

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING (08-23) 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, DECEMBER 18, 2008

**I. Call to Order – 5:00 p.m.**

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

President Theresa Peña called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. The following Board of Education members were present: Ms. Jill Conrad, Mr. Bruce Hoyt, Mr. Arturo Jiménez, Mrs. Jeannie Kaplan, Mrs. Michelle Moss, Mr. Kevin Patterson, and Ms. Theresa Peña.

**II. Board Member Reports**

Recognition of George Washington High School's Student Newspaper  
Receiving the Newspaper Pacemaker Award

Mrs. Kaplan read a Proclamation recognizing that the George Washington High School newspaper, *The Surveyor*, has distinguished itself by being honored with the Prestigious Newspaper Pacemaker Award at the JEA/NSPA Fall National High School Journalism Convention awards ceremony in St. Louis, November 15, 2008.

Recognition of Greenwood ECE-8 Title I Distinguished School

Mr. Patterson read a Proclamation in recognition of Greenwood ECE-8 School receiving a Title I Distinguished School Award.

**III. Superintendent's Report**

Velma Rose Retirement Recognition

Superintendent Michael Bennet and Board members commended Velma Rose, Chief Financial Officer, on her retirement and praised her for her dedication and professionalism.

Policy JKC Presentation

John Kechriotis, District General Counsel, addressed changes to proposed Policy JKC, Student Discipline, on the Agenda as a First Reading.

### School Calendar Presentation

Mr. Bennet asked Pat Slaughter, Instructional Superintendent, and Happy Haynes, Assistant to the Superintendent for Community Relations, to give an update report on implementation of the district's first late-start day

Mr. Bennet noted that he had given Board members information on teacher dismissal.

### **IV. Consent Agenda**

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

Resolution Regarding Tuition Equity

Motion to Approve Redrawing of School Boundaries to Accommodate the Rishel Middle School Closure

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

### **Board of Education**

Minutes of the Board of Education Regular Meeting of November 20, 2008, and the Board of Education Special Meeting of December 15, 2008 - Copies are appended to the minutes of this meeting.

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

### **Finance and Audit**

Motion to Approve Annual Grant Report - A copy of this motion, which lists all large grants received by the Denver Public Schools for 2007-2008, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Contract Renewal with Microsoft - A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Contract between Denver Public Schools and Learn It Systems – A copy of this motion, approval of after-school tutoring services, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Contract between Denver Public Schools and Tutor Train, LLC  
A copy of this motion, approval of after-school tutoring services, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Contract between Denver Public Schools and Summer Scholars  
A copy of this motion, approval of after-school tutoring services, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Contract between Denver Public Schools and Denver's Great Kids Head Start – A copy of this motion, approval of head start services, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Contract between Denver Public Schools and WAH Capital Inc. dba Club Z Tutoring- A copy of this motion, approval of after-school tutoring services, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Contract between Denver Public Schools and John Corcoran Foundation - A copy of this motion, approval of after-school tutoring services, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Resolution Regarding Denver Public Schools and Stapleton Development Corporation - A copy of this resolution, approval of the closing with Stapleton Development Corporation for the purchase of 20 acres for Stapleton High School site property, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

### **Chief Operating Officer**

#### Budget and Finance

Resolution Authorizing Signatures for Banking Transactions - A copy of this resolution, approval of the resolution to address staff changes effective December 31, 2008, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

#### Facilities

Motion to Approve Minor Boundary Adjustment – A copy of this motion, approval of minor boundary adjustment between Denver and Arapahoe counties, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

#### Human Resources

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

Motion to Accept in Part and Reject in Part Arbitration Report Regarding AAA No. 77 390 00449 07 – A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Denver Public Schools' Retirement System

Motion to Approve Language Changes to the Denver Public Schools' Retirement System – The Board of Education will be asked to approve language changes to the Retirement and Benefit Plan of the Denver Public Schools' Retirement System to allow for general clean-up to the Plan language, collection of employee contributions for casual (part-time, hourly) service more closely related to actual cost of the qualifiable casual service, and the adoption of Plan provisions regarding implementation of more streamline administrative procedures for Deferred members. A copy of this report is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was none.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Policy Review

Introduction to Policy JKC – First reading of proposed Policy JKC regarding physical intervention with students. A copy of this policy is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

**DISCUSSION OF HELD AGENDA ITEMS**

Ms. Peña stated that Agenda items that will be discussed at the Public Comment Session will be held and voted on after the Public Comment Session.

Motion to Approve Redrawing of School Boundaries to Accommodate the Rishel Middle School Closure

After discussion, Mr. Jiménez moved approval of this motion. Mr. Hoyt seconded the motion. Voting “Yes,” Ms. Conrad, Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Jiménez, Mrs. Kaplan, Mrs. Moss, and Ms. Peña. Mr. Patterson was absent. The motion passed. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Ms. Peña recessed the Regular Meeting at 6:31 p.m., and convened the Public Comments Session at 6:42 p.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION**

The Public Comment Session began at 6:42 p.m. and was recessed at 7:16 p.m. A copy of the Speakers List is appended to the minutes of this meeting

## **DISCUSSION OF HELD AGENDA ITEMS** (Continued)

### Resolution 3132 Regarding Tuition Equity

After discussion, Mr. Jiménez moved approval of Resolution 3132. Ms. Conrad seconded the motion. Voting “Yes,” Ms. Conrad, Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Jiménez, Mrs. Kaplan, Mrs. Moss, and Ms. Peña. Mr. Patterson was absent. The motion passed. A copy of this resolution is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION** (Continued)

Ms. Peña reconvened the Public Comment Session at 7:27 p.m., and ended at 7:47 p.m. A copy of the Speakers List is appended to the minutes of this meeting

Ms. Peña re-convened the Regular Meeting at 7:48 p.m.

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

David Suppes, Chief Strategy Officer, presented information on the recommended parent-pay tuition for Early Education for 2009-2010 school year.

Mrs. Moss moved approval of the Early Education tuition rates for 2009-2010 school year as specified in the December 18, 2008, memorandum provided to the Board of Education by David Suppes, Chief Strategy Officer, and Cheryl Caldwell, Director of Early Childhood Education. Mr. Hoyt seconded the motion.

After discussion, the vote was taken. Voting “Yes,” Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Jiménez, Mrs. Kaplan, Mrs. Moss, and Ms. Peña. Ms. Conrad and Mr. Patterson were absent. The motion passed. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Ms. Peña adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

Jill Conrad, Secretary  
Board of Education