

Board of Education Minutes Tuesday, October 11, 2022

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Call to Order and Roll Call

1. Call to Order

RECOMMENDATION: Presiding Board Member calls the meeting to order.

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

2. Roll Call

RECOMMENDATION: Presiding Board Member calls roll.

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

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED: N/A

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Superintendent Kane, Deputy Superintendent Hiatt, Assistant Superintendent Winsor, General Counsel Klimesh, Chief Technology Officer Blair, Chief Operations Officer Cosgrove, Interim Chief Financial Officer Schleusner, Chief Human Resources Officer Thompson, Communications Officer Rader and Board Assistant Secretary Brockman.

Pledge of Allegiance

3. Pledge of Allegiance

RECOMMENDATION: The presiding Board member leads the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Peterson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

DCSD Spotlight

4. DCSD Spotlight: Finalist for 2023 Colorado Teacher of the Year - Rocio Meli, Castle Rock Middle School

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

Superintendent Kane announced that October 20, 2022 is the 23rd annual Lights on Afterschool event. This national event celebrates afterschool programs and the important role they play in the lives of children, families and communities. To honor this event, the Board spotlighted DCSD's Before and After School Enterprise (BASE) programs by thanking BASE staff and watching a video recapping Northridge Elementary's BASE program.

Acceptance of Agenda

5. Acceptance of Agenda

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

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ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Williams moved, Director Myers seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education approve 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.

Superintendent Reports

6. Superintendent Updates

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

Superintendent Kane advised that Youth Congress was held at the State Capitol last week, 2023 Apple Awards nominations are open from October 3-November 13, 2022, this week is National School Lunch Week, A Taste of DCSD will be held on October 13, 2022 at Cresthill Middle School from 4:30-7:00 p.m., a marching band festival was held this past weekend at Douglas County High School, Regionals will be held at Legend High School on October 20, 2022, Fall Break is scheduled for October 17-21, 2022, and October 31, 2022 is a professional development day for staff.

Superintendent Kane addressed misinformation included in Douglas County's 2022 General Election TABOR Book about DCSD's Mill Levy Override (5A) and Bond (5B) initiatives. Any registered voter eligible to vote on a local ballot initiative can submit pro or con statements about that initiative. These statements must be printed as submitted regardless of whether they are factual.

The Board discussed the Douglas County 2022 General Election TABOR Book. Superintendent Kane will provide the Board with information on the TABOR Notice process and how change can be affected to ensure factual information is published.

Assistant Superintendent Windsor discussed the process and rationale behind a potential compatible high school bell schedule.

Public Comment

7. Public Comment

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

• Attachment #1: 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.

- Jeanette "Jamie" Hoel provided public comment on the unified bell schedule and its impact on Castle View High School students.
- Kimberly Race provided public comment on the unified bell schedule and its impact on Castle View High School.
- Lisa Doak provided public comment on the unified bell schedule and its impact on Castle View High School.
- Sally Collins provided public comment on the unified bell schedule and its impact on Castle View High School.
- Aiden Reilly provided public comment on the unified bell schedule and its impact on Castle View High School students.
- Lynnea Oldham provided public comment on the unified bell schedule, its impact on Castle View High School, and the transportation shortage.

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- Matt Cassady provided public comment on the Foundation Against Intolerance and Racism (FAIR).
- Bradford Geiger provided public comment on the Mill Levy Override and Bond.
- David Dole provided public comment on "A Long Way Gone" by Ishmael Beah.
- Jennifer Iverson provided public comment on special education.
- Christian Phelps provided public comment on the unified bell schedule change and its impact on Castle View High School.
- Jenny Brady provided public comment on the Mill Levy Override and Bond.
- Tiffany Baker provided public comment on the Mill Levy Override and Bond.
- Lucy Squire provided public comment on the Mill Levy Override and Bond.

President Peterson read a memo from Lone Tree Mayor Jackie Millet regarding recently passed Lone Tree City Council resolutions supporting DCSD's Mill Levy Override and Bond initiatives, 5A and 5B, respectively.

