2023
Regular Meeting Minutes**

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:04 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Conn, Director Green, Director Vigil, and Director Worth were present for the entire meeting. Director Thomas was absent from this entire meeting.

3. COMMITMENT TO GOVERNING STYLE

President Worth 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 Vigil, seconded by Director Conn to approve the agenda dated October 25, 2023 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

5. BOARD OF EDUCATION RECOGNITIONS

a. Board of Education members congratulated Past Board Member Blaine Nickeson as one of the 2023 winners of the Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) McGuffey Award. Mr. Nickeson was a dedicated and hardworking Board member and very deserving of this honor. The McGuffey Award is named after William Holmes McGuffey who developed the McGuffey Readers which were first published in 1836. After the Civil War they were standard schoolbooks in 37 states. The McGuffey Readers were a series of seven books with stories and poems that not only taught kids reading and grammar, but also helped them to develop good qualities. It was one of the most widely used and influential textbooks of its time in transferring not only knowledge but also certain virtues required to fulfill the responsibilities of citizenship in a free society. The CASB McGuffey Award has been designed to honor that unique board member whose committed and passionate service is fueled by both the head and the heart.

6. STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MONTHLY REPORT

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

7. 2021 BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE PRESENTATION

The Board was presented with the report from the 2021 Bond Oversight Committee. Vice-Chair Blaine Nickeson presented the report.

Motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Conn to accept the report from the 2021 Bond Oversight committee as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler reported on activities throughout the District.

9. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Name	In/Out of District	Topic
Bria Sellers	Out of District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Danny Sellers	Out of District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Frankie Schwarts	In District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Gabe Evans	Out of District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Anne Evans	Out of District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Josh Rollins	In District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Misty Weifenbach	In District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Titus Weifenbach	In District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Ryan Warhurst	Out of District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Wyatt Warhurst	Out of District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
LeighAnn Winslow	Out of District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Annie Jensen	In District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Oliver Belousov	In District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Mila Carlson	In District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
LaBow Gorole	In District	Capstone Building Logistics
Natalie Sevrijn	Out of District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Vicky Simmons	Out of District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Derek Eason	In District	Election Campaign Concerns Staff Facebook Post Probe
Jody Record	In District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Victoria Ganoë	In District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Taylor Carlson	In District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Dr. Jacob Pride	Out of District	Ascent Classical Land Sale
Shawna Hirter	In District	Election Materials Concerns Staff Facebook Post Probe

A complete recording of the public comments is available at www.sd27j.org

10. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Approval of Board of Education minutes dated September 27, 2023 Study Session and Regular Meeting, and October 3, 2023 Special Virtual Meeting
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated October 18, 2023

A break occurred at 9:04 p.m. and the meeting reconvened at 9:15 p.m. All Board members that were present remained present.

11. CAPSTONE ACADEMY CHARTER CONTRACT TIMELINE EXTENSION (Previously item number 14)

The Board of Education considered approving Resolution Number Four 2023-2024 extending the deadline for opening Capstone Academy to August 2025, providing an additional planning year as is allowable in the contract.

Motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Vigil to approve the Resolution Number Four 2023-2024 extending the deadline to open Capstone Academy to August 2025 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

12. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS

- a. Ownership Linkage – Members: Director Thomas and Director Vigil: No report
- b. Board Education – Members: Director Conn and Director Thomas: The committee is considering providing new Board member orientation. This would be the same process as two years ago.
- c. Board Committees
 - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee – Member: Director Green: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting.
 - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation – Members: Director Conn, Director Green, and Director Worth: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting. Director Worth reported that developers continue to pay the fees, and there is approximately \$5 million available.
 - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk – Member: Director Worth: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting. Director Worth reported that an audit would occur at the November meeting.
 - iv. The 27J Believers – Members: Director Green and Director Thomas: Director Green stated that the committee is planning on awards being distributed at the December 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 Conn and Director Thomas: The Board accepted the most recent report at tonight's meeting.

- vii. 2022 Mill Levy Override Oversight Committee – Members: Director Thomas and Director Worth: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting.
- viii. Brighton Youth Commission – Member: Director Worth: Director Worth reported that the commissioners are preparing to attend the National League of Cities conference in Atlanta. The officers are seated and they facilitate the candidate forum for the City of Brighton.
- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board: None

13. EXPECTATIONS OF THE BOARD

- a. Board acts to accept/reject the following reports due/submitted since last meeting. (ADDENDUM “A”) None at this time.
- b. Chief Financial Officer Lori Schiek along with Finance Director Stacy Yoshimoto presented the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.D Financial Condition & Activities.

Motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Conn to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.D Financial Condition & Activities as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

- c. Policy Review Schedule
 - i. October 25, 2023 3.D Financial Condition & Activities Internal
 - ii. November 8, 2023 3.H Emergency Executive Succession
 - iii. December 13, 2023 3.I Board Awareness and Support
 - 3.D External Financial Conditions & Activities
 - iv. January 24, 2024 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers
 - 3.D Internal Financial Condition and Activities
 - v. February 28, 2024 1.1 Graduation Rate
 - 1.2 Post Secondary Readiness (3E’s)
 - 3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians
 - vi. March 13, 2024 1.4 School Social Emotional Learning Dashboard
(Good Humans)
 - 3.G Compensation & Benefits
 - vii. April 24, 2024 3.E Asset Protection
 - viii. May 22, 2024 3.A Treatment of Students/Public
 - ix. June 12, 2024 3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting
 - x. August 28, 2024 3.0 Global Executive Constraint
 - xi. September 25, 2024 1.3 School Academic Dashboard
 - 3.J Charter Schools

14. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 13-17, 2023 AS AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

The Board considered approving Proclamation Number Two 2023-2024 recognizing November 13-17, 2023 as American Education Week.

The Proclamation was read by Director Green

Motion by Director Conn, seconded by Director Vigil to approve Proclamation Number Two 2023-2024 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

15. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

- November 2, 2023 7:00 p.m. SPECIAL Meeting
Director District 2 Vacancy Candidate Interviews
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120
Brighton, CO 80601
- November 8, 2023 5:30 p.m. Study Session
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120
Brighton, CO 80601
- November 29, 2023 7:00 p.m. Tentative Swearing In Ceremony
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120
Brighton, CO 80601
Dependent upon the election certification by the counties
- December 6, 2023 7:00 p.m. Tentative Swearing In Ceremony
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120
Brighton, CO 80601
Dependent upon the election certification by the counties
- December 7-9, 2023 Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) Winter
Conference
The Broadmoor Hotel
1 Lake Avenue
Colorado Springs, CO 80906
- December 13, 2023 5:30 p.m. Study Session
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting
Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room
1850 Egbert Street, Suite 120
Brighton, CO 80601

16. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION

Director Vigil presented the quarterly meeting evaluation. This evaluation was postponed from the September 27, 2023 meeting.

17. CLOSING COMMENTS: None

18. ADJOURNMENT: 9:40 p.m.