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**Eagle County School District RE 50J
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Board Room, 757 East Third Street, Eagle
Wednesday, March 28, 2018, 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Board Members Present

Felicia Battle
Inga Haagenson Causey
Kate Cocchiarella
Rebecca Cotton
Shelly Jarnot
Tessa Kirchner
Melisa Rewold-Thuon

Administration Present

Heather Eberts
Maggie Lopez
Chris Madison
Sandy Mutchler
Philip Qualman
Tammy Schiff
Todd Shahan
Traci Wodlinger

Board Members Absent

Administration Absent

A. General Function

Procedural: 1. Roll Call.

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m. All members were present except Tessa Kirchner who joined the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

B. Work Session (4:30 p.m.)

Discussion, Information: 1. Strategic Plan Update - Finance Tactic 5 - Return on Investments.

Sandra Mutchler, Chief Operations Officer shared with the Board of Education information on the tactic return on investments on the evaluation of the district programs. Ms. Mutchler went through a chart created by Brenda Baltierrez, Learning Support Specialists, which showed the analysis of the district programs and the usage by school. Board members asked questions about the cost associated with the programs and the subscription of them.

C. Executive Session (5:00 p.m.)

Information: 1. Superintendent Search - Consult Legal Advice and Instruct Negotiators.

At 5:03 p.m., Kate Cocchiarella moved to convene an executive session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(b), C.R.S. for legal advice regarding the superintendent search and to 24-6-402(4)(c), C.R.S. regarding instructing negotiators and determining strategy for contract negotiations with potential superintendent Adele Wilson was invited to attend; Rebecca Cotton seconded the motion, all members present, voted aye on a roll call vote to convene the Executive Session. (7-0) **(Motion carried)** Executive Session ended at 6:02 p.m.

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D. Dinner for Board Members (5:30 p.m.)

Information, Procedural: 1. Dinner for Board Members

E. Regular Session (6:00 p.m.)

The meeting was called to order at 6:23 p.m.

Information, Procedural: 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

F. Public Participation

Information, Procedural: 1. Public Participation Guidelines.

Joanne Rock asked for an update on school safety in relation to the bond.

Mary Harp shared thoughts with the Board regarding the proposed calendar.

G. Consent Agenda

Action (Consent): 1. Approval of Agenda.*

Recommended Action: Move to approve the consent agenda.

Action (Consent): 2. Approval of Minutes.*

Recommended Action: Move to approve the minutes from the March 14, 18, 19, and 20, 2018 Board of Education meetings.

Action (Consent): 3. Approval of Consent Items.*

Recommended Action: Move to approve the consent agenda items.

G. Consent Agenda Items

1. Approval of Agenda.*
2. Approval of Minutes.*
3. Approval of Consent Items.*

M. Business and Operations

2. **Approval of Fuel Relocation Agreement and Collett Enterprises as the Sole Source Fuel Provider.*
3. Approval of First Amendment to Lease Agreement for 960 Chambers Suite A201 - Roberts.*
4. Approval of First Amendment to Lease Agreement for 960 Chambers Suite A101 - Byron.*
5. Approval of Red Canyon High School Building Lease.*

N. Employee Relations

1. Approval of Personnel List.*

Tessa Kirchner moved to approve the consent agenda; Inga Causey seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (7-0) **(Motion carried.)**

H. Report of the Superintendent

Dr. Maggie Lopez, Interim Superintendent shared with the Board her report of the work over the last few weeks.

Under school events and news were several appointments and they included an update on achievement meetings with the principals, Walking Mountains Board meeting, final District Accountability Advisory Committee, Suicide SOS Presentation for Latino families, bond project tour, and an update on the work of schools PLC meetings.

Community events and news included information about a State legislature, PERA legislative, Superintendent State finance proposal, and an update on the upcoming state testing that will begin on April 2nd and will go through the 27th.

I. Board Reports

Felicia Battle reported that she attended the Head Start Policy Council meeting, and calendar committee thanking each of the committee members for their hard work.

Melisa Rewold-Thuon thanked Tammy Schiff for participating in the ERYC Project Runway and Phil Qualman for the work in the Student Expo, also sharing that she will be out in the elementary schools for her work through the YouthPower365.

Shelly Jarnot shared she attended Edwards Elementary Project Lead the Way student work, Battle Mountain High conferences, Battle Mountain High Accountability meeting, GT Transition meeting, Walking Mountains Board meeting, Calendar committee, and District Accountability Advisory Committee.

Inga Haagenson Causey, and Rebecca Cotton spoke about the Superintendent Search work.

Tessa Kirchner shared that she attended Colorado Association of School Board meeting, and reminded the public about Evening of Stars.

Kate Cocchiarella spoke about the process of the Superintendent search, and attended a meeting for the Boardroom design.

