

Board of Education

Mesa County Valley School District 51

Regular Meeting

June 3, 2008

Minutes



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- B - Cindy Enos-Martinez
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	A	B	C	D	E	AGENDA ITEM	ACTION
						<u>BUSINESS</u>	
Present	x	x	x	x	x	A. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL	6:02 pm
Absent							
Motion		x				B. AGENDA APPROVAL	Adopted
Second					x	➤ The Agenda was amended to add a recognition after the Budget Hearing for the 2008 Cable's Leaders in Learning Award, and an Executive Session was added for Property CRS 24-6-402(4)(a), immediately following the Work Session. Adoption of the Vision School Contract was postponed for a future meeting.	as
Aye	x	x	x	x	x		Amended
No							
						C. BUDGET HEARING	6:03 pm
						➤ Mrs. Kiesler called the Budget Hearing to order and asked for public comment.	Opened
						➤ No one came forward to comment.	Hearing
							6:04 pm
							Closed
						D. RECOGNITION: [Resolution: 07/08:121] Jenann Wakefield, recipient of the 2008 Cable's Leaders in Learning Award	
						➤ Mrs. Rice read the Resolution, acknowledging Jenann Wakefield for her contributions in the development and continued growth of Parent Bridge, and the valuable partnership forged between the District, Bresnan Communications and City Market Stores. The partnership allows parents, who do not have computers at home, access to Parent Bridge, to keep informed of their student's progress. The computer kiosks are available at all Grand Junction City Market Stores.	
						➤ The Board and Superintendent extended their congratulations and thanks to Jenann and the whole Technology Team for their work in this area.	
						E. BUSINESS ITEMS	
Motion			x			E-1. Independence Academy Charter School Contract	Adopted
Second	x					[Resolution: 07/08: 120]	
Aye	x	x	x	x	x	➤ Mrs. Kiesler acknowledged appreciation to Steve Schultz and Melissa Callahan DeVita for all the work they had done to negotiate the Charter School Contract.	
No							
Motion					x	E-2. Central High School Domestic Water Heating System Replacement [Resolution: 07/08: 118]	Adopted
Second		x				➤ Mr. Rowley asked Cal Clark about efficiency standards for the proposed equipment, and questioned the start date of the contract work.	
Aye	x	x	x	x	x		
No							

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Motion Second Aye No	x	x	x	x	x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cal Clark provided additional information, regarding the project and the efficiency ratings, and clarified the timelines for the start and completion dates. The project was not planned six months ago; there was a sense of urgency due to a similar situation the District had with leaking tanks at GJHS. <p>E-3. Rocky Mt. Elementary Construction Project [Resolution: 07/08: 119]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Rowley commented the contract is for the purpose of relocation and installation of a modular classroom unit to provide additional space to accommodate growth. 	Adopted
Motion Second Aye No	x	x	x	x	x	<p>E-4. AFSCME Agreement [Resolution: 07/08: 117]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ AFSCME representatives attending the meeting were introduced: Mark Swaney, Cheryl Hutchison, Vicky Hardy, and Kate Jackson. 	Adopted
Motion Second Aye No	x	x	x	x	x	<p>F. ADJOURN</p>	6:17 pm
						<p><u>WORK SESSION</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Recreation Center: Dave Detweiler <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Detweiler, representing Grand Valley Recreation Resources, Inc., provided a PowerPoint presentation of a proposal for a recreation center focused on healthy living. Some of the areas covered in the presentation included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A background, mission & vision of the project; ○ The process used to decide on a potential site; ○ Options for energy efficiency – solar panels & natural lighting; ○ River trails, boats, bikes, and water park for outdoor, fun activities; ○ Lease out of space to include restaurants, shops and health club; ○ Day care, event hall, interactive video games, dance floor, and a teaching kitchen are some of the features proposed. • Mr. Detweiler emphasized it is a business model with funding from non-profit sources. • Board Members and the Superintendent thanked Dave for the informational presentation. 	

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- Progress Monitor Report: Tim Mills, Steve Schultz, Bill Larsen, Cathy Haller, Lori Starr, Brent Welch
 - Bill Larsen provided a 5 minute video of pictures taken at recent graduations, to reflect and celebrate.
 - Dr. Mills introduced the presentation as one of the structures to support students to increase student achievement.
 - Information was provided which included:
 - The focus of the Performance Based Policy (PBP), and the correlation between the PBP and the Progress Monitoring System to identify the needs of students as soon as possible, provide interventions and flexibility to support individual learners;
 - The purpose of monitoring: to catch at-risk students, reduce drop out rate, increase graduation rate, and increase proficiency;
 - The job description of the Progress Monitors;
 - A data table with specific numbers of students monitored;
 - Language usage, reading, & math graphs, showing the progress of monitored students in meeting or exceeding expected growth;
 - An over-view of P-codes, which are used by Progress Monitors to keep track of interventions used for each student;
 - A summary of the different ways Nova Net [computerized instruction] is being utilized as an intervention;
 - Future Professional Learning Community (PLC) Goals.
 - Steve Schultz acknowledged the work and commitment of the Progress Monitor staff, commending them for the implementation.
 - Dr. Mills closed the presentation by saying this monitoring system is an example of the district's commitment to all students, continually about alternative ways to master the material. He emphasized the importance of the journey and staying the course.

