

Board of Education Minutes Tuesday, April 8, 2025

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Call to Order and Roll Call

1. Call to Order

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

The meeting of the Board of Education of Douglas County School District (DCSD) Number RE-1, held at 620 Wilcox St., Castle Rock, CO, 80104, was called to order by President Williams at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Geiger, Meek, Moore, Myers, Thompson, Williams, Winegar.

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED: N/A

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Superintendent Kane, Deputy Superintendent Hiatt, Assistant Superintendent Winsor, Chief of Staff Colella, Learning Services Officer Reynolds, General Counsel Klimesh, Chief Technology Officer Blair (remote), Chief Operations Officer Cosgrove, Chief Human Resources Officer Condon, Chief Financial Officer Schleusner, Chief Communications Officer Rader, and Board Assistant Secretary Brockman.

Pledge of Allegiance

3. Pledge of Allegiance

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

President Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

DCSD Spotlight

4. DCSD Library Staff Earn Highly Effective Schools Through Libraries (HESTL)

Credentials from the Colorado Department of Education

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

The Board of Education recognized the following DCSD library staff who earned Highly Effective Schools Through Libraries (HESTL) credentials from the Colorado Department of Education:

- Abbi Bay, Library Assistant, Castle View High School: Environment Credential
- Gina Bernacchi, Teacher Librarian, Highlands Ranch High School
- Gillian Blake, Library Assistant, Castle View High School

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- Melissa Confar, Teacher Librarian, Northeast Elementary School
- Gail Golish, Librarian, Gold Rush Elementary
- Erica Leu, Teacher Librarian, Cresthill Middle School
- Gretchen Stulock, Teacher Librarian, Castle View High School

This program recognizes outstanding school library programs and librarians while providing guidance for K-12 educators as they support student achievement and prepare learners for 21st-century success.

Acceptance of Agenda

5. Acceptance of Agenda

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the agenda as presented.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Geiger moved; Director Moore seconded the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Geiger, aye; Meek, aye; Moore, aye; Myers, aye; Thompson, aye; Williams, aye; Winegar, aye.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Reports

6. Superintendent Updates

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

Superintendent Kane provided the following updates:

- Last week, Daniels Fund released the names of their 2025 scholarship winners with three of the scholarship recipients from DCSD high schools!
 Congratulations to:
 - \circ Dylan Mundt, Chaparral High School
 - O Tevia Reading, Mountain Vista High School
 - o Cora Yuen, Chaparral High School
- Legend High School Unified was one of four schools in Colorado recently recognized as a National Unified Champion School. Approximately 10,000 schools were considered with 600 schools selected nationwide.
- Last week, VALE High School hosted "Night Under the Stars", the first-ever formal event for DCSD Bridge students. Over 160 students, staff and student volunteers attended. Bridge students were eligible to receive free formal wear from Clover's Closet and their attendance was free thanks to a grant from Developmental Pathways and a week-long, Star Wars-themed fundraiser at VALE. There were also several event sponsors. Thank you to all who made this magical evening for our Bridge students possible!
- Congratulations to our 2025 Apple Awards winners and to all nominees and representatives. This year's winners were:
 - Classified Employee of the Year: Deb Stewart, Education Assistant IV-Severe Needs, Cimarron Middle School
 - Department Employee of the Year: Meg Dyck, Literacy Specialist Team
 Lead
 - Elementary Educator of the Year: Anne Burke, Fifth-Grade Teacher, Fox Creek Elementary
 - Secondary Educator of the Year: Laura Anglemyer, Special Education
 Teacher Severe Needs, Sagewood Middle School

 District Administrator of the Year: Andy Abner, Principal, Rock Canyon High School

Thank you to the Foundation for Douglas County Schools for hosting such an incredible event!

