



Strasburg School District 31-J Agenda

**Minutes of the Board of Education Regular Meeting
August 8, 2023 6:00pm
2102 Wagner St
Strasburg, CO 80136**

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President Michael Marrero.

ATTENDANCE: (Roll Call)

Board members present were: Diana Elliott, Dillon Kent, Michael Marrero, Daymon Johnson and Julie Winter.

Others participating were Brooke Kartus (Secretary to the BOE), Dan Hoff (Superintendent) & Nancy Taylor (CFO).

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

On a motion by Diana Elliott and seconded by Julie Winter, it is hereby resolved to amend the agenda as presented.

AYE: Elliott, Kent, Marrero, Johnson, Winter

NAY: NONE – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:

On a motion by Diana Elliott and seconded by Julie Winter, it is hereby resolved to approve the minutes as presented.

AYE: Elliott, Kent, Marrero, Johnson, Winter

NAY: NONE – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Celebrations:

- New Hire Introductions: Welcome to highly recruited new staff to SSD31J. Cameron Schiller- SES AP. Vickie Schultz Dickens- SHS Dean of Students. Scott Andrews- SHS Interim Principal. Larry Deffenbaugh & John Keane will support Scott & SHS while the AP position remains vacant. Jill Schmidt- HR Manager. Stacey Alonzi- Data Teaching & Learning Coach.
- NASSP/CASE Report Out: NASSP Conference at the Gaylord. 4 Admin attended. Vickie Schultz Dickens, Scott Andrews & Johnnie Echer spoke to perspective on the conference & takeaways- best they have attended yet. CASE Conference was attended by Thom Winter & Kelle Bongard- they spoke to the conference and the takeaways. These topics included but were not limited to leadership, finance, “Get the Word Out” & “Handle with Care”.
- PCHS: Impactful story of recent student who PCHS went above & beyond to ensure they stayed on track.
- Kitchen Grant: Healthy meals grant received for over \$38K
- Preschool Grant: Grant of over \$8K received

- Facilities: Team has done a fabulous job this summer & the buildings are looking amazing. Clean, carpets cleaned & freshly painted. Teacher lot at SES paved. Dirt lots on south side of Colorado have been graded. A special thank you to facilities.
- AD: Kevin Hemphill- Thank you for stepping in and taking on so much

Board Reports:

- Legislative Updates: Stay tuned for upcoming legislation updates in or around September. Will get input on how to vote at delegate assembly. List of upcoming bills will be coming forth for input on potential action regarding impact to district.
- Diana Elliott nominated for McGuffey Award. Results late August

Superintendent Report:

- Healthy Kids Colorado: Samantha Decker- Adams County Health Department. PowerPoint provided. Key notes: Every other odd year. Taken in fall, results following spring. Voluntary, confidential & anonymous. Data is public to state & county and then the district. Focus on youth behaviors. Topics vary. 19 health topics- district can add or remove by going through the justification process to do so.
- Community Strategic Plan: Cheri Wrench spoke. Update on overall timeline & website. Mentimeter slides were presented at staff PD today. Susan will be at Hometown Days. Focus groups are coming in September.
- Election: Election window opens 8/9. Due back by 9/1. 50 valid signatures required. 3 seats available. Call for petitions will be published in the paper on Friday (Eastern Colorado News) and then Tuesday on I70 Scout. Can cancel election 9/1 if sufficient candidates do not come forward.
- Personnel Report: SHS has 4 vacancies currently, plus long term sub backfill. HMS & SES do not have any vacancies currently outside of backfill on long term sub roles.
- Committees: Looking to run a number of committees in the 2023-2024 school year. Recap of potential committees.
- UPK Update: SSD31J has done everything they needed to do up until this point and was very proactive. There are larger funding items at hand that are still to be determined. System is convoluted however this discussion will continue once we see how the State of Colorado stands. Numbers have not yet been fully reconciled. Staying on top of it until we get additional clarity. Not responsible to throw a budgetary number out yet- either way, will do right by kids and have a strong fund balance to support either way. Update on Champions. Focus on Character development & STEM. Site director has been hired- Hunter Headley. 19 Students enrolled currently. 7-8 in AM. Monday club is coming as well- transportation or older sibling needs.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

On a motion by Julie Winter and seconded by Diana Elliott, it is hereby resolved to approve the agenda as presented.

AYE: Elliott, Kent, Marrero, Johnson, Winter

NAY: NONE – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Diana Elliott and seconded by Julie Winter it is hereby resolved to adjourn.

AYE: Elliott, Johnson, Marrero, Johnson, Winter

NAY: NONE – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Michael Marrero, President

Date

Julie Winter, Treasurer

Date