Board of Education Mesa County Valley School District 51

Board Work Session Minutes

September 14, 2021

Board Work Session Minutes



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						NOENDATTEMO	CTION		
Present Absent	Х		Х	Х	Х	BOARD WORK SESSION Mr. Pitton was excused absent.	03 p.m.		
						 A. Proclamation for Hispanic Heritage Month [Resolution 21/22: 14] Mr. Parrish read a proclamation to proclaim Hispanic Heritage Month and to acknowledge all the contributions Hispanic people have made to businesses, arts, culture, politics, science, technology, athletics and academics. Hispanic Heritage Month takes place nationwide from September 15 to October 15. B. Capturing Kids Hearts Update Mrs. Patti Virden, Executive Director of Student Services, and Mrs. Cathy Ebel, Director of Social Emotional Learning and Behavior, shared information on the Capturing Kids Hearts training attended by middle school staff, directors and therapists. Testimonials from two teachers and two students emphasized how the implementation of Capturing Kids Hearts System has shown immediate, positive results. The system creates steps to generate a sense of belonging. Data was displayed noting the high satisfaction rating for the training and the positive feedback received. Mrs. Virden and Mrs. Ebel reviewed next steps to support the sustainability of the system and the types of data to be used to measure the success of the system. 			
						C. Summer School Update Mrs. Cathy Ebel, Director of Social Emotional Learning and Behavior, reported on the number of students who attended the 2021 Summer Extension Program. Teachers used their own curriculum and interventions to allow the program to act as an extension of the school year. Data was shared noting the number of program sites, the number of students attending based on grade levels, and the number of high school credits and certificates earned. Student growth data was displayed along with feedback and suggestions for next year's program. Cost for the program was paid through Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Funds. The funds will be available for three years to help with student learning loss due to COVID.			
						 D. Public Comment Policy Discussion Mr. Parrish noted the Board has not been in compliance with current policy regarding public comment. Prior to making changes to the policy Mr. Parrish and Mrs. Mahre met with representatives of other local municipalities to review their policies and practices around public comment. Following discussion the Board agreed to make minor changes to the policy and regulation up for adoption at this meeting, BEDH and BEDH-R, Public Participation at Board Meetings. The change in the policy agreed upon was to change the total time allotted for public comment from fifty minutes to sixty minutes (paragraph three), and in the regulation, add clarification to item eight 			
						(8) to indicate monopods, tripods or other items which could obscure the vision of others.			

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	 E. Audience Comments Samara Barber, Fruita 81521 Samantha, age thirteen, is a part time student of the District. She shared her concerns about District leadership wanting to hear public feedback but not answering emails and not allowing the full forty-five minutes allotted, at the last meeting, for audience comments. She noted parents take time out of their busy day to come to the meetings to express their concerns and, she feels, the Board should listen to all who wish to speak. Andrea Barber, Fruita 81521 Mrs. Barber, mother of Samara Barber, shared she home schools her children. Her presence at the meetings was to speak on behalf of a family friend whose students are being raised by a grandparent and other parents. She reported, since speaking at the last meeting, many parents have reached out to her for information on how to home school their children. She feels the Board spoke incorrectly and poorly of the audience at the last meeting using terms such as insurrection, despicable display and comparing the audience to those on January 6 who assaulted the capital. The Board noted they felt threatened, but she does not feel the audience threatened the Board in any way and noted other District staff stayed in the room and listened to the audience. She reminded the Board they are representatives, not volunteers and she feels constituents are not being represented as the Board is not listening to those speaking. She noted Mr. Parrish's voice mail is not set up and he didn't respond to her email. Kirby Richardson, Grand Junction 81501 Ms. Richardson was present to ask questions. She asked why the Board feels the need to restrict public comments. She reported there are no time restrictions at commissioners meetings and other meetings. She concluded if the Board doesn't care enough to listen to parents, the Board must not care if there is parent involvement, which means they must not care about what the teachers think or what			
	Ms. Williams noted the last meeting was totally out of hand and she apologized to members who felt threatened, but noted not all staff members felt threatened as some staff members stayed and listened. She stated the Board mentioned parents crossed the threshold but she does not feel they did. She reported the Board will be passing a resolution to declare a vacancy, since Mr. Pitton has resigned. She feels the Board should include any potential candidates in the process to select a replacement for Mr. Pitton.			
	[Recess 7:30 p.m. Resume 7:43 p.m.]			
	BUSINESS MEETING			
Present x x x x	1. Call to Order/Roll Call	8:34 p.m.		

