



## Poudre School District Board of Education

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### Meeting Minutes

Minutes from Board of Education Business Meeting/Work Session  
February 22, 2022

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

PRESENT: President Rob Petterson; Vice President Kristen Draper, DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Carolyn Reed and Jessica Zamora; Superintendent Brian Kingsley; Assistant Superintendents Traci Gile and Scott Nielsen; Chief of Staff Lauren Hooten; Chief Equity and Academic Officer Marlena Gross-Taylor; and Chief of Institutional Effectiveness Officer Dwayne Schmitz; Interim Director of Human Resources Brett Larsen; Executive Directors Dave Montoya, Madeline Noblett

ABSENT: None

LATE: Director Donovan

Dinner session began at 5:37 p.m.

#### **1.0 Student Advisory Group**

Director Anderson introduced Dax Chenoweth from Polaris Expeditionary Learning School who presented student viewpoints on mental health and the current resources available to students, and stigmas associated with mental health in the district high schools.

#### **2.0 District Information and Board Discussion Topics**

- Superintendent Kingsley introduced the new Chief of Institutional Effectiveness Officer Dr. Dwayne Schmitz who gave remarks about the new position in Poudre School District.
- Assistant Superintendent Dr. Traci Gile provided an update on the Colorado Reading to Ensure Academic Development Act (READ Act).
- Executive Director of Finance Dave Montoya presented a brief synopsis of upcoming budget items for the new middle and high schools.

#### **3.0 Agenda Planning**

There was no discussion.

Dinner session ended at 6:15 p.m.

#### **REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING (BOARDROOM) – 6:30 PM**

PRESENT: President Rob Petterson; Vice President Kristen Draper, DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Nate Donovan, Carolyn Reed and Jessica Zamora; Superintendent Brian Kingsley; Assistant Superintendents Traci Gile and Scott Nielsen; Chief of Staff Lauren Hooten; Chief Equity and Academic Officer Marlena Gross-Taylor; and Chief of Institutional Effectiveness Officer Dwayne Schmitz; Interim Director of Human Resources Brett Larsen; Executive Directors Matt Bryant, Dave Montoya, Madeline Noblett; Interim Directors of Information Technology Dan Starke

ABSENT: None  
LATE: None

### **1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

President Petterson called the regular business meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

### **2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

There were no changes to the agenda.

### **3.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Superintendent Kingsley shared a brief update on district news.

### **4.0 COMMUNITY COMMENT**

Jeff Aufderheide spoke on concerns that personal questions addressed to the Board are not being answered.

Gina Forcatto spoke on concerns for medical care students can receive at school-based health care clinics without parental consent.

Wayne Brothers expressed concerns with the “No Place for Hate” teaching method in schools.

Livi Christiansen came to speak in favor of reinstating the mask mandate in Poudre School District.

Tasha Carr spoke in favor of the lifting of the mask mandate in PSD.

### **5.0 BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Director Anderson presented updates on the eleven (11) grants that were given on Monday, the grants focused on mental health and workforce readiness.

### **6.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **6.1 Personnel Action**

#### **6.2 2021 Fiscal Year Audit External Related Documents (Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and Single Audit)**

#### **6.3 Technology Refresh for Districtwide Career Technical Education (CTE) Labs**

#### **6.4 CDE Student Re-Engagement Grant, Cohort 3**

Director Donovan moved that the Board approve and adopt the recommended actions for the items on the Consent Agenda.

Director Zamora seconded the motion.

The voting was as follows:

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

Those voting NO: None  
ABSENT: None  
Motion passed: 7-0

## **7.0 WORK SESSION TOPICS**

### **7.1 See Something, Say Something Platform**

Superintendent Kingsley introduced Director of Language and Culture John McKay who presented information on the See Something, Say Something program.

Board discussion included:

- Clarification was raised on approximately how many reports are anticipated.
- Clarification was given on when Safe2Tell is used; what the turnaround time is from reporting to action.

### **7.2 Bond Reserve Allocation Committee Presentation**

Superintendent Kingsley introduced Executive Director of Operations Matt Bryant who presented information on the Bond Reserve Allocation Committee (BRAC).

Board discussion included:

- Clarification was requested on how the reserve dollar amounts are being used.
- Statement was made on the need for more funding to be used for Community Connection.
- Clarification was raised on how facilities maintenance in the future will be prioritized.

Board recessed at 8:07 p.m.

Board reconvened at 8:16 p.m.

### **7.3 Monitoring Report/Policy Review: DE 1.0 District Ends (Part 1)**

Superintendent Kingsley introduce Chief of Institutional Effectiveness Office Dr. Dwayne Schmitz who presented information on the Monitoring Report/Policy Review Part 1.

Board discussion included:

- Clarifying question as to why PSD only has 9% of students on Individual Education Plan (IEP) when other state schools have a higher percentage of students on an IEP.
- Clarification was given on how the state identifies the data for different ethnicity groups.
- Clarification was requested on why the data on the homeless youth presented from the CDE and the data presented from PSD are different.
- Question raised on how PSD can begin to address the discrepancy in the different learning groups and make it more equitable with school-based strategies.

## **8.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexcia Donnelly  
Secretary to the Board of Education