J. General Administration

Discussion, Information: 1. New/Old Business

Kate Cocchiarella walked the Board through the upcoming and old business.

K. Board Policies and Administrative Regulations

Action, Discussion: 1. Approval of Monitoring Report for Governance Policy EL-16, School Year Calendar and Approval of the 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 School Year Calendar.

Recommended Action: Move to approve the monitoring report for Governance Policy EL-16, School Year Calendar and approve the school year calendars for 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 as presented.

Adele Wilson, Committee Chair presented with members of the committee Tiffany Dougherty, and Mark Plachta. The committee consisted of staff members from all levels, and parents.

The committee members spoke about the input from the community, and staff. The committee considered many things, with student needs at the forefront. The members spoke about the three prime needs of the calendar being the school year starting in August, week long breaks vs. the three-day school weeks as many families take the entire week off anyway, and semester ending prior to break. Members shared with the Board of Education about reasoning behind these three as well as other items that included elementary testing window, semester balance, state required testing that takes approximately 5 days out of the school year.

Board members asked questions about the current calendar proposal and spoke to the advantages of having continuity to a calendar for three years. The calendar would be brought back each year should any minor changes need to be made, as this is a Governance Policy EL-16 that is monitored each year.

Members of the Board thanked the members of the committee.

Tessa Kirchner moved to approve the monitoring report for Governance Policy EL-16, School Year Calendar and approve the school year calendars for 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 as presented, Inga Causey seconded the motion. Under discussion prior to the vote, the members recommended that late start as well as bell schedules be added to the calendar prior to publishing. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (7-0) **(Motion carried.)**

**Action: 2. Approval of Monitoring Report for Governance Policy GP-7, Committee Structure.
Recommended Action: Move to approve the Monitoring Report for Governance Policy GP-7, Committee Structure.**

Kate Cocchiarella presented the need to assign a committee to the newest member of the Board, Rebecca Cotton. The members went through the list of committees and found a couple that Rebecca could be added to. Miss Cotton will replace Felicia Battle on the Finance Committee and will shadow Shelly Jarnot on the GT Committee.

Inga Causey moved to approve the Monitoring Report for Governance Policy GP-7, Committee Structure with the addition of Rebecca Cotton to Finance and GT committees, removing Felicia Battle from Finance; Melisa Rewold-Thuon seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (7-0) **(Motion carried.)**

L. Public Interest Items for Discussion

**Action, Discussion: 1. Approval of Late Start Wednesdays for Elementary Schools.
Recommended Action: Move to approve Late Start Wednesdays for elementary schools for the 2018-2019 school year.**

Tiffany Dougherty, Roy Getchell, and Marcie Laidman presented to the Board of Education. Also present were Brooke Cole, Matt Abramowitz, Mitch Forsberg, and Eric Olsen. Erika Donahue was unable to be present due to a family need and Bobby Young was not in attendance as Homestake Peak already has late start for his elementary. Both absent principals were in full support of the late start, as all principals were.

Elementary principals presented to the Board of Education about the possibility of a late start day for Wednesdays during the 2018-19SY during the work session at the March 14 Board of Education meeting. A poll was sent to parents to gather feedback regarding a late start Wednesday and the results of the poll were shared with the Board in their packet. Presenters spoke about the need, why, and how our schools will use the added time with colleagues. Also sharing about the communication that has taken place and the plans for the future should the Board agree to approve the late start. Principals have worked to come up with care for the students that would need to arrive early on that day.

The presenters spoke about the questions that came out of the work session at the March 14, 2018 Board of Education meeting. One of the items that hadn't been thought of was preschool students. After some deliberation, they have worked out swapping their one-day (currently Friday) to move to Wednesday as a tuition only day. Preschool students aren't provided outside services on this day. Care will still be provided five days a week for preschool students within the same hours.

Board members asked questions about the possible changes that included travel, increasing the student contact time, etc. Principals feel that this will be a win for teachers to be given time to collaborate, review data and provide more robust individualized plans, which in turn will be an ultimate win for students.

Principals asked for this as a trial for the 2018-19SY and that way they can try it and see how many students will need care, what changes should be considered for another year should the program be a success and they ask the Board for consideration indefinitely in the future. If students are not able to come late on the bus the parents will need to provide transportation to school early and care will be provided by each school.

Members spoke about the concerns from parents as well as other members who felt that the principals had given this thorough thought.

Kate Cocchiarella moved to approve the Late Start Wednesdays for elementary schools for the 2018-2019 school year, Tessa Kirchner seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (7-0) **(Motion carried.)**

Action: 2. Review and Approval of Head Start Grant Application.

Recommended Action: Move to approve the 2018-2019 Head Start Grant application as presented.

Shelley Smith, Director of Early Childhood Education presented a brief update on the Road Map Committee work.