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Motion Second Aye No	x x		X X	X	Х	2. Agenda Approval	Approved
Motion Second Aye No	x		XX	X	х	 Resolution Declaring a Vacancy [Resolution 21/22: 12] Mr. Parrish read the resolution to declare a vacancy for Director District B. The Board reviewed the proposed timeline for the process to fill the vacancy. Mr. John Williams, Legal Counsel, reviewed how past appointments have been made and spoke on requirements of state statute. Mr. Levinson thanked Mr. Pitton for the six plus years he has served on the Board. He noted no member cared more about parents and student than Mr. Pitton and Mr. Pitton is continuing to volunteer for the District by working as an assistant coach for the Grand Junction High School football teams. 	Adopted
						Policy First Reading, GBI, Criminal History Record Information	
Motion Second Aye No	X		x	X	x x	 5. Policy Second Reading/Adoption 5.a. BE, School Board Meetings 5.b. BEDH, Public Participation at Board Meetings 5.c. BEDH-R, Public Participation at Board Meetings Mrs. Mahre questioned if it would be better to limit the number of speakers rather than limiting the amount of time for speakers. Adopted with the following changes: Policy BEDH, paragraph three, change the allotted minutes for total audience comments from fifty minutes to sixty minutes. Regulation BEDH-R, add language to clarify item eight (8) to include monopods, tripods or other items which could obscure the vision of others. The Board discussed resuming Board Coffees and other events to hear from the community and staff as previously held prior to COVID-19. 	Adopted
Motion Second Aye No	x		X X	х	х	6. Executive Session To discuss various real estate matters regarding the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real, personal or other property interest under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(a). Present at the executive session: Superintendent, Dr. Diana Sirko, Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Brian Hill, General Counsel, Mr. John Williams, and Board Members, Dr. Amy Davis, Mr. Doug Levinson, Mr. Tom Parrish and Mrs. Trish Mahre.	
Motion Second Aye No	х		X X	Х	x x	Motion to adjourn executive session. Time spent in executive session: 20 minutes	
Motion Second Aye No	x x		X X	Х	х	7. Resolution to Amend Terms of the Sale of Rocky Mountain Elementary Property [Resolution 21/22: 13]	Adopted

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Motion Second Aye No	X X		х	х	x x	8. Adjournment 8:42 p.m.	Adjourn
						Bridget Story, Secretary Board of Education	

Proclamation: Hispanic Heritage Month

Board of Education Resolution: 20/21: 14 Presented: September 14, 2021

- WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month takes place from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 each year nationwide to celebrate Hispanic Americans and the wealth of contributions they have made to business, arts, culture, politics, science, technology, athletics, and academia; and
- WHEREAS, Hispanic or Latino people come from places far and wide, including Cuba, Mexico, Puerto Rico, South America, Central American, and other places of Spanish culture or origin; and
- WHEREAS, nearly a quarter of all students in Mesa County Valley School District 51 are Hispanic and 34% of all students across the state of Colorado are of Hispanic descent; and
- WHEREAS, Mesa County Valley School District 51 honors the backgrounds and rich cultural histories of all of its students and welcomes students of all ethnicities to learn with each other and from each other; and
- WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month events will take place in Mesa County through Oct. 9, beginning with a pre-kick-off event presented by District 51 from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 16, at the Maverick Center, Room 115, on the Colorado Mesa University campus; now

THEREFORE, the Board of Education and Superintendent Sirko proclaim Sept. 15 through Oct. 15, 2021, to be Hispanic Heritage Month in School District 51.



