

# BOARD BRIEFS

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### School Board **Recognition Month**

January is School **Board Recognition** Month. Thank you to our five Board members for your service! Read the Board Recognition Month proclamation here.





**Budget Readoption** 

Each January, D51 readopts its budget for the current fiscal year. While the budget adopted in June is based on enrollment and funding estimates, the readopted budget is based on the actual October student

count and the December mill levy certification and adjusts for actual revenues and expenditures. The readopted 2021-22 budget includes \$642,831 more revenue than originally anticipated and \$1.97 million in added transfers and expenditures. This is a net adjustment of \$1.3 million while still planning for revenues greater than expenses. Some of the primary adjustments were due to student count, an increase in the district share of health premiums, and true up of existing expenses.

D51 enrollment went from 22,046 students in 2019-20 to 21,081 students in 2020-21. The district did see an uptick in enrollment this year (adding back 234 students), but the district had adopted the budget in June anticipating an increase of 579 students, based on demography reports. District 51 fared better than most districts in the state - while D51 saw a 1.1% rise in enrollment, the state average was a decrease of 0.3%. Budget readoption materials can be found here. The whole readopted budget can be found here.

Looking ahead to 2022-23, the Governor's budget request includes a 5.8% increase per student (equal to an additional \$496.86 per student). The Colorado legislature is in session as of Jan. 12 and set to adjourn May 11, by which time funding for next year will be set.

#### School Board Policies

The Board had second reading and adoption of changes to Policy GBA: Equal Opportunity Employment, Policy GCE/GCF: Licensed Staff Recruiting/Hiring, and Policy GDE/GDF: Classified Staff Recruiting/Hiring, and they voted to table second reading and adoption of Policy AC-1: Nondiscrimination.

# Recognition



# Central High School **Co-Ed Cheer**

Second Place Finisher in Class 4A Co-Ed Cheer at the State Spirit Championships.



#### Juniper Ridge Contract

Board members voted to approve a contract for D51 charter school Juniper Ridge Community School. The district granted a charter school contract to the school in 2013 and renewed the contract in 2017. The term of the current contract ends June 30, 2022. The next charter school renewal contract will have a term lasting from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027.



**Future Meetings** Feb. 1 - Board Work Session, 6 p.m., Harry Butler Board Room.

The Board had <u>first reading</u> of Policy JB: Equal Educational Opportunities; Policy JF: School Administration; Policy JICDD: Violent and Aggressive Behavior; Policy JICDE: Bullying Prevention Education; and Policy JII: Student Concerns, Complaints and Grievances.

Feb. 12 - Board Coffee, 9 a.m., Orchard Mesa Middle School Commons.

Feb. 15 - Board Business Meeting, 6 p.m., Harry Butler Board Room.

## A Note From the Board President

Hello D51!

It has been an incredible honor to listen to our community members, visit numerous schools and have conversations with educators and parents. I've attended the District Accountability Committee (DAC), the District Special Education Accountability Committee (DSAC), and the Compensation Oversight Committee over the past few weeks.

I've also continued to attend the regular meetings our school board has with Mesa County Public Health, as we must stay up to speed with what is happening in Mesa County.

In all meetings, I listen to comments, concerns, ideas, and solutions. What is apparent in all of this is how everyone truly cares about our kids and community.

It is my goal is to visit every school before the end of the school year and to continue to visit each school as we create a relationship that is built on open communication between the board and the community.

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