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Mission Statement
Together we are committed to graduating and preparing all children for success in college and careers.

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
January 14, 2010
Student Service Center – Board Room

- 1.00** President Lindorf called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.
Roll call was taken with the following members present: Director Tammy Harold, Director Andy Holloman, President Danielle Lindorf, Director Dave Martin and Director Chris Wright.
- 2.00** **Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance**
President Lindorf welcomed those in attendance and invited them to join the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3.00** **Approval of Agenda**
President Lindorf requested a motion to approve the agenda.
Director Harold moved to approve the agenda. Director Martin seconded the motion.
Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.
- 4.00** **Consent Agenda**
- 4.01 Approval of December Monthly Financial Update
- 4.02 Approval of Matters Relating to Administrative Personnel
APPOINTMENTS:
Thrutchley, Celina This is a change of duty and an Exempt Professional/Technical Position, Construction and Planning Technician effective January 1, 2010 at a prorated salary of \$23,814 for the remainder of the 2009-2010 school year.
- 4.03 Approval of Matters Relating to Licensed Personnel
APPOINTMENTS:
Blocher, Lisa Hired as an INR .5 English Teacher at Falcon High School effective December 1, 2009. Salary is set at: \$10,330.38. This is a replacement for a resignation.
Phillips, Trellis Hired as an INR Early Childhood Special Education Teacher at Ridgeview Elementary Preschool effective January 4, 2010. Salary is set at: \$18,911.86. This is a replacement for a resignation.
Wilson, David Hired as an INR English Teacher at Falcon High School effective January 4, 2010. Salary is set at: \$17,036.56. This is a replacement for a resignation.
RESIGNATIONS:
Dowling, Peggy Written resignation from her position as School Psychologist with the Special Services Department effective January 4, 2010.

Schnitzler, Abigail Written resignation from her position as Social Communications Preschool Teacher at Ridgeview Elementary School effective January 3, 2010.

Smith, April Written resignation from her position as INR School Nurse at Rocky Mountain Charter Academy effective January 1, 2010.

4.04 Approval of Matters Relating to Educational Support Personnel

APPOINTMENTS:

Boyle, David Existing Position, Bus Driver at Transportation, full time, school year, 5 hours per day, \$12.99 per hour, start date December 14, 2009.

Hatfield, Lauren Existing Position, Special Education Teacher Assistant at Ridgeview Elementary School, full time, school year, 7 hours per day, \$12.15 per hour, start date December 16, 2009.

Tjaden, Abigail Existing Position, Bus Monitor at Transportation, full time, school year, 5 hours per day, \$10.05 per hour, start date December 1, 2009.

Piccolo, Jon New Position, Special Education Teacher Assistant at Evens Elementary School, full time, school year, 7 hours per day, \$10.93 per hour, start date December 7, 2009.

SUBSTITUTE:

Davide, Peggy Substitute, wage range \$7.94 - \$15.30 per hour depending on substitute placement.

Tjaden, Ryan Substitute, wage range \$7.94 - \$15.30 per hour depending on substitute placement.

Tylich, Jerome Substitute, wage range \$7.94 - \$15.30 per hour depending on substitute placement.

Wong, Erika Substitute, wage range \$7.94 - \$15.30 per hour depending on substitute placement.

TRANSFERS:

Armstrong, Lisa Transfer from her position as Nutrition Services Assistant at Falcon Middle School to a new position as Nutrition Services Assistant at Falcon High School, effective December 1, 2009.

Smith, Lenette Transfer from her position as Nutrition Services Assistant at Sand Creek High School to an existing position as Nutrition Services Assistant at Falcon High School, effective December 1, 2009.

Stoss, Shenay Transfer from her position as Building Custodial Technician at Facilities to an existing position as Building Custodial Technician at Stetson Elementary School, effective December 1, 2009.

RESIGNATIONS:

Bennett, Helen Resignation from her position as Support Substitute, effective November 09, 2009.

Bier, Sheri Resignation from her position as Support Substitute, effective December 01, 2009.

Boudreaux, Kelly Resignation from her position as Support Substitute, effective December 01, 2009

Delcamp-Gardner, Phyllis Resignation from her position as Support Substitute, effective December 04, 2009.