Declare a Board of Education Vacancy

Adopted: September 14, 2021

Board of Education Resolution 21/22: 12

WHEREAS, Colorado Revised Statute section 22-31-129 allows a Board of Education to declare a vacancy in the school director office; and

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2021, Paul Pitton, a member of the Board of Education holding the director office for Director District B of the Mesa County Valley School District 51, submitted a letter of resignation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education hereby duly accepts said letter of resignation and is declaring a vacancy for Director District B; and

WHEREAS, the Board has established the following procedure to fill the vacancy:

- Interested persons are asked to send a letter of interest, a resume noting related experience and answers to a questionnaire to the Board of Education by 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 28, 2021, to the following address: ATTN: Mrs. Bridget Story, 2115 Grand Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501. The questionnaire may be obtained by contacting the Board Secretary at Bridget.Story@d51schools.org or 970-254-5139.
- 2. The Board will review the letters of interest and other materials received and then select qualified prospective candidates to be interviewed at a public meeting with the date and time to be determined.
- 3. No person is eligible to hold public office unless that person fully meets the qualifications for office. To be eligible for appointment, a candidate must be a registered elector of the school district for at least twelve consecutive months prior to the date of appointment. The candidate must also be a resident of the Director District B in which the vacancy exists. Any person who has been convicted of a sexual offense against a child is ineligible for the office of school director. Each candidate for appointment to the vacancy shall establish their eligibility to hold office by submitting a sworn affidavit to the Board Secretary, Mrs. Bridget Story, attesting to their qualification for office by 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 28, 2021, to the address provided above.
- 4. The appointee will serve until the regular school biennial election on November 7, 2023, at which time an election will be held for a successor to fill the open Board position for the director office for Director District B.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, in accordance with state law, the Board now declares a vacancy in the school director office for Director District B on this date, September 14, 2021, and this vacancy will be filled by appointment by the Board within 60 days.

I certify that the information contained herein is accurate and was adopted by the Mesa County Valley School District 51 Board of Education on September 14, 2021.

Bridget Story Secretary, Board of Education

CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION

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The Board is committed to ensuring the protection of the Criminal Justice Information (CJI) and its subset of Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) until the information is purged or destroyed in accordance with applicable record retention rules.

Accordingly, this policy applies to any electronic or physical media containing Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) or Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI) CJI while being stored, accessed, or physically moved from a secure location within the District. This policy also applies to any authorized person who accesses, stores, and/or transports electronic or physical media containing CHRI.

Criminal Justice Information (CJI) and Criminal History Record Information (CHRI)

CJI refers to all of the FBI Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) provided data necessary for law enforcement and civil agencies to perform their missions including, but not limited to biometric, identity history, biographic, property, and case/incident history data.

CHRI means information collected by criminal justice agencies on individuals consisting of identifiable descriptions and notations of arrests, detentions, indictments, information, or other formal criminal charges, and any disposition arising therefrom, including acquittal, sentencing, correctional supervision, and release. The term does not include identification information such as fingerprint records if such information does not indicate the individual's involvement with the criminal justice system. CHRI is a subset of CJI and for the purposes of this document is considered interchangeable. Due to its comparatively sensitive nature, additional controls are required for the access, use, and dissemination of CHRI.

Proper access, use, and dissemination of CHRI

CHRI must only be used for an authorized purpose consistent with the purpose for which it was accessed or requested and cannot be disseminated outside the receiving departments, related agencies, or other authorized entities. Dissemination to another agency is authorized if:

- (a) the other agency is an Authorized Recipient of such information and is being serviced by the accessing agency, or
- (b) the other agency is performing noncriminal justice administrative functions on behalf of the authorized recipient and the outsourcing of said functions has been approved by Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI) officials with applicable agreements in place.

Personnel security screening

Access to CJI and/or CHRI is restricted to authorized personnel. Authorized personnel is defined as an individual, or group of individuals, who have completed security awareness training and have been granted access to CJI data due to an essential function of their job.

Security awareness training

Basic security awareness training is required within six months of initial assignment, and biennially thereafter, for all personnel with access to said confidential information.

