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Board of Education
Mesa County Valley School District 51
Board Work Session: September 4, 2018
Adopted: October 16, 2018

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Present Absent	x	x	x	x	x	WORK SESSION	6:02

1. Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District (MCFMLD) Update, Ms. Dusti Reimer
   - Ms. Reimer reviewed the history of the Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District. The District was created by Mesa County Commissioners in 2011 as a means to retain federal lease payments. Since being created the MCFMLD has given out more than three million dollars to special districts or entities who receive government funding. In 2017 legislation was passed giving the mineral lease districts the right to invest funds to create a permanent fund. The MCFMLD plans to invest 50% of revenue into the permanent fund and anticipates having around one million dollars to grant out starting in 2023. Ms. Reimer requested a letter of support from the District to support the permanent funding plan.

2. Juniper Ridge Building Discussion, Ms. Nicole Miller
   - Ms. Nicole Miller, Juniper Ridge Board Member, was out of town, so Mr. George Rau, Juniper Ridge Building Treasurer, Ms. Andrea Haitz, Juniper Ridge Board of Stewards Chairperson and Mr. Daniel Gardner, Chamberlin Architects, presented a revised site plan. The new plan would be implemented in three stages with the first stage consisting of four modular units and one main building. The main building would house administration, kindergarten and a multipurpose room. Through phases two and three the modular units would be replaced with an addition to the north and south sides of the main building. The new design would offer students a safer environment with a single entry point. The first phase would be financed through Certificate of Participation Bonds from the District with the possibility of Juniper Ridge applying for Best Grants to cover the cost of the second and third stage. Juniper Ridge will work to get the projected cost for the first stage and a five-year enrollment projection ready to present to the Board.

3. CMAS Review, Mrs. Curry Newton
   - Mrs. Newton, Assessment Director and Ms. Sally Huddle, Program Evaluation Director, presented performance rating data from the Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS). Individual schools and the District as a whole receive a performance rating from the state. The District received a rating of Accredited with Improvement and improved in percentage points by 2.8 points. The Board received a handout noting the percentage score and performance rating for each school. Twenty schools received a performance rating of Performance Plan, fourteen schools received a rating of Improvement Plan, seven schools received a rating of Priority Improvement Plan, one school received a rating of Turnaround. There were no schools rated as Insufficient Data. The data does take into consideration those schools with a high number of students on free and reduced lunches and compares students with disabilities with other students with disabilities. District 51 staff will be looking at which schools are needing support and using multiple sources of data to identify and target those supports.

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						4. Board Open Discussion on Pay Rider Policy, Mr. Doug Levinson ➢ Mr. Levinson shared with the Board a conversation he had with a parent regarding a student who is ineligible for busing and will have to pay a fee to ride the bus, if a bus is available. ➢ Mr. Shane Anderson, Student Transportation of America (STA) Operations Manager and Ms. Darrah Barnes, STA Assistant Manager updated the Board on added innovations, such as the Safe Stop Application and increases in transportation growth. Buses at the east end of the valley are at full capacity. Some buses at the west end have space available, but only due to the length of the bus route. Adding more stops would extend ride times for some students to over an hour. ➢ Discussion took place regarding the cost to add additional routes, the cost of changing walking distances, equity in allowing some students to ride a bus based on the busing needs in a particular geographic area, and looking at other options such as mass transit and using hub locations. The topics of busing and later start times will be incorporated into calendar focus group conversations.	
						<u>BUSINESS MEETING</u>	
Present	x	x	x	x	x	A. Call to Order/Roll Call	7:23 p.m.
Motion		x				B. Agenda Approval	Approved
Second					x	➢ Motion to add an agenda item for a Board Discussion following item E.	
Aye	x	x	x	x	x		
No							
Motion		x				➢ Motion to add an Executive Session following Board Discussion	Approved
Second			x				
Aye	x	x	x	x	x		
No							
Motion		x				➢ Motion to approve the agenda as amended above	Approved
Second	x						
Aye	x	x	x	x	x		
No							
Motion		x				C. Personnel Actions [Resolution 18/19:10]	Adopted
Second			x			➢ Mr. Pitton recused himself from voting	
Aye	x		x	x	x		
No							
Recuse		x					
Motion			x			D. Resolution to approve Excel Energy Easement [Resolution 18/19:12]	Adopted
Second		x				➢ Mr. Phil Onofrio, Chief Operations Officers noted Excel Energy already has an easement at this area, but this would allow them to enlarge their electrical cabinet.	
Aye	x	x	x	x	x		
No							
Motion		x				E. Resolution to ratify Easement Agreement with Thunder Valley, LLC [Resolution 18/19:11]	Adopted
Second	x					➢ Mr. Onofrio explained this is an easement granted to the District to allow water on District property to drain through the adjoining property to a waste ditch. The builder will be paying for all costs associated with the project.	
Aye	x	x	x	x	x		
No							

