

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DISTRICT FREMONT RE-1 BOARD OF  
EDUCATION HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, LOCATED IN THE CENTRAL  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 101 N. 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET, CAÑON CITY, COLORADO  
5:30 p.m., January 25, 2016**

**I. Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call**

President, **Larry Oddo**, called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**A. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**B. Roll Call:**

Secretary, **Mary Kay Evans**, called roll.

Present: **Larry Oddo**, President; **Lloyd Harwood**, Vice-President; **Mary Kay Evans**, Secretary; **Shad Johnson**, Treasurer; and **Kristyn Econome**, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer.

Also present: Superintendent, **George Welsh**; Director of Human Resources, **Misty Manchester**; Director of Business Services, **L. F. "Buddy" Lambrecht**; Director of Student Services, **Dominic Carochi**; Director of Support Services, **Paula Buser**; Chief Information Officer, **Shaun Kohl**, and Attorney, **Rocco Meconi**.

**II. General Business**

**A. Approval of the Agenda**

Mr. Welsh announced the following changes to the agenda:

II. B. 1. Addition of Laiken O'Rourke to Falcon of the Month Kudos

II. D. 3. d. Substitute Lists for Licensed and Classified Positions

**Lloyd Harwood made a motion to accept the agenda as amended. Shad Johnson seconded the motion. On a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the motion.**

**B. Awards and Kudos**

1. CCMS Falcons of the Month:

CCMS and the Cañon City School Board recognized Makenna Vidmar, Caylen Boehm, & Laiken O'Rourke as the Cañon City Middle School Falcons of the Month.

Laiken O'Rourke, an 8<sup>th</sup> grader, was chosen as Falcon of the Month in December. She has been on the Gold Honor Roll in 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. She is involved in volleyball, track, and is the president of National Junior Honor Society. She plans to attend a four-year university and study pre-medicine.

McKenna Vidmar is a 6<sup>th</sup> grader at CCMS and has a 3.95 GPA. She was chosen as Falcon of the Month in January and has received an AR Math Award. She is involved in Art Club, Student Council, and CFF Youth Group. McKenna plans to attend the Art Institute of Colorado or another university to study art.

Caylen Boehm is an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student who was chosen as Falcon of the Month in January. He has been on the Gold and Silver Honor Roll. He is involved in basketball, football, baseball, NJHS, and drama. He plans to attend the Air Force Academy to learn how to fly planes and also study law.

- C. Any person who has submitted a written request prior to the meeting may express views concerning school district programs and policies. Comments of a critical or negative nature regarding any employee are not allowed.

No one present wished to address the board.

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 January 11, 2016
2. Approval of the Following Financial Reports:
  - a. Financial Disbursement Report For the Period Ending January 20, 2016
3. Approval of the Following Personnel Reports:
  - a. Appointments
  - b. Terminations and Leaves
  - c. Supplemental Contracts
  - d. Substitute Lists For Licensed and Classified Positions

**Shad Johnson moved and Mary Kay Evans seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. 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. Lincoln School of Science and Technology Task Force Work Days Update:

Ms. Tammy DeWolfe gave an update regarding the Task Force Days at Lincoln School of Science and Technology. Ms. DeWolfe reported that during this first year the Building Leadership Team went through a process of identifying needs. She also explained that this is the 16<sup>th</sup> year of the Discovery Model at Lincoln. With the extra time available, the staff has been able to work on the tasks identified by the BLT and also revisit the Discovery training. Ms. DeWolfe reported that there were very few concerns with parents and that the staff has met with students 5 minutes earlier every day to make up the time.

Mrs. Jackie Geesaman, a 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher at Lincoln, added that the block of time was very good. The time is used for Super Science Friday planning and gathering items for projects as well as entering data in the numerous student plans.

Ms. DeWolfe thanked the Board for the time and explained that the staff was using it wisely and was accountable for the time.

Mr. George Welsh replied that when he reviewed the student achievement data for Lincoln School of Science and Technology that the school was at the top of the district with math and science scores for many grade levels. He added that they are doing a great job.

Mr. Shad Johnson also commended Ms. DeWolfe's enthusiasm for leadership.

b. Michelle Murphy, Executive Director of the Colorado Rural Schools Caucus:

Ms. Murphy presented information on the activities and benefits related to membership in the Colorado Rural Schools Alliance, noting that the name had been changed from Caucus to Alliance.

The Alliance had originally started as a subsidiary of CASB until 2013 when they started their own organization focusing on the rural school districts in Colorado. Governed by a board of superintendents, the Alliance has a membership of approximately 135 districts.

The board will discuss at a future meeting whether it would be of benefit for Cañon City Schools to become a member of the Colorado Rural Schools Alliance.

c. Harrison School Task Force Work Days Update:

Mr. John Pavlicek gave an update regarding the Task Force Days at Harrison School.

Mr. Pavlicek began by praising his team at Harrison and particularly

Brian Sprenger who he described as an “incredible partner”.

When trying to prioritize the needs of the school, it was recognized that the building was lacking a building-wide approach on school discipline. Part of the work Harrison is doing during the delayed starts is rebuilding the climate and culture in the building. Addressing the third and fourth generation poverty and exploring how to turn it around. They are working on a system of student supports both academically and socially.

Harrison has a building-wide approach to literacy spending 60 minutes a day on literacy and 30 minutes a day on math.

Harrison has a Building Leadership Team of 16 members who is focusing on what a K-8 school should be and working on a more comprehensive understanding of what the district expectation is of Harrison.

Mr. Pavlicek added that Harrison has a wonderful group of people and was grateful for the tremendous challenge and opportunity he has in working there.

## 2. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

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### F. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Mr. Shad Johnson commented on Mrs. Crockett's Dessert Night at CCHS and how phenomenal it was. The kitchen is “top-notch” and the kids are enthusiastic.

Mr. Johnson also reported on Mrs. Coppa's Career and Prep class and the mock interview process. He praised the students for their enthusiasm in their fields.

Mr. Johnson shared that Karin Steadman is preparing for her first History Fair and is looking for judges. If interested, please contact her at [steadmk@canoncityschools.org](mailto:steadmk@canoncityschools.org) or [kbsteadman@gmail.com](mailto:kbsteadman@gmail.com). She can also be reached at 719-557-1012.

Mr. Lloyd Harwood reported on the JROTC program and the wonderful deed they did for a family who had lost a loved one. He explained that the family of the loved one lives in West Virginia and was unable to attend the services. Mr. Harwood had contacted the JROTC program to fold a flag to send to the family. The students in the program video-taped the military honor to enable Mr. Harwood to send the video with the flag to the family.

Mrs. Mary Kay Evans gave kudos to the wrestling team who took first place at their home tournament.

Mrs. Evans also commended Mrs. Coppa's class and the fine work they do.

Mrs. Kristyn Econome reported that she was in the process of introducing her young children to the sporting events at Cañon City Schools.

Mr. George Welsh reported to the Board that he had requested Mrs. Paula Buser to review the documents released regarding the Arapahoe shooting including a document released about what districts need to do and prepare for.

Mr. Welsh also thanked Mayor Preston Troutman for attending the School Board meeting.

**III. Review of Board Policies**

A. POLICIES:

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**IV. Old Business**

A. ACTION ITEMS:

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**V. New Business**

A. ACTION ITEMS:

**VI. Miscellaneous Business**

**Adjournment**

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

**Lloyd Harwood moved to adjourn the meeting. Kristyn Econome seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.**

  
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