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Present	x	x	x	x	x	WORK SESSION 1. 2019-2020 United Way Drawing, Ms. Jessica Newman and Mr. Corey Hafey, United Way Co-coordinators. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Hafey, Principal of Appleton Elementary, introduced Ms. Newman, Assistant Principal at West Middle, and the United Way staff, which were present: Mrs. Jeannie Smith, Ms. Lindy Hodges, Ms. Daysha Snow and Ms. Julie Hinkson. ➤ Ms. Hinkson, United Way Executive Director, thanked District 51 staff for generously donating to the United Way Campaign. This year's United Way campaign focused on improving student academic achievement by assisting families with parenting skills, supporting after school programs and helping with students' nutritional needs. This year 1010, District 51 staff members donated a total of \$85,011.96. ➤ Mr. Hafey thanked Mrs. Melodee Bergin, Support Services Executive Director, and Mrs. April Hart, Community Partners Administrative Assistant, for their hard work in the donation process. He reported the buildings with the highest participation rate were Clifton Elementary School, Redlands Middle School, Palisade High School and the Basil T. Knight Center. Two building coordinators, Ms. Kristen Buckley at Orchard Avenue Elementary and Ms. Gwen Eller at Redlands Middle, had the greatest increase in participation and won tickets to the Taste of the Grand Valley. The names of staff members, who donated a minimum of \$5.00 per month for classified, \$10.00 per month for certified and \$20.00 per month for administration, were entered into a drawing to receive a paid day off. The drawing winners were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classified – Ms. Patricia Vagneur (Broadway Elementary), Ms. Nicole Lewis (Appleton Elementary), Ms. Nancy Tilley (Summit), Mr. Brian Scherping (Maintenance), Ms. Gi Woodard Moon (Human Resources) and Ms. Pamela Labrousche (Loma Elementary). • Certified – Mr. Bradley Cronk (Grand Junction High), Mr. Eric Chalton (Orchard Ave. Elementary), Mr. Brad Edwards (Bookcliff Middle), Mr. Stan Scott (Central High), Ms. Elizabeth Warner (Grand River) and Ms. Kelly Weeks (Career Center). • Administrators – Mrs. Heather Baskin (Basil T. Knight), Mrs. Nikki Johnston (Mt. Garfield Middle) and Ms. Alicia Timbreza (Fruita 8/9). ➤ Mrs. Angela Christensen, D51 Foundation Coordinator, reported on the amount of United Way donations District 51 staff designated to the D51 Foundation. Ms. Christensen drew the names of two staff members, who designated their donation to the D51 Foundation. The two staff members, Michael Orcutt, (Palisade High) and Gwen Eller, (Redlands Middle) will receive tickets to the D51 Foundation's White Iced event 2. Next Steps Discussion Regarding Bond Not Passing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The following information is the prioritized needs at Grand Junction High School and update of the 2017 Bond Funding, Mr. Eric Nilsen. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Eric Nilsen, Maintenance Director, introduced Mr. John Potter, Vice President Blythe Group. Mr. Potter gave a brief update on 2017 bond 	6:02 p.m.

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						<p>projects funding to date and on projects scheduled for completion this summer. Summer work will take place at numerous locations and includes asbestos removal, replacement of carpet, roofs and gym floors, repairing or upgrading fire alarms, plumbing, sidewalks and other small projects. Mr. Potter displayed photos of work recently completed at Fruita Monument School and Central High School.</p> <p>➤ Mr. Nilsen distributed a handout showing recommended work needing completed at Grand Junction High School and estimated costs. The work proposed will cover basic items needed to maintain systems for the next three to five years and to improve safety. Repair work includes a partial roof replacement, installing a restroom in the 400 Building, installing interior doors to two classrooms, building a security vestibule at the west main entrance, moving classes from the west campus to the main campus and upgrading the cafeteria door locks. Additional cost included funds to procure a schematic design for a new fire alarm system and a schematic design for a new school. Repair parts are no longer available for the current fire alarm system and having the schematic design would enable crews to work quickly to replace the system, if needed. Funds for the proposed projects were allocated from the 2017 bond money distribution and cost for the schematics could be covered with savings from other projects.</p> <p>b. High School Safety Needs, Mr. Tim Leon</p> <p>➤ Mr. Leon, Director of Safety and Security, detailed the safety upgrades needed at Grand Junction High School in relocating classrooms from the west campus to the main campus and adding interior doors, in the 400 Building, to eliminate the need for students to go outside to access restrooms. He reviewed upgrades proposed to keyless locking systems at Central High School, Fruita Monument High School, Palisade High School and R-5 High School.</p> <p>c. American Disabilities Act Compliance Information, Mr. Eric Nilsen</p> <p>➤ Mr. Nilsen reported the handout he gave the Board included the cost for a schematic design to renovate Central High School. It will also enable handicapped students to negotiate through the school without having to go outside to access various portions of the school.</p> <p>d. Request For Proposal for Architect for Cost of a New Grand Junction High School, Mr. Eric Nilsen</p> <p>➤ The estimated cost for an owner's representative and schematic designs for a new Grand Junction High School were reviewed. Hiring an owner's representative could save funds for the District.</p> <p>[Recess 7:18 p.m. Resume Meeting 7:32 p.m.]</p> <p>3. Calendar Committee Update, Mrs. Jennifer Marsh Mrs. Marsh, Executive Director of Curriculum and Learning, Mr. Jim Butterfield, Bookcliff Middle School Principal, Mrs. Rachel Talley, Human Resource Analysis, and Mrs. Catherine Foster-Gruber, Communication Specialist, reviewed the process in preparing the calendar drafts for the</p>	

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						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 2020-2021 school year. The Calendar Committee surveyed staff and parents to see how they rated the current calendar. The majority of persons surveyed rated the current calendar as acceptable. Two draft calendars were presented. The difference in the two calendars was the alignment of spring break. One calendar showed spring break aligning with Colorado Mesa University's and the other draft showing the break a week prior to the university's break. ➤ Discussion continued regarding two additional fragmented weeks proposed in the drafts and the need to follow the recommendations of the 2018 Calendar Committee. The previous committee, comprised of staff and community members, recommended less fragmented weeks, a later start time for middle and high schools and the elimination of early release. ➤ Dr. Brian Hill, Assistant Superintendent, presented an update from a workgroup studying the steps needed to eliminate early release. The workgroup concluded the District would need to hire fourteen additional teachers and add additional space to seven schools to accommodate additional classes. In addition, all-staff professional learning time would need to be built into the calendar schedule. Another possible solution the workgroup will be researching is a K-12 early release schedule. <p>4. Update on Recent Issues, Dr. Diana Sirko</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Superintendent Sirko received feedback from the Board on issues the Board would like Student Transportation of America to present. The Board would like to look at options to maximize the number of students transported without an increase in costs or minimal increase in cost. • Concerns from GOAL Club from Fruita Monument High School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Superintendent Sirko is currently working with "One Colorado" to develop training materials for staff. In reviewing current policies, the Student Advisory Committee feels the policies are clear in regards to bullying and student rights. • Boundaries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Shannon Bingham, Demographer, was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Bingham's report and recommendations on boundary adjustments will be presented at a future meeting. • Vision 2020 (Strategic Planning) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Superintendent Sirko outlined the process to develop a "Vision 2020 Strategic Plan." The process will include gathering feedback from staff and holding community meetings to gather input and perspectives from parents, businesses and community members. The plan will foster leadership at all levels and have clear benchmarks to monitor progress with indicators to foster continuous evaluation to monitor and make adjustments where needed and celebrate progress. <p>5. Adjourn</p>	
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