Physical security

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All CJI and CHRI information must be securely stored. The Human Resources Department will maintain a current list of authorized personnel. Authorized personnel will take necessary steps to prevent and protect the District from physical, logical, and electronic breaches.

Media protection

Controls must be in place to protect electronic and physical media containing CJI while at rest, stored, or actively being accessed. Electronic media includes memory devices in laptops and computers (hard drives) and any removable, transportable digital memory media, such as magnetic tape or disk, backup medium, optical disk, flash drives, external hard drives, or digital memory card. Physical media includes printed documents and imagery that contain CJI. The District must securely store electronic and physical media within physically secure locations. The District restricts access to electronic and physical media to authorized individuals. If physical and personnel restrictions are not feasible then the data must be encrypted. When no longer usable, information and related processing items must be properly disposed of to ensure confidentiality.

Media sanitization and disposal

When no longer usable, hard drives, diskettes, tape cartridges, CDs, ribbons, hard copies, print-outs, and other similar items used to process, store, and/or transmit FBI or CBI CJI must be properly disposed of in accordance with measures established by the District.

Physical media (print-outs and other physical media) must be disposed of by one of the following methods:

- 1. shredding using District-issued shredders; or
- 2. placed in locked shredding bins for a private contractor to come on-site and shred, witnessed by District personnel throughout the entire process.

Electronic media (hard-drives, tape cartridge, CDs, printer ribbons, flash drives, printer and copier hard-drives, etc.) must be disposed of by one of the following methods:

- 1. Overwriting (at least 3 times) an effective method of clearing data from magnetic media. As the name implies, overwriting uses a program to write (1s, 0s, or a combination of both) onto the location of the media where the file to be sanitized is located.
- 2. Degaussing a method to magnetically erase data from magnetic media. Two types of degaussing exist: strong magnets and electric degausses. Note that common magnets (e.g., those used to hang a picture on a wall) are fairly weak and cannot effectively degauss magnetic media.
- 3. Destruction a method of destroying magnetic media. As the name implies, destruction of magnetic media is to physically dismantle by methods of crushing, disassembling, etc., ensuring that the platters have been physically destroyed so that no data can be pulled.

IT systems that have been used to process, store, or transmit FBI or CBI CJI and/or sensitive and classified information must not be released from the District's control until the equipment has been sanitized and all stored information has been cleared using one of the above methods.

Account management

The District must manage information system accounts, including establishing, activating, modifying, reviewing, disabling, and removing accounts. The District must validate information systems accounts at least annually and must document the validation process.

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All accounts must be reviewed at least annually by the Executive Director of Human Resources or their designee to ensure that access and account privileges commensurate with job functions, need-to-know, and employment status on systems that contain CJI. The CJIS point of contact may also conduct periodic reviews.

Reporting information security events

The District must promptly report incident information to appropriate authorities to include the CBI's Information Security Officer (ISO). Information security events and weaknesses associated with information systems must be communicated in a manner allowing timely corrective action to be taken. Formal event reporting and escalation procedures must be in place. Wherever feasible, the District must employ automated mechanisms to assist in the reporting of security incidents.

All employees, contractors, and third party users must be made aware of the procedures for reporting the different types of event and weakness that might have an impact on the security of District assets and are required to report any information security events and weaknesses as quickly as possible to the designated point of contact.

Policy violation/misuse notification

Violation of this policy or misuse of CHRI by any personnel can result in significant disciplinary action, up to and including loss of access privileges, civil and criminal prosecution, and/or termination.

Likewise, violation of this policy or misuse of CHRI by any visitor can result in similar disciplinary action against the sponsoring employee, and can also result in termination of services with any associated consulting organization or prosecution in the case of criminal activity.