Henderson, Courtney Resignation from her position as Special Education Teacher Assistant at Stetson Elementary School, effective December 4, 2009.

Keese, Larry Resignation from her position as Support Substitute, effective December 01, 2009.

Lira, Nicole Resignation from her position as Crossing Guard at Stetson Elementary School, effective December 17, 2009.

Lira, Nicole Resignation from her position as Lunch Monitor at Stetson Elementary School, effective December 17, 2009.

Naseman, Angela Resignation from her position as Special Education Teacher Assistant at Ridgeview Elementary School, effective December 16, 2009.

Owen, Corinna Resignation from her position as Support Substitute, effective December 07, 2009.

Tylich, Jerome Resignation from his position as Support Substitute, effective December 15, 2009.

Woodcock, Yvonne Resignation from her position as Preschool Teacher Assistant at Ridgeview Elementary School, effective December 17, 2009.

TERMINATIONS:

McDonald, John Termination from her position as Support Substitute, effective December 11, 2009.

Reinardy, Michae Termination from her position as Support Substitute, effective December 11, 2009.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Rich, Eva Leave of Absence from her position as Special Education Teacher Assistant at Patriot Learning Center effective from December 17, 2009 thru May 27, 2010.

Slocum, Cindy Leave of Absence from her position as DSC Facilitator at Vista Ridge High School beginning November 30, 2009.

4.05 Approval of Minutes of December 10, 2009 Regular Board of Education Meeting

4.06 Approval of Minutes of December 17, 2009 Special Board of Education Meeting

4.07 Approval of Minutes of December 17, 2009 Board of Education Work Session

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Director Harold moved to approve the consent agenda. Director Martin seconded the motion.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

5.00 Board/Superintendent Update

Mr. Martin has attended a couple of meetings with Dr. Schoeppey

Mr. Wright has been visiting in the schools and has enjoyed watching student activities. He has been thinking about the change that is going to happen in the district with the challenges coming down from the state. He is grateful for the people in the district that really want to help in any way they can. It is wonderful to see a culture that cares about change; the caring attitude is so positive and everyone seems to be willing to listen to other views.

Mr. Holloman has met with the transportation department to look at opportunities for choice. We are a choice district and the challenge is to meet the needs of students and the district. He meets with Dr. Schoeppey on a weekly basis and met with Joleen Schaake regarding the budget cuts coming down from the state. There are cuts as we deal with growth in the district. Attended the Show Case of Schools and had the opportunity to visit with the administration. The most impressive thing is the School Improvement Plan information. We are setting a base line and will be moving forward from here. He appreciates the work that was put into this report.

Mrs. Harold, has been working on community outreach with the communications specialist Stephanie Wurtz Meredith. The first community meeting will be at the Meridian Ranch Recreation Center January 26th, followed by one of February 8th from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. A couple of Board members will be present at each of these community forums. The Board welcomes the opportunity to visit with the community. Other meetings in the Powers corridor will be announced soon.

Mrs. Lindorf attended the Show Case of Schools, it was a wonderful to see all of the work that had been done to have this event. There were over 400 people in attendance.

We are happy to be moving forward in this district and have many updates we would like to give you at this time.

First, the Board met on December 17th and we were able to discuss our communication standards, the BEST grant possibilities, receive information about the bonding process, get an overview of our financial status and discuss the results of the school calendar survey and the subsequent recommendations for our 2010/2011 calendar. This was a public meeting, and the minutes will be available to all once they are approved by the Board.

During our regular Board meeting on December 10th, we received some input from D-49 staff concerning the Employee Involvement Committee (EIC). After further investigation regarding this and other Board committees, we have chosen to begin discussions at our January 27th work session about reforming all Board committees to better serve the needs of the Board and community. We expect a proposal from Dr. Schoeppey regarding the formation of a council that could replace the EIC, but will preserve several of its past functions. We value our teachers and support staff and would like to offer them a direct line of communication to the Superintendent. Over the past few weeks, we have been informed that there could be some improvements of the drop-off and pick-up flow at Sand Creek, Vista Ridge High Schools and additional schools we've identified in our transportation analysis. Our transportation department is currently working on these scenarios, and parents/guardians of students who attend these schools should be receiving an e-mail regarding any changes that will take place to improve student safety and traffic flow efficiency.