- Career Technical Education Status: Marsha Arzy and Lynn Woehloff
 - The presentation included the following information:
 - Several documents: *Get Started with Life, Career & Technical Education Plan of Study, The Colorado Career Cluster Model, Career Clusters, Pathways and Plans of Study – Reframing Career and Technical Education (CTE) – Perkins Reauthorization*;
 - Data from each high school, reporting the number of students attending home high school programs, WCCC, and Career Center Programs (2006-2007).

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						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The focus is on academics, strengthening secondary and post-secondary linkages, and development of programs (plans) of study. • The use of Explorer as a career interest instrument was discussed, as well as the importance of business education in the high schools. • Mr. Rowley voiced concern, regarding the lower percentage of students in the east end of the valley attending WCCC programs, compared to Fruita Monument and Grand Junction High Schools. Marsha Arzy conveyed her commitment to identify barriers and opportunities for all students across the district. • Board members and the Superintendent thanked Marsha and Lynn for the presentation. <p>➤ Building Energy Use Report: Cal Clark & Eric Anderson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The <i>3rd Quarter Energy Report</i> and an <i>Xcel Energy Natural Gas Report</i> were provided to the Board. • The focus of the report was the energy efficiency in the buildings and the energy ratings from the Energy Star Web Site. Eric Anderson reviewed the information and announced that Redlands Middle School is being nominated for the Energy Star Award. • Discussion included fuel rates and staff behavior to save energy. • A lot of work and progress is being made in this area to identify, monitor, and manage energy use and costs. • Board members and the Superintendent extended their appreciation for the work that is being accomplished in this area. <p>WORK SESSION ADJOURNED: 8:35 pm</p> <p><u>EXECUTIVE SESSION: 8:35 pm</u></p> <p>➤ Property: CRS Section 24-6-402(4)(a)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Present: Mr. Butler, Mrs. Enos-Martinez, Mrs. Kiesler, Mrs. Rice, Mr. Rowley</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Staff Present: Dr. Tim Mills, Melissa Callahan DeVita, Steve Schultz</p>	
Motion Second Aye No	x x	x	x x	x	x		Adourn to Executive Session
Motion Second Aye No	x x	x x	x x	x	x	<p>➤ Return to Open Meeting: 8:57 pm</p>	Return to Open Meeting

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Recognition: 2008 Cable's Leaders in Learning Award Jenann Wakefield

Board of Education Resolution: 07/08: 121

Presented: June 3, 2008

Congratulations to Jenann Wakefield the winner of the 2008 Cable's Leaders in Learning Awards from School District 51. Selected from 44 finalists from around the country, this year's group of 10 winners will be honored at a Gala and awards ceremony at the Library of Congress on June 18, 2008 in Washington, DC.

Cable's Leaders in Learning Awards recognizes outstanding educators, administrators, policymakers and other community leaders at the forefront of innovation in education. This prestigious awards program, in its 4th year of operation, is administered by the cable industry and its national education foundation, Cable in the Classroom.

Jenann Wakefield was selected for her contribution to the development and continued growth of Parent Bridge in District 51. With the valuable partnership forged between the district, Bresnan Communications and City Market, Parent Bridge is available on kiosks located in all Grand Junction City Market stores. The kiosks allow parents without home computers to access their student's information and take advantage of the Parent Bridge system.

During their visit to Washington, D.C., the winners will learn from fellow awardees, attend cable network tours and screenings, and meet with members of Congress and cable and education leaders. In addition to the trip to Washington, D.C., honorees receive a \$3,000 cash prize from Cable in the Classroom.