LEGAL REFS.: P.L. 92-544 (authorizes the FBI to exchange CHRI with officials of state and local governmental

agencies for licensing and employment purposes)

28 C.F.R. 20.33 (b) (limited dissemination of criminal history record information)

28 C.F.R. 50.12 (b) (notification requirements regarding fingerprints) C.R.S. 22-2-119.3 (6)(d) (name-based criminal history record check -

definition)

C.R.S. 22-32-109.8 (non-licensed personnel - submittal of fingerprints and

name-based criminal history record check)

C.R.S. 22-32-109.9 (licensed personnel - submittal of fingerprints and name-

based criminal history record check)

C.R.S. 24-72-302 (definition of criminal justice information)

CROSS REFS.: GBEB, Staff Conduct (and Responsibilities)

GCE/GCF, Licensed Staff Recruiting/Hiring

GDE/GDF & GDE/GDF-R, Classified Staff Recruiting/Hiring

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SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

Adopted: October 10, 1972, Revised: May 15, 2001 Revised: September 3, 2002, Adopted: June 16, 2009 Adopted: February 20, 2018, March 19, 2020 Adopted: August 17, 2021, September 14, 2021 Page 1 of 3

All meetings of a quorum of three or more members of the Board at which any public business may be discussed or any formal action taken shall be open to the public at all times except for periods in which the Board is in executive session. Any person who disturbs good order may be required to leave.

A recording shall be made of regular and special meetings as required by law and at a minimum shall be an audio recording. Recordings shall be maintained for 90 days.

All regular meetings of the Board of Education shall be held in the Harry Butler Board Room, 455 N. 22 Street, Grand Junction, Colorado, at 6:00 pm, unless otherwise publicly announced.

1. Regular Meetings

- a. The Board, as a decision making body, is confronted with a continuing flow of problems, issues and needs which require action. The Board is mindful of the importance of planning, brainstorming and thoughtful discussion prior to any action. Therefore, the Board will schedule a Work Session for discussion of educational and business issues to be held on the first Tuesday of each month, with the exception of November and December, when no work sessions will be held. Business items may be added to the agenda when necessary under a business meeting format.
- b. Business meetings shall be held on the third Tuesday of each month, with the exception of the November, December, March and May meetings, when the business meeting may instead be scheduled on an alternative Tuesday to accommodate Thanksgiving, Christmas, Spring Break and/or high school graduations. No business meeting will be held during the month of July. Adjournment will be no later than 9:30 p.m., except for good cause.

Special Meetings

Special meetings may be called by the president at any time, and shall be called by the President upon the request of two or more of the members.

The secretary of the Board shall cause written notice of any special meeting to be emailed to each member of the Board stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting. The notice shall be sent no later than 24 hours prior to the hour set for the meeting. Hand delivery shall be a valid substitute for email.

Any member may waive notice of the time, place and purpose of a special meeting before, during or after such meeting, and attendance thereat shall be deemed to be a waiver. No business other than stated in the notice of the meeting shall be transacted unless all members are present and consent to consider and transact other business.

The Board shall adopt an agenda setting forth the business and the order of business to be transacted, discussed or considered at each regular meeting of the Board.

Except as otherwise specified by state law or Board policies pertaining to its own operating procedures, the Board generally shall operate by the rules prescribed in *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*.

Electronic Participation

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Board members may attend and participate by electronic means in regular or special meetings of the Board in accordance with this policy and state law. For purposes of this section concerning participation of a member electronically in a meeting, "electronic means" shall be defined as attendance via telephone, video or audio conferencing, or other electronic device.

Board members may attend and participate by electronic means in a regular or special Board meeting when circumstances prevent the Board member(s) from physically attending the meeting. A meeting at which one or more Board members attend and participate by electronic means shall be open to the public, except for periods in which the Board is in executive session.

The electronic means used shall allow the public to hear the comments made by the Board member(s) participating by electronic means and allow the Board member(s) to hear the comments made by the public. A Board member participating by electronic means will be included in the recording of the Board meeting.

A Board member who seeks to attend and participate by electronic means in a Board meeting shall notify the Board president and superintendent at least one business days prior to the meeting and shall explain the circumstances that prevent the Board member from physically attending the meeting. If such notification is not possible, the Board member shall notify the Board president and superintendent as soon as is reasonably possible of the request to attend by electronic means.

