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

Cultural Responsiveness Training  
Battle Mountain High School, Edwards  
Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 9:00 a.m.

Regular Meeting  
Board Room, 757 East Third Street, Eagle  
Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 3:00 p.m.

**MINUTES**

**Board Members Present**

Felicia Battle  
Inga Haagenon Causey  
Kate Cocchiarella  
Rebecca Cotton  
Tessa Kirchner  
Melisa Rewold-Thuon

**Administration Present**

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

**Board Members Absent**

Shelly Jarnot

**Administration Absent**

**A. General Function**

**Procedural: 1. Roll Call.**

Roll call was taken and all members were present except Shelly Jarnot, whose absence was excused. All members were present during the training except for Tessa Kirchner and Shelly Jarnot whose absences were excused.

During the regular meeting, that began at 3:03 p.m. All members were present except Shelly Jarnot whose absence was excused. Inga Haagenon Causey joined the meeting at 4:22 p.m. Tessa Kirchner excused herself from the meeting at 6:47 p.m. to travel to a CASB Conference in Denver.

**B. Cultural Responsiveness Training (9:00 a.m.)**

**Discussion, Information: 1. Cultural Responsiveness Training.**

All members present participated in training building cultural responsiveness and how it relates to the goals of Learners tactic 10. Members worked through a lengthy discussion regarding the diversity challenges that our district faces and wrapped up with next steps on Learners Tactic 10.

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The training ended with lunch at 12:44 p.m.

### **C. Work Session (3:00 p.m.)**

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

Tom Braun of Braun Associates and Michael O'Connor of Triumph Development presented to the Board of Education members information about the possibility of housing in the Maloit Park area and the costs associated with this.

In 2010 ECS annexed Maloit Park into the Town of Minturn, with this annexation came an agreement with the Town that allows up to 120 residential units to be developed at the site. In the past District, staff and the Board have discussed how an affordable staff housing project could benefit the Eagle County Schools staff, help retain staff and help in recruitment of staff. Over the past few months' staff and consultants have been evaluating issues and opportunities regarding the potential development of Maloit Park.

After going over the costs associated with building the Board was concerned about the projected costs and ability for employees to be able to afford the homes. Mr. O'Connor went over other options to help minimize the costs and make the opportunity more affordable.

#### **Discussion, Information: 2. Bond Project Update**

Jeff Chamberlin presented on the bond project schedules and status of the budget. Many of the items have been underway for some time and several of the smaller projects completed. There will be the start of Red Sandstone and Red Canyon High West Campus projects in the near future and there was an update on those as well.

#### **Discussion, Information: 3. 2018-19FY Budget Work Session.**

Sandra Mutchler, Chief Operations Officer began her presentation with an overview of the budget calendar and the initial budget assumptions for 2018-19. Ms. Mutchler went over very preliminary assumptions, projected enrollment figures, and options for kinder tuition rates, including scholarships available to families, as it has been in the past. The YouthPower365 group have in past years supplemented the funds for all day Kindergarten but have decided that they will no longer fund that. The members spoke about how they felt about asking parents to pay for the tuition since the all day is not funded through the state, as it is not a requirement of the state.

Heather Eberts, Assistant Superintendent of Learning Services spoke about the requirements of the state and why the funding from the state is not required. Members of the Board discussed the scholarship options and will vote on this at an upcoming meeting; but this conversation allowed the members an opportunity to discuss the options. Ms. Mutchler wrapped up with the general fund expenditures of assumptions and went over the upcoming budget dates.

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

#### **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 6:48 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.\***



**Recommended Action: Move to approve the agenda.**

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

**Recommended Action: Move to approve the minutes from the February 10, 12, and 14, 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. Employee Relations

1. Approval of Personnel List.\*

Felicia Battle moved to approve the consent agenda; Rebecca Cotton seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) **(Motion carried.)**

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

Dr. Maggie Lopez, Interim Superintendent shared with the Board of Education an update on the meetings and activities that she attended over the past couple of weeks.

Under school events and news were several appointments and they included a brief on the Union of Cultures at Edwards Elementary School on February 15<sup>th</sup> was a great celebration, Cultural Responsiveness Training was provided this week for Ad Team and our Board of Education, met with one of our Family Leadership Training Institute parents regarding a project she is working on. The project focuses on providing great support for our Latino students to begin engaging in information gathering regarding college attendance in Middle School through High School, and shared congratulations to Transportation and their SMART TAG program. SMART TAG informed us that our district being the lowest of all their clients with "bus exceptions." (Kids on the wrong bus and/or stops).

Community events and news included an update on the National Walk-out Days are being planned nationwide for March 14 and April 20, representatives from 3 of our schools who received the Center for Excellence Award and Irving Award will be attending the State Performance Awards Ceremony tomorrow. Congratulations to those schools!

### **I. Board Reports**

Felicia Battle, Melisa Rewold-Thuon, and Rebecca Cotton did not have a report to share.

