

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. 14TH STREET, CAÑON CITY, COLORADO
5:30 p.m., March 14, 2016

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

President, **Larry Oddo**, called the regular meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

A. **Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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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 Business Services, **L. F. "Buddy" Lambrecht**; Director of Student Services, **Dominic Carochi**; Director of Special Services, **Kirsten Javernick**; Director of Support Services, **Paula Buser**; and Chief Information Officer, **Shaun Kohl**.

II. **General Business**

A. **Approval of the Agenda**

Mr. Welsh announced the following changes to the agenda:

II. D. 3. c. Supplemental Contracts - addition

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 Brian Gayler as one of the Cañon City Middle School Falcons of the Month. Brian reported that his favorite moving is "Pixels" and that his favorite thing at CCMS is lunch. Brian's favorite class is P.E.

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.

Kelly Albrecht commented on the proposed calendar and the Master Agreement regarding the placement of flex days for staff.

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 February 22, 2016**

2. **Approval of the Following Financial Reports:**

a. **Financial Disbursement Report For the Period Ending March 9, 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 Kristyn Econome 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. CES Update:

Mrs. Beth Gaffney presented a program update including an overview of the growth, a presentation of the Middle School and a thank you to the board for the opportunity to expand to Middle School.

Mrs. Gaffney began her presentation with CES Middle School students reciting the Explorer Pledge. All CES students recite this pledge every day. Explaining the Exploratory Model, she reported that Molly Merry founded it in 1992. The model is developed upon research based strategies including Project Based Learning (Buck Institute), Multiple Intelligences (Gardner), Multi-age classrooms (Miller), and Choice Theory Culture (Glasser).

Students presented information on activities, learning opportunities, projects, community involvement and classes in which students have participated including creating a museum exhibit for the Rudd family.

Mrs. Gaffney reviewed the school culture, the community, the school population, achievement, responsibility, exploration, learning goals and contributions. She then thanked the School Board for their support and encouragement throughout the last four years and allowing CES the opportunity to serve kids and families.

The CES 7th and 8th grade students surprised Mrs. Gaffney by honoring her during the board meeting. They recited a poem for her and explained to her just how much she means to the students and staff at Cañon Exploratory School.

b. Scholarship Information:

Mr. Buddy Lambrecht presented information on scholarships managed by the Business Services Department.

Mr. Lambrecht reported that several of the scholarships are inactive with not enough funds to present the scholarships while others have one or more issue to address. The Business Services Department is in the process of clearing exceptions and closing out some of the

scholarships. After the review is complete, Mr. Lambrecht will return to the Board for approval of the actions.

c. S.O.P. #12 - Travel Reimbursement, Prepayment or Advance Procedures:

Mr. Buddy Lambrecht presented information on the update of S.O.P. #12.

Mr. Lambrecht explained that Cañon City Schools will be incorporating the state guidelines regarding travel reimbursements, prepayment and advance procedures. As the guidelines at the state level change, the district will change our procedure as well. He also asked that all staff members be responsible and follow the guidelines.

2. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

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F. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS:

Mr. Shad Johnson reported that he attended CCMS for the "Fearless Pirate" production. Mr. Dale Miller and Ms. Roseann Meyers did a "bang up" job getting the students to perform.

Mr. Johnson also commented on the 1st grade class at McKinley and their production, "How the Garden Grows." He praised Mrs. McCain and said it was "so much fun."

The jazz performance and dinner at CCHS was also highlighted. Mr. Johnson thanked the community for supporting that undertaking. He reported that \$6800 was raised in one evening. Mr. Johnson also stated that the Nutrition Department "shined like platinum" for their part in the event.

Mrs. Mary Kay Evans commented on how fun the jazz performance was and how the jazz band has grown and improved exclaiming in was an "absolute joy."

Mr. Johnson relayed how students sometimes feel that these type of activities are their connections to the school.

Mr. Larry Oddo reported on spending the day at the capitol and how the state is lacking regarding school funding. He encouraged the community to look at ballot issues and to encourage legislatures to consider moving the Hospital Service Provider Fee into an Enterprise Fund.

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:

1. Proposed District Calendar For 2016-2017 School Year:

It was recommended that the Board approve the proposed Cañon City Schools calendar for the 2016-2017 academic year.

Mr. Welsh reported that the Calendar Committee had considered input from staff and parents when putting the proposed calendar together. Staff preferred 2 to 1 having 3 days of staff development before school starts. Parents were surveyed regarding graduation with the majority of parents in the first survey preferring May 20th. In an effort to not make students choose between sports and graduation, a second parent survey was conducted. The committee ultimately decided it was best to schedule graduation on Thursday, May 25th.

Mr. Dominic Carochi added that trimesters were added to the calendar proposal after the K-2 Report Card Committee recommended moving to trimesters. A survey was conducted with 4-8 grade staff and parents with 74% of parents and 62% of staff supporting the idea. At this time, trimesters will be scheduled for K-5, with grades 6-8 staying on the quarter system.

Mr. Welsh reported that conversations will continue regarding the trimesters and flex days as per the Master Contract and the issues will be worked out. The biggest need now is to know when school is starting and finishing.

Shad Johnson made a motion to approve the proposed Cañon City Schools calendar for the 2016-2017 academic year. Mary Kay Evans seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0, and the motion was passed.

VI. **Miscellaneous Business**

VII. **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 6:45 p.m.


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