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

Regular Meeting  
Town of Avon, 1 Lake Street, Avon, CO  
Wednesday, July 11, 2018, 3:00 p.m.

**MINUTES**

Board Members Present

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

Administration Present

Melissa Gerard  
Chris Madison  
Sandy Mutchler  
Philip Qualman  
Carlos Ramirez  
Tammy Schiff  
Todd Shahan

Board Members Absent

Administration Absent

Adele Wilson  
Traci Wodlinger

**A. General Function**

**Procedural: 1. Roll Call.**

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m., roll call was taken and all members were present in person except Felicia Battle and Tessa Kirchner who joined the meeting via phone at 3:08 p.m. Felicia Battle disconnected at 4:10 p.m. and Tessa Kirchner disconnected at 5:17 p.m.

Inga Causey joined the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

**B. Executive Session (3:00 p.m.)**

**Information: 1. Consult and Receive Legal Advice on HB 18-1286.**

**Information: 2. Personnel - Superintendent Goal Setting.**

At 3:10 p.m. Kate Cocchiarella moved to convene an executive session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(b) for the purposes of to consult and receive legal advice on HB 18-1286, and to pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(f) for a personnel matter, specifically the superintendent goals, Carlos Ramirez was invited to attend, Shelly Jarnot seconded the motion, all members present, voted aye on a roll call vote to convene the Executive Session. (6-0) **(Motion carried.)** Executive Session on consult and receive legal advice ended at 3:22 p.m. **(Attachment 07.11.B.2.)** and a personnel matter ended at 4:10 p.m.

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### **C. Work Session (4:00 p.m.)**

#### **Discussion, Information: 1. Update to the Board on Housing Initiatives.**

Sandy Mutchler, Tom Braun of Braun Associates and Michael O'Connor of Triumph Development presented on the housing initiatives and the possible development and affordability of tiny or affordable homes on the Maloit Park site. Mr. O'Connor also spoke to the Board about the costs associated with the possible development, broken down by home types. The team started this conversation with the Board of Education in February and this discussion was a follow up from that initial conversation.

The presentation wrapped up with guiding principles discussion and next steps, both will be voted on during the regular session.

The current homes at Maloit Park were also a topic of discussion as some of these mobile homes are older and cannot be moved. These owners are employees of the district and are aware of the possibility of the land where their homes are currently parked could be used to build on in the future. They own their homes and lease the space/land under them.

Should the district proceed with housing it is likely two to three years out before any dirt would be moved and would give those renters time to find other housing.

#### **Information: 2. Strategic Plan Update - Wraparound Internal Tactic 2, Transportation.**

Melanie McMichael presented to the Board of Education on her transportation tactic. The goal of the tactic is to have students arrive ready to learn, participate and experience the many things available to students in our district. Some of the milestones of the tactic were Implemented Smart Tag student safety system, started bus replacement system, implemented employee professional learning for impending 2020 federal training changes, and driver recruitment to list a few.

Mrs. McMichael wrapped up the work for the next year and challenges the tactic faces.

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

#### **Information, Procedural: 1. Dinner for Board Members**

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

#### **Procedural: 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

The meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m.

#### **F. Public Participation**

##### **Information, Procedural: 1. Public Participation Guidelines.**

There wasn't any public participation at this meeting.

#### **G. Consent Agenda\***

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

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

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

The following items were approved on the consent agenda.

#### **G. Consent Agenda Items**

1. Approval of Agenda.\*
2. Approval of Minutes.\*

### 3. Approval of Consent Items.\*

#### L. Business and Operations

1. Approval of Revised MOU with Vail Health.\*
2. Approval of Nutrition Services Management Software.\*
3. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with the Vail Recreational District for Use of School Facilities.\*

#### M. Board Policies and Administrative Regulations.

1. Approval of Monitoring Report for Governance Policy EL-19, School Safety.\*
2. Approval of Monitoring Report for Governance Policy GP-8, Agenda Planning.\*

#### N. Employee Relations

1. Approval of Personnel List.\*

Melisa Rewold-Thuon moved to approve the consent agenda; Shelly Jarnot seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) **(Motion carried.)**

### **H. Report of the Superintendent**

Dr. Ramirez began his report with a quick review of the construction tour that he attended, shared a video of the July 4 Town of Vail Parade, update on Walking Mountains Taste of Nature, announcing he closed on his home in Eagle, speaking about the breakfast program in all schools next year and congratulating our ECS Communications Department on receiving the Golden Achievement Award.