Inga Haagenson Causey reported that she gave a Jr. Achievement presentation to the students at Avon Elementary.

Kate Cocchiarella spoke about the work of the Superintendent search.

### **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.

Melisa Rewold-Thuon asked about the Wellness Committee and Philip Qualman, Assistant Superintendent of Student Support Services spoke about the items that he is waiting on before getting that underway.



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

### **Information: 1. Annual Board of Education Head Start Training.**

Shelley Smith, Director of Early Childhood presented on the training for the members. The Board of Education is the governing body of the Head Start grant. This oversight is shared with the Head Start Policy Council and the Advisory Council.

This training ensures that the Board of Education is updated regularly on the Head Start grant and work being done in Eagle County Schools.

### **Information: 2. Early Childhood Quarterly Update/Grant Preparation.**

Shelley Smith, Director of Early Childhood presented on the Head Start Grant for review and this item will be brought back for approval at the March 28, 2018 meeting. During this presentation, Ms. Smith touched on the items of the Early Childhood Update, 2017-18 Community Assessment, and 2018 CPP Legislative Report. The Board of Education members did not have any further questions but thanked Ms. Smith for her hard work.

### **Action: 3. Approval of the Early Childhood Annual Self-Assessment.**

**Recommended Action: Move to approve the 2017-2018 self-assessment as presented Or Move to approve the 2017-2018 self-assessment with the following changes:**

Shelley Smith, Director of Early Childhood spoke about the requirement for the Board of Education to receive and approve the annual self-assessment. The Board were given a copy of the self-assessment in their packet. The information in the self-assessment can also be used by the Board to evaluate the annual Head Start Grant application, which will be submitted in March 2018.

Inga Haagenon Causey moved to approve the 2017-2018 self-assessment as presented; Felicia Battle seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) **(Motion carried.)**

### **Action: 4. Approval of the Cancellation of the April 25, 2018 Board of Education Meeting. (5 min)**

**Recommended Action: Move to approve the cancellation of the April 25, 2018 Board of Education meeting due to Spring Break.**

Kate Cocchiarella spoke about the calendar and by cancelling this meeting now will give members and staff time to plan for the break.

Melisa Rewold-Thuon moved to approve the cancellation of the April 25, 2018 Board of Education meeting due to Spring Break; Inga Haagenon Causey seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) **(Motion carried.)**

### **Discussion, Information: 5. Strategic Plan Update - Communications Tactic 3 - Emergency Communications.**

Tammy Schiff, Chief Communications Officer presented her tactic to the Board of Education regarding the systematic and efficient emergency-level communications and safety protocol focused on preparedness and in-the-moment response. Ms. Schiff spoke about the milestones from the Communications, leading indicators, as well as the challenges of the tactic.

Philip Qualman, Assistant Superintendent of Student Support Services spoke briefly about the data of the Healthy Kids Colorado data and when he anticipates the results. Mr. Qualman also shared info about the milestones of the tactic and the accomplishments at a building level.

Ms. Schiff wrapped up with future plans.

Board of Education members asked questions about our buildings and the current entering and locking systems. There will be updates to the locks in the near future and Mr. Qualman answered questions about



the building accessibility. There were also questions about the PowerSchool usage and better communication or training for parents to learn more how to use it.

**Discussion, Information: 6. Finalize Interview Group Process for Superintendent Search.**

Kate Cocchiarella, Board President spoke to the members about the draft application process and agreed to the changes as well as a close date of Monday, March 12, 2018.

**L. Business and Operations**

**Action: 1. Recommendation for Award - Abatement Scope of Work Red Sandstone Elementary School.**

**Recommended Action: Move to approve Excel Environmental, Inc. for Red Sandstone Elementary School Asbestos Abatement. The contract amount for the scope of work is \$705,677.00.**

Jeff Chamberlin presented about the proposal that went out to five pre-qualified bidders and there were two bids received. Upon review of those bids, the firm recommended Excel Environmental, Inc. for the work. This work will be for Red Sandstone Elementary School Asbestos Abatement. The scope of work generally includes removal and disposal of asbestos containing floor tile and mastic adhesive and removal and disposal of asbestos containing texture on drywall. An Add Alternate was requested for the removal of the Mercury containing Gymnasium flooring.

Excel Environmental, Inc. has been deemed to have the lowest bid for the work with a total bid of \$705,677.00

Melisa Rewold-Thuon moved to approve Excel Environmental, Inc. for Red Sandstone Elementary School Asbestos Abatement. The contract amount for the scope of work is \$705,677.00; Inga Causey seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) **(Motion carried.)**

The members of the Board commented on the fact that this was anticipated expenses and figured in from the beginning. Also adding that the Board had discussed each of these items extensively during work session, prior to the vote.

