



Board of Education
Minutes
Special Board Meeting
Monday, November 29, 2021

All persons attending the November 29, 2021 Special Board Meeting in person will be required to wear a mask. 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.

Call to Order and Roll Call

1. Roll Call

RECOMMENDATION: Presiding Board Member calls roll.

The special meeting of the Board of Education of Douglas County School District Number RE-1 was called to order by President Ray at 6:04 p.m.

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Superintendent Wise, Deputy Superintendent Abner, Deputy Superintendent Hiatt, Chief Assessment and Data Officer Reynolds, General Counsel Klimesh, Chief Technology Officer Blair, Chief Operations Officer Cosgrove, Chief Financial Officer Kotaska, Chief Human Resources Officer Thompson, Special Education Services Officer Rundle, Communications Officer Rader and Assistant to the Superintendent DeVol

Pledge of Allegiance

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Acceptance of Agenda

3. Acceptance of Agenda

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

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member Meek moved, Member Hanson seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education approves the Agenda as presented.

Hanson, aye; Meek, aye; Myers, 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.

Certification of Election

4. Resolution: Certification of Election Results

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education adopts the Resolution: Certification of Election Results as presented.

- Attachment #1: 2021 Resolution Certification of Election Results

Upon receipt of the Certification of Election, Official Abstract of Votes Cast for the 2021 Biennial Election from Douglas and Elbert Counties, the Resolution is prepared for the Board's approval.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member Meek moved, Member Winegar seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education adopts the Resolution: Certification of Election Results as presented.

Hanson, aye; Meek, aye; Myers, 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

Organization of the Board

5. Election of Board of Education President

RECOMMENDATION: That Board of Education conducts election of Board of Education President and declares nominee to be the elected president for a two-year term. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 22-32-104, the Board of Education will nominate a Board member for the office of President. The President is elected by secret ballot. If there is only one nominee, a member may make the motion that the Board declares the sole nominee to be elected the President.

Director Williams nominated Director Peterson for Board President.

Director Hanson nominated Director Meek for Board President.

Director Peterson made comments and accepted the nomination.

Director Meek made comments and accepted the nomination.

Board comments.

Following Directors vote by secret ballot, Director Ray declared Director Peterson as the Board of Education President for a two-year term by a vote of 4 - 3.

6. Election of Board of Education Vice President

RECOMMENDATION: That the newly elected Board of Education President conducts the election of the Board of Education Vice President and declares the nominee to be elected the Vice President for a two-year term.

Pursuant to C.R.S. § 22-32-104, the Board of Education will nominate a Board member for the office of Vice President. The Vice President is elected by secret ballot. If there is only one nominee, a member may make the motion to declare the sole nominee to be elected the Vice President.

Director Myers nominated Director Williams for Board Vice President.

Director Hanson nominated Director Meek for Board Vice President.

Director Williams made comments and accepted the nomination.

Director Meek made comments and accepted the nomination.

Board comments.

Following Directors vote by secret ballot, Director Ray declared Director Williams as the Board of Education Vice President for a two-year term by a vote of 4 - 3.

7. Election of Board of Education Secretary and Appointment of Board of Education Assistant Secretary

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education select a Secretary and Assistant Secretary.

Pursuant to C.R.S. § 22-32-104(4) (a), the Board of Education will select a Board member for the office of Secretary. The Board of Education may appoint an Assistant Secretary who is not a member of the Board.

Director Meek nominated Director Myers for Board Secretary.

No other nominations.

Director Myers accepted the nomination.

Hearing no other nominations for Board of Education Secretary, Director Ray asked for a motion to appoint Director Myers as Board of Education Secretary for a two-year term.

NEW - Motion

Member Winegar moved, Member Meek seconded to approve the NEW Motion that the Board of Education appoint Director Myers as Board of Education Secretary for a two-year term.

Hanson, aye; Meek, aye; Myers, 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.

Director Ray provided background information regarding the appointment of a Board Assistant Secretary.

Director Ray asked for a motion to appoint Sandy Maresh as Board of Education Assistant Secretary.

NEW - Motion

Member Peterson moved, seconded by Member Winegar to appoint Sandy Maresh as Board Assistant Secretary.

Hanson, aye; Meek, aye; Myers, 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.

