I. Call to Order – 5:00 p.m.

The John F. Kennedy High School “All That Jazz Choir,” sang and played for the Board and audience.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call

President Lester R. Woodward called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. The following Board of Education members were present: Ms. Elaine Gantz Berman, Rev. Lucia Guzman, Mr. Bruce Hoyt, Mrs. Michelle Moss, Mr. Kevin Patterson, Ms. Theresa Peña, and Mr. Lester Woodward.

C. Resolution 2855– Recognition of Thomas B. Steven’s Thirty-Six Years of Service

Andre Pettigrew, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services, recognized Thomas B. Stevens, Chief Technology Officer, Department of Technology Services, for his thirty-six years of service; he thanked Tom for his dedication and contributions to the Denver Public Schools.

Ms. Ganz Berman moved the adoption of Resolution 2855. Ms. Moss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. A copy of the resolution is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, I-C.

D. Recognition – Denver Kids, Inc.

Mr. Woodward introduced Jack Fox, President, and Donna Hultin, Executive Director, of Denver Kids, Inc. Mr. Woodward recognized the partnership between the district and the program, and thanked them for all that they do for the students of the Denver Public Schools. A copy of their annual report is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, I-D.
VI. **New Business (Information)**

   B. **Educational Services**

   2. JROTC Student Presentation – Cadet Brigade Overview of JROTC Program

      Lieutenant Colonel Perry Roberts, Director of Military Science, JROTC Program, introduced, from their Cadet Staff, Cadet Brigade Commander, Laura Martinez, a senior from South High School, to present their report. A copy of this report is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, VI-B-2.

II. **Board Members Reports**

   A. **Annual Report from the School Improvement and Accountability Council (SIAC)**

      Jeff Sutherland, community member of the District School Improvement and Accountability Council (DSIAC), presented the Council’s annual report. Dr. Wartgow thanked Council members for the report and said that their recommendations would be taken under advisement. A copy of the report is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, II-A.

III. **Superintendent’s Reports**

   Gift Report – The Board will be asked to accept gifts having a value of $500 or more. The report is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, III-A.

IV. **Consent Agenda**

   Assistant Secretary Jacquie Lucero read the agenda items by number and sequence. Ms. Gantz Berman moved acceptance of the consent agenda. Mrs. Moss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

   The following items were approved under the consent agenda process:

   A. **Board of Education**


*This agenda item was taken out of sequence.*
2. **Board of Education Appointment on the Denver Public Schools Retirement System Board of Trustees** – It was recommended that the Board of Education approve an extension of Velma Rose’s, Chief Financial Officer, appointment to the Board of Education position on the Denver Public Schools Retirement System Board of Trustees, by one year, to expire on December 31, 2004. A copy of this motion is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, IV-A-2.

3. **Appointment to the Denver School Facilities Leasing Corporation Board of Directors** – It was recommended that the Board of Education appoint Susan G. Edwards to fill the position on the Denver School Facilities Leasing Corporation Board of Directors vacated by Marcia Johnson. A copy of this motion is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, IV-A-3.

**B. Superintendent**

1. **Policy Revision – BEDG – Minutes** – It was recommended that the Board of Education adopt staff recommendations concerning the preparation of Board of Education meeting minutes. A copy of this policy is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, IV-B-1.

**C. Administrative Services**

1. **Human Resources**

   a. **Personnel Transaction Report** – It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Report. A copy of this report is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, IV-C-1a.

2. **Facility Management**

   a. **Final Settlements** - It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the Final Settlements for Contracted Services. A copy of this report is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, IV-C-2a.

**D. Budget and Finance**

1. **Financial Services**

   a. **Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2003** – It was recommended that the Board of Education accept, for receipt, prior to the November 30, 2003, statutory deadline, the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the district for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. A copy of this report is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, IV-D-1a.
b. **Single Audit Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2002** – It was recommended that the Board of Education accept the Single Audit Report for the district for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. A copy of this report is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, IV-D-1b.