Further on in the meeting, you will see in agenda items 7.03, 7.04 and 7.05 three proposed boundary changes that the Board will be voting on. We would like to thank the different committees, administrators and board members who have faithfully served to bring these and other recommendations to the Board. During the fall, there were several overcrowding relief options that were presented to the public. Some of them included creating a K-6 option along the eastern corridor, creating a 6-8 middle school within Sand Creek High School, changing elementary school boundaries in the western part of the district, or moving Patriot Learning Center into the available space at Sand Creek. Although there is merit to each of these possibilities, as a Board, we do not feel like any of these choices would be best for our students at this time. Therefore, we would like to hold off on these recommendations and only propose a few "maintenance" boundary changes for Board approval. I want to clarify at this time that we will be allowing students currently in grades 2-4 and grades 9-11 to grandfather into the schools they attended this year. Those students will not need to change schools unless their families choose to do so. This will guarantee seats for these students during the duration of their tenure at their school. Detailed letters will be sent to the families who are affected by these boundary changes to give them all of the information they will need to proceed with the next school year. We are still facing overcrowding and growth opportunities, but would like to ask our capable school administrators and parents to work with us one more year as we research our bonding possibilities. Dr. Schoeppey has a preliminary report for the Board, following my comments, dealing with his recommendation to stay ahead of the growth in our communities.

The last update I would like to present tonight is that our administration has been working diligently on implementing new and higher standards and expectations for our students, staff and administration in accordance with the board's vision for the district. One of the major changes in the district is our district-wide commitment to accountability with the revision of the work of the DAAC Committee. A review team with representatives from each school in the area assessed and recommended for approval to the board the school improvement plans (SIP) of each school, including our charter schools. In addition to the comprehensive review, all teachers and staff members participated in an Achievement Conference with their school team, where the administration conducted a building walk-through and provided additional feedback on the plans. This information was used to revise plans, utilize the data to make decisions, and focus on the requirement to improve student achievement by at least five (5) percent. Immediately following this process, the administration has been conducting formal observations and utilizing the new evaluation process approved by the board in November. To further enhance the goals established by the board and the administration, principals meetings have been changed to professional development workshops that center on the skills that principals need to effectively support the

goals of the district. The superintendent has created a Leadership Team Packet to allow for dissemination of critical information and for central administrators to develop a critical task calendar that can be referred to annually. This allows the superintendent to maintain all principal meetings for professional development. In order to support this new direction from the superintendent, some restructuring of central office positions has occurred to establish accountability for improved achievement at the building level and to provide central office support and guidance to develop instructional leaders who are responsible for carrying out the mission of the school district. These restructuring efforts will be continued as the board and administration evaluate our budget needs and realign resources to improve student achievement and meet the goals established by the board.

We encourage our community and parents to support these changes by remaining positive, engaged and excited about providing D-49 students with the resources to be successful in their education.

Danielle Lindorf, President, Falcon School District 49

Dr. Schoeppey, asked Cindy Hardin to report on the Santas Toy Express.

Cindy Hardin stated there were 52 students involved this year. The department takes a full year to get ready for this event. They work with the Falcon Fire Department; they bring Santa in on a fire truck, this year there was an emergency that Santa attended before coming to meet the students. This program is eight years old; we raise over eleven thousand dollars. There were over 225 people impacted by this event. Students from our high schools and middle schools along with Farmers State Bank, State Bank and Schreiver Air Force Base, Safeway, Wal-Mart, were also involved this year; many volunteers helped wrap presents. A video was shown telling about Santa's Toy Express.

Dr. Schoeppey, the budget for the 2010-2011 year. With the funding from the state we are being cut as the year goes on. We are doing everything that we can to keep it away from the children. We have cut about one million from the service center. We received word of another \$300,000 cut on Monday and word that we will receive another cut in March. We have put processes in place, asked principals to take 10 percent from school sites. We have frozen all hiring except essential personnel, and no spending here at the service center without his signature. The problem is the future three to five million dollar cut from next years budget. 85 % of our budget is personnel. We will have to start looking bodies; we are looking at every possible thing in the district. The projection for the year after is no better. We are doing everything that we can to protect the classroom. It is not a pretty picture at this point.