Recess

8. Recess

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board President calls a recess.

President Peterson called a recess at 6:57 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Adoption of Consent Agenda

9. Adoption of Consent Agenda: Staff Recommendations, Detailed in Agenda Item #10 Organized for Board of Education Block Approval

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

 #10 Notice of Withdrawal from Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning IGA and BOCES Effective June 30, 2024

ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Ray moved; Director Meek seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education adopt the Consent 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.

10. Notice of Withdrawal from Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning IGA and BOCES Effective June 30, 2024

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approve the Resolution Regarding the District's Withdrawal from the Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning Board of Cooperative Educational Services and Intergovernmental Agreement to be Effective June 30, 2024.

• Attachment #1: Resolution Regarding Withdrawal from RMSEL (10-11-22)

Some years ago, DCSD and other sponsoring school districts formed the Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning Board of Cooperative Educational Services ("RMSEL BOCES") for the purpose of operating the Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning ("RMSEL") and have entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) regarding RMSEL's operation. Since the formation of RMSEL, expeditionary learning schools have been established within the boundaries of DCSD

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and the number of students enrolled in RMSEL from DCSD in recent years is much less than the 50 full-time equivalent (FTE) student spaces reserved for DCSD students. DCSD's administration has carefully reviewed and considered the merits of DCSD's continued membership in the RMSEL BOCES and RMSEL IGA and has determined that it is in the best interests of DCSD to withdraw from the RMSEL BOCES and to terminate the RMSEL IGA effective June 30, 2024. If DCSD withdraws from the RMSEL BOCES and its agreement pursuant to the RMSEL IGA is terminated, all students residing in DCSD who are currently enrolled in RMSEL may remain enrolled in RMSEL through their graduation. The Constitution of the RMSEL BOCES and the RMSEL IGA provides that the board of education of any sponsoring district may terminate the Agreement by providing written notice to the RMSEL BOCES of its intent to withdraw from the Agreement by November 1st of any year and such notice shall operate to terminate the Agreement effective as of the end of the 23-24 school year.

Adoption of Joint Motion Agenda

11. Approval of Minutes

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the minutes as presented.

• Attachment #1: 09.27.2022 BOE Meeting Minutes Unofficial

ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Meek moved, Director Ray seconded the ORIGINAL motion that the Board of Education approve the Board minutes 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.

Study/Action Items

12. Resolution in Support of Mill Levy Override and Bond RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Board approve the Resolution in Support of the Mill Levy Override and Bond.

• Attachment #1: Resolution in Support of DCSD 2022 MLO and Bond 10-11-22

Director Ray proposed the following changes to the Resolution in Support of the Douglas County School District's 2022 Mill Levy Override and Bond Ballot Initiatives. These statements include minor wording changes suggested by other Board members and accepted by Director Ray:

- Third "WHEREAS" statement: Insert "is" after "facilities" and modify entire statement to: "WHEREAS, a high-quality school system, which attracts and adequately compensates high-quality teachers and staff as well as provides high-quality educational facilities, is in the best interest of our students, families, staff, and community; and"
- Add a new "WHEREAS" statement after the third "WHEREAS" statement: "WHEREAS, Douglas County School District has a proven history of providing students with a rigorous and relevant educational experience with positive achievement results; and"
- Add a new "WHEREAS" statement after the fifth "WHEREAS" statement: "WHEREAS, Douglas County School District believes that students in Douglas County deserve equal financial investment in their education as neighboring school districts; and"

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Insert a new "WHEREAS" statement just before "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT
RESOLVED": "WHEREAS, all Board of Education Committees, the Equity Advisory
Council, multiple governmental municipalities and community organizations
have formally endorsed the passage of 5A and 5B."

NEW - Motion

Director Ray moved, Director Williams seconded the NEW motion to approve the Resolution in Support of the Douglas County School District's 2022 Mill Levy Override and Bond Ballot Initiatives with the above new language proposed by Director Ray with minor wording changes by other Directors.

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.