- Congratulations to Tom Brieske, Athletic Director, at Rock Canyon High School. Tom was named the 5A High School Athletic Director of the Year for the State of Colorado.
- Congratulations to Mark Sikora, Athletic Director at Mountain Ridge Middle School. Mark was named the Middle School Athletic Director of the Year for the State of Colorado.
- Superintendent Kane had the privilege of visiting the new Senior Center in Highlands Ranch along with Derek Chaney, DCSD's Director of Activities and Athletics. They spoke to senior center members about the latest developments in DCSD, including Growth and Decline. Additionally, several residents signed up for the DCSD Gold Card. DCSD has distributed over 700 Gold Cards (and counting) since the beginning of 2025.
- There is a lot to celebrate in April:
 - O Paraprofessionals Appreciation Day was April 2
 - O This week is National Assistant Principals Week
 - After School Professional Appreciation Week (DCSD's BASE staff) is April 21-25
 - O Public School Volunteer Week is April 21-25
 - O School Bus Driver Appreciation Day is April 22
 - O Administrative Professionals Appreciation Day is April 23
 - o April is also:
 - National School Library Month
 - Autism Acceptance Month
 - National Occupational Therapy Month
 - Child Abuse Awareness Month
- State testing begins in our schools this week.
- The DCSD Language and Cultural Equity Celebration event takes place on Thursday, April 17 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Legacy Campus.
- Join us for our final Parent University of the school year on Wednesday, April 23 at 5:30 p.m. The topic is Family, School and Community Partnerships.

Public Comment

7. Public Comment

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

• Attachment #1: 04.08.2025 Public Comment Roster (No Public)

Community input that could help the District meet the challenge of becoming the best school system possible is always welcome.

- Alicia Maison of Castle Rock provided public comment on the Crystal Valley Middle School Site being declared surplus property.
- Pepper Maison of Castle Rock provided public comment on the Crystal Valley Middle School Site being declared surplus property.
- Allyson Grimme of Castle Rock provided public comment on Grandparents 4 Kids' visit to Prairie Crossing Elementary.
- Jennifer Pinegar of Parker provided public comment on Grandparents 4 Kids' visit to Prairie Crossing Elementary.
- Marybeth Tullis of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed school consolidation plan for Heritage Elementary and advocated for struggling readers.

- Chantelle Drury of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Saddle Ranch Elementary into Eldorado Elementary.
- Sarah Beth Swanson of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Saddle Ranch Elementary into Eldorado Elementary and spoke of her concerns with the consolidation of the special education programs.
- John Evans of Littleton provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Saddle Ranch Elementary into Eldorado Elementary and spoke of his concerns with the consolidation of the special education programs.
- Demetri Preonas of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Saddle Ranch Elementary into Eldorado Elementary.
- Lisa Kjeseth of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Saddle Ranch Elementary into Eldorado Elementary.
- Katie Facchinello of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Saddle Ranch Elementary into Eldorado Elementary.
- Drew Hayes of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Saddle Ranch Elementary into Eldorado Elementary.
- Elementary school principals George Boser, Summit View Elementary; Kirsten Sola, Acres Green Elementary; Cheryl Fullmer, Fox Creek Elementary; Lindsey Frasier, Assistant Principal, on behalf of Allison Hawk, Saddle Ranch Elementary; Katie Lawson, Heritage Elementary; and Julie Crawford, Eldorado Elementary; provided public comment in support of the proposed school consolidations.
- Jennifer Iversen of Castle Pines, on behalf of Douglas County Parents, provided public comment on Grandparents 4 Kids' visit to Prairie Crossing Elementary.
- Joe Cavasinni of Highlands Ranch provided public comment on DCSD's response time to his CORA requests concerning the consolidation of Heritage Elementary into Summit View Elementary and asked the Board to delay their April 22 vote. He also provided public comment on walking distances and paths to Summit View Elementary.
- Elyse Blazevich of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Heritage Elementary into Summit View Elementary and asked the Board to delay their April 22 vote.
- Cali Wolf of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Heritage Elementary into Summit View Elementary.
- Laura Spitzenberger of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Heritage Elementary into Summit View Elementary.
- Nathan Anavali of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Saddle Ranch Elementary into Eldorado.
- Katie Bibler of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Heritage Elementary into Summit View Elementary.
- Kally Mayr of Highlands Ranch spoke on behalf of Douglas County Parents against the school pairing recommendations.
- Stephanie Baird of Highlands Ranch provided public comment against the proposed consolidation of Heritage Elementary into Summit View Elementary.
- Christa Gilstrap of Highlands Ranch provided public comment in support of the proposed school consolidations and moving sixth grade to middle school in Highlands Ranch.