On the agenda is some G policy revisions; this policy is tied to the calendar that we are asking the board to approve tonight. The change is closing down the service center between Christmas and New Years.

All committees are being reviewed, one change could be a committee involving one teachers from each building meeting with the superintendent on a regular basis. Concerns can be brought so that their voices can be heard, also a group will be started from the support personnel.

Boundary changes, as we looked at recommendations and talked to parents there wasn't a lot of support for any of the items. What we were looking for is middle school relief. After talking to the principal at SMS she said that they could go one more year. We will be moving a pod from Sand Creek High School to Skyview Middle School for the 2010-2011 school year..

Dr. Schoeppey, after looking at the different issues in the district he is recommending a bond issue in 2010 and continue to look at a mil levy override. We have issues; we are looking at a

growth projection of 750 students next year; that is a school. There is no choice but to see what we can do best for our students.

6.00 Open Forum

President Lindorf read the open forum statement.

Donna Harington, parent, stated that her concern is about the boundaries, living in the Barns triangle as she calls it, she hopes that the board does approve the grandfathering in of students that are already attending a school and does not force them to move to a new school. It is very apparent that thought was put into this agenda item.

Alex Eichelberger, parent, saw that one open forum is being done away with, she asked if the number of people having the opportunity to speak was going to be extended and also the amount of time that will be allowed increased.

President Lindorf replied that the Board is giving this a try, wanting people to have the opportunity to speak at the beginning of the meeting, The board will be very sensitive to the needs at each meeting.

Alex Eichelberger, transportation for choice students, has students at Odyssey Elementary that don't start until 9 and don't get out until 4. That is very difficult; before you add transportation for choice, please look at the start time at OES to make it the same as the other elementary schools. Invite to OES play The Trial of Mr. Wolf Feb 25th and again on the 26th at 6:45 p.m. D 49 honor band will perform on Saturday.

Emily McMorrison, parent, in December the 8th graders did a district robotics competition at SMS. The great thing was to see how well the three students from each school worked together on each team. She is glad that the district is going to look at a bond this year. She is not opposed to the change any more, it was inevitable, her concern is the feeder pattern. If you are going to move boundaries make it a real change.

Mary Lougee, invited the Board to Sand Creek High School to see the staff play next Thursday and Friday. Wants to address the calendar, there has been a lot of work done on it and she respects it. When the packet came out it seems like 184 working days for teachers instead of 182. Surely you are not asking teachers to work more days when they will be asked make other sacrifices. She also wanted to know where the laptops are.

President Lindorf. Replied that the IT department is in the process of being issued the computers, they will be used to not only go through information and will be able to use them in various ways.

Dr. Schoeppe stated that there is no intention to increase the teacher work days.

Elaine Olsen, stated that the the two days when the high schools had parent teacher conferences in the evening is the two days. They have been paid days. EIC, she had been assured that this committee was not being done away with. Evidently this is what has happened; she is very disappointed that this has taken place. She is sorry to see that the staff in this district is being split up again.

Mark Shook, patron, commended the board for listening and looking at the entire boundary change recommendations. Issue of the open forums, believes that the action the board is taking is the right one. Issue of bonds, he believes that with all of the projections for growth, we need to remind people that we have a small problem now that is only going to grow in the future.

Chris Phillips, parent, has heard that the district is going to combine some of the special needs classes, that raises some concerns for him. Merging classes for budget issues does not make since pedagogically.

Dr. Schoeppey, stated that is a rumor, there has been no discussion of combining those classes. There are some classes that meet that are district wide classes, they will only look at where the students live that are being served and what is best for them.

President Lindorf, stated that committees will be discussed at the January work session

7.00 Action Items

7.01 Approval of 2009-2010 Amended Budget

Colorado Revised Statute 223-44-110(5) allows the Board to “review and change the budget, with respect to both revenues and expenditures, at any time prior to January 31 of the fiscal year.” Administration is presenting the proposed changes to the budget for the 2009-2010 fiscal year which began on July 1, 2009.

