

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DISTRICT RE-1 BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD
IN THE BOARD ROOM LOCATED IN THE CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING,
101 N. 14TH STREET, CAÑON CITY, FREMONT COUNTY,
5:30 p.m., August 27, 2007**

I. Roll Call

Vice-President, Charlene Seaney, called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and Secretary, John Evans, called roll. Mrs. Seaney spoke throughout the meeting for President Ken Cline, who had laryngitis.

Present: Ken Cline, President; Charlene Seaney, Vice-President; John Evans, Secretary; Garnet Wilcox, Treasurer; and Honey Moschetti, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer.

Also present: Superintendent, Robin Gooldy; Director of Business Services, L. F. "Buddy" Lambrecht; Director of Instruction/Assessment, Carole Brown; Director of Special Services/Federal Programs, Debi Blackwell; Chief Information Officer, Shaun Kohl, and Attorney, Rocco Meconi.

Absent: Director of Human Resources, Mike Nieslanik.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. General Business

A. Approval of the Agenda

Dr. Gooldy announced the following changes to the agenda:

- Additions to the Consent Agenda – Personnel Report
 - Item II. D. 3. a. (Appointments), and c. (Supplemental Contracts)
- Addition of Information Item II. E. 1. c. -
- Addition of Action Item V. A. 9 – "Restructuring of Auxiliary Services"

Charlene Seaney made a motion to accept the agenda as amended. Garnet Wilcox seconded the motion. On a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the motion.

B. Awards and Kudos

1. Student and Staff Success with CSAP and AYP:

Results are in for the 2007 CSAP tests. There are many positives to point to while examining the results. Adequate Yearly Progress results are now available and they indicate that, as a district, we have much to be pleased with. At the district level, 83 of 85 indicators were achieved for a success rate of 97%. Thank you, staff, and congratulations, students!

2. Elizabeth Gamache Receives National Recognition:

Elizabeth Gamache's graphic art for the ECHO Early Childhood Network won 2nd place in the national Celebrating Excellence in Community Communications and Outreach Contest, Category: Parents and Caregivers. The substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services sponsors this annual contest. Elizabeth's award-winning early childhood graphic art is on shopping carts, in the DEX telephone, childcare brochures and posters in Fremont County. Also, visit her revision of ECHO web site at projectecho-familycenter.com or access through the Cañon City School's website, Early Childhood Section.

- C. Any person may express views concerning school district programs and policies.

Mr. Dave Goodwin stepped forward to advise the Board of his concerns about the transportation service for his children to McKinley Elementary and Harrison School. His main concerns were that children had to spend too much time on the bus and that there are too many age groups together on the bus (high school, middle school, and elementary).

Dr. Gooldy responded that the district is aware of the problem and is monitoring the bus route and its timing. The problem results from a change in the bell schedule at Harrison, which has rectified a number of scheduling problems at that location, but caused a logistics problem for a single bus to serve multiple locations in a short period of time. The Superintendent asked Mr. Goodwin's patience in allowing the district to work through the problems, the solution of which may be to add another bus and bus driver. Dr. Gooldy and Mr. Kemper, Transportation Manager, are working together to solve the problems.

- D. Consent Agenda:

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and approval is with one motion. If a Board member or a citizen requests separate discussion of an item, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

1. Approval of the Minutes of August 13, 2007
2. Approval of the Financial Report ending August 22, 2007
3. Approval of the Following Personnel Reports:
 - a. Appointments
 - b. Terminations
 - c. Supplemental Contracts
 - d. Substitute Lists For Certified and Classified Positions

Charlene Seaney moved and Garnet Wilcox seconded the motion to accept the Consent Agenda with the additions presented. On a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the motion.

- E. Staff Report

1. INFORMATION ITEMS:

The following items are presented for information only unless otherwise noted or if a Board member has a question.

- a. New Report Card Format For Grades K – 2:

Representatives from the Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade teaching staff along with Carole L. Brown, Director of Instruction and Assessment, presented information regarding revisions to the kindergarten through second grade report card. These revisions were prompted by the need to update the outdated portions of the "old" report card and to create a reporting system in grades K - 2 that utilizes the Infinite Campus features for electronic reporting. Sample copies of the report card were provided in the BOE packets. The revisions will be brought to the Board for approval at the September 10, 2007 meeting.

- b. Report on Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP):

Debi Blackwell, Director of Special Services, reported on the

academic achievement of our school district as it pertains to Adequate Yearly Progress. Overall, the District met all but two of its achievement targets (83 of 85 for a 97% success rate).

2. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

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F. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS:

All of the Board Members were able to attend the Annual All-Employee Kickoff Meeting at the high school and most were able to participate in one or both of the picnics (All-staff and CCESPA). All had high praises for all the activities, noting that the year is off to a great start for both staff and students. All the Board Members also participated in a work session on August 20th.

In addition:

- Ken Cline reported that his Volleyball Coaching assignment has begun. The girls are off to an enthusiastic start.
- Garnet Wilcox will be making arrangements to take flags and other materials to district classrooms to commemorate Constitution Day September 17th.

III. Review of Board Policies

A. POLICIES:

1. File 612 – Hiring and Termination of Employment – Presented For Second Formal Reading, Discussion, and Final Vote

Garnet Wilcox made a motion to approve and adopt on second reading File 612 – Hiring and Termination of Employment. John Evans seconded the motion. The vote was 5 – 0, and the policy was adopted.

IV. Old Business

A. ACTION ITEMS:

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V. New Business

A. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Intergovernmental Agreement for Coordinated Election:

It was recommended that the Board approve the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Fremont County Clerk and Recorder for the Coordinated Election of November 6, 2007 and authorize Director of Business Services, Leslie F. "Buddy" Lambrecht, to execute the IGA. Board Attorney Mr. Rocco Meconi raised concerns that language needs to be added to the IGA (or in a cover letter submitted with the IGA) to allow the agreement to become null and void if no election is necessary.