Adoption of Consent Agenda

8. Adoption of Consent Agenda: Items Organized for Board of Education Block Approval

RECOMENDATION: That the Board of Education adopts the Consent Agenda as presented.

The following items on the Consent Agenda are organized for block approval by the Board. If an item is pulled from the Consent Agenda, discussion will be limited to ten minutes.

- Approval Superintendent Monitoring Report on Executive Limitation 8, Staff Compensation and Benefits
- Approval of Superintendent Monitoring Report on Executive Limitation 11, Asset Protection
- Approval of Proposed Revisions to Policy LBD-R-1, Charter School Procedure Manual
- Approval of the Douglas County Youth Initiative Intergovernmental Agreement
- Approval of First Amendment to Construction Management/General Contractor (CM/GC) Agreement for Legacy Campus Phase 2
- Approval of Construction Agreement for Highlands Ranch High School Track Resurfacing
- Approval of Construction Agreement for ThunderRidge High School Turf Replacement
- Intercom and Emergency Notification Systems
- Approval of Spend for Fleet Radios for Transportation and Security
- Approval of Spend for Emergency Responder Communication Enhancement Systems
- Approval of Board of Education Self-Evaluation of Governance Process 1.6, Board Committee Principles
- Adoption of Statement of Support for State Testing
- Approval of Board of Education Self-Evaluation of Governance Process 1.3, Board President Responsibilities, and Governance Process 1.4, Other Board Officers

Director Meek pulled the following items from the Consent Agenda for discussion:

- Adoption of Statement of Support for State Testing
- Approval of Board of Education Self-Evaluation of Governance Process 1.3, Board President Responsibilities, and Governance Process 1.4, Other Board Officers

Director Meek suggested the Board move the agenda item titled, "Board Engagement with Highlands Ranch Schools Affected by School Pairing Recommendations", to ensure that this discussion occurs while the audience is present.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Geiger moved; Director Meek Seconded the ORIGINAL motion to amend the agenda by moving "Board Engagement with Highlands Ranch Schools Affected by School Pairing Recommendations" prior to the recess.

Geiger, aye; Meek, aye; Moore, aye; Myers, aye; Thompson, aye; Williams, aye; Winegar, aye.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion carried 7-0.

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ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Geiger moved; Director Meek seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education adopt all items on the Consent Agenda as presented EXCEPT the "Statement of Support for State Testing" and the "Board Self-Evaluations of Governance Process 1.3, Board President Responsibilities, and Governance Process 1.4, Other Board Officers".

Geiger, aye; Meek, aye; Moore, aye; Myers, aye; Thompson, aye; Williams, aye; Winegar, aye.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion carried 7-0

The approved Consent Agenda items are summarized below:

9. Approval of Superintendent Monitoring Report on Executive Limitation 8, Staff Compensation and Benefits

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the Superintendent Monitoring Report on Executive Limitation 8, Staff Compensation and Benefits, under Adoption of Consent Agenda.

• Attachment #1: BOE Monitoring Report EL 8 (24-25) - UPDATED

The monitoring report has been updated to reflect Board feedback given at the March 4, 2025 meeting.

10. Approval of Superintendent Monitoring Report on Executive Limitation 11, Asset Protection

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the Superintendent Monitoring Report on Executive Limitation 11, Asset Protection, under Adoption of Consent Agenda.

