



## Poudre School District Board of Education

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### Meeting Minutes

Minutes from Board of Education Business Meeting/Work Session  
April 26, 2022

#### **DINNER SESSION - 5:30 PM SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE ROOM**

PRESENT: President Rob Petterson; Directors DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Nate Donovan, Carolyn Reed and Jessica Zamora; Superintendent Brian Kingsley; Assistant Superintendent Traci Gile; Chief of Staff Lauren Hooten; Chief Institutional Effectiveness Officer Dwayne Schmitz, Executive Director Matt Bryant; Legal and Policy Council Autumn Aspen

ABSENT: None

LATE: None

Vice President Kristen Draper joined remotely

Dinner session began at 5:39 p.m.

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

- Students expressed their appreciation for those that help run the graduation ceremony.
- Students provided final insights on the student survey and provided suggestions to the Board for next year.

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

- Governor Polis will be coming to visit both PSD and TSD in the coming week to talk about the ARPA proposal.
- Executive Director of Operations Matt Bryant gave an update on upcoming projects in PSD.
- Assistant Superintendent to Elementary Schools Dr. Traci Giles provided an update on the AlphaBest program.

#### **3.0 Agenda Planning**

There was no discussion.

Dinner session ended at 6:29 p.m.

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

PRESENT: President Rob Petterson; Directors 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; Chief Institutional Effectiveness Officer Dwayne Schmitz, Executive Directors Matt Bryant, Brett Larsen, Dave Montoya, Madeline Noblett, and Sarah Siple; Legal and Policy Council Autumn Aspen

ABSENT: None

LATE: None

Vice President Kristen Draper joined remotely.

## **1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

President Petterson called the regular business meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

## **2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

There were no changes to the agenda.

## **3.0 ACTION ITEMS**

### **3.1 Resolution in Support of National Volunteer Week**

Director Anderson moved the Board approve of the Resolution in Support of National Volunteer Week, April 18-22, 2022.

Superintendent Kingsley introduced Executive Director of Communications Madeline Noblett who spoke on National Volunteer Week.

Director Brokish seconded the motion.

The voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE: Directors DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Nate Donovan, Kristen Draper, Rob Petterson, Carolyn Reed, and Jessica Zamora

Those voting NO: None

Motion passed: 7:0

### **3.2 Resolution in Support of Autism Awareness Month**

Director Donovan moved that the Board approve the Resolution in Support of Autism Awareness Month, April 2022.

Superintendent Kingsley introduced Director of Special Education Sarah Belleau and PSD's Lead Board Certified and Behavior Analyst and autism expert, Lisa Hernandez.

Director Reed seconded the motion.

The voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE: Directors DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Nate Donovan, Kristen Draper, Rob Petterson, Carolyn Reed, and Jessica Zamora

Those voting NO: None

Motion passed: 7:0

## **4.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Superintendent Kingsley expressed gratitude to the staff for their pride, joy, and commitment to putting students first.

## **5.0 COMMUNITY COMMENT**

Erik Eckhoff spoke in favor of higher compensation for the teaching staff in Poudre School District.

Dani Lawrence questioned the equity of Integrated Services in the district.

Fred Kirsch spoke on solar energy in public schools.

Karen Vasko highlighted concerns regarding the impact of the new Timnath Middle/High School on Poudre High School.

## **6.0 BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- The legislative School Finance Bill is on track to be done by the end of the week.
- The Early Childhood and Preschool bills are on track for 2022-2023.

## **7.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

### **7.1 Personnel Action**

### **7.2 Purchase of School Buses**

- Director Anderson asked to move agenda item 7.2 Purchase of School Buses to Action Items.

### **7.3 Concurrent Enrollment and Dual Program Expenditures**

- Director Anderson asked to move item 7.3 Concurrent Enrollment to Action Items.

### **7.4 AlphaBest and Camp Sol Agreement 2022-2023**

### **7.5 AlphaBest Education, Inc.'s Agreement to Provide Childcare Services at Elementary Schools**

### **7.6 Early Childhood Tuition Increase for 2022-2023**

### **7.7 Second Addendum to Fort Collins Montessori School Charter School Renewal Contract**

### **7.8 Recommendation for External Audit Services Engagement for the 2022 Fiscal Year**

### **7.9 Quarterly Financials 3/31/2022**

### **7.10 Non-Renewal of Employment Contracts**

### **7.11 2022-2023 Renewal Application for Alternative Education Campus Designation Centennial High School**

### **7.12 2022-2023 Renewal Application for Alternative Education Campus Designation for Poudre Community Academy**

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 DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Nate Donovan, Kristen Draper, Rob Petterson, Carolyn Reed, and Jessica Zamora

Those voting NO: None

ABSENT: None  
Motion passed: 7:0

## **8.0 ACTION ITEMS (2)**

### **8.1 Monitoring/Policy Review: EL 2,6, Asset Protection**

Director Donovan moved the Board determine that the Superintendent has reasonably interpreted Board of Education policy EL 2.6 in his Internal Monitoring Report dated April 26, 2022, and that the evidence presented supports the Superintendent's conclusions stated in the Internal Monitoring Report.

