



**Board of Education
Minutes
Special Meeting
Tuesday, June 27, 2023**

Available seating is contingent on room capacity restrictions and provided on a first-come basis or lottery system, if necessary. Community members can also view this meeting via livestream via YouTube.

The Board of Education conducted a Special Meeting on Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 620 Wilcox Street, Castle Rock, CO 80104.

Call to Order and Roll Call

1. Call to Order

RECOMMENDATION: Presiding Board Member calls the meeting to order.

President Peterson called the Special Meeting of the Board of Education of Douglas County School District (DCSD) Number RE-1 to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

RECOMMENDATION: Presiding Board Member calls roll.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Meek, Myers, Peterson, Ray, Williams, Winegar

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED: N/A

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Superintendent Kane, General Counsel Klimesh, Communications Officer Rader and Board Assistant Secretary Brockman.

Pledge of Allegiance

3. Pledge of Allegiance

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

President Peterson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Study/Work Session

4. Final Candidate Interviews for Board of Education Director District C

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

- Attachment #1: 06.06.2023 SIGNED Resolution Regarding a Board Vacancy
- Attachment #2: Candidate Burmeister-Redacted
- Attachment #3: Candidate Geiger_Redacted
- Attachment #4: Candidate Page_Redacted

The Board conducted final candidate interviews for the vacant Director District C seat. Board Assistant Secretary Brockman drew names to determine candidate interview order which was: Michael Burmeister (remote), Bradford Geiger (remote), and Jason

Page. Final interviews were conducted in three phases beginning with the applicant providing an opening statement, followed by two questions from each Board Member, and concluding with an opportunity for the applicant to provide a closing statement. Each final interview was approximately 30 minutes in duration and candidates were sequestered until it was their turn to interview.

Recess

President Peterson called a recess at 7:00 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Public Comment

5. Public Comment

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

- Attachment #1: 06.27.2023 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.

- Patti Anderson of Parker provided public comment in favor of Brad Geiger for the Director District C seat.
- Kelly Mayr of Highlands Ranch provided public comment in favor of Brad Geiger for the Director District C seat.
- Holly Page of Highlands Ranch provided public comment in favor of Jason Page for the Director District C seat.
- Erika Kranz of Littleton provided public comment in favor of Jason Page for the Director District C seat.
- Amit Gupta of Highlands Ranch provided public comment on the necessity of selecting a candidate who will rigorously evaluate the need for a mill levy override and bond.
- Linda White of Aurora provided public comment in favor of Jason Page for the Director District C seat.
- Cathy Lees of Highlands Ranch provided public comment in favor of Brad Geiger for the Director District C seat.
- Robert Marshall of Highlands Ranch provided public comment in favor of Brad Geiger for the Director District C seat.
- Ursula Kakos of Castle Rock provided public comment in favor of Jason Page for the Director District C seat.
- Tammi Flemming of Highlands Ranch provided public comment in favor of Jason Page for the Director District C Seat.
- Amy Windju of Castle Rock provided public comment in favor of Jason Page for the Director District C Seat.

Study/Action Items

6. Selection of Director to Fill Board of Education Director District C Vacancy

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education take action to fill the vacant Board Position.

President Peterson explained the process by which the Board would select a Director to fill the Director District C vacancy:

- a. The presiding officer of the meeting shall call for nominations from the finalists to fill the vacancy. Multiple nominations and seconds may be made. Nominations that receive a second shall then be open for discussion by the

Board. Once discussion is concluded, nominees shall be voted on in order of their nomination by a roll call vote. Once a nominee receives a majority of the votes, that nominee shall be officially declared to fill the vacancy.

- b. In the event of a tie between two remaining nominees, the presiding chair shall call for discussion and voting for up to two additional rounds. If no nominee receives a majority of votes after these two rounds, the matter shall be deemed tabled until the next meeting.
- c. In the event that the Board does not select a person to fill the vacancy by August 5, 2023 (the end of the 60th day following the date the vacancy has occurred), the President of the Board shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy as required by law.

Director Peterson called for nominations to fill the Board vacancy.

NEW - Motion

Director Williams moved; Director Myers seconded to approve the NEW motion to nominate Jason Page to fill the Director District C vacancy.

NEW - Motion

Director Ray moved; Director Meek seconded to approve the NEW motion to nominate Bradford Geiger to fill the Director District C seat.

Following the above nominations of Jason Page and Bradford Geiger, the Board discussed each candidate's experience and knowledge and how it would benefit Douglas County School District and the Board of Education.

President Peterson conducted a roll call vote beginning with Jason Page's nomination as moved by Director Williams and seconded by Director Myers:

Meek, no; Myers, aye; Peterson, aye; Ray, no; Williams, aye; Winegar, aye

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 2. The motion carried 4-2.