• Attachment #1: BOE Monitoring Report EL 11 (24-25) Updated

The monitoring report has been updated to reflect Board feedback given at the March 4, 2025 meeting.

11. Approval of Proposed Revisions to Policy LBD-R-1, Charter School Procedure Manual

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the proposed revisions to Board Policy LBD-R-1, Charter School Procedure Manual, under Adoption of Consent Agenda.

- Attachment #1: LBD-R-1 Charter School Procedure Manual Second Reading.Revised Redline
- Attachment #2: LBD-R-1 Charter School Procedure Manual Second Reading.Revised - Clean
- Attachment #3: Alliance Letter DCSD Feb 2025

The Board of Education adopted Board Policy LBD-R-1, Charter School Procedure Manual, as revised consistent with the discussions of the Board of Education during the policy's second reading at its meeting held on March 4, 2025.

12. Approval of the Douglas County Youth Initiative Intergovernmental Agreement RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement with Douglas County for the Douglas County Youth Initiative Program under Adoption of Consent Agenda.

- Attachment #1: Amended and Restated IGA Re Douglas Cty Youth Initiative
- 13. Approval of First Amendment to Construction Management/General Contractor (CM/GC) Agreement for Legacy Campus Phase 2

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the First Amendment to Construction Manager General Contractor (CM/GC) Agreement for Legacy Campus Phase 2 under adoption of Consent Agenda.

• Attachment #1: DCSD-Legacy-JHL GMP Amendment-2025.03.25 JHL Signed

On October 16, 2024, the Douglas County School District (DCSD) Construction department and the District's Owner's Rep firm, Wember, issued a Request for Qualifications/Proposal (RFQ/P) to all prequalified CM/GC firms for the Legacy Campus Phase 2 project. A total of 25 responses were received on November 4, 2024.

Construction Department staff and the Bond Director reviewed submittals and shortlisted seven firms for interviews which were held on November 20, 2024 and November 22, 2024. Interview panel members included the Assistant Superintendent, Executive Director of Schools, Director of Athletics & Activities, Assistant Director of Postsecondary Readiness, Director of Legacy Campus, Bond Director, Director of Construction, Construction Staff and members of the Wember team.

JHL Constructors was selected as the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) based on recent similar experience, the project team, and the design/preconstruction services fee proposal. JHL Constructors has been working with the architect, Hollis + Miller; Legacy Campus staff; and other District staff to verify and finalize project scopes and costs.

The CM/GC project delivery method was selected to complete the Legacy Campus Phase 2 project. An initial Guaranteed Maximum Price (iGMP) has been submitted by JHL. The iGMP is represented in the First Amendment and is for the demolition phase only. A Second Amendment for the iGMP for the full project scope will be submitted to the Board of Education at a later date for approval.

The Legacy Campus Phase 2 project is included in the 2024 Bond Plan and 2024 Bond funds will pay for this award.

14. Approval of Construction Agreement for Highlands Ranch High School Track Resurfacing

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the Construction Agreement for Highlands Ranch High School Track Resurfacing under adoption of Consent Agenda.

 Attachment #1: Construction Agreement - Academy Sports - HRHS Track -Partially Executed

Academy Sports Turf submitted a proposal for this project through The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS - USA), a national purchasing cooperative that serves public education organizations, higher education entities, and city or county governments. Per Board Policy DJ, TIPS meets all requirements of a formal competitive procurement process to secure the best value to the District. Based on the proposal, a Construction Agreement was issued to Academy Sports Turf for \$615,000 for track resurfacing at Highlands Ranch High School.

This track resurfacing project is included in the 2024 Bond Plan and 2024 Bond funds will pay for this award.

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15. Approval of Construction Agreement for ThunderRidge High School Turf Replacement

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the Construction Agreement for ThunderRidge High School Turf Field Replacement under adoption of Consent Agenda.

