

Minutes – April 25, 2017

STUDY SESSION of the Adams County School District 14 Board of Education was called to order Tuesday, April 25, 2017 pursuant to notice by Mr. Rolla, President, at 5:45 p.m.

Budget—Ms. Rotella presented information to the Board regarding the budget process, reviewed the budget calendar, and gave estimated figures.

The study session adjourned at approximately 6:33 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING of the Adams County School District 14 Board of Education was called to order Tuesday, April 25, 2017 pursuant to notice by Mr. Rolla, President, at 6:33 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Archuleta, Mr. Dreiling, Mrs. Quintana, Mr. Rolla, Mr. Thomas

Also Present: Dr. Javier Abrego

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mr. Thomas to approve the minutes of April 11, 2017.

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mr. Dreiling to approve the minutes of April 18, 2017.

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mr. Dreiling to amend the agenda to add under business 2.10 resolution 17-005, A Resolution Calling for a Credit Recovery Fee Charge in Adams 14.

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mr. Dreiling to approve the agenda as amended.

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

Audience Comments

Ana Lara

Issue: KMS Time Change & ACHS Principal—Ms. Lara asked why the start time for Kearney Middle School was changing and expressed that she did not agree with the 9:00 a.m. start time. She also expressed concern that there is not a principal at Adams City High School.

Barb McDowell

Issue: CTA Update—Ms. McDowell questioned the Board of Education regarding the request from a month ago to look into implementing a safe school resolution to help students and families feel safe while at school.

Sergio Santiago

Issue: Inconsistency at ACHS—Mr. Santiago expressed that he was speaking on behalf of the general population as to why qualified teachers have not been accepted and why things have not changed.

Carlos Barrera

Issue: Administration—Mr. Barrera inquired regarding the inconsistency of administration at Adams City High School. Mr. Barrera asked how an administrator is expected to be successful if they are not given proper amount of time.

Viri Varela

Issue: Principal Candidate—Miss Varela commented that the principal candidate that was not accepted did not qualify because of lack of qualifications of turnaround and experience, or asked if it was because of race. Miss. Varela informed the Board of Education that she would rather have a qualified principal than someone of her same race.

Virginia Valverde

Issue: Communication—Ms. Valverde informed the Board of Education that she was not involved in the hiring of the new principal at Hanson Elementary and that the staff had very little involvement. Ms. Valverde expressed that she should have more of a voice because she chooses to bring her child to Adams 14.

Heavenly Skaggs

Issue: ACHS Gifted and Talented Program—Miss Skaggs communicated to the Board of Education that there is a lack of high school level enrichment and programming for students at Adams City High School.

Adrian Schimpf

Issue: High School—Mr. Schimpf expressed several concerns to the Board of Education as a parent, taxpayer, and community member.

Trinity Ornelas

Issue: ACHS Administration—Miss Ornelas expressed several concerns to the Board of Education regarding the inconsistency of administration at Adams City High School.

Andrea Hernandez

Issue: Graduation—Miss Hernandez informed the Board of Education that they marched for an hour and a half not to create chaos but instead to make the Board realize that they have a voice. Miss Hernandez requested to consider another keynote speaker at graduation.

Angelica Gutierrez

Issue: ACHS Principal—Miss Gutierrez mentioned to the Board of Education that the administration at Adams City High School was the best with Mr. Thompson and now unfortunately looks over operations. Miss Gutierrez expressed that they want a principal like Mr. Thompson.

Angela Herrera

Issue: Student Support—Miss Herrera expressed to the Board of Education that she is scared and uncertain of support to students with the lack of leadership.

Esperanza Garza

Issue: Administration at ACHS—Miss Garza expressed several concerns to the Board of Education regarding inconsistency of administrative diversity, getting rid of certain staff, and Guardiola who brings us together.

Genavee Gonzales

Issue: Consistency—Miss Gonzales informed the Board of Education that students do not learn from people who they do not like and mentioned that they do not want another administration that does not know the students. Miss Gonzales asked what the Board was doing to retain teachers and mentioned that students do not have trust in the Board.

Jacelle Perez

Issue: ACHS Principal—Miss Perez inquired why the Board of Education was getting rid of programs that helped students and asked why people they count on the most were being fired.

Guadalupe Villalobos

Issue: Clarity and Retention—Ms. Villalobos informed the Board of Education that she is the mother of five students; four attend or attended ACHS and one in Adams 12 and mostly because of these types of issues. Ms. Villalobos feels that parents are used by the Board to pick superintendents, as she has been a part of selecting two. It seems that with the decisions the Board makes they make the superintendent lose focus, there needs to be more transparency with decisions. Ms. Villalobos asked why there is not a principal at Adams City High School and mentioned that she would like to see the Inspire program continue as well as the athletic director.

Reyna Soria Vazquez

Issue: ACHS—Ms. Soria Vazquez informed the Board of Education that she has four children and all attended the district and she does not assume but rather attends to make sure she has the correct information. Ms. Soria Vazquez asked why programming was being taken away, specifically Inspire. She challenged the Board to conduct a self-evaluation due to there being problems the last five years, mentioned that the problem is not at the school level.

