Minutes from Board of Education Business Meeting March 7, 2023

# **DINNER SESSION – 5:30 PM Information Technology Center Training Room**

PRESENT: President Rob Petterson; Vice President Kristen Draper; Directors DJ Anderson, Carolyn Reed, and Jessica Zamora; Superintendent Brian Kingsley; Assistant Superintendents Traci Gile and Scott Nielsen; Chief of Staff Lauren Hooten; Chief Officers Bud Hunt, Dave Montoya, Madeline Noblett, Dwayne Schmitz, and Erich WonSavage; General Counsel Autumn Aspen

**ABSENT: None** 

LATE: Director Nate Donovan arrived at 5:38 p.m.

REMOTE: Director Jim Brokish

Dinner session began at 5:33 p.m.

# 1.0 District Information and Board Discussion Topics

- Director Reed volunteered to present the meeting recognition.
- Director of Special Initiatives Brett Larsen presented an update on the Strategic Plan.
- Specific strategies and implementation steps were discussed.
- Board members are welcome to add notes or questions to the Strategic Plan Google Doc.
- Superintendent Kingsley requested Board members pick one strategy most important to them and be ready to discuss at the next 1:1 meeting.

## 2.0 Agenda Planning

Strategic Plan updates will continue.

Dinner session ended at 6:29 p.m.

## REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING (BOARDROOM) - 6:30 PM

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ABSENT: None LATE: None

REMOTE: Director Jim Brokish

#### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Petterson called the business meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

## 2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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President Petterson led the Board of Education, staff, and community members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

#### 4.0 RECOGNITIONS AND REPORTS

## 4.1 Fossil Ridge High School Boys Golf Team

Chief Information Officer Madeline Noblett introduced Coach Jamie Menefee, who spoke about the recent State Championship team.

Players in attendance were:

- Austin Barry
- Landon Houska
- Grant Samuelson

Director Reed congratulated the group on behalf of the Board of Education.

## 5.0 ACTION ITEMS

## 5.1 Resolution in Support of Women's History Month

Vice President Draper moved that the Board of Education support a resolution in support of Women's History Month.

Director Donovan seconded the motion.

Board discussion included:

- Director Zamora read the resolution aloud.
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Coordinator Delhia Mahaney introduced students Bella Andrews and Kalleigh Medina, who spoke about the importance of celebrating women.
- Gratitude and pride were conveyed to the students who spoke.

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

# 5.2 Resolution in Support of Neurodiversity Week

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Director Donovan moved that the Board approve a resolution in support of Neurodiversity Week.

Director Reed seconded the motion.

Board discussion included:

- Director Donovan read the resolution aloud.
- Director of Integrated Services Dennis Rastatter spoke about neurodiversity.
- Neurodiversity can be invisible to others, and it is important to always be kind.
- Due to strides made toward celebrating the whole person, opportunities are no longer diminished.

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

## 6.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Kingsley appreciated the opportunity to celebrate students at the beginning of the meeting, addressed assessments of PSD facilities for energy efficiency, talked about a recent Community Engagement session regarding mental health as well as an upcoming session regarding school safety, and recounted student interactions during recent school visits.

#### 7.0 COMMUNITY COMMENT

Jim Winebrener expressed frustration with a lack of community engagement sessions that provide an opportunity for back-and-forth dialogue as promised earlier in the year.

Jeff Aufderheide questioned the invitation-only State of the Youth event and asked if a recent grant awarded to PSD would benefit Summit Stone.

Jamie Amaya requested mental health funds be used for staff as well as students and shared her children have been bullied by a PSD coach.

Fred Kirsch conveyed appreciation to the district for pursuing solar energy, requested staff involve his company in communications, and asked for assurances the solar study will move forward independently of other studies.

Kurt Kastein expressed dissatisfaction with PSD policy that allows a student to be addressed by their preferred pronoun regardless of parent request.

Dani Lawrence said discrimination against students with disabilities exists in the district and cited a lack of information about the Graduation with Options information as one example.

#### 8.0 BOARD TOPICS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Gratitude was expressed to schools for allowing BOE members to read to students during Read Across America Day.
- Recent Community Engagement session regarding mental health yielded good questions and opportunities to dialogue.
- Director Anderson provided an update on the District Advisory Board meeting.

#### 9.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 9.1 Personnel Action
- 9.2 Meeting Minutes: February 7, 2023, and February 21, 2023
- 9.3 AlphaBEST and Camp SOL Agreement Summer 2023

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

Director Anderson 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

#### 10.0 INFORMATIONAL REPORTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

#### 10.1 Comprehensive Assessment of District Facility Needs

Director of Special Initiatives Brett Larsen introduced McKinstry Senior Account Manager Tracey Cousins who provided the High-Performance Buildings presentation in conjunction with her team.

Board discussion included:

- Denver Public Schools implemented seventeen (17) solar sites in 2019 with an additional eight (8) sites soon; Salt Lake City school district to implement six (6) solar sites soon.
- Report will include extensive details on a project-by-project basis.
- McKinstry customarily works with multiple vendors to procure equipment well in advance of projects to minimize price increase affects.
- AC Refresh will focus on buildings that do not currently have air conditioning first.
- Efficiency and energy savings will be achieved through equipment only.
- McKinstry will present priorities to PSD; district will decide on final projects.
- Condition of standard assets, occupant impact, carbon impact and social index will determine project priorities.

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- PSD maintenance and operations staff are primary resources of information.
- Scope includes recommending measures and implementing those most important to district.
- Gratitude was expressed for the partnership of consultation and advisement.
- Appreciation was conveyed to PSD Energy and Sustainability Manager Trudy Trimbath for hard work performed on this project.

## 11.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

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 2023-2024 collective bargaining agreement or employment contracts, as authorized by C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e)(III), and for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations and instructing negotiators relating to a possible intergovernmental agreement relating to the southeast community recreation center, as authorized by C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e). Individuals invited to join the Board in executive session are Superintendent Brian Kingsley; Chief Officers Lauren Hooten, Dave Montoya, Erich WonSavage, and Madeline Noblett; Director of Athletics & Activities Brandon Carlucci; and General Counsel Autumn Aspen.

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

## 11.1 Negotiations

PRESENT: President Rob Petterson; Vice President Kristen Draper; Directors DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Nate Donovan, Carolyn Reed, and Jessica Zamora; Superintendent Brian Kingsley; Chief Officers Lauren Hooten, Dave Montoya, Erich WonSavage and Madeline Noblett; General Counsel Autumn Aspen

Executive Session started at 8:52 p.m. Executive Session ended at 9:13 p.m.

## 11.2 Negotiations on Intergovernmental Agreement with the City

PRESENT: President Rob Petterson; Directors DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Nate Donovan, Carolyn Reed, and Jessica Zamora; Superintendent Brian Kingsley; Chief Officers Lauren Hooten and Dave Montoya; Director of Athletics & Activities Brandon Carlucci; General Counsel Autumn Aspen.

Executive Session started at 9:14 p.m. Executive Session ended at 9:52 p.m.

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# 12.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Brunner Secretary to the Board of Education