**Action: 2. Recommendation for Award - Change Order for EVES Project that Include Changes to the Kitchen, Over Excavation of Soil, AS-01, misc.**

**Recommended Action: Move to approve the change order for EVES project that include changes to the kitchen, over Excavation of soil, AS-01 and misc. amount is \$206,376.82.**

Jeff Chamberlin presented the recommendation to approve the cost for EVES change order for EVES project that include changes to the kitchen, over excavation of soil, ASI-1, misc., in Support of Facility Improvements for the successful ECS 2016 Bond initiative.

Additional work scope was necessary to meet requirements in the soils report for foundations, changes in the kitchen, and work identified in AS-01.

Inga Causey moved to approve the change order for EVES project that include changes to the kitchen, over Excavation of soil, AS-01 and misc. amount is \$206,376.82; Rebecca Cotton seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) **(Motion carried.)**

**Action: 3. Recommendation for Award - Additional Services for Design and Coordination of the Maloit Park Temporary Modular Campus, ASR-002.**

**Recommended Action: Move to approve the Additional services for design and coordination of the Maloit Park Temporary Campus, in the amount of \$58,630. DLR and TAB.**

Jeff Chamberlin spoke about the recommendation to approve the cost for additional design and coordination services, which were required by the Architect for the Maloit Park Temporary Modular Campus, in Support of Facility Improvements for the successful ECS 2016 Bond initiative.



Additionally design and coordination services were required by the Architect for the Maloit Park Temporary Modular Campus. The related design work accommodates the Red Sandstone ES renovation project.

Felicia Battle moved to approve the Additional services for design and coordination of the Maloit Park Temporary Campus, in the amount of \$58,630. DLR and TAB; Inga Causey seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) **(Motion carried.)**

**Action: 4. Recommendation for Award - OCO-003 CMGC-5 Over/Under Run Balance Returned to Owner on Final Pay Application as Part of the Close Out Process.**

**Recommended Action: Move to formally acknowledge the success of the CMGC-5 projects and completion for less than the contracted GMP. Amount deducted on final pay application \$314,217.45.**

Jeff Chamberlin presented on the notification to the Board of Education that the CMGC-5 projects were completed for less than the GMP amount contracted for with Haselden Construction. The amount was documented on the final pay as a deductive change order in Support of Facility Improvements for the successful ECS 2016 Bond initiative.

Felicia Battle moved to formally acknowledge the success of the CMGC-5 projects and completion for less than the contracted GMP. Amount deducted on final pay application \$314,217.45; Melisa Rewold-Thuon seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) **(Motion carried.)**

Prior to taking a vote the Board thanked Mr. Chamberlin and his staff for the great work of coming in under bid.

**Action: 5. Recommendation for Award - OCO-002 Change Order for EVES Project to Include Bus Barn Demo.**

**Recommended Action: Move to approve OCO-002 for work scope to demo the bus barn at 3rd street campus. Amount is \$228,684.97.**

Jeff Chamberlin address the members on the recommendation to approve the cost for EVES OCO-002 change order for EVES project to include Bus Barn Demo, in Support of Facility Improvements for the successful ECS 2016 Bond initiative. This item as well as all others that were bond related were discussed in work session as well.

The Board of Education members with no other questions made the following motion.

Inga Causey moved to approve OCO-002 for work scope to demo the bus barn at 3rd street campus. Amount is \$228,684.97; Rebecca Cotton seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) **(Motion carried.)**

**Action: 6. Recommendation for Award - ASR-001 Additional Services for DLR/TAB Architects in Support of CMGC Projects as Defined by GMP and Negotiations.**

**Recommended Action: Move to approve the Additional services for DLR/TAB architects in support of CMGC projects as defined by GMP and negotiations, in the amount of \$836,678.**

Jeff Chamberlin of RLH spoke about the changes within the scope of work. Additional design services were required from the Architect as the CMGC projects cost increased. The architects fee for services is based on an amount given at the beginning of the project, based on information provided in presented in the ECS master plan. When the cost of the project increases, due to circumstances beyond their control, an added service is requested. In this case, the added services request was discussed, and a final number was negotiated and accepted by the architect and owner.

The Board verified and discussed that the figures were still within the anticipated costs and thanked RLH for their work in negotiating an agreeable number.



Inga Causey moved to approve the Additional services for DLR/TAB architects in support of CMGC projects as defined by GMP and negotiations, in the amount of \$836,678; Melisa Rewold-Thuon seconded the motion. All members present voted aye on a roll call vote. (5-0) **(Motion carried.)**

**M. Employee Relations**

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

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

**N. 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?**

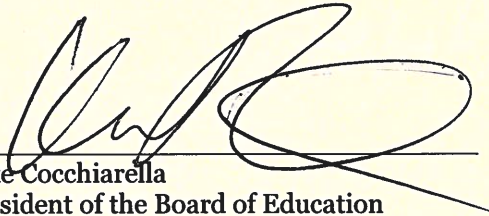
**O. Adjournment**

**Procedural: 1. Meeting Adjournment**


The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, March 14, 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