Board of Education - Regular Meeting (03-13)

Administration Building • 900 Grant Street • June 19, 2003

I. Call to Order - 4:00 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance
B. Roll Call
C. Recognitions

1. Mayor Wellington Webb Resolution - A resolution honoring Mayor Wellington Webb and thanking him for all his support of public education
2. Risk Management National Recognition
3. Scott Mendelsberg/New Interim Principal, Abraham Lincoln
4. Gerardo De La Garza/New Interim Principal, Horace Mann

II. Board Member Reports

A. Superintendent's Evaluation

III. Superintendent’s Reports

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Board of Education

1. Motion to Establish the Schedule of Board Meetings for the 2003-2004 School Year - The Board typically meets the first and third Thursday of the month during the school year with some exceptions.
2. Motion to Participate in the Coordinated Election in November - This is declaring the District's intent to participate in the coordinated election in November 2003 by July 25, 2003, statutory deadline.
3. Appointment of Bond Counsel for Future General Obligation Bond Issues - This is to appoint the bond counsel firm for future general obligation bond issues, with such bond authorization subject to future voter approval.
4. Appointment of Disclosure Counsel for Future General Obligation Bond Issues - This is to appoint the disclosure counsel firm for future general obligation bond issues, with such bond authorization subject to future voter approval.
5. Appointment of Underwriting Team for Future General Obligation Bond Issues - This action is to appoint the underwriting firms for future general obligation bond issues, with such bond authorization subject to future voter approval.

B. Superintendent's Office

1. Independent Contractor Services Agreement with the University of Pittsburgh on behalf of the Institute for Learning - This agreement provides the use of the NetLearn and Institute for Learning Tools plus the assignment of Dr. Sally Mentor Hay to function as the Chief Academic Officer for the Denver Public Schools.

C. Administrative Services

1. Human Resources

a. Personnel Transaction Report - This report contains information regarding employee activity such as appointments, resignations and transfers.
b. Administrators and Managers Contract - This is a motion for the Board of Education to approve administrators and managers contracts for 2003-2004 school year.

c. Motion to Approve Compensation Increases - This would approve compensation increases for administrators, managers, supervisors and non-affiliated employees.

d. Motion to approve Memorandum of Understanding for changes to CWA Agreement - This motion is to accept the changes to the current CWA Agreement as agreed upon by the district and ratified by the CWA Association.

2. Facility Management

a. Final Settlements - These settlements close a specific contract such as closing out a building addition.

b. Building Purchase and Ground Lease - This is a report requesting approval of the building purchase and ground lease at Front Range Airport for the Emily Griffith Opportunity School Aircraft Training Center project.

b. Architect Selection - This is an architect selection for approval by the Board of Education for Emily Griffith Opportunity School Aircraft Training Center Project.

d. Use of Contingency Funds - This is a report requesting approval for the use of additional contingency funds for the New Stapleton Elementary School project.

e. Easement - This is a report requesting the Board of Education to approve granting an easement for the new k-8 school in Green Valley Ranch.

D. Budget and Finance

1. Financial Services

a. Resolution - Supplemental Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2002, and Ending June 30, 2003 - This is a report identifying the specific adjustments to the revenues and expenditures of the General and Special Revenue Funds as they pertain to the Montbello Technology Academy and to the Amendment 23 Charter School Capital Construction Grants.

b. Resolution - Supplemental Budget appropriation for the Expenditures During the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2002, and Ending June 23, 2003 - This is a report to change the appropriation for the General and Special Revenue Funds based on the adjustments.

c. Resolution - Identification and Filing of Supplemental Adopted Budget and Appropriation Resolution and Copies Thereof - This is a report 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.

d. Resolution - Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Borrow Unencumbered Funds - This is a report to authorize use of available cash and investments in other funds to alleviate general fund cash deficits first prior to borrowing funds from the State, as required by the State Treasurer’s Interest Free Loan Program. State law permits the Board of Education to borrow unencumbered moneys from any one fund, except the bond redemption fund, for the use of another fund at any time.

e. Resolution - Designating Eligible Public Depositories - This report is to update the list of eligible banks and savings institutions, as determine by the State Division of Banking and State Division of Financial Services, that the school district and schools can deposit their funds.
f. Resolution - Amending the Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2003, and Ending June 30, 2004 - This report is identifying the specific adjustments to the revenues and expenditures of all funds.

