

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Minutes**  
**August 15, 2006**

Pres. White called the regular meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

Present: Campbell, Carson, Hansen, Repella, Sherman and White. Supt. Christensen, Asst. Supt. Fante, Chief Financial Officer Stutler, Chief Operating Officer Herzog, Chief of Staff McGraw, Staff Counsel Mohr and V. Simonson, Secretary, were also present. Absent: Panetta.

**MOTION:** By Campbell, seconded by Sherman, that the Board of Education convene in Executive Session to discuss legal matters under C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(b) and personnel matters under C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(f).

**VOTE:** Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 5:10 p.m.

Pres. White convened a worksession at 6:10 p.m. for Superintendent Update on Colorado Student Assessment Program Results and information from the Colorado Association of School Boards.

Pres. White recalled the regular meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Campbell, Carson, Hansen, Repella, Sherman and White. Supt. Christensen, Asst. Supt. Fante, Chief Financial Officer Stutler, Chief Operating Officer Herzog, Chief of Staff McGraw, Staff Counsel Mohr and V. Simonson, Secretary. Absent: Panetta.

**MOTION:** By Campbell, seconded by Hansen, that the Board of Education accept the agenda with revisions to include consideration of waiver of attendance for Board member Sandy Panetta, F) 4 splitting the 2006 Election questions for separate consideration and (as amended) to reconsider Colorado Association of School Boards membership under Board/Superintendent Updates.

**VOTE:** Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 6-0.

**MOTION:** By Campbell, seconded by Repella, that the Board of Education amend the (previous) motion to revise the agenda by also adding reconsideration of Colorado Association of School Boards membership under Board/Superintendent Updates.

**VOTE:** Campbell, aye; Carson, nay; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, nay; White, aye. Motion carried 4-2.

Public Comment: None heard.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Campbell, seconded by Sherman, that the Board of Education adopt the Consent Agenda to include:

- 1) Minutes July 18 and August 1, 2006
- 2) Policy IMBD Flag Displays (second reading)
- 3) Personnel Changes

**VOTE:** Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 6-0. (Copies attached to the official minutes.)

Decisions

Award of Contract: Elementary #49 Soil Testing

MOTION: By Sherman, seconded by Repella, that the Board of Education ratify the award of contract to Joseph A. Cesare in the amount of \$64,142.00.

VOTE: Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Award of Contract: Elementary #49 General Contractor

MOTION: By Sherman, seconded by Carson, that the Board of Education award the contract for Elementary #49 General Contractor to Bassett & Associates in the amount of \$9,367,800.00.

VOTE: Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Resolution: Certificates of Participation, Elementary School #49

MOTION: By Sherman, seconded by Campbell, that the Board of Education adopt the parameters resolution for Certificates of Participation for the financing of Elementary School #49.

VOTE: Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Resolution: 2006 Election: Pres. White opened discussion on proposed ballot content for the November 2006 election.

2006 Bond Question

Public Comment: Platte River Academy Governance Board Chair as well as Greg Koneval, Douglas County residents Rhonda Mills, Gregg Sherry, and Stacy Simpson addressed the Board regarding charter schools and the bond issue.

Board discussion followed.

MOTION: By Campbell, seconded by Repella, that the Board of Education express its intent regarding the use of the proceeds of the proposed \$200 Million bond election by incorporating into this motion the list of projects on the 2006 Project list dated August 15, 2006.

VOTE: Campbell, aye; Carson, nay; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 5-1.

MOTION: By Carson, seconded by (non heard), that the Board of Education amend the (previous) motion to increase charter school allocation by \$5 Million to \$7.5 Million.

Motion failed due to lack of a second.

MOTION: By Campbell, seconded by Sherman, that the Board of Education adopt the resolution for the 2006 bond question to read:

SHALL DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NUMBER RE1 DEBT BE INCREASED \$200,000,000, WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF \$362,762,000 AND

SHALL DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED \$18,404,000 ANNUALLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SCHOOLS AND CLASSROOMS THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY AND TO REDUCE RELIANCE ON PORTABLE TRAILERS, WHICH MAY INCLUDE BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

- 6 NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS;
- 1 NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL;
- 2 NEW CAREER TECHNICAL REGIONAL FACILITIES;
- REMODELING/RENOVATING- 6 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, 1 MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND 1 HIGH SCHOOL;
- ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, PURCHASING, ENLARGING, IMPROVING, REMODELING, REPAIRING AND MAKING ADDITIONS TO SCHOOL BUILDINGS, ACQUIRING REAL PROPERTY, AND EQUIPPING OR FURNISHING SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

VOTE: Campbell, aye; Carson, nay; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 5-1.