 Attachment #1: Construction Agreement - Academy Sports - TRHS Turf -Partially Executed

Academy Sports Turf submitted a proposal for this project through The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS - USA), a national purchasing cooperative that serves public education organizations, higher education entities, and city or county governments. Per Board Policy DJ, TIPS meets all requirements of a formal competitive procurement process to secure the best value to the District. Based on the proposal, a Construction Agreement was issued to Academy Sports Turf for \$575,500 for the synthetic turf replacement at ThunderRidge High School.

This turf replacement project is included in the 2024 Bond Plan and 2024 Bond funds will pay for this award.

16. Intercom and Emergency Notification Systems

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the Intercom and Emergency Notification Systems under Adoption of Consent Agenda.

 Attachment #1: Confidential - BoE Exec Memo Intercom and Emergency Notification Systems (No Public)

Approval of spend for the Intercom and Emergency Notification Systems project funded through the 2024 Bond.

- 17. Approval of Spend for Fleet Radios for Transportation and Security RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the spend for fleet radios under Adoption of Consent Agenda.
 - Attachment #1: Confidential BoE Exec Memo Fleet Radios (No Public)

Approval of spend for the purchase of Fleet Radios for Transportation and Security.

- 18. Approval of Spend for Emergency Responder Communication Enhancement Systems RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the spend for Emergency Responder Communication Enhancement Systems under Adoption of Consent Agenda.
 - Attachment #1: Confidential BoE Exec Memo Emergency Responder Communication Enhancement System (No public)

Approval of spend for Emergency Responder Communication Enhancement Systems.

19. Approval of Board of Education Self-Evaluation of Governance Process 1.6, Board Committee Principles

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves its self-evaluation of Governance Process 1.6, Board Committee Principles, under Adoption of Consent Agenda.

• Attachment #1: GP 1.6 Self-Eval 4-3-25

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The Douglas County School Board conducts a routine and systematic process of self-evaluation where it regularly reviews its Board-Superintendent Linkage and Board Process policies. The Board reviewed a draft self-evaluation on Governance Process 1.6, Board Committee Principles, at the March 4, 2025 Board meeting. It is now on the Consent Agenda for Board approval.

Items Pulled from Consent Agenda

- 20. Adoption of Statement of Support for State Testing RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education adopts the Statement of Support for State Testing under Adoption of Consent Agenda.
 - Attachment #1: Board Statement Regarding State Testing

Director Meek suggested that the Board insert the following language after the first sentence in the fifth paragraph: "At the same time, we recognize that there may be individual circumstances where participation may not be in the best interest of a student and we support families in making thoughtful decisions based on their child's unique needs."

Director Thompson suggested that, in the fifth paragraph, the Board replace the word "encourage" with "kindly request".

ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Meek moved; Director Geiger seconded the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education adopt the Statement of Support for State Testing with the proposed amendments.

Geiger, aye; Meek, aye; Moore, aye; Myers, aye; Thompson, aye; Williams, aye; Winegar, aye.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion carried 7-0.

- 21. Approval of Board of Education Self-Evaluation of Governance Process 1.3, Board President Responsibilities, and Governance Process 1.4, Other Board Officers
 RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approves its self-evaluations on Governance Process 1.3, Board President Responsibilities, and Governance Process 1.4, Other Board Officers, under Adoption of Consent Agenda.
 - Attachment #1: GP 1.3 & 1.4 Self-Evaluations

The Douglas County School Board conducts a routine and systematic process of self-evaluation where it regularly reviews its Board-Superintendent Linkage and Board Process policies. The Board reviewed draft self-evaluations on Governance Process 1.3, Board President Responsibilities, and Governance Process 1.4, Other Board Officers, at their February 11, 2025 meeting.

Director Meek thanked Director Winegar for rewriting the Board self-evaluation of Governance Process 1.4, Other Board Officers, when the Board was at an impasse; however, she stated that she wouldn't be able to support it.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Myers moved; Director Winegar seconded the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education approve its self-evaluations on Governance Process 1.3, Board

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President Responsibilities, and Governance Process 1.4, Other Board Officers, as presented.

