MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING (09-23) 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 4:30 P.M., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2009

I. Call to Order – 4:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

President Theresa Peña called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m. The following Board of Education members were present: Ms. Jill Conrad, Mr. Bruce Hoyt, Mr. Arturo Jiménez, Mrs. Jeannie Kaplan, Ms. Andrea Mérida, Mr. Kevin Patterson, and Ms. Peña.

Mr. Jiménez requested a recess to discuss a legal issue regarding the seating of the other newly elected Board. Mr. John Kechriotis, district counsel, ruled it is not a legal issue.

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:

Proclamation and Resolution in Honor of Dr. Evie Garrett Dennis – A copy of this Proclamation and Resolution, approval of the resolution to name the Green Valley Ranch E-12 Shared Campus in honor of Dr. Evie Garrett Dennis, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Greenlee Elementary School Omnibus Motion – A copy of this motion, approval of the turnaround of Greenlee Elementary School and other related actions, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Lake Middle School Omnibus Motion – A copy of this motion, approval of the turnaround of Lake Middle School and other related actions, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve International Baccalaureate Programme at Lake Middle School, West Denver Prep III Charter School, and West Denver Prep IV Charter School – A copy of this motion, approval of the boundary for the International Baccalaureate at Lake Middle School, West Denver Prep III Charter School, and West Denver Prep IV Charter School, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.
Motion to Approve West Denver Prep III Charter School Facility Location – A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve West Denver Prep IV Charter School Facility Location – A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve West Denver Prep III Charter School Contract – A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve West Denver Prep IV Charter School Contract – A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution Regarding the Girls Athletic Leadership School (GALS) Charter School
A copy of this resolution, approval of resolution regarding the charter school application for GALS, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution Regarding the Denver High School of Medical Sciences Charter School
A copy of this resolution, approval of the resolution to deny the charter school application, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution Regarding the Independence High School Charter School – A copy of this resolution, approval of the resolution to deny the charter school application, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Multiple Pathway Centers – A copy of this motion, approval of Multiple Pathway Centers in southwest Denver for the 2010-2011 school year, and further to approve a Multiple Pathway Center for the 2011-2012 school year to be located at the Green Valley Ranch E-12 Campus, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Denver Green School Facility Location, Boundary, and Related Southeast Denver Boundary Changes – A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion Authorizing Chief Operating Officer to Negotiate Funding Agreement with DURA and Forest City for Construction of a Third School Facility at Stapleton – A copy of this motion, authorization of the Chief Operating Officer to negotiate an agreement with DURA and Forest City toward securing funds for the construction of a third school facility at Stapleton, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2009 – A copy of this motion, approval of this report to comply with a November 30, 2009, statutory deadline, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.
Motion to Approve the Single Audit Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2009 – A copy of this motion, approval of this report as required by federal law, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

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

**Superintendent**

Motion to Approve Philips Elementary School Omnibus Motion – A copy of this motion, approval of the closure of Philips Elementary School and other related actions, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution regarding Northeast Academy Charter School – A copy of this resolution, approval of the resolution to renew the charter school application for the Northeast Academy Charter School, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution Regarding PS1 Charter School – A copy of this resolution, approval of the resolution to renew the charter school application for the PS1 Charter School, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution Regarding Skyland Community High School (Denver Big Picture) Charter School – A copy of this resolution, approval of the resolution to deny the renewal of the charter school application for the Skyland Community High School, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution Regarding Omar D. Blair Charter School – A copy of this resolution, approval of the resolution to renew the charter school application for the Omar D. Blair Charter School, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution Regarding Southwest Early College Charter School – A copy of this resolution, approval of the resolution to renew the charter school application for the Southwest Early College Charter School, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution Regarding Life Skills of Denver Charter School – A copy of this resolution, approval of the resolution to renew the charter school application for the Life Skills of Denver Charter School, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution Regarding Escuela Tlatelolco School – A copy of this resolution, approval of the resolution to renew the school application for the Escuela Tlatelolco School, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution Regarding Colorado Connections Academy School – A copy of this resolution, approval of the resolution to renew the school contract for the Colorado Connections Academy School, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.
Resolution Regarding Florence Crittenton School – A copy of this resolution, approval of the resolution to renew the school contract for the Florence Crittenton School, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Facility Location for Center for Early Education (CEE) – A copy of this motion, approval of the placement of the Center for Early Education for 2010-2011 school year only at the previous facility location of Knight Fundamental Academy located at 3245 East Exposition Avenue, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Denver Language School (DLS) Charter School Facility Location at the Whiteman facility – A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve SOAR Charter School Facility Location at Green Valley Ranch E-12 Shared Campus– A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve Odyssey Charter School Facility Location at Phillips facility – A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to Approve the Contract between Denver School of Science and Technology II and the Denver Public Schools – A copy of this motion is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