Going into the information about the Head Start grant application, which must be submitted by April 1, 2018. Grant allocation amount is determined by the Office of Head Start, per funding guidance letter that was presented along with other supporting documents.

Felicia Battle moved to approve the 2018-2019 Head Start Grant application as presented; Melisa Rewold-Thuon seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (7-0) **(Motion carried.) (Attachment 03.28.L.2.)**

Action: 3. Review and Approval of Eligibility, and Selection/Enrollment Policies for Early Childhood.

Recommended Action: Move to approve the Eligibility, Selection/Enrollment Policies and the Selection Criteria for Early Childhood Policies as presented for the 2018-19 Early Childhood enrollment process.

Shelley Smith, Director of Early Childhood Education presented about the item in the packet. There was a slight change to the packet information due to the input of policy council and Ms. Smith spoke about the change in the selection criteria removing the wording of a 4-children family.

The Board of Education approval is required annually on policies related to Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, and Enrollment. Ms. Smith shared with the Board the 2018-2019 Eligibility, Selection/Enrollment policies and selection criteria for approval and went over all of the proposed changes.

Melisa Rewold-Thuon moved to approve the Eligibility, Selection/Enrollment Policies with the recommendation of the Selection Criteria of the Early Childhood Policy Council to remove the four children under the area for high-impact and the rest as presented for the 2018-19 Early Childhood enrollment process, Felicia Battle seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (7-0) **(Motion carried.)**

Members took a quick break.

Discussion, Information: 4. Strategic Plan Update - Communications Tactic 2 - Grassroots Advocacy.

Tammy Schiff, Chief Communications Officer presented on her tactic which is to trigger and support grassroots advocacy efforts around local, state, and national public education issues. Ms. Schiff went over the items that the tactic uses to measure its success and the milestones as well as the challenges it faces.

M. Business and Operations

Action, Discussion: 1. Approval of Changes to the 3A Oversight Committee Membership.

Recommended Action: Move to approve the resignation of Dustin Hansen and appointment of Becky Gray on the 3A Oversight Committee.

Sandra Mutchler Chief Finance Offer presented the information on the committee and the need to replace a resigning member Dustin Hansen with Becky Gray who is still interested in serving.

Tessa Kirchner moved to approve the resignation of Dustin Hansen and appointment of Becky Gray on the 3A Oversight Committee, Inga Causey seconded the motion. Under discussion prior to the vote Tessa Kirchner thanked the members of the community for their dedication and service. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (7-0) **(Motion carried.)**

Action (Consent): 2. **Approval of Fuel Relocation Agreement and Collett Enterprises as the Sole Source Fuel Provider.*

Recommended Action: Move to approve the agreement for Fuel Tank Relocation and Collett Enterprises as the Sole Source Fuel Provider.

This item was approved under the consent agenda. **(Attachment 03.28.M.2.)**

Action (Consent): 3. Approval of First Amendment to Lease Agreement for 960 Chambers Suite A201 - Roberts.*

Recommended Action: Move to approve the annual lease as presented for property located at 960 Chambers Suite A101, Eagle Colorado.

This item was approved under the consent agenda. **(Attachment 03.28.M.3.)**

Action (Consent): 4. Approval of First Amendment to Lease Agreement for 960 Chambers Suite A101 - Byron.*

Recommended Action: Move to approve the annual lease as presented for property located at 960 Chambers Suite A101, Eagle Colorado.

This item was approved under the consent agenda. **(Attachment 03.28.M.4.)**

Action (Consent): 5. Approval of Red Canyon High School Building Lease.*

Recommended Action: Move to approve the additional year lease with Butters Investment, LLC for property located at 139 Broadway, Eagle, CO.

This item was approved under the consent agenda. **(Attachment 03.28.M.5.)**

N. Employee Relations

Action (Consent): 1. Approval of Personnel List.*

Recommended Action: Move to approve the personnel list as presented.

This item was approved under the consent agenda.

O. Feedback and Evaluation of Meeting

Discussion, Information, Procedural: 1. Evaluate Decisions of the Board Meeting in Terms of Governance Policies

Discussion, Information, Procedural: 2. Did the Meeting Advance the goals and Mission of the District?


P. Adjournment

Procedural: 1. Meeting Adjournment

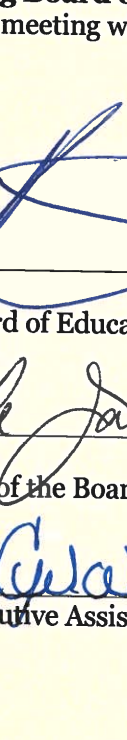
The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Information: 2. Upcoming Board of Education Meetings

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at 757 East Third Street, Eagle, CO.



Kate Cocchiarella
President of the Board of Education



Michele Jarnot
Secretary/Treasurer of the Board of Education



Melissa Gerard, Executive Assistant