#### 2006 Override Question

Public Comment: Douglas County residents Heidi Kassal and Gretchen Place addressed the Board regarding charter school funding and the mill levy.

Board discussion followed.

MOTION: By Campbell, seconded by Repella, that the Board of Education expresses its intent that override proceeds of \$5M to be expended by allocating to Charter Schools the appropriate percentage that charter schools reflect of the total district full-time population and of that amount, up to \$60 per student is to be distributed annually conditioned upon a properly functioning SAC according to DAC policy and State Statute and the balance is to be used for reading recovery and world language if applicable or any other program that advances End Statements and Executive Limitation 2.0.

VOTE: Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION: By Campbell, seconded by Sherman, that the Board of Education adopt the resolution for the 2006 override question to read:

SHALL DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NUMBER RE1 TAXES BE INCREASED \$5 MILLION IN FISCAL YEAR 2006-07 AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER (THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT WHICH MAY BE COLLECTED IN ANY YEAR ABOVE THE 2006 COLLECTIONS), TO PROMOTE HIGH STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT, ADDRESS GROWING STUDENT ENROLLMENT AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- A READING SKILLS AND LITERACY PROGRAM FOR YOUNG STUDENTS;
- OFFERING A WORLD LANGUAGE PROGRAM TO INTRODUCE FOREIGN LANGUAGE IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS;
- HIRING NEW TEACHERS TO STAFF NEW SCHOOLS ;
- ALLOCATING ADDITIONAL MONEY TO SCHOOLS;
- INCREASING ON-LINE LEARNING PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS.

VOTE: Campbell, aye; Carson, nay; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 5-1.

Intergovernmental Agreement for a Coordinated Election: Douglas and Elbert Counties:

**MOTION:** By Sherman, seconded by Repella, that the Board of Education adopt the Intergovernmental Agreement for a Coordinated Election with the County Clerk and Recorders of Douglas and Elbert Counties.

**VOTE:** Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 6-0.

**Resolution: Parameters for Bond Refunding:** Financial Advisor Terry Casey of RBC Dain Rauscher summarized the market appropriateness for refunding.

**MOTION:** By Campbell, seconded by Repella, that the Board of Education adopt the parameters resolution for the refunding of 1996 bonds.

**VOTE:** Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 6-0.

**Resolution to Renew: Partnership of Douglas County Governments**

**MOTION:** By Sherman, seconded by Hanson, that the Board of Education adopt the resolution to renew the participation in the Partnership of Douglas County Governments.

**VOTE:** Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 6-0.

**Waiver of Attendance:**

**MOTION:** By Sherman, seconded by Carson, that the Board of Education approve the extension of the waiver of attendance requirements for Board member Sandy Panetta.

**VOTE:** Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 6-0.

#### Monitoring

**Executive Limitation 1.0 General Executive Constraint:** The Board discussed the written monitoring report as submitted and requested language corrections and resigning of the report with resubmittal for future Board consideration.

**Legislative Update:** No update was heard.

**Board/Superintendent Updates:** The Board and Superintendent reviewed the draft agenda for the upcoming extended worksession, a second joint worksession with the District Advisory Committee, related to the Committee's roles, as well as the Colorado School Boards Association. Board member Hansen was appointed as the Long Range Planning Committee Liaison in the absence of Sandy Panetta.

Staff was requested to submit data to the Board around six areas of expenditure to include: Andrews Produce, AXA Equitable, Colorado Petroleum, Counter Trade, Intermountain Rural Electric Association and Public Service.

**MOTION:** By Repella, seconded by Sherman, that the Board of Education reconsider the Colorado Association of School Boards membership due to new information.

VOTE: Campbell, aye; Carson, nay; Hansen, aye; Repella, aye; Sherman, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 5-1.

Adjournment: Motion by Campbell, seconded by Sherman, that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

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Victoria D. Simonson,  
Secretary