Resolution Regarding Envision Academy II Charter School – A copy of this motion, approval of the resolution to postpone the application of the Envision Academy II Charter School until school year 2011-2012, is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Motion to Approve Amendments to Denver Public Schools Health Care Trust
A copy of this motion, approval of amendments to the Denver Public Schools Health Care Trust as part of the Denver Public Schools’ Retirement System merger with the Public Employees Retirement System (PERA), is appended to the minutes of this meeting.

DISCUSSION OF HELD AGENDA ITEMS

Proclamation and Resolution in Honor of Dr. Evie Garrett Dennis

Mr. Patterson congratulated Dr. Evie Garrett Dennis for distinguishing herself through a lifetime of achievements on behalf of the Denver Public Schools. He read the Proclamation outlining her
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many accomplishments and achievements. He stated that, as an expression of gratitude and in
honor of her achievements made on the behalf of the children of the Denver Public Schools, the
Green Valley Ranch E-12 Shared Campus would be named in honor of Dr. Dennis

Motion to Approve Greenlee Elementary School Omnibus Motion

After discussion, Mr. Conrad moved approval of the motion. Mr. Hoyt seconded it. Voting
“Yes,” Ms. Conrad, Mr. Hoyt, Mrs. Kaplan, Mr. Patterson, and Ms. Péna. Voting “No,”
Mr. Jiménez, and Ms. Mérida. The motion passed.

Motion to Approve Lake Middle School Omnibus

After discussion, Mr. Jiménez moved approval of the amended motion to move the West Denver
Prep slated for Lake Middle School to the facility at Del Pueblo. Mrs. Kaplan seconded the
Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Patterson, and Ms. Péna. The amendment did not pass.

After discussion, Ms. Conrad moved approval of the original Lake Middle School Omnibus
motion. Mr. Hoyt seconded the motion. Voting “Yes,” Ms. Conrad, Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Patterson,

Motion to Approve West Denver Prep III Charter School Facility Location

After discussion, Ms. Conrad moved approval of the motion that West Denver Prep III will be
located in Lake Middle School as a shared campus facility. Mr. Patterson seconded the motion.
Voting “Yes,” Ms. Conrad, Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Patterson, and Ms. Péna. Voting “No,” Mr. Jiménez,
Mrs. Kaplan, and Ms. Mérida. The motion passed.

Amended Motion to Approve West Denver Prep IV Charter School Facility Location

After discussion, Mr. Hoyt moved approval of the amended motion to move West Denver
Prep IV to a location to be determined, within thirty (30) days. Mr. Jiménez seconded the
motion. Voting “Yes,” Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Jiménez, Mrs. Kaplan, Ms. Mérida, and Mr. Patterson.

Amended Motion to Approve International Baccalaureate Programme at Lake Middle
School, West Denver Prep III Charter School, and West Denver Prep IV

After discussion, Ms. Conrad moved approval of the amended motion to strike the language
concerning the inclusion of West Denver Prep IV Charter School in the boundary. Mr. Hoyt
seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
Motion to Approve International Baccalaureate Programme at Lake Middle School, West Denver Prep III Charter School, as Amended.

