

Board of Education

Mesa County Valley School District 51

Board Work Session Minutes

June 3, 2014

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Present	x	x	x	x	x	BUDGET HEARING	6:00 p.m.
						1. Call to Order ➤ Mr. Mikolai called the Budget Hearing to order. He asked for budget comments.	
						2. Adjourn 6:01 p.m.	
Motion Second Aye No	x x	x x	x x	x x	x x	WORK SESSION SUMMARY: 6:01 p.m. ➤ Mr. Schultz welcomed everyone to the June Board Work Session. Mr. Mikolai asked for a motion to amend the Agenda to move the Licensed Personnel business items to the first part of the Agenda.	Adopted
						a. Mr. Schultz introduced the recommended licensed personnel for approval.	Adopted
Motion Second Aye No	x x	x x	x x	x x	x x	b. Adjournment	6:11 p.m.
Motion Second Aye No	x x	x x	x x	x x	x x	A. City of Grand Junction – Matchett Park ➤ The Board heard from representatives in the Planning Department from the City of Grand Junction on the Matchett property and plans for the area. (Ms. Traci Wieland, Recreation Superintendent for the City of Grand Junction; Mr. Ted Ciabonne, Ciabonne, Roberts and Associates, Landscape Architects). ➤ Ms. Wieland and Mr. Ciabonne shared information regarding the development of Matchett Park, including community meetings which were held; and the four phasing opportunities. Discussion took place regarding District 51’s fourteen acres, which are floating acres at this time. The master plan proposes splitting the District’s land into ten acres on the southwest corner of the park on the north side of Patterson Road and another four acres near the southeast corner of the park. The intention behind the action is to leave enough room for a future elementary school on the ten acre parcel and make a separate space available for a potential charter school. District 51 intended to ask Independence Academy to move onto the four acre site as the District intends to use the Lincoln Park Elementary building, which Independence Academy is currently leasing, for the Opportunity Center in order to save money on rent. Independence Academy; however, purchased a forty acre site east of the northern portion of Matchett Park above F ½ Road and plans to relocate to that parcel. Ms. Wieland told Board members the fourteen acres may remain split or the District could consolidate them back into one fourteen acre spot, depending on what the District decided to do with the property. Any District space is likely to remain on the south end of the park as the master plan claims the rest of the park for items like sports and recreation uses. ➤ The Board thanked Ms. Wieland and Mr. Ciabonne for their time.	

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- B. SEAC (School Equity and Advisory Committee) Presentation
- Mrs. Susana Wittrock, Executive Director of Equity and Minority Student Performance, presented information regarding a proposed name change for this committee. Discussion took place regarding PBIS (Positive, Behavior, Intervention and Support), equity and safety. Discussion took place on how to support student mental issues and help parents which need support. There needs to be a look at how to address this as a district-wide system. SEAC Charter information was reviewed and there was a proposal to change the name of this committee to CARES (Climate, Advocacy, Resources, Equity and Safety). Mr. Williams asked about the connection with this committee and the Board appointed Discipline Committee. Mrs. Wittrock would like to see these committees merge at some point. An action will be taken on approval of the new Charter at the June 17 Board Business Meeting.
- C. D51 Foundation Presentation
- Mrs. Mary Jones, Executive Director; Ms. Angela Christensen, D51 Foundation; Mr. Yanis Nelson, D51 Foundation; Mr. Dan Prinster, D51 Foundation; and Mr. John Williams, D51 Board of Education were available to discuss the overview of the 2013-2014 school year.
 - Discussion took place regarding the White Iced Fundraiser the Foundation held last year. This was to help raise funds to support the Middle School Intercession Programs and to scholarship students to participate in this program. The Foundation provided a three hour math camp for middle schoolers during the day. Mr. Mikolai stated he observed one of the math classes on Robotics at Bookcliff Middle School. He stated they looked like they were having a great time. Mr. Williams asked about recruitment for the camp. Mrs. Jones outlined the process of finding slots for unsatisfactory students. Students received a personal invitation to attend. Mrs. Jones stated she would share data results as soon as they are available. Discussion took place regarding recruitment of students for this program during the 2014-2015 school year.
 - Mrs. Christensen reported on an Ambassadors Program which started about a year ago. She recruited two to three key leaders from all elementary schools, which attended two meetings a year. She will be recruiting more people to participate in this program for the 2014-2015 school year. Discussion took place regarding the second year of the White Iced Fundraiser; the connections the Foundation is making with the community; the Foundation's mission to raise funds for academic growth and achievement; and the Explore D51 class, which is a great education tool on District 51 for the community.

D. Adjournment: 7:40 p.m.

 Terri N. Wells, Secretary
 Board of Education

Meeting
 Adjourned