

Minutes – December 10, 2013

STUDY SESSION of the Adams County School District 14 Board of Education was called to order Tuesday, December 10, 2013 pursuant to notice by Mr. Vashaw, President, at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Morton, Mr. Quintana, Mr. Rolla, Mr. Vashaw
Also Present: Patrick Sanchez, Kandy Steel, Walter Kramarz
Absent: Mr. Schimpf

Energy Management—Chief Operations Officer Sandy Mutchler introduced Cenergistic and SunShare to present information to the Board regarding energy management and cost savings.

Priority Improvement & Turnaround UIP—Director of Student Achievement and Administrator of Secondary Curriculum Katie Stahl presented information to the Board on Priority Improvement and Turnaround UIP's.

Coach Stipend Update—Chief Human Resource Officer Leon Cerna and District Athletic Director Damian Brown shared information with the Board on stipends for athletic coaches.

The Study adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING SESSION of the Adams County School District 14 Board of Education was called to order Tuesday, December 10, 2013 pursuant to notice by Mr. Vashaw, President, at 6:30 p.m.

The Board of Education held a moment of silence in memory of Nelson Mandela.

Roll Call

Present: Mrs. Morton, Mrs. Quintana, Mr. Quintana, Mr. Rolla, Mr. Vashaw
Also Present: Mr. Sánchez, Mr. Kramarz

MOTION was made by Mr. Rolla, seconded by Mrs. Morton to approve the minutes of November 26, 2013.

Mrs. Morton, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Vashaw, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Rolla, seconded by Mr. Quintana to amend the agenda to include amendments to personnel actions and resolutions.

Mrs. Morton, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Vashaw, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Quintana, seconded by Mrs. Morton to approve the agenda as amended.

Mrs. Morton, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Vashaw, aye

MOTION CARRIED

Audience Comments

Myanna Schimpf, 6081 Locust Street, Commerce City, CO 80022

Issue: Thanks—I want to take a brief moment to thank Mrs. Morton again for your generosity to the Stars program for the holiday gifts that you donated for the kids to make crafts. They made you one and they wanted me to bring it to give it to you. We encourage everyone to help us out with stuff. Thank you and we hope you enjoy it and put it on your Christmas tree.

Barb McDowell, 303 Briditte Drive, Northglenn, CO 80260

Issue: Welcome Elected Board Members—I am speaking on behalf of the Teachers' Association. I just wanted to welcome and congratulate Mr. Vashaw for being re-elected and Mrs. Quintana for being elected to the Board of Education. Welcome and we look forward to working with you.

Responses to Prior Audience Comments

Mr. Vashaw—There are no responses to prior audience comments.

Superintendent's Report

Recognitions & Celebrations—Superintendent Sánchez had the pleasure of recognizing Mi Pueblo Market. This October, Central Elementary received a special gift of generosity from Mi Pueblo here in Commerce City. Central Parent Liaison Lisa Rodriguez was in search of food to support their annual fall festival, a community event, that is open to all Central students and their families. The evening included dinner, games, prizes and safe trick-or-treating for the children. Lisa called Mi Pueblo and talked with manager Bob Rosenthal, who was quick to offer Central a variety of delicious foods to support this important community event. Mi Pueblo donated 200 mini burritos, three fruit trays, three vegetable trays and 200 cookies! Adams 14 would like to sincerely thank Mi Pueblo for their generous support of Adams 14 students, staff and families! Superintendent Sánchez was also honored to recognize the participants and volunteers of the Adams 14 Thanksgiving Dinner. This Thanksgiving, Adams 14 was honored to receive an outpouring of kindness and support from many community partners at its annual Thanksgiving Dinner event held at Kearney Middle School. The dinner celebration was held on Tuesday, November 26 this year, and served more than 700 community members in Adams 14. This year's dinner was generously put on by Landing Place Church and Community Uplift Partnership, in collaboration with Communities of Faith United, Grace Community Church, His Love Fellowship, the Adams 14 Community Engagement Pastor Group, and countless volunteers and community supporters. Attendees enjoyed a beautiful, catered Thanksgiving dinner provided by Food Bank of the Rockies, along with bath and hygiene basket giveaways, turkey giveaways, a carnival and many door prizes. Many Team Adams 14 supporters and employees also worked tirelessly to ensure the evening was a huge success for our families, including Mary Ann Mosquera, Megan Oledema, Anita Mercado, Josiah Ellsworth, Liza Aguilar, Alex Bucher, Mike Morse, Jessica Romero, Elvira Valenzuela, Nick Riley, Jon Trujillo, Juan Montes, Vince Ramirez, Erick Hernandez and Joe Franco. Adams 14 is very thankful for this incredible support. Cheers to another beautiful holiday season, certainly made brighter thanks to the support of so many community partners!

