

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING (07-14) 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, NOVEMBER 19, 2007

I. Call to Order – 5:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

President Theresa Peña called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. The following Board of Education members were present: Ms. Jill Conrad, Rev. Lucia Guzman, Mr. Bruce Hoyt, Mrs. Jeannie Kaplan, Mrs. Michelle Moss, Mr. Kevin Patterson, and Ms. Theresa Peña.

Board Member Reports

There were none

Superintendent Report

Summary of School Actions/Update

Superintendent Michael Bennet asked Brad Jupp, Senior Policy Advisor, to give a summary of school actions/update of the Reform Plan.

Charter Schools

Mr. Bennet asked Shayne Spalten, Senior Officer and Counsel, New Schools Development Office, to report on recommendations of charter school applications.

IV. Consent Agenda

Assistant Secretary Jacquie Lucero read agenda items by sequence. In accordance with Consent Agenda procedures, the following items were removed from the Consent Agenda and held for discussion:

Resolution Concerning School Reform

Resolution Concerning Requests for Proposal

Motion to Approve Reform, New Schools, and School Closures

Mr. Hoyt moved that all matters on the Consent Agenda not held be approved.
Mr. Patterson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Academic Officer

Motion to Approve Beacon Schools Recommendations - A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Charter School Recommendations - A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Ground Lease between Denver School of Science and Technology and the Denver Public Schools – A copy of this motion, approval of the Ground Lease with a Purchase Option for the Denver School of Science and Technology to construct an addition on the building and property belonging to Denver Public Schools, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

DISCUSSION OF HELD CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

Resolution #3053 Concerning School Reform – Improving the Academic and Financial Condition of the District

Board members explained their thoughts and decisions regarding the school reform plan, new schools development, and school closures. They expressed their belief in the importance of continuing on the path of improving student achievement for all students in the Denver Public Schools.

Ms. Conrad moved approval of the resolution. Mr. Hoyt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. A copy of the resolution is appended to the minutes of this meeting

Resolution #3054 Concerning Requests for Proposal – New Schools Development

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

Motion to Approve Reform, New Schools, and School Closures

Rev. Guzman moved approval of the motion. Mr. Hoyt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

IV. Consent Agenda (Continued)

Board of Education

Motion to Receive the Denver Election Commission Certification of Election Results
The Board of Education will receive the Certification of Election Results for the

School Board election of November 6, 2007, and declare that the following individuals had been elected as Directors for School District No.1 in the City and County of Denver, State of Colorado: (1) Bruce Hoyt, District No.1, four-year term; (2) Arturo Jiménez, District No. 5, four-year term; and (3) Theresa Peña, Director-at-Large, four-year term. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Mr. Patterson moved adoption of this motion. Ms. Conrad seconded the motion. This motion passed unanimously. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Recognition of Board of Education Member Rev. Lucia Guzman – The Board of Education will recognize the service and contribution of Rev. Lucia Guzman upon completion of tenure as a School Board member.

Members of the Board and the Superintendent paid tribute to outgoing Board member Rev. Lucia Guzman.

Oath of Office for Newly Elected Board Members – Judge Andre Rudolph will Administer the Oath of Office for the Board of Education to Bruce Hoyt, Arturo Jiménez, and Theresa Peña.

County Court Judge Andre Randolph administered the Oath of Office to returning Board members Bruce Hoyt and Theresa Peña; and new Board member, Arturo Jiménez.

Welcoming of Arturo Jiménez, as School Board Member – The Board of Education welcomed newly elected Arturo Jimenez as a member of the Board of Education.

Election of Board of Education Officers – The incumbent Board of Education Secretary will call for the selecting of Board of Education officers. The Board of Education will vote to elect (1) President, (2) Vice President, (3) Secretary, and (4) Treasurer for two-year terms. The Denver School District’s General Counsel will officiate the elections.

Ms. Kaplan, incumbent Secretary of the Board, called for the vote of election of Board of Education officers. John Kechriotis, General Counsel, officiated over the nomination and ballot process of the election of Board Officers:

Motion Certifying Board of Education Officers’ Election – The Board of Education will be asked to certify the elections of the Officers of the Board of Education.

Mr. Hoyt moved certification of Board of Education officers:

President - Theresa Peña.
Vice President – Michelle Moss
Secretary – Jill Conrad
Treasurer –Bruce Hoyt

Mr. Patterson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to reaffirm Appointment of Assistant Secretary – The Board of Education will reaffirm the appointment of Jacquie Lucero as Assistant Secretary to the Board of Education.

Mr. Hoyt moved approval of the motion. Mrs. Kaplan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. A copy of the motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to reaffirm Appointment of Assistant Treasurer – The Board of Education will reaffirm the appointment of Velma Rose as Assistant Treasurer to the Board of Education.

Mr. Hoyt moved approval of the motion. Mrs. Kaplan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. A copy of the motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Ms. Peña adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Jeanne S. Kaplan, Secretary
Board of Education