John Evans made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement as outlined above with the stipulation that language would be added in a cover letter to the Clerk and Recorder allowing voiding the agreement if no election is necessary. Garnet Wilcox seconded the motion. The vote was 5 – 0, and the motion was passed.

2. Cancellation of School Board Election:

It was recommended that the Board authorize Election Representative, Director of Business Services, Leslie F. "Buddy" Lambrecht, to formally cancel the regular biennial school board election scheduled for November 6, 2007, in the event that there are not more candidates than offices to be filled as of the Cancellation Deadline of September 4, 2007. It was necessary to bring this action item to the Board at this meeting since there will not be another Board Meeting before the deadline for filing candidate petitions.

Garnet Wilcox made a motion to approve authorizing Mr. Lambrecht to formally cancel the regular biennial school board election scheduled for November 6, 2007 in the event that there are not more candidates than offices to be filled as of September 4, 2007. John Evans seconded the motion. The vote was 5 – 0, and the motion was passed.

3. Adoption of the Budget For Fiscal Year 2007:

It is recommended that the Board approve the updated/revised Fiscal Year 2007 Adopted Budget reflecting actual/year-to-date revenues and expenditures. There have been four changes since the adoption of the originally proposed budget in June, and these changes are reflected in the budget brought for consideration tonight.

Charlene Seaney made a motion to approve the updated / revised Fiscal Year 2007 Adopted Budget reflecting the actual / year-to-date revenues and expenditures. John Evans seconded the motion. The vote was 5 – 0, and the revised budget was approved.

4. Resolution Authorizing Use of a Portion of Beginning Fund Balance:

It was recommended that the Board approve a resolution authorizing the use of a portion of the Fiscal Year 2007 beginning Fund Balance as authorized by Colorado Statutes to cover a reduction in actual revenues and general operating expenses.

Charlene Seaney made a motion to approve the resolution as outlined above. Garnet Wilcox seconded the motion. The vote was 5 – 0, and the motion was passed.

5. Participation in an *Amicus* Brief:

It was recommended that the Board approve participation of Fremont RE-1 School District in an *amicus* ("friend of the court") brief in the case of L.P. v. THOMPSON VALLEY SCH. DIST. R2-J. Director of Special Services and Federal Programs, Mrs. Debi Blackwell explained that doing so would allow our district to join the 178 Colorado school districts and the Colorado Special Education Directors Consortium in support of the position that "generalizing school-learned skills beyond the school walls" was never a part of the intent of a "free appropriate public education".

Garnet Wilcox made a motion to approve participation of Fremont RE-1 School District in an *amicus* brief in the case of L.P. v. THOMPSON VALLEY SCH. DIST. R2-J. John Evans seconded the motion. The vote was 5 – 0, and the motion was passed.

6. Agreement With PCC To Offer an Alternative Diploma:

It was recommended that the Board approve entering into an agreement with Pueblo Community College to offer an Alternative Diploma program for students who have dropped out of school but wish to pursue a high school diploma.

The instructional component of the program would be conducted at the PCC campus and would be the sole responsibility of PCC. RE-1 would collect the PPOR funding for any students enrolled by October 1st, and would then pass 85% of that funding to PCC, retaining 15% for administrative costs.

John Evans made a motion to approve entering into an agreement with Pueblo Community College to offer an Alternative Diploma Program. Garnet Wilcox seconded the motion. The motion was passed on a 5 – 0 vote.

7. Renew Membership in PPASDA:

It was recommended that the Board approve renewal of Fremont RE-1 membership in the Pikes Peak Area School District Alliance at a cost of \$3,507.00. Although the school district participates in other organizations that act on behalf of schools, (CASE, CASB), it is in our best interests to also maintain a membership in the PPASDA, because it speaks directly to the interests that assist our district, but may not be a part of the CASE or CASB agenda.

Garnet Wilcox made a motion to approve renewal of Fremont RE-1 membership in the Pikes Peak Area School District Alliance at a cost of \$3,507.00. Charlene Seaney seconded the motion. The vote was 5 – 0, and the motion was passed.

8. CCHS “Delayed Start” Professional Development Days:

It was recommended that the Board approve modifying the school calendar to allow Cañon City High School the ability to have eight days when school begins for students 100 minutes later. This recommendation also requires lengthening the school day at CCHS by 5 minutes on all other days as a means of making up the missed time. The first delayed start day will be October 10th.

John Evans made a motion to approve modifying the school calendar to allow Cañon City High School to have eight days when school begins for students 100 minutes later, and lengthening the school day at CCHS by 5 minutes on all other school days. Charlene Seaney seconded the motion. The vote was 5 – 0, and the recommendation was approved.

9. Restructuring of Auxiliary Services:

It was recommended that the Board formally approve the restructuring of Auxiliary Services (Maintenance / Grounds / Transportation / Warehouse) to allow one manager to supervise transportation, maintenance, grounds, and warehouse and one manager to be responsible for systems, energy, and facilities.

Charlene Seaney made a motion to approve the restructuring of Auxiliary Services. Garnet Wilcox seconded the motion. The vote was 5 – 0, and the motion was passed.

VI. Miscellaneous Business

Superintendent Gooldy shared the good news that the district was awarded the grant for which it applied to partially fund the ground source heat pump air conditioning project at CCMS.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Mr. Cline called for a motion to adjourn.

Charlene Seaney moved to adjourn the meeting. Garnet Wilcox seconded the motion. The vote was 5 – 0, and the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

**SECRETARY, BOARD OF EDUCATION
FREMONT RE-1 SCHOOL DISTRICT**