8. Election of Board of Education Treasurer and Appointment of Assistant Treasurer
RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education select a Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer.

Pursuant to C.R.S. § 22-32-104(4) (a), the Board of Education may select a Board member for the office of Treasurer. The Board of Education may select an Assistant Treasurer who is not a member of the Board.

President Peterson nominated Director Winegar.

No other nominations.

Director Winegar accepted the nomination.

Hearing no other nominations for Board of Education Treasurer, Director Ray asked for a motion to appoint Director Winegar as Board of Education Treasurer for a two-year term.

NEW - Motion Member Hanson moved, Member Meek seconded to nominate Director Winegar as Board of Education Treasurer for a two-year term.

Hanson, aye; Meek, aye; Myers, 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.

Director Ray provided background information regarding the appointment of an Assistant Treasurer.

Director Ray asked for a motion to appoint Chief Financial Officer Kate Kotaska as Board of Education Assistant Treasurer.

NEW - Motion by Member Williams, seconded by Member Winegar to appoint Chief Financial Officer Kate Kotaska as Board Assistant Treasurer.

Hanson, aye; Meek, aye; Myers, 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.

Recess I

9. 15-Minute Recess Called to Break and Return to the Boardroom for the Study/Work Session

President Peterson called for a recess at 6:35 p.m. and reconvened the Special Board Meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Study/Work Session

10. Board's Duties and Powers Under Colorado Law
RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

General Counsel Klimesh provided an overview regarding the Board's Duties and Powers under Colorado law.

Board discussion.

11. Policy Governance

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

- Attachment #1: Board Policy Governance Book
- Attachment #2: CASB Presentation Policy Governance

Colorado Association of School Board Director of Public Policy and Advocacy Matt Cook presented information regarding Policy Governance.

Board discussion.

12. Roles and Responsibilities of Board of Education Directors

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

- Attachment #1: Board Policy BC
- Attachment #2: Board Policy BCA_E_1 Attachment #3: BCB

This item was discussed in Agenda Item #11.

13. Board Committee Liaisons

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

- Attachment #1: BoE External Groups and Committees List 2021
- Attachment #2: BoE Committee Information 2021
- Attachment #3: 08.24.2021 Resolution Board Committees Areas of Focus
- Attachment #4: RMSEL Summary 11.29.2021

The Board discussed assignment of Directors to committees as listed below.

Board Committees:

Board Committees: Board/Superintendent Linkage 1.0; Executive Limitation 1.8;
District Accountability Committee (Meek/Myers)
Fiscal Oversight Committee (Winegar)
Long Range Planning Committee (Meek/Williams)
Mill/Bond Oversight Ad Hoc Committee (Winegar)
Student Advisory Group (Myers/Ray)

District/Parent Committees:

The Foundation for Douglas County Schools (Hanson)
Douglas County Safety Committee (Hanson/Ray/Peterson)
Douglas County Special Education Advisory Committee (Peterson/Ray)
Douglas County Gifted Education Advisory Committee (Williams)
Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning (Myers/Ray)
Parent and Family Engagement (Williams)
Equity Committee (Meek/Peterson)

External Groups and Committees:

Colorado Association of School Boards Delegate (Peterson)
Douglas County Youth Initiative (Myers)
Government Relations (Meek/Peterson)

Convene in Executive Session (a closed session)

14. Convene in Executive Session (a closed session)

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education adjourn the Special Board Meeting and 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), including conferences to receive legal advice and respond to legal questions regarding a Board member's powers and duties; and, related to pending and threatened litigation, including L.V. and L.V. et al. v. DCSD and DCSD et al. v. DCHD.

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).

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Hanson, aye; Meek, aye; Myers, 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

15. Adjournment

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education adjourns the meeting.

President Peterson adjourned the Special Board Meeting at 8:40 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ATTENDANCE: Hanson, Meek, Myers, Peterson, Ray, Williams, Winegar, Wise, Abner, Hiatt (remote), Klimesh, Condon, Jacobs

Executive Session Time: 8:50 - 10:55 p.m.

Executive Session concluded at 10:55 p.m.

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://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2NSMjUR2INE&list=PLyjVvMhp58liz3QmZQeX7QUKKhYfNu4Rb&index=4>

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

Mike Peterson
Board of Education President

ATTEST

Becky Myers
Board of Education Secretary