Jason Page was selected to fill the Director District C vacancy.

7. Newly Selected School Board Director - Oath of Office

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

President Peterson administered the Oath of Office to Jason Page and the new Director for District C was seated.

Recess

President Peterson called a recess at 8:00 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Convene in Executive Session (a closed session)

8. Convene in Executive Session (a closed session) for purposes of holding conference with the District's attorney(s) to receive legal advice on specific legal questions, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4) (b), regarding pending litigation, specifically Marshall v. Douglas County Board of Education et al., pending in District Court, Douglas County (Case No. 2022-cv-30071)

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education convenes in Executive Session (a closed session) for purposes of holding conference with the District's attorney(s) to receive legal advice on specific legal questions, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4) (b), regarding pending litigation, specifically Marshall v. Douglas County Board of Education et al., pending in District Court, Douglas County (Case No. 2022-cv-30071).

The Board may hold an executive session for considering limited matters, including: Real Estate matters e.g. the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of real, personal or other property pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4) (a); to hold conference with the Board's attorney to receive legal advice on specific legal questions, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4) (b); matters required to be kept confidential by federal or state law or rules and regulations pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4) (c); to be advised on specialized details of security arrangements and investigations pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4) (d); to determine positions relative to matters that are or will be subject to contract negotiations, developing strategy for those negotiations, and instructing negotiators, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4) (e); personnel matters, including actions, updates, and Superintendent recommendations involving individual employees, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4) (f); to consider documents protected by non-disclosure provisions of Colorado Open Records Act pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4) (g); and/or to be advised on individual student matters, where public disclosure would adversely affect the person or persons involved, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4) (h).

ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Myers moved; Director Winegar seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education convene in Executive Session (a closed session) for purposes of holding conference with the District's attorney(s) to receive legal advice on specific legal questions, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4) (b), regarding pending litigation, specifically Marshall v. Douglas County Board of Education et al., pending in District Court, Douglas County (Case No. 2022-cv-30071)'.

Board discussion.

Director Meek stated that she would like to table Agenda Item #9, Consideration of Resolution Regarding Conduct of Settlement Negotiations, because the resolution doesn't provide enough specificity for the public to meaningfully provide input on the action scheduled under that agenda item. She stated that it is written in a manner where the Board would reconvene following Executive Session and alter it which wouldn't provide the community time to read the resolution, fully understand it, and provide public comment prior to a Board vote.

NEW - Motion

Director Meek moved; Director Ray seconded the NEW motion to table Agenda Item #9, Consideration of Resolution Regarding Conduct of Settlement Negotiations.

Board discussion.

Director Winegar stated that she would like to hear from legal counsel and suggested that Director Meek's motion be postponed until the Board reconvenes following the Executive Session. Director Williams and President Peterson also stated that they would like to receive advice from legal counsel prior to voting on Director Meek's motion.

Director Meek rescinded her motion.

President Peterson conducted a roll call vote on the ORIGINAL motion (above) made by Director Myers and seconded by Director Winegar to convene in Executive Session:

Meek, aye; Myers, aye; Page, aye; Peterson, aye; Ray, no; Williams, aye; Winegar, aye

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 6 Nay: 1. The motion carried 6-1.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ATTENDANCE: Meek, Myers, Page, Peterson, Ray, Williams, Winegar, and Outside Legal Counsel Geoff Blue

Executive Session Time: 8:32 p.m. to 9:40 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27, 2023.

The Executive Session concluded at 9:40 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27, 2023.

9. Consideration of Resolution Regarding Conduct of Settlement Negotiations

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education consider approval of the Resolution Regarding Conduct of Settlement Negotiations.

- Attachment #1: 23.06.26 - Resolution regarding negotiations with Plaintiff v3

President Peterson reconvened the meeting at 9:44 p.m.

NEW - Motion

Director Meek moved; Director Ray seconded the NEW motion to table Agenda Item #9, Consideration of Resolution Regarding Conduct of Settlement Negotiations.

Board discussion.

Meek, aye; Myers, aye; Page, aye; Peterson, aye; Ray, aye; Williams, aye; Winegar, aye

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

Adjournment

10. Adjournment

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education adjourns the meeting.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Myers moved; Director Williams seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education adjourns the meeting.

Meek, aye; Myers, aye; Page, aye; Peterson, aye; Ray, 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 Peterson adjourned the meeting at 9:47 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27, 2023.

These minutes summarize the final decisions made by the Board of Education at the referenced meeting. View the meeting via You Tube by accessing the following link: <https://youtube.com/live/6iLzM7iuY7s?feature=share>.

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



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