

DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE. 1

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes
August 21, 2007

President White convened a work session regarding the review of the August 21, 2007 Agenda at 5:03 p.m. The Board heard Superintendent updates as well as Board Committee and Liaison Reports.

Campbell, Carson, Hansen, Stahl, Turner, White and Wucherpfennig were in attendance. Also attending were Supt. Christensen, Asst. Supt. Fante, Asst. Supt. Hodges, Chief Financial Officer Hart, Chief Operating Officer Herzog, Chief of Staff McGraw and N. Eichelberger, Secretary. Absent: none.

President White called the regular meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

Present: Campbell, Carson, Hansen, Stahl, Turner, White and Wucherpfennig. Supt. Christensen, Asst. Supt. Fante, Asst. Supt. Hodges, Chief Operating Officer Herzog, Chief Financial Officer Hart, Chief of Staff McGraw and N. Eichelberger, Secretary. Absent: none.

MOTION: By Stahl, seconded by Wucherpfennig, that the Board of Education accept the Agenda as amended with the moving of item E) (3) Consent Agenda: Grant of Easement: I.R.E.A. Roxborough Intermediate, to item G) Board Decisions.

VOTE: Stahl, aye; Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Turner, aye; White, aye; Wucherpfennig, aye. Motion carried 7-0.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Wucherpfennig, seconded by Turner, that the Board of Education adopt the Consent Agenda as amended.

- 1) Intergovernmental Agreement for a Coordinated Election
 - Douglas County
- 2) Award of Contract: Architect Agreement, Stadium #3
- 4) Award of Contract: Digital Two-Way Radios for School Buses
- 5) Award of Contract: Hewlett Packard Blade Servers
- 6) Textbook Adoptions: Castle View High School
 - Adventures in Japanese: Volumes 1-4, Japanese language, grades 7-12
 - World History: Modern Times, Modern European History and Modern World History, grades 10-12
 - Physical Science with Earth Science, Physical Science, grade 10
 - Principles of Physics and Virtual Physics Labs, Physics, grades 10-12
- 7) Textbook Adoption: Mountain Vista High School
 - The Language of Composition: Reading, Writing, Rhetoric, AP Language and Composition, grades 11-12
- 8) Textbook Adoption: Pine Grove Elementary and DCSD Works Language Program
 - KuaiLe HanYuu, Chinese language, grades K-8
- 9) Textbook Adoption: DCSD World Language Program
 - Nuevo ¡Bravo, bravo!, Spanish language, K-6
- 10) Accreditation: ThunderRidge High School Feeder
- 11) Accreditation: Douglas County High School Feeder
- 12) Accreditation: Castle View High School Feeder
- 13) Personnel Changes

VOTE: Wucherpfennig, aye; Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Stahl, aye; Turner, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 7-0. (Copies attached to the official minutes.)

Board Decisions

Grant of Easement: I.R.E.A., Roxborough Intermediate

MOTION: By Campbell, seconded by Wucherpfennig, that the Board of Education accept the I.R.E.A. Grant of Easement for Roxborough Intermediate.

VOTE: Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Stahl, aye; Turner, aye; White, abstain; Wucherpfennig, aye. Motion carried 6-0. (Copy attached to the official minutes.)

Joint Motion Agenda: Motion by Campbell, seconded by Wucherpfennig, that the Board of Education approve the August 7, 2007 Minutes as presented.

VOTE: Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Stahl, aye; Turner, aye; White, aye; Wucherpfennig, aye. Motion carried 7-0. (Copy attached to the official minutes.)

Board Decisions

Executive Limitations: Board member Hansen asked for the record to reflect that the Board needed additional time to address Executive Limitation 2.0 Academic Achievement and that it be considered as a separate item for discussion. The Board recommended that the revisions to Executive Limitation 1.0 be part of a two-step review process. Step one would include the approval of the document as presented as the first reading identifying 1.6.3, 1.7.6, 1.8.6, 1.8.11 and 1.8.13 to be rewritten. Step two would be the presentation of the document with the noted revisions as the second reading at a future meeting. Board discussion followed.

MOTION: By Hansen, seconded by Turner, that the Board of Education approve a two step adoption process with the first reading of the Executive Limitation 1.0 as is presented and that the Board of Education approve additional revisions to the Executive Limitations on the second reading at a future Board meeting.

VOTE: Hansen, aye; Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Stahl, aye; Turner, aye; White, aye; Wucherpfennig, aye. Motion carried 7-0.

Board-Superintendent Linkage

MOTION: By Stahl, seconded by Turner, that the Board of Education approve the Board-Superintendent Linkage revisions as revised.

VOTE: Stahl, aye; Campbell, aye; Carson, aye; Hansen, aye; Turner, aye; White, aye; Wucherpfennig, aye. Motion carried 7-0.

eBoard: Board Member Hansen presented the recommendations of the eBoard Committee. Hansen stated that the Committee researched two options and created a pro/con list for the Board's review. Hansen also summarized the breakdown of subscription fees. Board discussion followed.

MOTION: By Turner, that the Board of Education approve Board Docs as the eBoard provider for the electronic packet. Motion failed for lack of a second.

MOTION: By Wucherpfennig, seconded by Turner, that the Board of Education approve Electronic School Board as the eBoard provider for the electronic packet.

VOTE: Wucherpfennig, aye; Campbell, aye; Carson, nay; Hansen, aye; Stahl, aye; Turner, aye; White, aye. Motion carried 6-1.

Board Updates continued: The Board heard additional updates on Board Committees and Liaison Reports. Board discussion followed.