Director Brokish seconded the motion.

The voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE: Directors DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Nate Donovan, Kristen Draper, Rob Petterson, Carolyn Reed, and Jessica Zamora

Those voting NO: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed: 7:0

### **8.2 Purchase of School Buses**

Director Donovan moved that the Board approval of purchase of nine buses from McCandless Truck Center.

Director Zamora seconded the motion.

Board discussion included:

- Questions were raised on the possibilities of replacing gas buses with electric buses and the cost associated with it.
- Clarification on what brand of bus is being purchased.

The voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE: Directors DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Nate Donovan, Kristen Draper, Rob Petterson, Carolyn Reed, and Jessica Zamora

Those voting NO: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed: 7:0

### **8.3 Concurrent Enrollment and Dual Enrollment Program**

Director Nate Donovan moved that the Board approve the Board approve expenditures in excess of \$250,000 for programs detailed in the Summary of Concurrent Enrollment and Dual Enrollment Programs in PSD.

Director Anderson seconded the motion.

Board discussion included:

- The district will now be covering the cost of books and some fees for the students enrolled in the concurrent enrollment program.

The voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE: Directors DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Nate Donovan, Kristen Draper, Rob Petterson, Carolyn Reed, and Jessica Zamora

Those voting NO: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed: 7:0

## **9.0 WORK SESSION TOPICS**

### **9.1 Behavioral Health Center and ARPA Proposal Update (Presented by Larimer County)**

Superintendent Kingsley introduced Larimer County Director of Behavioral Health Services Laurie Stolen who presented an update on the Behavioral Health Center and ARPA in Larimer County.

- Clarification was given when the second phase of the facility will be ready for the public.
- Question was raised on the difference of how many days can be spent in the phase 1 portion of the facility verses the phase 2 portion of the facility.
- Clarification was given on the ages of who can access the crisis center.
- Question was raised on if there will be a substance abuse treatment program for middle/high aged children.

### **9.2 Preliminary Budget FY2022-2023**

Superintendent Kingsley introduced Executive Director of Finance Dave Montoya and Budget Director Brett Parson who presented an update on PSD preliminary budget for the 2022-2023 year.

- Clarification was given on when the inflation rate takes effect.
- Clarification was given on the general fund property tax revenue growth evaluation.

### **9.3 Policy Review: Governance Process Policies**

- Question was raised on how the Board can better streamline the process in creating and updating the policies.
- Suggestion was made on the Board having a better onboarding process for new Board members.

## **10.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION**

### **10.1 School District Negotiations Related to the 2022-2023 Collective Bargaining Agreement or Employment Contracts**

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## **10.2 Legal and Policy Counsel's Performance Feedback**

Director Donovan moved that the Board enter executive session for the purpose of developing the strategy of the school district for negotiations relating to the 2022-2023 collective bargaining agreement or employment contracts, as authorized by C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e)(III) and conferring with the district's attorney regarding the development of the strategy of the school district for negotiations as authorized by C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b), and for the purpose of discussing personnel matters related to the Legal and Policy Counsel's performance feedback as authorized under C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f). Individuals invited to join the Board in executive session are Superintendent Brian Kingsley, Chief of Staff Lauren Hooten, Executive Directors Brett Larsen, Dave Montoya, and Madeline Noblett, Legal and Policy Counsel Autumn Aspen, and Board Secretary Lexy Donnelly.

Director Brokish seconded the motion.

The voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE: Directors DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Nate Donovan, Kristen Draper, Rob Petterson, Carolyn Reed, and Jessica Zamora

Those voting NO: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed: 7:0

- Participants for negotiations/legal advice included Superintendent Brian Kingsley, Chief of Staff Lauren Hooten, Executive Directors Brett Larsen, Dave Montoya, and Madeline Noblett, Legal and Policy Counsel Autumn Aspen, and Board Secretary Lexy Donnelly.
- Zero minutes were spent on Legal Counsel Performance Feedback.

Executive session began at 9:13 p.m.

Executive session ended at 10:55 p.m.

## **11.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexcia Donnelly  
Secretary to the Board of Education