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BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON
May 13, 2025

Marilyn A. Mondragon, Secretary to the Board

**Board of Directors
Regular Meeting - April 8, 2025**

A. Board of Directors Regular Meeting - April 8, 2025 - 5:00 PM - Opening Items - (3 Mins. Allotted)

1. Call to Order/Roll Call - (Kimberly S. Whelan, Board Vice President)

District Administration Office/Board meeting room; Vice President Kimberly S. Whelan called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors for Garfield County School District No. 16 to order at 5:00 p.m.

Brent Baker - Present
Keith Gronewoller - Present
Samuel W. Stewart - Present
Vincent T. Tomasulo- Absent
Kimberly S. Whelan - Present

Staff Present:

Dr. Jennifer A. Baugh, Superintendent
Amber Clark, Assistant Superintendent
Chelsey Gerard, Chief Financial Officer
Nathan A. Humphrey, Chief of Operations & Innovation
Marilyn A. Mondragon, Exec. Asst. to the Supt. & BOE/HR Spec.

2. Pledge of Allegiance - (Kimberly S. Whelan, Board Vice President)

3. Approval of Agenda - April 8, 2025 - (Kimberly S. Whelan, Board Vice President)

M/S Stewart/Baker:

Motion was made to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Baker-aye, Gronewoller-aye Stewart-aye, Tomasulo-absent, Whelan-aye.

Motion Carried.

B. Work Session - (20 Mins. Allotted)

1. Grand Valley Center for Family Learning Report - Kim Frees, Principal - (10 Mins. Allotted)
2. Grand Valley High School - 2025 Graduate Profile and Scholarships Report - Kelly McCormick, Principal - (10 Mins. Allotted)

C. Consent Agenda/Blanket Motion for Items - (3 Mins. Allotted)

1. Board of Education Meeting Minutes - March 11, 2025 - (Marilyn Mondragon, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent & Board)
2. Personnel Matters - Contracted Certified/Classified Employees - (Dr. Jennifer Baugh, Superintendent)
3. Financial Matters - (Chelsey Gerard, Chief Financial Officer)
4. Approval of Consent Agenda - (Vincent T. Tomasulo, Board President)

M/S Gronewoller/Baker:

Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda/Blanket Motion for Items as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Baker-aye, Gronewoller-aye Stewart-aye, Tomasulo-absent, Whelan-aye.

Motion Carried.

D. Audience Members Who May Wish to Address the Board - (3 Mins. Allotted Per Person)

There being no audience members present to address the Board; this matter was passed.

E. Unfinished Business - Information Items - Discussion

There being no Unfinished Business to report; this matter was passed.

F. Unfinished Business - Action Items - (10 Mins. Allotted)

1. Authorization of Board of Education Policy GBQE - Voluntary Longevity Incentive Program for 2nd Reading/Final Vote - Dr. Jennifer Baugh, Superintendent - (5 Mins. Allotted)

Board of Education policy GBQE - Voluntary Longevity Incentive Program will sunset. "The employee must have begun continuous employment as of July 1, 2015, or been issued a contract dated July 1, 2015. Employees hired after July 1, 2015, will not be eligible for this incentive, unless the employee has accumulated 10 years of service during the 2024-25 school year."

M/S Gronewoller/Stewart:

Motion was made to approve Board of Education Policy GBQE - Voluntary Longevity Incentive Program for 2nd Reading/Final Vote as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Baker-aye, Gronewoller-aye Stewart-aye, Tomasulo-absent, Whelan-aye.

Motion Carried.

2. Authorization of Board of Education Special Policy Update - 1st Reading/1st Vote - Dr. Jennifer Baugh, Superintendent - (5 Mins. Allotted)

Superintendent Baugh presented the following policies, regulations, and exhibits for 1st Reading/1st Vote:

- AC Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity
- AC-R-3[3] Sexual Harassment Investigation Procedures
- AC-E-1 Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity
- AC-R-1 Harassment and Discrimination Investigation Procedures for Students
- AC-E-2 Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity
- GBAA Sexual Harassment
- JBB Sexual Harassment
- GCE/GCF Professional Staff Recruiting/Hiring
- GDE/GDF Support Staff Recruiting/Hiring

- JB Equal Educational Opportunities
- JF Admission and Denial of Admission
- GBA Open Hiring/Equal Employment Opportunity
- JICDD Violent and Aggressive Behavior
- JICDE Bullying Prevention and Education
- JFBA Intra-District Choice/Open Enrollment
- JFBB Inter-District Choice/Open Enrollment
- JICA Student Dress Code
- JII Student Concerns, Complaints, and Grievances
- GBEE Staff Use of Technology
- JS Student Use of Technology

M/S Baker/Stewart:

Motion was made to approve the special policy update for 1st Reading/1st Vote as amended.