According to our October 2009 count, our funded student count came in 7.62 FTE below budgeted, resulting in reduced Per Pupil Revenue in the amount of \$52,240. However, other categorical revenue from the state (i.e., VocEd, SPED) is expected to increase by that amount so the total amended budget revenue amount does not change.

Although our overall student body count in traditional district schools (non-charter) came in higher by 49 students, much of our growth was in preschool and kindergarten, therefore not funded at a full FTE. In accordance with the core staffing document’s recommended number of students to teacher, the District chose to hire new teachers (4.5 FTE) at the beginning of the year to handle larger class sizes in several schools. This occurred due to the way the students were spread out amongst grade levels. The amended budget accounts for the cost of hiring those new teachers (approximately \$275,000) by adjusting support program non-personnel budgets down since no new revenue was realized. Also, in preparation for the expected cuts in funding for next year, we adjusted support non-personnel programs down by another \$425,000 and moved that amount into payroll budgets. This was done in order to accurately budget costs before embarking on the cuts that will need to be made to next year’s budgets.

The total of \$700,000 in adjustments were made to the budget (moving spending from non-personnel to personnel) to accurately reflect spending as it is occurring this budget year. In summary, there are no new expenditures or revenues in the amended budget, only an adjustment to revenue and expenditures to accurately reflect actual revenue and expenditures this fiscal year. The budgeted ending fund balance is 10.97% of revenue (including TABOR), which is over the 10% of revenues as required by Board policy.

Joleen Schaake, the district Chief Financial Officer, gave a power point presentation.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve agenda item 7.01

Director Harold moved to approve the 2009-2010 Amended Budget as recommended by the administration. Director Holloman seconded the motion.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

7.02 Approval of 2010-2011 School Year Calendar

The 2010-2011 school year calendar represents input from the calendar committee, surveys from the community and input from the administration. The calendar continues with the two week fall break and will have a three day Thanksgiving break. School will end on May 27, 2011 and graduations will be May 28, 2011. There were 2600 respondents to the survey that was put on the web site.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve agenda item 7.02.

Director Harold moved to approve the 2010 -2011 School Year Calendar as recommended by the administration. Director Martin seconded the motion.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

7.03 Approval of Remington Elementary School Boundary Change

Currently all students located west of Peterson Road across from Remington Elementary School, are bused to Springs Ranch Elementary School. With the proposed boundary change, this would move approximately 104 students from Springs Ranch Elementary School and they would be able to walk to Remington Elementary School. This would eliminate one bus which will be a cost savings of \$22,000.00 a year. This proposed boundary change moves only a portion of the students, as Remington Elementary School cannot accommodate all of the students located directly across Peterson Road from Remington Elementary School.

Melissa Andrews, the district planner, gave a power point presentation regarding this boundary change.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve agenda item 7.03.

Director Harold moved to approve the proposed boundary modification for Remington Elementary School as recommended by the administration. Director Holloman seconded the motion.

Letters will be sent out to all parents regarding all of the boundary changes, informing them of the changes and options that they have in the district.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

7.04 Approval of Elementary and High School Boundary Change - Barnes Road

In the district build out plan, each feeder pattern consists of three elementary schools with an approximate capacity of 600 students, feeding into one middle school with a capacity of 900 students, which then feeds into one high school with a capacity of 1,600 students. However, the current feeder system for Sand Creek High School is broken, so the goal over the next few years is to correct it by aligning the elementary, middle school and high school boundaries to Barnes Road. We are proposing at this time to correct the elementary and high school boundaries by moving the boundary line from Ashley Drive, north to Barnes Road. This proposed boundary change will affect approximately 58 elementary students and 34 high school students. The elementary students currently attend Stetson Elementary, but with this proposed boundary change, they will attend Springs Ranch Elementary. The high school students currently attend Vista Ridge High School, but with this proposed boundary change, they will attend Sand Creek High School. The elementary students are currently walkers and will continue to be walkers even with this change. However the high school students are currently bused, and with the proposed boundary change, they will become walkers.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve agenda item 7.04.