After discussion, Ms. Conrad moved approval of the International Baccalaureate Program at Lake Middle School, West Denver Prep III Charter School, as amended, with the shared boundary. Mr. Hoyt seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to Approve West Denver Prep III Charter School Contract

Ms. Conrad moved approval of the motion. Mr. Patterson seconded the motion. Voting “Yes,” Ms. Conrad, Mr. Hoyt, Mrs. Kaplan, Mr. Patterson and Ms. Péna. Voting “No,” Mr. Jiménez and Ms. Merida. The motion passed.

Amended Motion to Approve West Denver Prep IV Charter School Contract

Ms. Conrad moved that the Board of Education amend the proposed contract for West Denver Prep IV striking the current location and inserting the language of the past amendment, which was to determine the location within 30 days. Mr. Hoyt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion to Approve West Denver Prep IV Charter School Contract, as Amended

Ms. Conrad moved that Board of Education approve the proposed contract between West Denver Prep IV, as amended, and the Denver Public Schools. Mr. Hoyt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution #3183 Regarding the Girls Athletic Leadership School (GALS) Charter School

After discussion, Mr. Patterson moved approval of Resolution No. 3183. Mr. Jiménez seconded the motion. Voting “Yes,” Ms. Conrad, Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Jiménez, Mrs. Kaplan, Ms. Mérida, and Mr. Patterson. Voting “No,” Ms. Peña. The motion passed.

Resolution #3184 Regarding the Denver High School of Medical Sciences Charter School

After discussion, Mr. Hoyt moved approval of Resolution No. 3184. Mr. Patterson seconded the motion. Voting “Yes,” Ms. Conrad, Mr. Hoyt, Mr. Jiménez, Mrs. Kaplan, Ms. Mérida, and Mr. Patterson. Ms. Peña was out of the room. The motion passed.

Resolution #3185 Regarding the Independence High School Charter School

After discussion, Mr. Hoyt moved approval of Resolution No. 3185. Mr. Patterson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
Motion to Approve Multiple Pathway Centers

After discussion, Mr. Jiménez moved approval of the motion. Ms. Conrad seconded the motion. Voting “Yes,” Ms. Conrad, Mr. Hoyt, Mrs. Kaplan, Mr. Patterson, and Ms. Peña. Voting “No,” Mr. Jiménez and Ms. Mérida.

Motion to Approve Denver Green School Facility Location, Boundary, and Related Southeast Denver Boundary Changes, as Amended

After discussion, Mrs. Kaplan moved that the Board of Education amend the Denver Green School facility location southeast Denver boundary changes to include the following: A choice preference equal to the NCLB category under the district’s choice and school policies shall be applicable for certain students who currently reside between Sixth Avenue to the north, Alameda Avenue to the south, Quebec Street to the east, and Monaco to the west; and who currently reside within the Place Bridge Academy boundary, within the above recited street boundary description, and who will reside in the proposed Denver Green School boundary; within the above recited street boundary description. Students meeting the above criteria in grades three through five beginning in 2010-2011 school year shall have their choice preference to Lowry; students meeting the above criteria in grades sixth through eighth beginning in 2010-2011 school year shall have a choice preference to Hill Middle School. The choice preference shall be phased out as the Green School phases in grade levels. Mr. Hoyt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion Authorizing Chief Operating Officer to Negotiate Funding Agreement with DURA and Forest City for Construction of a Third School Facility at Stapleton

Mr. Patterson stated that as Manager of the City and County of Denver’s Park and Recreation Department he held this motion in order to recuse himself from voting. Ms. Peña moved approval of the motion. Mr. Hoyt seconded the motion. Voting “Yes,” Ms. Conrad, Mr. Hoyt Mr. Jiménez, Mrs. Kaplan, Ms. Mérida, and Ms. Peña. Mr. Patterson was recused.

Motion to Approve the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2009

After discussion, Ms. Conrad moved approval of this motion. Mr. Hoyt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion to Approve the Single Audit Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2009

Mr. Hoyt moved approval of this motion. Ms. Conrad seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
Ms. Peña adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Jill Conrad, Secretary
Board of Education