President Peterson read into the record the list of municipalities and organizations that have passed official resolutions in support of DCSD's Mill Levy Override and Bond initiatives: Highlands Ranch Metro District, Castle Rock Town Council, Lone Tree City Council, Larkspur Town Council, Parker Chamber of Commerce, Parker Town Council, Rose Community Foundation, United Way, Douglas County Democratic Party, and Castle Pines City Council. President Peterson stated that the Highlands Ranch Community Association was expected to pass a similar resolution in support.

- 13. Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) Data Presentation RECOMMENDATION: Information only.
 - Attachment #1: BOE 2021-2022 State Assessment Data Overview
 - Attachment #2: BOE Assessment Presentation (October 2022) FINAL

Superintendent Kane presented Spring 2022 assessment data.

14. Special Education Update

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

- Attachment #1: SpecialEducationUpdatesPresentation 10-11-22
- Attachment #2: DCSEACPresentation 10-11-22

Deputy Superintendent Hiatt, Director of Special Education Sarah Cannon and Interim Director of Special Education Nicole Lechman Trujillo provided a Special Education update. This was followed by a Douglas County Special Education Advisory Committee (DCSEAC) presentation by DCSEAC Co-Chairs Kerriann Tompkins and Aleia Mastroianni.

Policy Governance

- 15. BOE Discussion on End #2: Outstanding Educators and Staff RECOMMENDATION: Information only.
 - Attachment #1: 10.11.2022 BOE End #2

The Board members reviewed and discussed End #2: Outstanding Educators and Staff.

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Board of Education Reports

16. President Report

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

President Peterson advised:

- Regular Board Meeting on November 1, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.
 - O Discussion of End #3: Safe, Positive Culture and Climate
- Agenda planning for the November 1, 2022 meeting on October 14, 2022 at 10:30 a.m.
- DCSD Fall Break is October 17-21, 2022
- Mill Levy Override (5A) and Bond (5B) initiatives:
 - \circ Thanked the Board and Board Subcommittee members for their community engagement efforts
 - Urged citizens and DCSD staff (using their free time and resources) to get involved
 - Thanked candidates and canvassers for including our Mill/Bond literature during their walks
 - Thanked Eric and Rhonda Garrett for donating \$25,000 to the Invest in DCSD effort
 - o Find information, volunteer or donate at investindesd.com
- CASB Fall Conference and Delegate Assembly is October 21-22, 2022 (Director Meek is attending)

17. Vice President Items

RECOMMENDATION: Information only.

Vice President Williams advised that a funding information session on the Mill/Bond would be held at the Sterling Center in Sterling Ranch on October 13, 2022. She urged individuals to attend and have their questions answered.

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

Director Hanson stated that she has read the book, "A Long Way Gone", which was a topic during public comment this evening, and is available to discuss or answer questions.

Director Ray advocated, regarding the CASB Fall Conference and Delegate Assembly, that there not be a voting delegate from our district since the Board hasn't discussed and come to consensus on the issues. He advised that Student Advisory Group updates should be a standing agenda item preceding public comment for regular Board meetings. Finally, Director Ray recommended that Board Directors refrain from reading letters from the dais during Public Comment because this has a different tone and flavor than comments made by the public from the floor.

Director Myers commented on the book, "A Long Way Gone", which she has read, and provided her observations on Youth Congress at the State Capitol, which she attended.

Director Winegar discussed her efforts to distribute flyers on the Mill/Bond initiatives and encouraged others to get involved.

Director Meek talked about the virtual Zoom meetings she is hosting one to two times each week to educate the public about the Mill/Bond initiatives and answer questions. She encouraged everyone to get active and engaged in promoting the Mill/Bond initiatives. She also provided updates on the October 5, 2022 Long Range

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Planning Committee meeting and the draft DCSD Community Connection Plan and next steps.

19. Adjournment

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board President adjourns the meeting.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Director Ray moved, Director Williams seconded the ORIGINAL motion to adjourn the meeting.

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.

President Peterson adjourned the meeting at 9:43 p.m. on Tuesday, October 11, 2022.

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://youtu.be/7oV wxIePPw

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