Director Holloman moved to approve the proposed boundary change from Ashley Drive, north to Barnes Road as recommended by the administration. Director Martin seconded the motion.

Director Harold, this is an original neighborhood that went to Stetson, this change effects 24 students that are high school age. Have to make sure that the parents get choice.

There will be students that are grandfathered in to the schools that they currently attend.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, no; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

7.05 Approval of Toy Ranches Subdivision Boundary Modification

Currently all students located in the Toy Ranches subdivision, which is west of Marksheffel, are currently bused to Woodmen Hills Elementary School, Falcon Middle School and Falcon High School. With the proposed boundary change, this would move approximately 6 elementary students, 2 middle school students, and 6 high school students to Stetson Elementary School, Skyview Middle School, and Vista Ridge High School. This boundary change would help the students by eliminating two hours of travel time on a bus each day.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve agenda item 7.05

Director Harold moved to approve the proposed boundary modification for the Toy Ranches Subdivision as recommended by the administration. Director Holloman seconded the motion.

A power point was given regarding this boundary change recommendation.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

7.06 Approval of 2009-2010 School Improvement Plans

The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB) was designed to help create high performing schools. Its cornerstone accountability provisions build upon rigorous academic content and achievement standards, and assessments based on those standards. NCLB expresses the ambitious, long-term goal of proficiency in reading and mathematics for all students by the 2013-14 school year, and delineates specific steps that states, local educational agencies and schools must take to reach that goal. Every state educational agency has developed an approved system for implementing the accountability provisions of NCLB by creating a single definition of adequate yearly progress (AYP) for all schools and local educational agencies throughout the state. NCLB requires state educational agencies and local education agencies to review annually the status of every school, using defined benchmarks, in order to ensure that the school is making adequate progress toward achieving the long-term proficiency goal.

The School Improvement Plan (SIP) is the school's self-assessment of past student achievement and goals for student achievement in the future. The plan will supplement external evaluations of the school's performance and assist the District in the allocation of resources. The School Improvement Plan includes the school's strategic action plan for the 2009-2010, goals for the 2010-2014 school years, as well as a summary and data analysis of the schools' 2008-2009 school improvement plans.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve agenda item 7.06

Director Harold moved to approve the 2009-2010 School Improvement Plans from each building as recommended by the administration. Director Holloman seconded the motion.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

7.07 Approval of Board of Education Policy revisions for GCD Professional Staff Vacation and Holidays, and GDD Support Staff Vacation and Holidays

These policies cover vacation and paid holidays for staff. The changes eliminate the accrual process for vacation. Vacation used but unearned at the time of separation is still collected from

final pay. Additionally, the number of paid holidays for 12 month employees is changed to fifteen.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve agenda item 7.07

Director Harold moved to approve the revisions to Board of Education policies GCD Professional Staff Vacation and Holidays, and GDD Support Staff Vacation and Holidays as presented.

Director Martin seconded the motion.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

- 7.08 Approval of Revision and/or Adoption of Board of Education Policy KDB Public's Right to Know/Access Information; KDB-R –Public's Right to Know/Access Information Regulation; KHC – Distribution/Posting of Non-curricular Materials; KHC-R – Distribution of Non-curricular Materials Regulation.

Cabinet members reviewed all the policies and found no need to modify KD or KDB. Those policies seem to effectively serve their purpose.

KDB-R included price amounts for copies and materials requested by the public. State law changed and the current policy became outdated. We clarified the wording on the cost per page and the amount to align with state regulations: 25 cents per page. We also took out the per-hour fee in order to allow for that determination on a case-by-case basis, depending on what work is involved with providing requested information.

The Board did not have a KHC regulation, but we felt it was necessary to set standards for what content can be distributed and advertised in our schools.

The regulation lays out the guidelines for how materials will be posted or distributed as well as a process for appealing if material is not accepted for distribution. We did not previously have this regulation and thought it would be beneficial to give specifics on this issue.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve agenda item 7.08

Director Harold moved to approve the revision of Board of Education Policy KDB Public's Right to Know/Access Information; KDB-R –Public's Right to Know/Access Information Regulation and the adoption of Board of Education Policy KHC – Distribution/Posting of Non-curricular Materials; KHC-R – Distribution of Non-curricular Materials Regulation as presented.