Geiger, no; Meek, no; Moore, aye; Myers, aye; Thompson, no; Williams, aye; Winegar, aye.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 3. The motion carried 4-3.

Policy Governance

22. Board Engagement with Highlands Ranch Schools Affected by School Pairing Recommendations

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

The Board of Education discussed their options to engage with Highlands Ranch communities affected by school pairing recommendations. The Board decided that time will be added to upcoming community meetings to allow Board Director engagement with the impacted communities. Meetings are scheduled as follows:

Acres Green/Fox Creek - Community Meetings

- Wednesday, April 9 | 5:30-6:30 p.m.
 Location: Cresthill Middle School, 9195 Cresthill Lane, Highlands Ranch
- Wednesday, April 16 | 5:30-6:30 p.m. Location: Virtual

Saddle Ranch/Eldorado - Community Meetings

- Thursday, April 10 | 5:30-6:30 p.m.
 Location: Ranch View Middle School, 1731 W. Wildcat Reserve Pkwy., Highlands Ranch
- Tuesday, April 15 | 5:15-6:15 p.m. Location: Virtual

Heritage/Summit View - Community Meetings

- Monday, April 14 | 5:30-6:30 p.m.
 Location: Mountain Ridge Middle School, 10590 Mountain Vista Ridge,
 Highlands Ranch
- Tuesday, April 15 | 6:35-7:45 p.m. Location: Virtual

Adoption of Joint Motion Agenda

23. Approval of Minutes

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the Board minutes of the March 4, 2025 Special Meeting and the March 4, 2025 Regular Meeting as presented.

- Attachment #1: 03.04.2025 BOE Special Meeting Minutes_Unofficial
- Attachment #2: 03.04.2025 BOE Meeting Minutes_Unofficial

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ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Geiger moved; Director Thompson seconded the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the March 4, 2025 Special Board Meeting and the March 4, 2025 Regular Board Meeting as presented.

Geiger, aye; Meek, aye; Moore, aye; Myers, aye; Thompson, aye; Williams, aye; Winegar, aye.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion carried 7-0.

Recess

24. Recess

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

President Williams called a recess at 6:47 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Study Action Items

$25.\ \underline{\text{Growth}}\ \text{and Decline: School Pairing Recommendations}$ RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

• Attachment #1: 2025-4-8 Growth and Decline Recommendations for BOE

Superintendent Kane, Chief of Staff Colella, and several cabinet members presented DCSD's recommendation to consolidate six elementary schools into three—Saddle Ranch into Eldorado, Heritage into Summit View, and Acres Green into Fox Creek—starting in the 2026-2027 school year. The proposal includes certain boundary adjustments and moves sixth grade to middle school across all feeder systems in Highlands Ranch. The plan, which follows two years of analysis and community input, aims to improve student programming, preserve cohorts, and address declining enrollment. Estimated savings from consolidation range between \$30.4 and \$42.6 million over five years, with reinvestment focused on enhancing educational offerings. Transition plans include robust staff and family support, phased engagement, identity-building for the new school communities, and continuity of services including Special Education and preschool. A Board vote is scheduled for April 22, 2025.

26. Superintendent Monitoring Report on Executive Limitation 12, Student Accommodation

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

• Attachment #1: BOE Monitoring Report EL 12 (24-25)

Superintendent Kane presented her monitoring report on Executive Limitation 12, Student Accommodation. Board feedback will be incorporated into the monitoring report. The revised monitoring report will be placed on the April 22, 2025 consent agenda for Board approval.