Dr. Ramirez wrapped up with other school and community events and news that included the 8-day transition with Dr. Lopez, speaking about visiting all principals for the second time since being named Superintendent, and has held one on one meetings with the majority of the district office staff.

### **I. Board Reports**

Inga Causey reported that she has had a busy summer.

Melisa Rewold-Thuon shared that she attended summer programming through Youth Power 365, and attended the Walking Mountains Taste of Nature Gala.

Shelly Jarnot shared that she attended Walking Mountains Board meeting and Taste of Nature.

Rebecca Cotton shared that she attended one of the free lunch programs within the schools and has been volunteering for the Red Cross Canteen Service and thanked all of the fire fighters across Colorado for all of their service.

Kate Cocchiarella spoke about the work that she has been doing with Dr. Ramirez and attended the Walking Mountains Taste of Nature.

Kate thanked Chris Madison and Traci Wodlinger for their work over the years and congratulated them for the many years of service as they embark on retirement.

### **J. General Administration**

#### **Discussion, Information: 1. New/Old Business**

Kate Cocchiarella, President went over the upcoming meeting topics with the rest of the members to cultivate any questions in order to help staff prepare for their presentations.

The date of September 7, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. is being held for the fall Board of Education retreat.

At the August 22, 2018 meeting, the Board Members will be having a bond tour in lieu of the update.

## **K. Public Interest Items for Discussion**

### **Action: 1. Approval of Vail Ski and Snowboard Academy Future Vision Proposal.**

Wade Hill presented to the Board Members about the future vision for Vail Ski and Snowboard and that would include expanding the program to accept other students within other disciplines. To start this expansion he asked the Board of Education to open the school to five students the first year and to see how that goes.

Members asked about which discipline may try to take advantage of the expansion process and Mr. Hill stated students within other sports have approached him but those families are waiting to hear the decision of the Board this evening.

Inga Causey moved to approve the acceptance of five students for the 2018-19 SY; which would enroll in the fall of 2018 from additional winter sports disciplines; Rebecca Cotton seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) **(Motion carried.)**

### **Information: 2. Strategic Plan Update - Wraparound External Tactic 3 - Provide a Comprehensive and Robust Community-wide System Around Early Childhood.**

Shelley Smith presented on her stocktake to provide a comprehensive and robust community-wide system around early childhood including building internal and external support to remove barriers to learning. This stocktake includes not only the preschool program within Eagle County Schools but also across Eagle County within the private providers as well.

Ms. Smith spoke about the work over the last year and the future work to meet the SMART goal of the tactic as well as the challenges.

### **Discussion, Information: 3. Strategic Plan Update - Educators Tactic 5 - Educator Leadership.**

### **Discussion, Information: 4. Strategic Plan Update - Educators Tactic 6 - Empowerment.**

### **Discussion, Information: 5. Strategic Plan Update - Educators Tactic 7 - Content Knowledge and Pedagogy.**

Anne Heckman presented to the Board of Education on all three of her tactics and shared the work/milestones of the work over the past year. Mrs. Heckman spoke about the work of tactic 5 and the work that teacher leaders are doing. This is year one of the new teacher leader model. The empowerment tactic showed challenges across the district.

Tactic 7 Content Knowledge and Pedagogy was presented for the first time this year. Mrs. Heckman spoke in detail about the three tactics and turned the floor over to several staff members. Those in attendance Marcie Laidman, Christina Gosselin, Matt Jones, Katie McFarland, Susan Elliott, Annie Schmidt, and Shelley Smith.

All of the staff members answered the questions of the Board of Education based on their experience in their different buildings and positions. The members of the Board thanked the staff for coming in during their break and their candid answers.

## **L. Business and Operations**

### **Action (Consent): 1. Approval of Revised MOU with Vail Health.\***

This was approved under the consent agenda. **(Attachment 07.11.L.1.)**

**Action (Consent): 2. Approval of Nutrition Services Management Software.\***

This was approved under the consent agenda.

