

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING (08-12) 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, JUNE 26, 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, Mr. Kevin Patterson, and Ms. Theresa Peña. Mrs. Michelle Moss arrived at 5:41 p.m.

II. Board Member Reports

Remembrance of Marsha Pointer

Mr. Hoyt eulogized the tragic death of Marsha Pointer, a former twenty-seven year employee and former principal of Manual Leadership Academy.

Discipline Policy Update Presentation

Ms. Peña introduced Cheryl Karstaedt, Executive Director, Division of Student Services, to highlight the proposed changes to Policy JKF. Also, Happy Haynes, Special Assistant to the Superintendent for Community Partnerships; and Robert Anderson, Director of Prevention and Intervention, to update changes to the discipline policy.

Ms. Peña encouraged anyone who would like to speak to the Board regarding the discipline policy to sign up for the August Public Comment Session or send comments to the Board Office.

III. Superintendent's Report

Staff Recommendations on 2009-2010 "Early Cycle" New School Proposals

Superintendent Michael Bennet introduced Ethan Hemming, Deputy Director, New Schools Office, to present the recommendations. Mr. Hemming introduced Cori Stott, New Schools Specialist, to report on the two Innovation School Proposals: Denver Language School and STEM Leadership Academy; and Parker Baxter, Senior Officer/Counsel, to report on the two charter school proposals: Envision Academies and West Denver Prep Expansion.

IV. Consent Agenda

Legal Assistant Tiffany Lambalot read the Agenda items. In accordance with Consent Agenda procedures, the following items were removed from the Consent Agenda and held for discussion:

Resolution to Extend Challenges, Choices, & Images Literacy and Technology Learning Center Charter School Contract

Resolution to Approve Envision Academies Request for Proposal

Motion to Amend Student Fees for Policy JQ

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

Chief Operating Officer

Motion to Approve the Contract with Pepsi – A copy of the motion, approval of the contract with Pepsi for Pepsi products in district buildings, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Chief Academic Officer

Motion to Approve Charter School Application Timeline for Fall 2008 – A copy of the motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Contract with Denver Human Services – A copy of the motion, approval of the contract with Denver Human Services providing a third year of funding supporting the DPS/City Collaboration Project with four resource advocates, the CasaStart Program, an intensive prevention program; the DPS Teen Pregnancy Program, and the DPS/DHS Child Protection Social Worker Partnership, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve the Charter School Contract for the Denver School of Science and Technology – A copy of the motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

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

Motion to Approve the Charter School Contract for Lifeskills Center of Denver – A copy of the motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution to Reserve Action regarding the Denver Language School Request for Proposal – A copy of the resolution is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution to Reserve Action regarding STEM Leadership Academy Request for Proposal – A copy of the resolution is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution to Approve West Denver Prep Expansion Request for Proposal – A copy of the resolution is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Policy Review

Amendments to Policy JKF—Discipline for Students with Disabilities; Polcy JK—Student Discipline; Policy JK-R—Student Conduct and Discipline Procedures – First Reading of proposed amendments to Policies JKF, JK, and JK-R, discipline policies for students.

DISCUSSION OF HELD AGENDA ITEM

Resolution to Extend Challenges, Choices, & Images Literacy and Technology Learning Center Charter School Contract

After discussion, Mr. Patterson 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.

Resolution to Approve Envision Academies Request for Proposal

After discussion, Ms. Conrad moved approval of the resolution. Mrs. Moss seconded the motion. Voting “Yes,” Ms. Conrad, Mrs. Moss, Mr. Patterson, and Ms. Peña. Voting “No,” Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Jiménez, and Mrs. Kaplan. The resolution passed. A copy of this resolution is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Amend Student Fees for Policy JQ

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

Ms. Peña adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Jill Conrad, Secretary
Board of Education