

MINUTES OF THE MEETING (07-09) 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, AUGUST 16, 2007

I. Call to Order – 5:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

President Theresa Peña called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. The following Board of Education members were present: Rev. Lucia Guzman, Mr. Bruce Hoyt, Mrs. Jeannie Kaplan, Mrs. Michelle Moss, Mr. Kevin Patterson, and Ms. Theresa Peña. Ms. Jill Conrad was absent and excused.

Board Member Reports

A+ Denver Committee Update

Ms. Peña introduced Federico Peña, Co-Chairperson of the A+ Denver Committee, who gave a brief overview of the Committee's work. He introduced Elsa Holguin and Dawn Brookhardt, Co-Chairs of the Finance and Facilities Sub-committee, to present their report. A copy of this report is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

In response to Board members' request for clarification on the recommended timeline, Mr. Peña stated that on October 2, 2007, the Superintendent and staff will identify the list of schools recommended for closure and present that list to Finance and Facilities Subcommittee. The Finance and Facilities subcommittee, after approval, will then present those recommendation to Board of Education. The Board will make the final decision in November 2007 and announce that decision while simultaneously announcing how the children affected will receive a better educational outcome.

Ms. Peña accepted the report and the guiding principles on behalf of the Board; and asked the Superintendent to develop a list of schools that meet the criteria.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent Michael Bennet asked Brad Jupp, Senior Policy Advisor; Happy Haynes, Assistant to the Superintendent for Community Partnerships; and Dan Villescascas, Del Pueblo Elementary School Principal, to give an update report on the closing of Del Pueblo Elementary School

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:

Motion to Approve the Agreement regarding Emily Griffith Opportunity School Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)

Motion to Approve an Amendment to the Timeline for Application for the Establishment of Charter Schools in the School Year 2008-2009

Mr. Hoyt moved that all matters on the Consent Agenda not held be approved. Mr. Patterson seconded the motion. Voting "Yes," Rev. Guzman, Mr. Hoyt, Mrs. Kaplan, Mrs. Moss, Mr. Patterson, and Ms. Peña. Ms. Conrad was absent and excused. The motion passed.

Board of Education

Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of June 21, 2007, and of the Special Board of Education Meeting of July 20, 2007 – Copies are appended to the minutes of this meeting.

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

Motion to Approve a Revised Board of Education Meeting Schedule for the 2007-2008 School Year – A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Finance and Audit

Motion to Approve Contract with EduSoft Riverside Publishing – A copy of this motion, for the purchase of assessment and testing services for the Department of Assessment and Research, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve the Contract Regarding Frozen and Refrigerated Products – A copy of this motion, a contract for the Department of Food and Nutrition Services for warehouse stock from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008, by vendors: Andrews Foodservices, US Foodservice, Front Range Wholesale, H. Schrier, Sara Sausage, and Cookietree Bakeries, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve the Contract between Rocky Mountain Service Solutions, LLC and Denver Public Schools - A copy of this motion, a contract for the Department of Food and Nutrition Services for the purchase and delivery of all products and services necessary for a complete Food Service Sanitation Program, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve the Cayenta Canada Corporation Renewal Contract - A copy of this motion, approval of payment to renew the financial systems software maintenance and support contract for one year, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve the Infinite Campus, Inc., Renewal Contract - A copy of this motion, approval of payment to renew support and maintenance for the student information system contract for one year, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve the Contract between Denver Public Schools and McCandless International Trucks of Colorado - A copy of this motion, to supply school buses for the Transportation Department of the Denver Public Schools during the period of August 17, 2007, to August 16, 2009, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve the Amendment to Agreement regarding the Carl D. Perkins Grant A copy of this motion, approval of an Amendment to Agreement increasing the contract for the Carl D. Perkins Grant \$20,000.00, to a total of \$453,792.00, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve the Agreement Independent Contractor Services with Colorado Youth for Change- A copy of is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Ratify Application for Federal Special Education Funds - A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Chief Operating Officer

