

## MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

Kind of Meeting	Place	Time	Month/Day/Year
Regular	HS Library,	6:00 p.m. Regular Session	12/14/2015

Present:

David Steinert,  
Board President

Absent:

Eric Pfannenstiel

David Bower

Gina Mitchell

Heather Paulson

Steven Marantino,  
Superintendent

---

Board President, David Steinert called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m., all members were present, the meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Mr. Steinert asked if there were changes or additions to the agenda.

Motion was made by Mr. Pfannenstiel and seconded by Ms. Paulson to approve the agenda as presented.

Vote: Mr. Bower, aye; Mrs. Mitchell, aye; Ms. Paulson, aye; Mr. Pfannenstiel, aye; Mr. Steinert, aye. Motion carried.

### **Consent Agenda**

Mr. Steinert noted items included under consent agenda; minutes, financial reports, requisition and employment. The requisition presented for approval was to Sunflower bank in the amount of \$6,400 for cash for staff bonuses. Mr. Steinert reviewed the employment items which included a resignation from Cross Country Coach, Lorena Price and recommendations for fall 2016 coaching positions (extra duty pay agreements will be approved later). Discussion followed.

Motion was made by Mr. Bower and seconded by Mr. Pfannenstiel to approve the Consent Agenda.

Page 2, 12/14/15 Board Minutes

Vote: Mr. Bower, aye; Mrs. Mitchell, aye; Ms. Paulson, aye; Mr. Pfannenstiel, aye; Mr. Steinert, aye. Motion carried.

**Reports**

**Students**

Head Boy, Caleb Cotten reported on the junior high basketball tournament and start of the high school season and finals week.

**Student/Staff Presentation:**

(No presentation this month)

**SEA/Staff**

No report this month

**Assessment Coordinator**

Ms. Sanderson presented information on School Vault, explaining standards, why the system was chosen and an explanation of how it works. She answered questions and also reported on PARCC testing data.

**Principals**

Ms. Sanderson provided Mrs. Hemmerling's report in her absence; it included elementary fundraising, the music program, winter bench marking, and Michelle Burkhart provided information on the Read-A-Thon.

Mrs. Cochran added information to her report included in the packet including finals week and a music recital for secondary music students.

**Facilities Director**

Mr. Quintana provided an update on his work with Air Comfort to resolve HVAC issues and other projects, questions were answered and discussion followed.

Mr. Steinert read additional Director's reports included in the board packet.

**Board Reports**

Board members reported on the CASB convention and sessions they attended; Mr. Pfannenstiel also reported on the District Accountability Committee meeting and Mr. Steinert on the BOCES Board meeting.

**Superintendent**

Mr. Marantino shared the comments from the parent survey that was sent out the first week of December for board members to review in detail later; and provided a copy of a letter Colorado Superintendents are sending to legislators pertaining

to advocacy for adequate school funding, as well as current activities for students and staff and a possible 0-hour music class and pending appointment of the new Commissioner of Education.

### **Community Input**

Christa Davis stated there had been a resignation from a District Accountability Committee member, and asked that the board consider approval of three new members so that their names could be added to the committee list.

### **Action Items**

Mr. Steinert asked if there was a motion to amend the agenda to add approval of new DAC members.

Motion was made by Mr. Pfannenstiel and seconded by Mrs. Mitchell to amend the agenda to add approval of new District Accountability members, Chris Sittler, Amy Holland, and Melanie Squire.

Vote: Mr. Bower, aye; Mrs. Mitchell, aye; Ms. Paulson, aye; Mr. Pfannenstiel, aye; Mr. Steinert, aye. Motion carried.

### **Policy Revisions**

Mr. Marantino noted policy EEAG presented for final reading, discussion followed.

Motion was made by Mr. Bower and seconded by Ms. Paulson to approve revisions to policy EEAG for second reading/adoption including exhibit EEAG-E1.

Vote: Mr. Bower, aye; Mrs. Mitchell, aye; Ms. Paulson, aye; Mr. Pfannenstiel, aye; Mr. Steinert, aye. Motion carried.

### **Approval of New DAC Members**

Mr. Steinert asked for a motion to approve new members to the District Accountability Committee as noted.

Motion was made by Mr. Pfannenstiel and seconded by Mrs. Mitchell to approve new DAC members.

Vote: Mr. Bower, aye; Mrs. Mitchell, aye; Ms. Paulson, aye; Mr. Pfannenstiel, aye; Mr. Steinert, aye. Motion carried.

### **Discussion Items**

#### **Mission and Goals**

Mr. Steinert stated he would like to see the development of a vision statement with long range plans to include technology. He also reviewed on-line course offerings available through Colorado DSL. Discussion followed.

#### **Survey Results**

Mr. Marantino noted results of the electronic survey provided earlier, members briefly reviewed responses and Mr. Marantino answered questions. Discussion followed which included comments from audience members present.

#### **2016-17 Calendar**

Mr. Marantino stated per discussion at the District Accountability meeting members strongly felt that the school year should not extend past Memorial Day. Also that if the calendar is a 4 day week version holding school Monday and Tuesday during Thanksgiving week would be acceptable, but not if a 5-day week. Discussion followed with input from audience members; and it was noted a shorter week for the first week of school is preferable. It was suggested a draft calendar be presented to the DAC for their review and suggestions instead of the DAC creating the calendar; discussion continued. It was noted the board will discuss the calendar at their work session. They would like to have information on days missed for academic and athletic events, and what days students are generally absent for school events.

#### **Board Letter**

Mr. Steinert read a draft of a letter to community stakeholders regarding the financial outlook for the district. He stated the intention is to send it as a mass mailing, discussion followed and suggestions were made for revisions.

#### **Semi Annual Review, Superintendent**

Mr. Steinert explained the evaluation process for the superintendent and handed out evaluation forms to board members to be completed for review in January.

#### **Debrief meeting/January agenda**

Discussion followed pertaining to possible dates for a work session; it was decided to hold the work session on Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Topics of discussion include the 4-day week and 16-17 calendar and the vision statement. The January meeting will be Monday the 25<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.