Roll Call Vote:

Baker-aye, Gronewoller-aye Stewart-aye, Tomasulo-absent, Whelan-aye.

Motion Carried.

G. New Business - Information Items - Discussion - (10 Mins. Allotted)

1. Garfield 16 High Ropes Course Report - Dr. Jennifer Baugh, Superintendent - (10 Mins. Allotted)

H. New Business - Action Items - (20 Mins. Allotted)

1. Authorization of the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 School Calendars - Dr. Jennifer Baugh, Superintendent - (5 Mins. Allotted)

M/S Stewart/Baker:

Motion was made to approve the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 School Calendars as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Baker-aye, Gronewoller-aye Stewart-aye, Tomasulo-absent, Whelan-aye.

Motion Carried.

2. Authorization of the Telephone System - Nathan Humphrey, Chief of Operations & Innovation - (5 Mins. Allotted)

M/S Baker/Stewart:

Motion was made to approve the 36-month agreement with Ring Central to provide the district with cloud-based communications and collaboration platform as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Baker-aye, Gronewoller-aye Stewart-aye, Tomasulo-absent, Whelan-aye.

Motion Carried.

3. Authorization of the Server Purchase - Nathan Humphrey, Chief of Operations & Innovation - (5 Mins. Allotted)

M/S Stewart/Gronewoller:

Motion was made to approve the purchase of a server to support the additional security cameras as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Baker-aye, Gronewoller-aye Stewart-aye, Tomasulo-absent, Whelan-aye.

Motion Carried.

4. Determination/Input for Future Work Session(s)/Meeting(s) - Vincent T. Tomasulo, Board President - (5 Mins. Allotted)

- May 13, 2025 - Potential bond council - Mill Levy Override
- May 13, 2025 - Outdoor Education Program Report - Ari Philipson, Outdoor Education Coordinator
- June 10, 2025 - School Based Family Resource Center - Claudia Flores Cruz, SBFRC Coordinator

I. New Business - Reports - (25 Mins. Allotted)

1. Chief Financial Officer's Report (Chelsey Gerard) - (5 Mins. Allotted)

- The budget for fiscal year 2026 is in the preliminary stage of being developed. As of the end of last week, the Colorado school finance formula is being finalized. The forecast for Garfield 16 would be to receive an additional \$550,000.00 from last year based on an increased student count. The fiscal year 2026 will be established on 1,100 students projected from the Colorado Department of Education. As of last week, the district had 1,213 students. The Colorado school finance formula will be finalized by 1st of May.
- The Colorado River BOCES had a 2024-2025 budget review meeting last week. The budget as well as the budget format was reviewed. A meeting will be held this week to address any questions/concerns.

2. Chief of Operations & Innovation Report (Nathan Humphrey) - (5 Mins. Allotted)

- No additional information was presented.

3. Assistant Superintendent's Report (Amber Clark) - (5 Mins. Allotted)

- The selected science curriculum will be presented at the next meeting of the Board for consideration and action.

4. Superintendent's Report (Dr. Jennifer Baugh) - (5 Mins. Allotted)

- Garfield 16 will be applying for EASI Supplemental: Building Capacity for Instructional Coaching Application Assurances.
- Garfield 16 will continue to contract with CEBT to provide medical benefits for employees. Officials from Garfield 16 have been collaborating with neighboring school districts on cost containment ideas, negotiating with the hospitals on services, and soliciting other organizations to participate in CEBT to potentially expand CEBT, which could reduce costs.
- Spring sports and programs have commenced. The Grand Valley High School musical may be rescheduled.
- May 3 - May Fest Youth Empowerment Resource Fair @ Cottonwood Park.

5. Board of Education Reports - (5 Mins. Allotted)

- The Town of Parachute will be hosting a Bike Rodeo at Bea Underwood Elementary on May 10, 2025.

J. Audience Members Who May Wish to Address the Board - (3 Mins. Allotted Per Person)

There being no audience members present to address the Board; this matter was passed.

K. Adjournment - (1 Min. Allotted)

1. Adjourn the April 8, 2025, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors for Garfield County School District 16

M/S Gronewoller/Baker:

Motion was made to adjourn the April 8, 2025, regular meeting of the Board at 6:37 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Baker-aye, Gronewoller-aye Stewart-aye, Tomasulo-absent, Whelan-aye.

Motion Carried.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors for Garfield County School District No. 16 adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Submitted by:

Marilyn A. Mondragon
Secretary to the Board of Directors

Vincent T. Tomasulo, Board President

Keith Gronewoller, Board Secretary/Treasurer

NOTE: All documents supporting the items discussed can be reviewed at the District Administration Office, 0460 Stone Quarry Road, Parachute, Colorado.