E. **Educational Services**

1. **Colorado Opportunity Contract Pilot Program**

   a. **Resolution 2856 – To Deny a Nonpublic School Application** – It was recommended that the Board of Education act to deny Beth Eden Baptist School, a previously conditionally accepted nonpublic school, participation in the Colorado Opportunity Pilot Program, for their failure to submit required data by November 1, 2003. A copy of this resolution is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, IV-E-1a.

   b. **Resolution 2857 – To Deny a Nonpublic School Application** – It was recommended that the Board of Education act to deny Community School for the Gifted, a previously conditionally accepted nonpublic school, participation in the Colorado Opportunity Pilot Program, for their failure to submit required data by November 1, 2003. A copy of this resolution is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, IV-E-1b.

   c. **Resolution 2858 – To Deny a Nonpublic School Application** – It was recommended that the Board of Education act to deny University of Denver High School, a previously conditionally accepted nonpublic school, participation in the Colorado Opportunity Pilot Program, for their failure to submit required data by November 1, 2003. A copy of this resolution is appended to the official minutes of this meeting as Appendix 03-23, IV-E-1c.

V. **Old Business**

   There was none.

Mr. Woodward said that the following items are on the agenda for information, under New Business, and that some are matters for first reading to elicit public comment at the Public Hearing of December 5, 2003, and which will acted upon at the December 18, 2003, Regular Board of Education meeting.

VI. **New Business**

   A. **Budget and Finance**
1. Financial Services
   a. Statement of Revenue Allocations, Appropriations, Commitments, and
      Expenditures for the Period July 1, 2003, to October 31, 2003. To provide a
      status report of year-to-date revenues, expenditures, and inter-fund transfers
      for each fund as compared to the current year budget and as compared to the
      year-to-date budget for the prior year. Appendix 03-23, VI-A-la.

B. Educational Services
   1. 2004-2005 Denver Public Schools Calendar. Appendix 03-23, VI-B-1.

C. Legal Services
   1. Policy Revision – Policy BDF – Advisory Committees/Councils (VI-C-1).
      a. Policy Deletion – BDFD-R – Hispanic Education Advisory Council (VI-C-la)
      b. Policy Deletion – BDFE-R – Black Education Advisory Council (VI-C-lb)
      c. Policy Deletion – BDFF-R – Special Education Advisory Council (VI-C-1c)
      d. Policy Deletion – BDFG-R – Asian Education Advisory Council (VI-C-ld)
      e. Policy Deletion – BDFH-R – American Indian Education Advisory Council
         (VI-C-le)
      f. Policy Deletion – BDFJ-R – Gifted and Talented Education Advisory Council
         (VI-C-lf)
      g. Policy Deletion – AE-R – Advisory Accountability Council (VI-C-lg)
   2. Policy Revision – Policy IMDB – Flag Displays (VI-C-2)
   3. Policy Revision – Policy JLID – Student Bicycle/Skateboard/Rollerblade/
      Roller Skates/Scooters, and Other Similar Devises Use (VI-C-3)
   4. Policy Revision – Policy JEB – Entrance Age Requirements (VI-C-4)
   5. Policy Revision – Policy DBD – Determination of Budget Priorities (VI-C-5)
   6. Policy Revision – Policy DBA/DGB – Authorized Signature/Check Writing
      Services (VI-C-6)
   7. Policy Revision – Policy DID – Inventories (VI-C-7)
      a. Policy Deletion – DBB – Fiscal Year (VI-C-7a)
         (VI-C-7b)
      c. Policy Deletion – DC – Taxing and Borrowing (VI-C-7c)
      d. Policy Deletion – DGB – Budget Adoption (VI-C-7d)
      e. Policy Deletion – DI – Fiscal Accounting and Reporting (VI-C-7e)
9. Policy Revision – Policy JBBA – Harassment Based on Race or Color, National Origin, Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, Disability, or Religion (Student) (VI-C-9)

10. Policy Revision – Policy JK – Student Discipline (VI-C-10)

E. **Student Services**

1. Expelled Students Report – The Board will review a report on the students who have been expelled during the past month. Appendix 03-23, VI-E-1.

**VIII. Adjournment**

Mr. Woodward adjourned the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

Michelle Moss, Secretary
Board of Education