## RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1

## TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF RESTRICTIONS FOR BOARD DIRECTORS TO ATTEND MEETINGS ELECTRONICALLY

- **WHEREAS**, on March 10, 2020, Governor Jared Polis declared a state of emergency and issued Executive Order D 2020 003 on March 11, 2020 to mitigate against the further spread of COVID-19; and
- **WHEREAS**, on March 18, 2020 Governor Jared Polis signed an Executive Order suspending in-person learning in public and private schools across the state from March 23 to April 17; and
- **WHEREAS**, on March 25, 2020, Governor Jared Polis issued Amended Public Health Order pursuant to the Governor's directive in Executive Orders D 2020 017 directing Coloradans to Stay at Home whenever possible; and
- **WHEREAS**, C.R.S. § 22-32-108 defines parameters and conditions for meetings of the Board of Education and allows the adoption of a policy authorizing Board members to attend and participate in regular or special meetings electronically; and
- **WHEREAS**, Board Policy BEAA: Electronic Participation in School Board Meetings restricts electronic participation to only special meetings of the Board (and not regular meetings) and requires a quorum of the Board to be physically present in order for other Board members to attend and participate by electronic means; and
- **WHEREAS**, Board Policy BG: Policy Process authorizes the Board to temporarily approve a new Board governance policy or new district policy to meet emergency conditions under unusual circumstances; and
- **WHEREAS**, HB 20-1301 was signed into law on March 14, 2020 that amends C.R.S. 22-32-108 to allow Board members participating electronically to be included in the number of members present necessary to convene a meeting.
- **NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Douglas County School District RE-1's Board of Education will temporarily suspend the restrictions stated in Board Policy BEAA to allow for:
  - All Board members to attend and participate electronically in all regular or special meetings of the Board during this pending health, safety, and welfare emergency.

- A quorum of the Board to be established by a sufficient number of members being present at the meeting either physically or electronically.
- All Board members who participate electronically to vote and to be included in the recording of the Board meeting.
- All Board member(s) participating electronically to have real-time access to any materials that are presented.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it further resolved that this temporary suspension of Board Policy BEAA restrictions will commence on March 26, 2020, the date of passage of this Resolution, and shall continue and be extended through the period of time of the state of emergency restricting in-person learning in the public schools of Colorado.

Adopted and approved this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020 by a vote of 7-0.

Attests, OOPHOTOO

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David Ray

David Ray, President

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Elizabeth Hanson, Secretary