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Present Absent	x x	x x	x x	x x	x x	WORK SESSION 1. Trauma Informed Team, Mrs. Cathy Ebel, Mrs. Shannon Hoffman, Mrs. Tammara Dickerson, Ms. Margery Brennan, Mrs. Mary Beth Luedtke. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms. Ebel, Prevention Coordinator, thanked the Board for the opportunity to present testimonials from schools and introduced her team, Ms. Hoffman, Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Brennan and Ms. Luedtke. The team has changed from Trauma Intervention Coaches to Safe Optimal Learning Environment (SOLE) Consultants. Trauma Intervention Coaches centered their work around the student whereas, SOLE Consultants work in conjunction with individual students, staff, families and community agencies to provide trauma and resilience informed advice. The SOLE Consultants are embedded in six schools but have worked with other schools, including one preschool, to offer professional development and support. The hope is to have the school fully embedded before the consultants move on to the next school. SOLE supports the D51 Learning Model through teaching and learning frameworks. Funding for the SOLE Consultants is paid through a grant, which will phase out over the next four years. ➤ Mr. Tyler Sepsey, Hilltop Youth Mentor, Mrs. Cheri Vana, Orchard Mesa Middle School (OMMS) Principal, Mrs. Penny Shafer, OMMS Teacher and one of her student's, Danny, shared information on how the SOLE Consultants have helped Danny and the staff at OMMS. Mr. Sepsey works with Danny two hours daily at the school. Since January, when Mr. Sepsey began mentoring with Danny, his behaviors and outlook have improved greatly. Mrs. Shafer, shared not only has Danny shown improvement, but she has learned a great deal about students' social and emotional needs. The SOLE Consultants are working with a group of teachers at the school who received training from Mt. Saint Vincent, a trauma hospital. The training and assistance from the SOLE Consultants has helped numerous students at OMMS. ➤ Mrs. Terri LeFebre, Bookcliff Middle School (BMS) Assistant Principal, shared how BMS staff and the SOLE Consultants have been working together to regulate and impact students with behavioral and social / emotional needs. ➤ A testimonial letter was read from Mrs. Lisa Rauch a teacher at Mt. Garfield Middle School. After attending a Mt. Saint Vincent's training, Mrs. Rauch realized she had been working in an alarmed state. Mrs. Rauch had considered making this her last year of teaching, but after working with the SOLE Consultants and trying different strategies she and her students are having a better year. The training and assistance of the SOLE Consultants has Mrs. Rauch now looking forward to teaching in the future. ➤ Mrs. Trish Langley, Nisley Elementary Assistant Principal and Ms. Mandey Murray, Nisley Elementary Instructional Coach shared statistics on the 	6:00 p.m.

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						<p>number of students, at Nisley Elementary School who have experienced some type of trauma in their life. Over the years Nisley Elementary School has used various interventions and trainings to assist with student behaviors, but have now moved to SOLE.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Photos were shown of a classroom at Dos Rios Elementary School. The photos demonstrated physical changes made to a classroom to help students. The changes offer students choices so they can adapt their physical space to their emotional state. Changes include lowering the lighting, different types of desk configurations and heights, and offering individualized seating areas. ➤ The Board thanked those present for taking time out of their evening and for the work they have done for District 51 students. <p>[Recess 7:27 p.m. Resume Meeting 7:34 p.m.]</p> <p>2. Mesa County Safe Schools Presentation, Ms. Amy Moore, Ms. Natalie Tu, Mr. Jason Vroman, Mrs. Sarah Downing, Mrs. Susan Wittrock</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Members of the Mesa County Safe Schools Coalition shared their Vision and Mission Statements and goals for 2018. The coalition is planning a fundraiser in October; a 5K run, to raise funds to help with start-up costs for all high school and middle schools to establish a Gay Straight Alliance/Safe School Alliance. Some of the high schools already have an alliance in place, but they would like to see an active alliance at all high and middle schools. The coalition is working with Colorado Mesa University Diversity Center to organize a Club Day for middle and high school students to learn how to form a club of their choice, at their school. The coalition would like to see the District establish a policy to reflect state law in regards to restroom use and gender preference along with guidelines and changes to the student data system to assure nicknames and preferred pronouns are used correctly and consistently. They reviewed member names, assignments and meeting times. The Board thanked the coalition members for their time. <p>3. International Baccalaureate Program, Mr. Dan Bollinger, Ms. Jackie Anderson, Ms. Brooke Caster</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Bollinger, Palisade High School (PHS) Principal, Ms. Anderson, PHS Assistant Principal and Ms. Caster, PHS Teacher/ International Baccalaureate (IB) Coordinator updated where the school is the process of adding an IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) for ninth and tenth grade students. The IB Diploma Program, currently in place at Palisade High School, has curriculum and a framework, with curriculum tied to assessment. The Middle Years Programme is framework only, which ties in well with the D51 Learning Model. In 2016, the school formed a steering committee and implemented a three-year plan. This year the school has adjusted their master schedule to an eight period day, provided professional development for staff, added a half time Spanish teacher, a full time coordinator and submitted an action plan for 	

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						<p>Candidacy Application. Next year will be a trial year with full implementation, consultation and site visits from the IB representatives. PHS will be working on interdisciplinary units such as science working with language arts and Spanish working with math. The school is hoping to have the application process completed and be an official Middle Years Programme site in 2020.</p> <p>4. Curriculum Resources Governance Committee Update, Mrs. Leigh Grasso, Ms. Melissa Turner, Mr. Shawn Carstensen-Hays</p> <p>➤ Mrs. Grasso, Executive Director of Curriculum, Ms. Turner, Fruita 8/9 Assistant Principal and Mr. Carstensen-Hays, Orchard Avenue Elementary School Teacher shared information from the Curriculum Resource Governance Committee. The committee, which has seventeen members, will prioritize and monitor curriculum resources for the spending of mill levy funds approved in the November election. Curriculum resources will align with the D51 Learning Model and will be selected, based on the needs of the system, not just by grade level. The committee will be scheduling time for professional development prior to the resources being implemented and will be monitoring the effectiveness of the resources through the teaching and learning framework. This committee reviewed priority areas which are currently identified and expressed the need for all classrooms to be equitable. The committee will be looking to add or update resources over the next ten years, making sure professional development is in place prior to the rolling out of any new curriculum.</p> <p><u>BUSINESS MEETING</u></p> <p>A. Business Meeting/Roll Call</p> <p>B. Vote to accept the process for curriculum adoption.</p> <p>C. Adjournment</p>	
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						Bridget Story, Assistant Secretary Board of Education	