g. Resolution - Authorizing the use of the Beginning Fund Balance During the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2003, and Ending June 30, 2004 - This report in accordance with SB 03-149, to authorize the expenditure of the beginning fund balance of specified funds as anticipated in the recommended budget, to state the purpose for which the expenditure is made and to state the District's plan to ensure the use of beginning fund balance will not lead to an ongoing deficit.

h. Resolution - Adopting the Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2003, and Ending June 30, 2004 - This report is to adopt the recommended budget as presented and amended.

i. Resolution - Appropriation for Expenditures During the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2003, and Ending June 30, 2004 - This report is to appropriate the moneys to be expended in each fund.

j. Resolution - Identification and Filing of Adopted Budget and Appropriation Resolution and Copies Thereof - This report is to direct that the Adopted 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.

k. Class Size Information and Use of the One-Percent Funding Increase Provided by Amendment 23 - This report is in accordance with HB 01-1232, to report the uses of the one percent funding increase approximating $4.1 million provided by Amendment 23, provide kindergarten through grade three class size information, and explain why class size reduction was not a priority if the one percent increase was not used for this purpose.

l. Tuition Rates and Athletic Fees - This report is to set 2003-2004 tuition rates for non-resident students, foreign students and special education services and to set the fees for participation in the middle school prep league and for high school athletics.

m. Resolution - Authorizing the Execution and Delivery by the District of a "Colorado Master Lease Agreement" Between GE Capital Public Finance Inc., as Lessor, and the District, as Lessee, a Related Escrow Agreement and Certain Other Documents in Connection with the Lease Purchase of Certain Equipment Described Therein: and Making Certain Findings, Determinations, Approvals and Authorizations in Connection Therewith. - This report is to approve a master lease with GE Capital Financing pursuant to the December 5, 2002, approval by the Board of Education of Xcel Energy's Proposal for Lighting Upgrades throughout the District as part of the District's utility budget, wherein GE Capital Financing was identified to provide the financing.

2. Independent Contractor Services Agreement with Rosepol, Inc. - This grant funded contract is for the development of financial modeling tools for the new teacher compensation plan.

E. Denver Public Schools Retirement System

1. Denver Public Schools Retirement System Contribution Rate - This is a motion to adopt the recommended Denver Public Schools Retirement System contribution rate effective July 1, 2004.

F. Educational Services
1. District plan to apply for federal funds under the No Child Left Behind Act - The District needs to submit an application to the Colorado Department of Education on or before July 1 to qualify for its share of the federal dollars provided under NCLB.

2. Charter Schools
   a. Big Picture High School #1 Contract - This item approves the contract for this charter school, whose application was approved in December 2002.
   b. Odyssey Charter School Contract - This item renews a contract with Odyssey Charter School.
   c. KIPP: Sunshine Peak Charter School - This contract amendment requests approval of use of site of 2880 Holden Place for one additional year.
   d. Denver Arts and Technology Academy (DATA) Charter School - This contract amendment requests a 30-year charter contract renewable at 3-year increments to allow the school to obtain long-term financing for a facility.
   e. Ridge View Academy Charter School - This is a request for a waiver from the parent membership provision.

3. Textbook Adoption - This is a motion to adopt textbooks to support further implementation of the elementary literacy programs and to conform to current textbooks usage for high school algebra.

4. Indian Education Grant - This grant will provide supplemental educational and cultural support for American Indian Students.

F. Schools/Community Partnerships
   1. Grants Office
      a. Title1 School Improvement Grant - This grant is to improve mathematics achievement through the implementation of research based strategies and practices in Title 1 schools.
      b. Emergency Response and Crisis Grant - This is a grant that will fund well-developed, effective emergency response and crisis management plans for Denver Public Schools.

V. Old Business
VI. New Business

A. Budget and Finance
   1. Financial Services
      a. Statement of Revenue Allocations, Appropriations, Commitments and Expenditures for the Period July 1, 2002, to May 31, 2003 - This report provides a status report of year-to-date revenues, expenditures and interfund transfers for each fund as compared to the current year budget and as compared to the year-to-date for the prior year.

B. Denver Public Schools Retirement System
B. Student Services

1. Expulsion Reports - This reports contains information regarding student expulsions for the month.

VII. Adjournment