A Board member may attend and participate by electronic means in a maximum of two Board meetings per calendar year, unless otherwise approved by the Board.

A Board member's failure to comply with this policy may result in the Board's refusal to allow the member to participate by electronic means in Board meetings.

Electronic Meetings

A regular or special Board meeting may be held by electronic means in the event of extenuating circumstances, as determined by the President of the Board. For purposes of this section regarding virtual meetings, the term "electronic means" shall be defined as a meeting conducted by video conferencing with a stream / link for members of the public to use so that the public is able to hear and observe the meeting. Public comments may be allowed and taken at virtual meetings.

Voting

All voting shall be by roll call with each member present voting "Aye" or "No" alphabetically. However, election of the president and vice president may be by secret ballot. A member may abstain from voting only if excused by the Board for good cause.

A Board member who has a personal or private interest in any proposed or pending matter which presents a conflict of interest in accordance with Board policy shall disclose such interest and shall not vote unless his participation is necessary to obtain a quorum or otherwise enable the Board to act. Under such circumstances, the member shall comply with the voluntary disclosure requirements set out in state law.

To pass, any motion must be approved by a majority of the members present except as state law or policies of this Board may require a majority of full membership.

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C.R.S. 22-31-129 (board vacancies)

C.R.S. 22-32-104 (3) (president and vice president must be elected by majority of the entire membership)

C.R.S. 22-32-108 (board meetings)

C.R.S. 22-32-108 (6) (voting by roll call, excused for good cause)

C.R.S. 22-32-108 (7) (a) (a board member who participates electronically in conformance with the board's policy on electronic meeting participation is considered "present")

C.R.S. 24-6-401, et seq. (open meeting law)

C.R.S. 24-6-402 (2)(d)(IV) (outcome of a secret ballot vote must be recorded contemporaneously in the minutes

C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4) (a two-thirds majority of the quorum present is required to go into executive session)

C.R.S. 24-18-109 (3) (conflict of interest and voting)

C.R.S. 24-18-110 (voluntary disclosure of conflict of interest)

Cross References:

BCB, Board Member Conduct/Conflict of Interest

BEC, Executive Sessions/Open Meetings

BEDA, Notification of Board Meetings

Mesa County Valley School District 51 BEDH PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

Adopted: October 10, 1972 Adopted: September 14, 2021

All regular and special meetings of the Board shall be open to the public.

The Board desires to hear the views of citizens of the District and welcomes public comments at regular meetings. Public comments at regular business meetings may be on any subject of interest to the public. Public comments at regular work session meetings will be limited to the topics of the agenda of the meeting. There will be no public comments at special meetings.

The Board will set a time limit on the length of the public participation and a time limit for each individual speaker. Unless modified by the Board at the meeting, each speaker shall have three minutes to speak and the total time for public comments shall be sixty minutes.

A person wishing to make a public comment must complete a short information sheet and deliver it to the Board secretary. To the extent possible, the order of the speakers shall be established by the order that the information sheets are delivered. The Board may, however, alter the order of speakers so that the Board may hear a number of different topics and so a single topic does not dominate public participation.

The Board recognizes its responsibility to conduct the business of the District in an orderly and efficient manner and, therefore, requires reasonable controls to regulate public comments to the Board. A person wishing to be heard by the Board shall first be recognized by the president. The person shall then identify himself/herself and proceed with his/her comments as briefly as the subject permits, but within the time limits established by the Board. The Board insists that each speaker and all members of the audience be respectful at all times. The District will establish rules of public conduct for meetings in a regulation supporting this policy. The rules of public conduct shall be attached to each meeting agenda and posted at the entrance of the board meeting room.

Members of the public wishing to make formal presentations before the Board should make arrangements in advance with the superintendent so that such presentation, if appropriate, may be scheduled on the agenda. The decision to schedule a presentation is within the sound discretion of the superintendent and the president of the Board.

Legal Reference:

C.R.S. 24-6-401 et seq (open meeting law)

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS; MEETING RULES

Adopted: September 14, 2021

The Board encourages public comments. The Board also recognizes its responsibility to conduct the business of the District in an orderly and efficient manner. To this end, the following rules shall apply to all board meetings.

