

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION PUEBLO SCHOOL DISTRICT 60

Thursday, February 10, 2022 (2:00 PM)

1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Board Chair Dr. Margaret Wright called the meeting to order at 2:01 pm.

UPON THE ROLL BEING CALLED, THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Barbara Clementi

Dr. Matthew Cranswick

Dr. Kathy DeNiro

Thomas Farrell

Dr. Margaret Wright

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Richard E. Bump, Attorney

2.0 CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no corrections or modifications to the agenda at this time.

3.0 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Adoption of Agenda

Recommendation: It is requested that the Board of Education adopts the agenda for February 10, 2022 as presented.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Kathy DeNiro**) Moved, Member (**Barbara Clementi**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is requested that the Board of Education adopts the agenda for February 10, 2022 as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

WORK SESSION

New Expeditionary K-8 School Design Update

Jack Mousseau, President of MOA Architecture, provided the Board of Education with the background of the process for the new Expeditionary K-8 School Design Project. The construction documents for the new K-8 School will be completed on February 11, 2022 and move to building permits and construction. In February 2021, the district determined there was financial capacity from the Bond proceeds to design and construct a fifth school, the K-8 Expeditionary School. On March 11, 2021, the D60 Board adopted the Resolution Authorizing the Allocation of Bond Funds for the construction of the new K-8 school. The new K-8 building has the capacity of an enrollment of 675 students. The building will open in 2023 along with two new elementary schools and two new high schools.

Mr. Mousseau reported the design process included a series of Design Advisory Group meetings which included the executive leadership team and a curriculum team. The District hosted a virtual Community Town Hall to share the design of the K-8 Expeditionary School in October 2021. Additionally, the D60 Board of Education received several updates on the planning and design of the K-8 Expeditionary School.

In April 2021, the K-8 Expeditionary School design was kicked off. The design of the new Franklin and Sunset Elementary Schools was utilized as a prototype of the design in order to expedite the design of the new K-8 Expeditionary School and to reduce costs. Weekly owner/architect/contractor meetings were held with district personnel and department design meetings were also conducted.

Construction documents will be completed on February 11, 2022. Houston/GE Johnson Construction was selected as the GM/GC for the project and have been involved in pre-construction meetings. A construction permit is expected in February and construction to begin in March.

Risley School of Innovation CDE Progress Update

Jennifer Baugher, Associate Dean of the Relay Graduate School of Education, and Lindsey Jaeckel of the CDE Executive Director of School & District Transformation Unit, presented an overview of the current plan and progress made at Risley International Academy of Innovation.

Lindsey Jaeckel reported the district has three schools under State Board of Education Orders which include Risley, Central High School and Minnequa Elementary School. The State Board Order for Risley requires updates to the local Board of Education twice per year.

In 2018, the State Board directed full management. However, in Spring 2020, the district proposed partial management as the plan and support were not fully aligned to the district's strategy. Last Spring, the State Board amended the State Order and made a recommendation to continue a partial management and continue work with Relay Graduate School of Education.

Areas of improvement include collaborative and predictable student and staff culture and foundational best practices in instruction.

CDE will provide a general progress monitoring update to the State Board of Education in February. CDE Progress Monitoring will continue throughout the 2021-2022 school year.

Pueblo will engage with the State Board of Education again in spring 2022 for an update on all schools with directed action.

K-12 New Science Curriculum Presentation

Krystal Rasmussen, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, shared an overview of the K-12 Science New Curriculum Adoption Process and recommendation for Board approval.

Director Rasmussen reported the K-12 Science Task Force was responsible for reviewing potential curriculum against a shared list of requirements in order to make a final recommendation to the Board of Education for adoption. The Task Force was comprised of district and school staff, and parents. Three stakeholder meetings were held to provide

opportunity for the Task Force to ask questions. All Task Force members unanimously recommended McGraw Hill Inspire Science. High school science teacher Ronda Collette and 5th Grade Teacher Jeanette Valdez provided feedback and point of views regarding the recommended McGraw Hill Inspire Science curriculum. The budget for a five-year purchase is approximately \$1,100,000 and includes one year of professional development for teachers.

HB21-1055 Compensation For School District Board Members

Attorney Richard Bump reported that HB21-1055 would allow Board members to be compensated for performance of official board duties. He stated the compensation would apply to Board members elected in November 2023. There is a limitation of \$150 per day beginning January 1, 2022; five days performing official duties in a one week period. The compensation would include attendance at any meeting where there is a majority of the Board conducting its business. The compensation would be paid by the Board's operating budget.

New K-8 Expeditionary School Naming Discussion

The Board of Education had the opportunity to discuss the merits of the three submitted school names for the new K-8 Expeditionary School in preparation for a Board decision on February 22, 2022. The names for the Board's consideration were Nettie S. Freed Expeditionary K-8, Steel City Expeditionary K-8, and Pioneer Expeditionary K-8. Board Members DeNiro and Clementi supported the proposed name of Nettie S. Freed Expeditionary K-8. Dr. Cranswick stated that he also supported the name as well and noted the Pueblo tradition of the name. Board Vice President Farrell stated that Nettie S. Freed rose to the top of his list and expressed a desire to highlight all those individuals for whom a District 60 building is named. The Board requested the consideration of a plaque to acknowledge these individuals. Board President Wright stated she cherished the fact that Netti S. Freed was an educator and she appreciated the legacy. The Board will take action on the naming of the new K-8 Expeditionary School at the February 22, 2022 meeting.

12.0 ACTION ITEMS

K-12 Science Curriculum Adoption Recommendation

The Board of Education was asked to approve the recommendation of the Science Adoption Task Force to adopt McGraw Hill Inspire Science 2020 curriculum.

Recommendation: The Board of Education approves the recommendation of the Science Adoption Task Force to adopt McGraw Hill Inspire Science 2020 curriculum as presented in the February 10, 2022 Board materials.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Matthew Cranswick**) Moved, Member (**Barbara Clementi**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Board of Education approves the recommendation of the Science Adoption Task Force to adopt McGraw Hill Inspire Science 2020 curriculum as presented in the February 10, 2022 Board materials'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:13 pm