

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING (06-15) OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1,
IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER AND STATE OF COLORADO
HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, 900 GRANT STREET
5:00 P.M., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2006

I. Call to Order – 5:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

President Theresa Peña called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. The following Board of Education members were present: Rev. Lucia Guzman, Mr. Bruce Hoyt, Mrs. Jeannie Kaplan, Mrs. Michelle Moss, and Ms. Theresa Peña. Jill Conrad arrived at 5:05 p.m. Kevin Patterson was absent and excused.

II. Board Member Reports

. District School Improvement and Accountability Council (DSIAC) Presentation on Charter School Applications

Toni Knight, Member of the District School Improvement and Accountability Council (DSIAC) presented the report. A copy of the report is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Board Member Recognitions

Ms. Conrad introduced members of the Student Board of Education in attendance: President Zena Price Broncucia from East High School, and Joe LaFollette from Denver School of the Arts; and staff member Nicole Tembrock from the Office of Character and School Culture.

III. Superintendent's Report

Ms. Peña reported that Superintendent Bennet was out of town on school business.

School Safety Report

Ed Ray, Director of Safety and Security, presented the report. A copy of that report is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Ms. Peña recognized Peggy Lamm, Executive Director for the Citizen's for Denver Schools, a committee formed to support the district's Denver Plan.

IV. Consent Agenda

Assistant Secretary Jacquie Lucero read the Agenda items. In accordance with Consent Agenda procedures, the following item was removed from the Agenda and held for discussion:

Motion to Approve a Resolution to Oppose Amendment 40

Mr. Hoyt moved that all matters on the Consent Agenda not held be approved. Mrs. Moss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The following items were approved:

Board of Education

Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of August 24, 2006, the Special Meeting of September 18, 2006, the Regular Meeting of September 21, 2006; and the Special Meeting of October 5, 2006 – Copies are appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Gift Report - A copy is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve the Teaching of American History Award – This is a grant award from the U.S. Department of Education; this award will improve performance for all students in U.S. History. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Finance and Audit Committee

Motion to Approve Issuing a Purchase Order to Microsoft Corporation – This motion allows the Department of Technology Services to renew the licensing agreement for Microsoft Office and Microsoft Windows for district computers. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Issuing a Purchase Order to Rocky Mountain Independent Electrical Contractors (IEC) – This motion will allow Emily Griffith Opportunity School to pay the instructor and rent the facility, supplies, and equipment required for apprenticeship training classes during the 2006-2007 school year. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

Human Resources

Motion to Approve the Personnel Transaction Report – A copy of this report is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Ratify the Updated Contract Language between the Denver Association of Educational Office Professionals (DAEOP) and the Denver Public Schools – This Motion approves a 2.445 percent cost-of-living (COLA) increase to the salary for all eligible DAEOP employees as outlined in the attached revision to Article 14.1.1; also to approve changes to the Article 14—Service Increment as outlined in the attached revision to the Article. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Motion to Approve Resolution Authorizing Banking Transactions – This resolution will re-designate signature authority as a result of the resignation of Richard Allen, the former Assistant Superintendent of Budget and Finance, and the reclassification of Jack Warren to Disbursing Manager. A copy of this resolution is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve ProComp Trust Board Composition – This motion will approve that the three district representatives on the Board of Directors of the Professional Compensation System (ProComp) for teachers trust fund be the Treasurer of the Board of Education, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Budget Director. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

HELD CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSION

Motion to Approve a Resolution to Oppose Amendment 40

Mrs. Kaplan moved adoption of the resolution. Mrs. Moss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. A copy of this resolution is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Repeat/Reenact Policy KF-R – Community Use of School Facilities – Staff is recommending that the district Policy KF-R be repealed and reenacted in order to support the Denver Plan which will establish a more open, community-friendly, and less costly community use environment. A copy of this policy is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Ms. Peña reminded the audience that there is still time to comment on the redesign of the Community Use policy before the Board votes on it in November.

NEW BUSINESS

Policy Review

Revised Policy ILBA – District Student Assessment – Staff is submitting a revised policy, for first reading, in order to be consistent with the changes made to the applicable laws, regulations, and rules which authorize the implementation of this policy. The revised policy addresses district staff expectations and behavior in an ethical manner with respect to assessment. A copy of this policy is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Bob Good, Director of Planning, Assessment, and Research, reported on the revisions of the policy update correcting legal citations and allowing for development of internal assessments.

Revised Policy DFA – Investment and Cash Policy – This is a review for first reading of revisions to district Policy DFA to reflect statutory changes, the role of an investment advisor, and staff title changes. A copy of this policy is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Velma Rose, Chief Financial Officer, reported on the revisions to the policy.

Ms. Peña adjourned the Regular Meeting at 6:10 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION – 6:31 P.M.

Colorado Agricultural and Natural Science High School

Students Hillary McLean, Sidney McLean, and Alexis Haynes; and Khadija Haynes, Steering Committee Member, spoke about the Colorado Agricultural and Natural Science High School's request for a charter.

Ricardo Flores Magón Academy

Marcos Martinez and Scott Flores, Founding Board members; and Richard Barrett, Principal of Kipp Sunshine Peak Academy, spoke about the Ricardo Flores Magón Academy's request for a charter.

Denver Collegiate Academy

Angele Davenport and Ken Glickstein, Founding Team members; and Omar Montgomery, Director of Black Studies at CU Denver, spoke about the Denver Collegiate Academy's request for a charter.

National History Day at George Washington High School

Rita Gibson, parent of a student at International Baccalaureate, commented on George Washington student's non-participation at National High Day and the Model UN competitions. A copy of her comments is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Ms. Peña adjourned the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Jeanne S. Kaplan, Secretary
Board of Education