Director Holloman seconded the motion.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin no; Mr. Wright no. Motion carried.

- 7.09 Approval of Revision to Board of Education Policy DA – Fiscal Management Goals/Priority Objectives

This policy had not been reviewed or updated since 1999. A minor change in wording was made to item number 2 (use of more commonly used language). Item number 5 was updated to use language that is measurable and is recommended by CASB.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve agenda item 7.09

Director Harold moved to approve the revision to Board of Education Policy DA – Fiscal Management Goals/Priority Objectives as presented. Director Martin seconded the motion.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

- 7.10 Approval of Revision to Board of Education Policies CBB – Recruitment of Superintendent, CBI – Evaluation of Superintendent, CF – School Building Administration.

The Board of Education is responsible for reviewing all policies; many policies have not been reviewed for several years and need to be reviewed and approved as they are, revised or deleted.

Colorado Association of School Boards releases updates and revisions to policies as new laws are enacted and as procedures change across the state.

Board of Education Policies CBB – Recruitment of Superintendent, CBI – Evaluation of Superintendent, and CF – School Building Administration have revisions recommended; these revisions are in line with the CASB sample policies.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve agenda item 7.10

Director Harold moved to approve the revision to Board of Education Policies CBB – Recruitment of Superintendent, CBI – Evaluation of Superintendent, and CF – School Building Administration as presented. Director Martin seconded the motion.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

7.11 Approval of Revision of Policy JB, Equal Educational Opportunities/Non-Discrimination/Non-Harassment of Students and new Regulation JB-R

Revisions of this policy were done to meet the requirements put forth in the “Agreement of the United States and Falcon School District 49”. The regulation is therefore included for clarification.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve agenda item 7.11

Director Harold moved to approve the revision to Board of Education Policy JB, Equal Education Opportunities/Non-Discrimination/Non-Harassment of Students and Regulation JB-R as presented. Director Holloman seconded the motion.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

7.12 Approval of Revision to Board of Education Policy BEDB – Agenda

The Board of Education is responsible for approving Board of Education Policies and setting the agenda for the Board meetings. The Board wants to give patrons of the district opportunity to address the Board and still be able to conduct business in a timely manner. It is the Boards belief that both can be addressed with one open forum.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve agenda item 7.12

Director Harold moved to approve the Revision to Board of Education Policy BEDB – Agenda as presented. Director Wright seconded the motion.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

7.13 Approval of New Administrative Position – Administrator on Special Assignment, Online Academy

To Gain Board Approval for a new administrative position. Falcon D49 is establishing an online academy for K-12 students throughout Colorado. This position is the equivalent of the Planning Principal that is normally hired to open a new building. The intent is to have this position convert to the Principal Administrator of the online academy once the academy is established.

President Lindorf requested a motion to approve the

Director Harold moved to approve the recommendation of the New Administrative Position - Administrator on Special Assignment, Online Academy. Director Holloman seconded the motion.

Dr. Schoeppey stated that we are looking at our own on line academy; opportunity for students to receive credits on line. We have a lot of opportunity with home schooled students as well as students that are taking classes on line out of district to bring them back into the district. The

expectation is that this program will be a self supporting program. It will be a k-12 program starting in the fall. We will lose students to other districts if we don't have a program like this. This gives parents more choice in the education of their children. We are looking at grant opportunities.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

8.00 Informational Items

- 8.01 Student Field Trips
- 8.02 Expulsion/ Suspension Information

9.00 Discussion Items

- 9.01 Review for Revision Board of Education Policy IA – Instructional Goals and Learning Objectives, Policy IC/ICA – School Year/School Calendar/Instructional Time and Policy IC/ICA Regulation, Policy IGA – Curriculum Development.

As it is currently written, Policy IA – Instructional Goals and Learning Objectives requires that all assessments used in the district be developed by district personnel. This proposal is to revise Policy IA to allow the use or modification of professionally developed assessments to measure the progress of students towards achievement of the content standards.