**Action (Consent): 3. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with the Vail Recreational District for Use of School Facilities.\***

This was approved under the consent agenda. (Attachment 07.11.L.2.)

**Action: 4. Resolution to Approve the Quit Claim Deed for Right of Access State of Colorado Department of Transportation.**

Sandra Mutchler presented on the Red Mountain Ranch trail easement quit claim deed and the elements of the agreement listed in the packet. On June 1, 2016 the Board of Education approved a Trail Easement at Red Mountain Ranch and the Quitclaim deed provides access to the trail by the Colorado Department of Transportation and is necessary to complete the trail easement.

Inga Causey moved to approve Resolution 2018/19—1 conveying access control of a certain parcel of land to the Colorado Department of Transportation as outlined in the presented documents; Rebecca Cotton seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) (Motion carried.) (Attachment 07.11.L.4.)

**Action: 5. Approval of Guiding Principles for Maloit Park Housing and Direction on Next Steps.**

Sandy Mutchler, Tom Braun of Braun Associates and Michael O'Connor of Triumph Development presented in the work session about the possibility of housing on Maloit Park. This action item will guide Mr. Braun and team to continue looking into the possibility of a possible partnership and start the RFP process.

Members had a chance to discuss the project in detail during the work session and spoke about the opportunity for growth at the Maloit Park site for future housing.

Inga Causey moved to approve the Guiding Principles and direct staff to take next steps as set forth in the documents in work session; Shelly Jarnot seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) (Motion carried.)

**Action: 6. Approval of Intergovernmental Operations Agreement with the Town of Vail for the Red Sandstone Elementary School Parking Structure.**

Sandra Mutchler presented to the Board regarding the agreement with the parking structure at Red Sandstone Elementary. There will be 40 spaces that Eagle County Schools employees will have access to use at the top level.

The Board of Education asked questions about the parent parking and asked Ms. Mutchler to inquire about those spaces and if there would be cost to the parents.

Eagle County Schools and the Town of Vail have been collaborating to build a parking structure adjacent to Red Sandstone Elementary School. This Operations Agreement defines the operational use of the parking structure. Ms. Mutchler went over the main components of the agreement and answered questions from the Board of Education on the process.

Inga Causey moved to approve the Intergovernmental Operations Agreement with the Town of Vail for the Red Sandstone Elementary School Parking Structure; Melisa Rewold-Thuon seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) (Motion carried.) (Attachment 07.11.L.6.)

**M. Board Policies and Administrative Regulations**

**Action (Consent): 1. Approval of Monitoring Report for Governance Policy EL-19, School Safety.\***

This was approved under the consent agenda.

**Action (Consent): 2. Approval of Monitoring Report for Governance Policy GP-8, Agenda Planning.\***

This was approved under the consent agenda.

**N. Employee Relations**

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

This 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?**

**Discussion, Information, Procedural: 3. How has this meeting impacted student learning?**

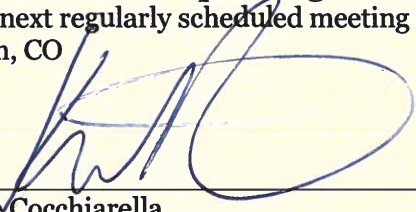
**P. Adjournment**

**Procedural: 1. Meeting Adjournment**

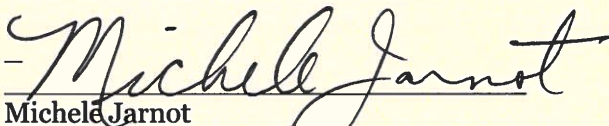
The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

**Information: 2. Upcoming Board of Education Meetings**

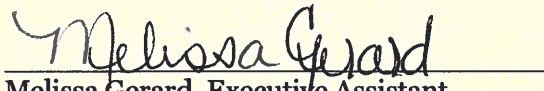
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at Town of Avon, 1 Lake Street, Avon, CO



Kate Cocchiarella  
President of the Board of Education



Michele Jarnot  
Secretary/Treasurer of the Board of Education



Melissa Gerard, Executive Assistant