**Resolution For Approval of Contract and Charter Renewal Application
Independence Academy Charter School**

Board of Education Resolution: 07/08: 120

Adopted: June 3, 2008

WHEREAS, the term of the charter contract between the District and Independence Academy Charter School (IACS), formerly Deep River Charter School, has expired; and

WHEREAS, IACS has requested that the Board of Education renew its charter to operate within the District pursuant to the Charter Schools Act, § 22-30.5-101 *et seq.*, C.R.S., and in support of its request has submitted to the Board of Education a Charter Renewal Application and associated Improvement Plan (collectively, the “Application”) pursuant to § 22-30.5-110, C.R.S.; and

WHEREAS, the District’s administration has negotiated a new Charter School Contract with IACS (“Contract”) that renews IACS’ charter for a five year term beginning July 1, 2008; and

WHEREAS, IACS is in need of a larger, more suitable school facility, and desires to lease the District’s property known as Lincoln Park Elementary School during the term of the Contract; and

WHEREAS, the administration has recommended that the Board approve the Application and Contract, and lease the Lincoln Park Elementary School property to IACS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the Application and the Contract, copies of which are attached hereto, and authorizes the Board President to execute the Contract on behalf of the Board.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent is directed to negotiate a suitable lease agreement with IACS regarding the Lincoln Park Elementary School property, and present such agreement to the Board for approval.

I hereby certify that the information contained in the above resolution is accurate and was adopted by the Mesa County Valley School District No. 51 Board of Education on June 3, 2008.

*Jaime Sidanycz
Secretary, Board of Education*

Mesa County Valley School District No. 51

**Approval of Construction Contractor Agreement and Bond
For Central High School Replace
Domestic Water Heating System**

Board of Education Resolution: 07/08: 118

Adopted: June 3, 2008

WHEREAS, in response to an invitation to bid, Reigles Mechanical, LLC, submitted a sealed proposal for the contract for construction of:

Project No. 0708/065
Central High School Replace Domestic Water Heating System
550 Warrior Way
Grand Junction, CO 81504

In the amount of Seventy-Five Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars and 00/100 (\$75,450.00), which proposal was accepted by the School District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of the contract, substantial completion of the project is to be achieved by August 12, 2008; and

WHEREAS, upon such acceptance, the said contractor submitted to the School District a construction contract for the said project, together with a Labor, Material and Performance Bond, the same being approved by the Superintendent and the contract executed by him on behalf of the School District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the said construction contract and Labor, Material and Performance Bond and ratifies execution of the same by the Superintendent.

I hereby certify that the information contained in the above resolution is accurate and was adopted by the Mesa County Valley School District No. 51 Board of Education on June 3, 2008.

*Jamie Sidanycz
Secretary, Board of Education*

**Approval of Construction Contractor Agreement and Bond
For Rocky Mountain Elementary School
Site Improvements for Relocation and
Installation of Modular Classroom**

Board of Education Resolution: 07/08: 119

Adopted: June 3, 2008

WHEREAS, in response to an invitation to bid, BOA Builders, submitted a sealed proposal for the contract for construction of:

Project No. 0708/070
Site Improvements for Relocation and Installation of Modular Classroom
Rocky Mountain Elementary School
3260 D 1/2 Road
Clifton, CO 81520

In the amount of Sixty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars & 00/100 (\$61,990.00), which proposal was accepted by the School District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of the contract, substantial completion of the project is to be achieved by July 28, 2008; and

WHEREAS, upon such acceptance, the said contractor submitted to the School District a construction contract for the said project, together with a Labor, Material and Performance Bond, the same being approved by the Superintendent and the contract executed by him on behalf of the School District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the said construction contract and Labor, Material and Performance Bond and ratifies execution of the same by the Superintendent.

I hereby certify that the information contained in the above resolution is accurate and was adopted by the Mesa County Valley School District No. 51 Board of Education on June 3, 2008.

*Jamie Sidanycz
Secretary, Board of Education*



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AFSCME Agreement 2008-2009

Board of Education Resolution: 07/08: 117

Adopted: June 3, 2008

Whereas: The American Federation of School, County, and Municipal Employees (A.F.S.C.M.E.) and Mesa County Valley School District No. 51 (District) representatives met and conferred on May 23, 2008, and

Whereas: The items agreed to include:

Salary & Insurance

All cells in the salary schedule will be increased by 3.5%. If the October 2008 enrollment is at least 150 FTE greater than the previous October count, an additional .75% will be added to the salary schedule starting January 2009.

The District's contribution toward insurance will increase to \$334.18 which will continue to fully fund single Plan I for a full-time employee.

Revenue Sharing

If revenues exceed expenditures during the 2008-2009 school year, classified employees will receive a one-time bonus in June 2009 based on contract days and employment status on May 1, 2009. Full-time employees (30 hours/week or more) assigned 205 contract days or more will receive \$188 per million dollars of under spending, not to exceed \$564. Employees assigned less than 205 contract days will receive \$144 per million dollars of under spending not to exceed \$432. Part-time employees (less than 30 hours/week) will receive half the amount of full-time employees based on contract days.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board also ratifies this agreement.

I certify that the information contained herein is accurate and was adopted by the Mesa County Valley School District 51 Board of Education on June 3, 2008.

Jamie Sidanycz
Secretary, Board of Education