



Poudre School District Board of Education

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Meeting Minutes

Minutes from Board of Education Business Meeting/Work Session
October 26, 2021

DINNER SESSION - 5:30 PM Information Technology Center Aspen Training Rooms

PRESENT: President Christophe Febvre; Vice President Rob Petterson; Directors DJ Anderson, Kristen Draper, Carolyn Reed and Jessica Zamora; Superintendent Brian Kingsley; Assistant Superintendents Traci Gile and Scott Nielsen; Chief of Staff Lauren Hooten; Executive Directors Matt Bryant, Brett Larsen, Dave Montoya, Madeline Noblett, and Dustin Reintsma; Legal and Policy Council Autumn Aspen

ABSENT: None

LATE: Director Donovan arrived at 5:34 p.m.

Dinner session began at 5:30 p.m.

1.0 Student Advisory Group

- Students Austin and Allen presented information on the benefits and problems of block and traditional schedules.
- Two students from Poudre High School and Centennial High School will be joining SAG and then there will be representation from all high schools.

2.0 District Information and Board Discussion Topics

- Director Zamora worked with kitchen staff at Poudre High School and had a positive experience.
- Director Anderson reported that all of Poudre Resolutions were passed at CASB.
- President Febvre is attending the URA board meeting on Thursday, this will be his last meeting as a seated Board member.
- President Febvre took a tour of the new Wellington High School; it is beautiful building.
- Ann Hutchison from the Fort Collins Chamber of Commerce is interested in collaborating with the Board.
- Wellington Chamber of Chamber has expressed interest in meeting with the Board.

3.0 AGENDA PLANNING

There was no discussion on agenda planning.

Dinner session ended at 6:00 p.m.

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING (BOARDROOM) – 6:30 PM

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ABSENT: None
LATE: None

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Febvre called the regular business meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

3.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Celebrated his first 100 days in PSD.
- The goal is for kids not just to graduate but to graduate with options.
- Prioritizing mental health as a goal.
- Lincoln Middle School stands out for prioritizing kindness.

4.0 COMMUNITY COMMENT

Casey Lindsey talked about the negative academic impacts of quarantining students.

Jeff Aufderheide spoke against Board member's involvement with the Poudre Education Association president.

Nicky Galbraith expressed concerns about fight clubs in the schools and lack of restrooms available in the schools due to vandalism.

Heather Lahdenpera spoke against the tactics of current Board members who are running for election.

Kelly Holdridge spoke on the tactics of current Board members who are running for election.

Erin Ramler spoke about masks and the abuse of public comment.

Katie Cook expressed concerns with Critical Race Theory being taught in the district.

Brady Beall is a current candidate for Poudre School Board and made remarks about his campaign.

Tasha Carr spoke on the tactics of current Board members who are running for election.

Danielle Juchartz expressed gratitude for the mask requirement and in-person learning.

Jessica Kraus spoke on the tactics of current Board members who are running for election.

Jim Brokish spoke on the staffing shortage in the district and how it is affecting students and staff.

Karen Artell expressed gratitude for the mask requirement and in-person school.

Kristin Stolte expressed thanks to the classified staff at Poudre School District for all their work.

Marc Fuchs stated the definition of hypocrisy and it's relation to the district masking policy.

Bryan Blakely expressed gratitude for the effort of PSD to keep students in-person.

Tom Griggs is a current candidate for Poudre School Board and made remarks about his campaign.

Amber Karhoff spoke on the difference between equity and equality being taught in school.

Katherine Colino advocated for the return to out-of-state district field trips.

Diane Proffitt spoke against mask wearing in school.

Gina Forcatto spoke on the tactics of current Board members who are running for election.

Cyndy Odenwald spoke on the tactics of current Board members who are running for election.

Dani Lawrence spoke on staffing shortages concerning supports for students with an Individual Education Plan.

5.0 BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

6.0 CONSENT AGENDA

6.1 Personnel Action

6.1 Early Head Start Agreement Renewal

6.2 Board Approval of AIA Document B101-2017 Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Architect for the Continuation of Design Services for the Lincoln Middle School HVAC Replacement Project

Director Donovan moved that the Board approve and adopt the recommended items on the consent agenda with no changes.

Director Anderson seconded the motion.

The voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE: Directors Anderson, Donovan, Draper, Febvre, Petterson, Reed, and Zamora

Those voting NO: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed: 7-0

7.0 ACTION ITEMS

7.1 National Homeless Youth Awareness Month Resolution

Director Draper moved that the Board approve and adopt the resolution in support of November as National Homeless Youth Awareness Month 2021.

Director Anderson seconded the motion.

Superintendent Kingsley introduced McKinney-Vento Program Specialist Whitney Reid to speak to the resolution and about student and family homelessness.

Board discussion included:

- Director Draper read the resolution aloud.
- Make sure all students receive equal and equitable treatment.
- Touched by how many people reach out to help families in need.
- Plenty of volunteer opportunities to help.
- This work will make a big difference in the community.

The voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE: Directors Anderson, Draper, Donovan, Febvre, Petterson, Reed, and Zamora.

Those voting NO: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed: 7-0

8.0 WORK SESSION TOPICS

8.1 First Quarter School Resource Office Presentation

Superintendent Kingsley introduced Executive Director of Operations Matt Bryant and Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Schools Scott Nielsen to present information on the School Resource Officer program. Superintendent Kingsley took the opportunity to thank Lt. Robert Cook from the Larimer County Sheriff's Office, Sgt. Robert Wynkoop from the Timnath Police Department, and Sgt. Laura Lunsford and Lt. Kelly Weaver from the Fort Collins Police Services.

Board discussion included:

- Gratitude was expressed for the time and effort to put together this data.
- Joint response between mental health and SRO was discussed.
- Data was requested on number of SRO calls to for future planning.
- There was discussion on who receives data reports gathered about the SRO involvement in the district.
- Clarification requested about expulsion and suspension data.
- anonymous reporting of interactions with SROs was discussed.
- Gratitude was expressed for collecting data and the presentation.
- Is the current Tik Tok vandalism challenge in schools reflected in the referable discipline report?
- Has there been an uptick in fights?

Board recessed at 8:54 p.m.

Board reconvened at 9:01 p.m.

8.2 COVID-Response Summer Learning Evaluation Report

Superintendent Kingsley introduced Assistant Superintendents Scott Nielsen and Traci Gile to give an evaluation report on the Summer Learning COVID program.

Board discussion included:

- Will the use of the ESSER funds for Camp SOL funding continuing next year?
- The data on growth needs to be accessible to the community and to partners.
- Requested that the district continue to follow these students to chart their growth.
- Clarification was requested on how much was spent in previous summers on these programs and how much is anticipated in spending on future summers.
- A desire to see if summer programming is transferable to regular school curriculum.
- Expressed hope that this program will continue over the years.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexcia Donnelly
Assistant Secretary to the Board of Education