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						F. Board Discussion ➢ Mr. Parrish requested other Board members attend one of the scheduled focus group discussion regarding calendars. Mrs. Cathy Story of Hilltop will facilitate the meetings and the information from the groups will help drive the calendar discussion. Mr. Parrish reminded everyone of the Colorado Association of School Board (CASB) Regional Meetings scheduled for September and the Board Coffee scheduled for Saturday, September 22. ➢ Mr. Williams shared the Long Range Planning Committee mailed out over 200 invitations. They are looking for people to commit to attending three meetings to be held in the evening on three separate dates. ➢ Mrs. Davis noted the majority of school visits to be held in October are scheduled during the day, which will make it difficult for her to attend. [Break 7:35 Resumed 7:44]	
Motion		x				G. Adjourn to Executive Session 7:44	
Second	x					➢ Executive Session under section 26-6-402(4)(g), C.R.S. to review and consider documents protected by the mandatory nondisclosure provisions of the "Colorado Open Records Act," section 24-72-204(3)(a)(XI)(A), C.R.S. namely the application materials and other records submitted by or on behalf of candidates who have expressed interest in employment as the District's Interim Superintendent, none of whom is now a finalist for such position.	
Aye	x	x	x	x	x		
No							
						➢ Present in Executive Session: Dr. Amy Davis, Mr. Doug Levinson, Mr. Tom Parrish, Mr. Paul Pitton and Mr. John Williams ➢ Time spent in Executive Session: 39 minutes	
Motion			x			H. Return to Open Session 8:23	
Second		x				➢ Discussion took place regarding the qualifications of candidates for the intern superintendent position. Qualifications included good communication skills, an ability to establish trust with staff and the community, understanding of the workings of a large organization and an understanding of the D51 Learning Model. The Board will compile interview questions for potential candidates and an evaluation grading form. The intern superintendent will need to be able to work closely with the Board and review recent added positions and salary increases.	
Aye	x	x	x	x	x		
No							
Motion			x			Adjourn 9:02	
Second	x						
Aye	x	x	x	x	x		
No							

Bridget Story, Assistant Secretary
Board of Education

School District 51
MESA COUNTY VALLEY

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Licensed and Administrative Personnel Action

Board of Education Resolution: 18/19: 10

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Name	Location	Assignment	Effective Date
Retirements			
Schaper, Kimberly	PHS	ESL	May 31, 2018
Resignations/Termination			
Backes, Stefani A	GJHS	Social Studies	August 28, 2018
Bell, Kari L	EMS	Physical Education	September 28, 2018
Elliott, John C	CHS	Sped - SSN	August 31, 2018
Reetz, Timothy K	PHS	Language Arts	August 22, 2018
Leave of Absence			
Sand, Gretchen R	Scenic	Grade 1	August 10, 2018
New Assignments			
Becker, Theresa	PHS	Mathematics	September 4, 2018
Bradshaw, Bonnie Lynn	WMS/GJHS	Language Arts	August 22, 2018
Levan, Mike	F8/9	Social Studies	August 23, 2018
Pitton, Paul M	PHS	Mathematics	August 13, 2018
Robertson, Kelley M	PHS	Language Arts	August 22, 2018

I hereby certify that the information contained in the above resolution is accurate and was adopted by the Mesa County Valley School District 51 Board of Education on September 4, 2018.

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Secretary, Board of Education

Mesa County Valley School District No. 51

Excel Energy Utility Easement
Grand Junction High School

Board of Education Resolution: 18/19: 12 Adopted: September 4, 2018

WHEREAS, Public Service Company of Colorado has requested an easement for the construction, operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of utility lines and all fixtures and devices, used or useful in the operation of such lines on, under and across property owned by Mesa County Valley School District 51, known as the Grand Junction High School, in order to provide improved utility service to the District; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Easement is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the interest to be conveyed will not interfere with the District's use or enjoyment of its property and such interest is not needed for any conflicting purpose authorized by law and that conveyance thereof will work to the benefit of the District; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chief Operations Officer be and is hereby authorized, on the Board's behalf, to execute the attached Public Service Company of Colorado Easement for the construction, operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of utility lines and all fixtures and devices, used or useful in the operation of such lines, together with such other documents or instruments as may be required in order to carry out the purposes and intent of this Resolution.

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Assistant Secretary, Board of Education

Mesa County Valley School District No. 51

Resolution Ratifying Easement Deed and Agreement
For Drainage from Thunder Mountain Elementary School

Board of Education Resolution 18/19: 11

Adopted: September 4, 2018

WHEREAS, Thunder Valley, LLC ("Thunder Valley") owns property located south and east of Thunder Mountain Elementary School (TMES") that it has now subdivided as Thunder Valley Subdivision Filing 1 ("Subdivision"); and

WHEREAS, storm water runoff from the District's property at TMES has historically drained across the land now within the Subdivision and into Lewis Wash which runs along eastern side of the Subdivision, and the City of Grand Junction conditioned its approval of the Subdivision upon Thunder Valley's submission of an acceptable storm drainage plan for the proposed Subdivision; and

WHEREAS, as part of such plan, Thunder Valley submitted to the District a proposed Easement Deed and Agreement ("Agreement") which grants to the District a 14-foot wide easement across Lots 7, 8, 79 and 80 of the Subdivision for construction, operation, repair and maintenance of underground drainage facilities to transport the District's storm water runoff from the TMES campus to Lewis Wash; and

WHEREAS, Thunder Valley constructed adequate underground drainage facilities for the District's storm water in the easement area as shown on the recorded Subdivision plat without cost to the District, and administration believes the Agreement meets its needs to manage such drainage in the future; and

WHEREAS, in order to allow Thunder Valley to meet City of Grand Junction subdivision approval deadlines in mid-August 2018, the District's Chief Operations Officer executed the Agreement on August 15, 2018, on the District's behalf, and now asks the Board to approve and ratify his action and the executed Agreement attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves and ratifies the Chief Operation Officer's action in signing the Agreement, and approves the executed Agreement attached hereto.

I hereby certify that the information contained in the above resolution is accurate and was adopted by the Mesa County Valley School District No. 51 Board of Education on September 4, 2018.

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