Board of Education Reports

27. President Report

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

President Williams announced that the next Board of Education meeting is scheduled for April 22nd, with agenda planning to take place on April 10th at 10:00 a.m. She shared that the Board will host a table at Douglas County Libraries' "Ready, Set, Read!" event on May 15th in Castle Rock, noting it as a wonderful opportunity to engage with preschool parents. President Williams stated that she and Director Myers visited several additional elementary schools in Highlands Ranch over the past few weeks and reported that staff at those schools feel supported. She also attended the Apple Awards Reveal Party on March 29th, as well as the National School Boards Association Annual Conference last week. Finally, she provided an update from the March 27th District Advisory Committee meeting.

28. Vice President Reports

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

Vice President Winegar provided updates from the March 13th Fiscal Oversight Committee (FOC) meeting and the March 26th Mill Bond Oversight Committee (MBOC) meeting. She shared that she attended the Apple Awards Reveal Party on March 29th and reported that the April 4th Board engagement session with students at Sierra Middle School was a great experience. She also noted that, unfortunately, no one attended the Board's March 12th preschool parent engagement session held at the library in Parker.

29. Director Items, Board Committee and Liaison Reports RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

Director Moore provided updates from the April 2nd Safety and Security Committee meeting. He also reported that the April 2nd Board engagement session with students at Castle Rock Middle School was fantastic, emphasizing how incredible the students were.

Director Geiger shared updates from the April 2nd Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) meeting. He also reported attending the Student Advisory Group (SAG) roundtable on March 31st and noted that the April 4th Board engagement session with Mountain Ridge Middle School students was a great experience.

Director Myers gave updates from the March 10th Douglas County Youth Initiative (DCYI) Board meeting and announced that the DCYI Outstanding Youth Awards are scheduled for April 28th at 6:00 p.m. She stated that she will staff the Board's table at the "Ready, Set, Read!" event on May 15th and requested that another Board Director join her, if available. Additionally, she summarized her April 1st visit to CloverLeaf Enrichment School, DCSD's homeschool program, and discussed her April 2nd visit to Prairie Crossing Elementary.

Director Thompson reported visits to Trailblazer, Saddle Ranch, and Coyote Creek elementary schools on March 7th, as well as Copper Mesa Elementary School on March 12th. She also attended the March 29th Apple Awards Reveal Party. Director Thompson provided updates from the March 26th MBOC meeting and the April 4th Board engagement session with students at Sierra Middle School. Furthermore, she shared that she addressed the Senate Education Committee on Senate Bill 25-200, Dyslexia Screening and READ Act Requirements, both in her role as a Board Director and as a parent. The bill passed unanimously through the Senate Education Committee (6-0) and was later passed by the full Senate with a 34-0 vote.

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Director Meek provided updates from the March 31st Student Advisory Group (SAG) roundtable and expressed appreciation for the cabinet and Board members who attended. She emphasized the importance of capturing a summary of takeaways from the meeting and encouraged Board Directors to submit written summaries. She noted that SAG students will present their policy recommendations to the Board on April 22nd. Director Meek also shared updates from the March 27th DAC meeting and the most recent Foundation for Douglas County Schools (FDCS) Board meeting. She announced her attendance at the NSBA Annual Conference and advised that she will lead the Board's self-evaluation of Governance Process (GP) 1.7, Board Committee Structure. To support this, she has developed three surveys that she will send out the following day. Lastly, Director Meek stressed the need for clear guidelines regarding external groups visiting schools and reaffirmed the importance of maintaining religious and political neutrality.

Adjournment

30. Adjournment

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education adjourns the meeting.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Geiger moved; Director Winegar seconded the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

Geiger, aye; Meek, aye; Moore, aye; Myers, aye; Thompson, aye; Williams, aye; Winegar, aye.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion carried 7-0.

President Williams adjourned the meeting at 10:44 p.m. on Tuesday, April 8, 2025.

These minutes summarize the final decisions made by the Board of Education at the referenced meeting. View the meeting via YouTube by accessing the following link: https://youtube.com/live/HvSBI28Colw?feature=share

Supporting document(s) attached to the agenda: https://douglas.ic-board.com/

Christy Williams

Board of Education President

Becky Myers

Board of Education Secretary





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