Budget and Finance

Motion to Approve Amendment to the Denver Public Schools Retiree Health Benefit Trust Agreement – A copy of this motion, approval of the amendment to amend the agreement to include HIPAA privacy and security requirements, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution to Approve Supplemental Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2006, and Ending June 30, 2007 – Approval of the Supplemental Budget to identify the specific adjustments to the revenues and expenditures of the General Fund and Bond Redemption Fund as they pertain to Bond Redemption Fund investment earnings and to the revenues and expenditures of the General Fund and ProComp Trust Special Revenue Fund as they pertain to ProComp Mill Levy property tax collections. A copy of the resolution is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution to Approve Supplemental Budget Appropriation for Expenditures during the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2006, and Ending June 30, 2007 – A copy of the resolution, to approve the supplemental budget appropriation for expenditures to change the appropriation for the General, Bond Redemption, and ProComp Trust Special Revenue Funds based on the adjustments, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution to Approve Identification and Filing of Supplemental Adopted Budget and Appropriation Resolution and Copies Thereof – A copy of the resolution, to direct that the Supplemental Budget be labeled as such and signed by the Board President and to cause the Board Secretary to have this Supplemental Budget on file for public inspection, 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 the Arbitrator's Report Regarding AAA No. 77 390 0008-07, Grievance #6/7-07, Denver Classroom Teachers Association and School District No. 1, DCTA Grievance #6/7-07 – A copy of the motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Ratify the Memorandum of Understanding between the Communication Workers of America (CWA) and the District (DPS) – A copy of the motion, approval of the 2007-2008 salary negotiations, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Ratify the Memorandum of Understanding between the Facility Managers Association (FMA) and the District (DPS) – A copy of the motion, approval of the 2007-2008 salary negotiations, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Ratify the Memorandum of Understanding between the Denver Federation for Paraprofessionals (DFP) and the District (DPS) – A copy of the motion, approval of the 2007-2008 salary negotiations, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

There was none

NEW BUSINESS

There was none

DISCUSSION OF HELD CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Motion to Approve the Agreement regarding Emily Griffith Opportunity School Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) – The 2007-2008 agreement for TANF funds from the City and County of Denver; paragraph 17 of the agreement will be amended regarding indemnification of Denver Public Schools.

Mr. Patterson stated that he would abstain from voting on this motion since the funding for this program originates from his place of employment, the City and County of Denver's Department of Human Services.

Mr. Hoyt moved approval of this motion. Mrs. Kaplan seconded the motion. Voting "Yes," Rev. Guzman, Mr. Hoyt, Mrs. Kaplan, Mrs. Moss, and Ms. Peña. Mr. Patterson abstained. Ms. Conrad was absent and excused. The motion passed. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve an Amendment to the Timeline for Applications for the Establishment of Charter Schools in the School Year 2008-2009 - An amendment to the timeline for the establishment of charter school applications in the school year 2008-2009, amending the deadline for applications to be due September 11, 2007, and to further direct the administrative staff, in their discretion, to begin implementation of such amended timeline, consistent with Colorado statutes.

Mr. Patterson moved approval of this motion. Mrs. Kaplan seconded the motion. Voting "Yes," Rev. Guzman, Mr. Hoyt, Mrs. Kaplan, Mrs. Moss, Mr. Patterson, and Ms. Peña. Ms. Conrad was absent and excused. The motions passed. A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Mr. Patterson introduced Pauline Gervais, Executive Director, Transportation Department, to report on an innovative purchasing agreement they successfully engineered with other metropolitan school districts on bus specifications.

Ms. Peña recessed the Regular Meeting at 6:38 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION – 6:38 P.M.

Manual High School

Marge Taniwaki, Manual High School graduate and member of the Northeast Community Congress for Education (NCCE), expressed her concerns regarding the reopening of Manual High School.

Jim McNally, Manual High School graduate and former teacher, expressed his concerns regarding the reopening of Manual.

Executive Session

Mr. Hoyt moved that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session for the purposes of legal counsel regarding the following issues: (1) Contracts that may be subject to negotiations and/or developing strategy for negotiations; (2) Real property; (3) Receipt of legal advice on specific legal questions; and (4) Discussions regarding personnel matters.

Mr. Patterson seconded the motion. Voting “Yes,” Rev. Guzman, Mr. Hoyt, Mrs. Kaplan, Mrs. Moss, Mr. Patterson, and Ms. Peña. Ms. Conrad was absent and excused. The motion passed.

Ms. Peña adjourned the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

Jeanne S. Kaplan, Secretary
Board of Education