- 1. Public comment is encouraged and will be listed as an agenda item at every regular Board meeting. Each speaker will be given a maximum of three minutes and total public comments will be for a period not to exceed 60 minutes.
- 2. All persons attending the public meeting are expected to behave in a professional and civil manner, and the President of the Board reserves the right to require persons violating the rules of decorum to leave the meeting room.
- 3. Outbursts and interruptions from any person in the meeting room, including shouting, clapping, booing, laughing, or other reactions to the proceedings are prohibited.
- 4. Speakers are not allowed to make belligerent, accusatory, impertinent, slanderous, threatening, abusive or disparaging comments.
- 5. All comments from the public shall only be made by persons recognized by the President, and shall only be made to the Board of Education. (no comments or questions shall be directed to staff, an applicant or a presenter, or other members of the public). Questions from the Board, if any, will be for clarification purposes only. The time for public comments will not be used to solve or react to comments made.
- 6. All comments from the public shall only be made by persons speaking into the microphone at the podium or table after they have identified themselves on the record. The proceedings are recorded and comments made away from the microphone are inaudible and cannot become part of the official record.
- 7. There shall be no signs in the meeting room. All signs shall be located and demonstrations, if any, shall take place only on the public right-of-way that adjoins the school property where the meeting is held.
- 8. Video recording requiring the use of a monopod, tripod, or a device which could obscure the vision of others, are allowed only at the designated space at the back of the meeting room.
- Members of the public who do not follow proper conduct after a warning in a meeting may be barred from further participation at that meeting or at future meetings. Such members of the public may be removed from the meeting room.

Adopted: September 14, 2021



Resolution to Negotiate the Sale of Property Located East of Rocky Mt. Elementary School

Board of Education Resolution 20/21: 13

WHEREAS, the District received a verbal proposal and written narrative from Mesa County to purchase the 20-acre parcel of property located directly east of Rocky Mountain Elementary School at 3260 D ½ Road, Clifton, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the Board adopted Resolution 20/21: 100 on June 15, 2021, approving of the sale as described by Mesa County and authorizing the Superintendent to negotiate and enter into a contract along the lines described in the verbal proposal and written narrative of Mesa County; and

WHEREAS, the District has now received a written contact offer from Mesa County to purchase the property at the appraised value; and

WHEREAS, the written contract offer includes an adjoining 5 acre (approximate) parcel that lies north of Rocky Mountain Elementary School, which parcel is owned by the District, and used and maintained by Mesa County as a public park pursuant to a written intergovernmental agreement (IGA) by and between the District and Mesa County dated April 24, 2000; and

WHEREAS, Mesa County desires to obtain the additional park property for no additional consideration, but also intends to continue the parcel's use as a park integrated into the proposed project on the original 20 acres being purchased; and

WHEREAS, Mesa County's narrative and contract offer states the intended usage of the parcel and park parcel and the intended usage will directly support and benefit Rocky Mt. Elementary families and community; and

WHEREAS, the Board deems the proposed sale, to include the additional five acres, to be in the best interest of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mesa County Valley School District 51 Board of Education declares the 20 acre parcel of property desired by Mesa County and the additional 5 acre park parcel to be surplus property not needed within the foreseeable future for any purpose authorized by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mesa County Valley School District 51 Board of Education hereby authorizes and directs the Superintendent to negotiate, enter into and execute a contract with Mesa County on behalf of the Board for Mesa County to purchase both the said 20 acre and the 5 acre park parcel at a price equal to current appraised value for the 20 acre parcel and for a use as described in the County narrative, and upon other terms and conditions as reasonably required by the District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED. The Board authorizes the Superintendent or designee to take such further steps in conjunction with legal counsel and execute such other documents as may be required to close the transaction.

I certify that the information contained herein is accurate and was adopted by the Mesa County Valley School District 51 Board of Education on September 14, 2021.

Bridget Story Secretary, Board of Education