Policy IC/ICA – School Year/School Calendar/Instructional Time, as it is currently written, contains items that are more appropriately placed in a regulation. This revision breaks the current into a policy and a regulation. Policy IC/ICA currently requires that passing periods between classes be considered as instructional time. The proposed revisions allow the Board to decide whether passing periods be considered instructional time or not. An updated summary of the law is proposed to replace the summary currently in place.

Two revisions are being proposed to Policy IGA – Curriculum Development. The first proposed revision clearly allows the use of pilot programs in the district to evaluate the effectiveness of proposed curricular materials rather than just implying the use of this tool. The second revision adds the word “State” to reflect that the standards used in Falcon D49 are both the State and Board approved standards.

The recommendation of the Board is to move these policies to action items at the February Board meeting.

- 9.02 Course approvals from the District Curriculum Planning Council (DCPC) for school years 2010-2011.

The following courses have been reviewed by the DCPC (see attached checklists) and were found to meet the requirements for adoption:

1. Advanced Placement Human Geography
2. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme Physics Standard Level
3. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme French B Higher Level
4. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme German B Standard Level
5. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme Theory of Knowledge
6. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme Spanish B Higher Level
7. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme History Higher Level
8. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme Design Technology
9. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme Math Studies

10. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme Business Management
11. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme Math Standard Level
12. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme French B Standard Level
13. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme Spanish B Standard Level
14. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme English A1 Higher Level
15. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme Biology Higher Level
16. International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme Visual Arts Standard Level.

Director Wright would like to see a constitution program added to our schools.

The recommendation from the board is to move this to an action item at the Feb BOE meeting.

9.03 Review for Revision Board of Education Policy DAB, Financial Management

This policy had not been reviewed or updated since 1999. Changes have been made using more commonly used language that is in keeping with current practices. Current practices include providing the Board with financial information on a monthly basis rather than quarterly. Item number six adds the online posting of financial information in keeping with the Board's direction of financial transparency. Item number seven was added to include the requirement of a yearly independent audit by state statute and written as recommended by Colorado Association of School Boards.

The recommendation of the Board is to move this to an action item at the February Board meeting.

9.04 Review for Revision Board of Education Policy BEC – Executive Session, BEDA – Notification of Board Meetings, BEDF – Voting Method, BEDG – Minutes, BEDH – Public Participation at Board Meetings, and Review of Board of Education Policy BEDD – Rules of Order and BID/BIE – Board Member Compensation and Expenses/Insurance/Liability

The Board of Education has the responsibility of reviewing and revising Board policies on a regular basis. It is the goal of this Board to bring policies up for revision and are starting with Section B: School Board Governance and Operations.

Hold BEDH as a discussion item for the next work session before moving it to action at the February meeting, move the other ones to action items at the February meeting.

9.05 Review Board of Education Policy JICEA – School Related Student Publications, JICEA-R – School-Related Student Publications Regulation, JICEC – Student Distribution of Non-curricular Materials, JICEC-R – Student Distribution of Non-curricular Materials Regulation and JICED – Student Expression Rights.

Cabinet members reviewed all of these policies and regulations and found no need to change or revise JICA, JICEA-R, JICEC or JICED. There were no Colorado Association of School Board recommended changes either.

The only change is to JICEC-R where two paragraphs were condensed to make the regulation more clear and concise.

Cabinet also changed the timeframe for how far in advance materials need to be approved to stay consistent with the regulation for public distribution of materials.

It is the recommendation of the Board to move these to the February BOE meeting.

President Lindorf, stated that a patron may request that an email they send be put in the minutes.

10:00 Open Forum

Mary Lougee, believes the problem with having only one open forum is that after the Board discusses an item, the public does not have the opportunity to speak regarding what the board has discussed during the discussion items on the agenda that evening.

11:00 Other Business

None

12.00 Adjournment

President Lindorf requested a motion to adjourn.

Director Martin moved to return to adjourn. Director Wright seconded the motion.

Vote: Mrs. Harold, aye; Mr. Holloman, aye; Mrs. Lindorf, aye; Mr. Martin aye; Mr. Wright aye. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Danielle Lindorf, Board President

Tammy Harold, Board Secretary