Recognitions: Superintendent Christensen congratulated Douglas County High School's Varsity Gold inline hockey team on their team win of the 2007 Colorado State Championship. He invited coaches Gary Addington, Frank Harned and Mark Meredith along with all the team members to come up for recognition.

Superintendent Christensen acknowledged Junior Patrick McCaffrey, also a member of the Douglas County High School Varsity Gold inline hockey team, for being selected for filming *The Real Winning Edge* television series, a nationally syndicated TV series for teens that features inspirational stories of young athletes. Patrick was selected for his honor based on his athletic ability, how he has learned to deal with autism and the tragic loss of his father when he was in fourth grade.

Highlands Ranch High School 2007 graduate Saeed Sawaged won the Public Speaking Competition for the Colorado-Wyoming District, sponsored by Optimist International, for deaf and hard of hearing students. Superintendent Christensen highlighted Saeed's accomplishments. Saeed's speech was given in oral language and was entitled "My Greatest Challenge is Getting it in Print." In addition to being hard of hearing, Saeed's first language is Arabic. His speech dealt with his ability to convince special education administrators and educators that he needed to use both a CART (Computer Assisted Real Time) note taker and a sign language interpreter in order to understand new terms and concepts in his anatomy class. He won a \$2,000 college scholarship, and is attending the University of Colorado at Denver, studying to be a doctor.

Superintendent Christensen recognized Chaparral High School senior Amanda White as one of 18 winners selected by the American Association of Teachers of French, 2007 Nationwide Creative Writing Contest. She is the only winner in Colorado. Her writing was published in the spring issue of *L'Elan* magazine.

Superintendent Christensen congratulated Ponderosa High School senior Jenny Draper for receiving a Silver Medal for Nationally Scoring in the 92nd percentile on the 2007 National Spanish Exam-Level 5, sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese. Jenny also took 1st place in the state in the Outside Experience category.

Douglas County High School sophomore Midori Matsuda took first place in the Agriculture Sales event at the Future Farmers of America State Competition. Superintendent Christensen acknowledged Midori for her outstanding accomplishment. Superintendent Christensen also congratulated Douglas County High School 2007 graduate Megan McCullough, junior Bailey McHenry and senior Robert Ronci for their 1st place win as a team in the Marketing Plan category at the Future Farmers of America Competition.

Superintendent Christensen acknowledged Lisa Pulk, tennis coach at Ponderosa High School, as the recipient of the "All-Colorado Coach of the Year" award from the *Rocky Mountain News*.

Superintendent Christensen recognized Sierra Middle School building resource teacher Cindy Corlett who was published in *Best Practices for Teaching Science – What Award-Winning Classroom Teachers Do*. Cindy wrote Chapter 10, "The Power of Building a Positive Classroom Climate."

Policy Governance

Board Retreat Follow-up: Vice President Turner summarized the work accomplished at the Retreat in four targeted areas: a three-phase process to review end statements; linkage to ownership; legislative Board work; and community engagement/education. Board discussion followed.

Ends discussion: Universal Ethical Principles: The Board engaged in a Phase One level discussion on the topic of "Universal Ethical Principals."

Executive Limitation 2.0 Academic Achievement: The Board revisited the Executive Limitation 2.0 topic, reviewed the language, and discussed the impact of defining goals and constraints.

MOTION: By Carson, seconded by Turner, that the Board of Education delete the Board's Executive Limitation policy 2.0 in its entirety and add points 1.7 through 1.10 to the Board's End statements as proposed.

VOTE: Carson, aye; Campbell, aye; Hansen, aye; Stahl, aye; Turner, aye; White, aye; Wucherpfnig, aye. Motion carried 7-0. (Copy attached to the official minutes.)

Policy Revisions

Executive Limitation 1.3 Treatment of Public: The Board reviewed the policy and discussion followed. No changes to policy were recommended.

Superintendent Updates

Graduation Regulation: Assistant Superintendent Fante addressed the Board and shared that Learning Services was moving forward on the Graduation Regulation with the class of 2012, current eighth graders. The updated information was available in the Board packet.

Responsible Citizens: Learning Services Update: Assistant Superintendent Fante introduced Terry Killin, Executive Director of Schools, and Dr. Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins, Executive Director of Instructional Support Services. Learning Services shared examples of their Critical Thinking and Ethical Behavior work by demonstrating programs from both South Elementary School and Cresthill Middle School. Dr. Jefferson-Jenkins showcased Positive Behavior Support by providing the Board with an overview of the program. Dena Gaddis, Assistant Principal of South Elementary School, detailed the successes in learning and emphasized that it was not a program, but a way of doing business. Terry Killin introduced Cresthill administrators, Gary Halstead and Tina Lindquist, as well as Ben Wilkoff and Mark Wakefield, Cresthill Middle School teachers. Mark shared the components of creating an authentic performance based learning environment. He stated that the Academy of Discovery classroom is reflective of responsible citizens. Ben is the recipient of Totally Wired Teacher for 2007 from the George Lucas Education Foundation. He demonstrated the innovative and educational use of social media. Assistant Superintendent Fante stated that this presentation provided the Board a concrete example of what the End Statement could look like in a typical classroom environment. Ben emphasized that one key element to the success of the program is professional development. Board discussion followed.

Public Comment: Jerry McCabe, Douglas County resident, addressed the Board.

Meeting Evaluation: Board members provided individual feedback for Board self-assessment.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

Nona V. Eichelberger,
Secretary