Guillermo Serna

Issue: Boundaries—Mr. Serna applauded everyone present for expressing their feelings and informed them that these issues exist from over twelve years ago with five superintendents all with different ideas. Mr. Serna reminded everyone to be respectful of what they were asking for and that what was broken for so long cannot be fixed in 2 years.

Responses to Prior Audience Comments

President Rolla—There are no responses to prior audience comments.

Superintendent's Report

Survey Findings from Metropolitan State University – Western Educational Equity Assistance Center Presentation—Dr. Marcela Parra reviewed in detail the school and workplace climate survey that was conducted as part of the Office of Civil Rights agreement.

Dupont Elementary School Presentation—Principal Pat Almeida presented information and data to the Board of Education regarding Dupont Elementary School.

Adult Basic Education Conference Presentation—Adult Education Coordinator Chris Duran and members of his staff presented all of the main takeaways from attending the Adult Education Conference.

Consent Items

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mrs. Quintana to approve the consent items.

1.0 Personnel

- 1.1 Superintendent's Recommendation
- Personnel Actions

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Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

Business Items

1.0 Grant

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mr. Dreiling to approve grant item 1.1.

- 1.1 Superintendent's Recommendation
Approval to Accept Grant Funding from the Diagnostic Review Grant from the Colorado Department of Education

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mrs. Quintana to approve grant item 1.2.

- 1.2 Superintendent's Recommendation
Approval to Accept Funding from the Quality Community Foundation from the City of Commerce City

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

2.0 Other

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mrs. Quintana to approve other item 2.1.

- 2.1 Superintendent's Recommendation
Approval to Use nTherm, LLC Services for Natural Gas Transport

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mrs. Quintana to approve other item 2.2.

- 2.2 Superintendent's Recommendation
Approval to Renew Licenses for Plato Courseware from Edmentum, Inc.

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, no; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, no

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mrs. Quintana to approve other item 2.3.

- 2.3 Superintendent's Recommendation
Approval to Purchase Curriculum from National Geographic and Santillana for Secondary Schools to Meet the Needs of Emerging Bilingual Students

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mr. Dreiling to approve other item 2.4.

- 2.4 Superintendent's Recommendation
Approval for In-State Overnight Travel to attend Secondary Constructing Meaning Seminar in Fort Collins, Colorado on June 5-9, 2017

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mrs. Quintana to approve other item 2.5.

- 2.5 Superintendent's Recommendation
Approval for Memorandum of Understanding with RELAY Graduate School of Education and Approval to Accept Funding from the Colorado Department of Education's School Turnaround Leaders Development Grant to Cover RELAY Expenses

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, no; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mr. Quintana to approve other item 2.6.

- 2.6 Superintendent's Recommendation
Approval for Out-of-State Travel to Philadelphia, PA for Relay-National Principals Academy Fellowship Program

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, no; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mrs. Quintana to approve other item 2.7.

- 2.7 Superintendent's Recommendation
Approval of In-State Overnight Trip to Colorado Springs, Colorado for Promoting Excellence through Equity in Colorado Schools Conference

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mrs. Quintana to approve other item 2.8.

- 2.8 Superintendent's Recommendation
Calendar Change for School Closure Due to Water Main Break at STARS

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mr. Dreiling to approve other item 2.9.

- 2.9 Superintendent's Recommendation
Approval to Expand TimeClock Plus, Time and Attendance Software, from Data Management, Inc.

It was consensus of the Board of Education to table item 2.9 in order to present with amended language and defined positions.

MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mrs. Quintana to approve other item 2.10.

- 2.5 Superintendent's Recommendation
Resolution Number 17-005
A Resolution Calling for a Credit Recovery Fee Charge in Adams 14

It was consensus of the Board of Education to remove the \$40.00 late registration fee from the resolution and there only be a flat \$25.00.

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

Communications

It was consensus of the Board of Education to try running meetings in the following way:

- 1st Meeting of each month will be normal with recognitions and presentations.
- 2nd Meeting of each month will not have recognitions and no superintendent's report.

President Rolla asked if the Board wanted to continue informational budget study sessions outside of regular meetings. It was consensus of the Board of Education to have a budget study at the next regular meeting.

Expulsion—Superintendent Abrego read into the record the following student expulsions pursuant to Board Policy and Colorado Revised Statutes – Student Number 1071148, 1130528, and 1111776.

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MOTION was made by Mr. Archuleta, seconded by Mr. Dreiling to adjourn.

Mr. Archuleta, aye; Mr. Dreiling, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye

MOTION CARRIED

The Board adjourned the regular meeting at 9:23 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be Tuesday, May 9, 2017. The Board will convene in the Board of Education room located at 5291 East 60th Avenue.

Monica Aviña
Assistant Secretary to the Board of Education

Approved and Entered into Proceedings
May 9, 2017

Timio Archuleta
Secretary, Board of Education

David Rolla
President, Board of Education