Monaco Elementary School Presentation—Monaco Principal Meg McCormick shared that Monaco Elementary was fortunate to participate in a three day workshop with Mary Romke from the Center for Transforming Learning and Teaching. Monaco set priority challenges as achievement in reading, achievement in writing, growth in reading, writing and math, and growth gaps. During the UIP process Monaco uncovered the root cause to be that teachers are not providing first best instruction. Monaco will improve by using improvement strategies. Major improvement strategy number one: teachers will use data minute by minute, day by day to adjust instruction. Major improvement strategy number two: teachers implement Common Core with fidelity. Monaco celebrations include Daily 5, Writer's Workshop, an amazing literacy night, Playworks, and the Monaco Mustang Stampede.

Hanson Elementary School Presentation—Hanson Principal Nelson VanVranken went over the work at the school from 2009 through 2013 that included intensive school reform work, Turnaround Grant (TIG) from August 2010 through May 2013, since the identification as the second lowest performing elementary school in Colorado Hanson has been focusing on; improving instruction and school culture, academically centered parent involvement and sustainable reform. This year Hanson has focused on race and equity, Data Driven Model/Common Core to further improve teaching and learning, refining intervention services and continued work with culture and customer service.

Consent Items

MOTION was made by Mr. Quintana, seconded by Mr. Rolla to approve the consent items as amended.

1.0 Personnel

- 1.1 Superintendent's Recommendation
Personnel Actions

Mrs. Morton, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Vashaw, aye

MOTION CARRIED

Business Items

1.0 Resolution

MOTION was made by Mrs. Morton, seconded by Mr. Rolla to approve resolution item 1.1.

- 1.1 Superintendent's Recommendation
Resolution Number 13-024
Mill Levy Certification

Mrs. Morton, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Vashaw, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mrs. Morton, seconded by Mr. Rolla to modify the agenda to move and vote on resolution 1.2 after executive session at the end of the meeting.

Mrs. Morton, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Vashaw, aye

MOTION CARRIED

2.0 Policy

MOTION was made by Mrs. Morton, seconded by Mr. Rolla to approve policy 2.1 on second reading and adoption.

- 2.1 Superintendent's Recommendation
Policy EBCE-R – Revised
Emergency Closing/Pay Schedule
2nd Reading/Adoption

Mrs. Morton, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Vashaw, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mrs. Morton, seconded by Mr. Rolla to approve policy 2.2 on second reading and adoption.

2.2 Superintendent's Recommendation
Policy IHA-R – New 2nd Reading/Adoption
Basic Instructional Program

Mrs. Morton, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Vashaw, aye

MOTION CARRIED

3.0 Other

3.1 Superintendent's Recommendation
Statutory Teacher Recommendation

Documentation was hand delivered to each Board of Education member.

Communications

There is a need to change the January 14, 2014 Board of Education meeting to Wednesday, January 15, 2014 due to the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent being at a required UVA Turnaround mid-year retreat.

MOTION was made by Mr. Quintana, seconded by Mrs. Morton to move the January 14, 2014 meeting to January 15, 2014.

Mrs. Morton, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Vashaw, aye

MOTION CARRIED

It was consensus of the Board to waive facility usage fees for Community Enterprise to use ACHS from January through June for a Family Leadership Training institute course as long as it will serve the majority of our parents and community members.

At the last meeting the Board discussed taking money out of the Board's budget to purchase a Christmas tree from Community Enterprise. Adams 14 has several families in the HOPE Center that need to be adopted. It was consensus of the Board to adopt five families and forgo the traditional Board holiday dinner this year and instead invite the five families to a nice dinner at the ESS building.

Executive Session

MOTION was made by Mrs. Morton, seconded by Mr. Rolla to move into executive session pursuant to *C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(b)–Legal Advice; for the Board to discuss and receive legal advice on specific pending legal matters, *C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(e)–Contract Negotiations; BOCES item 1.2.

Mrs. Morton, aye; Mr. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Schimpf, aye; Mr. Vashaw, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mrs. Morton, seconded by Mr. Rolla to move out of executive session at 9:40 p.m.

Mrs. Morton, aye; Mr. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Schimpf, aye; Mr. Vashaw, aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION was made by Mr. Quintana, seconded by Mrs. Morton to approve resolution item 1.2.

- 1.2 Superintendent's Recommendation
Resolution Number 13-025
Authorizing Withdrawal from Adams County BOCES/Adams County BOCES Self-Insurance
Liability Pool Agreement

Mrs. Morton, aye; Mrs. Quintana, aye; Mr. Quintana, aye; Mr. Rolla, aye; Mr. Vashaw, aye

MOTION CARRIED

The Board adjourned the regular meeting at 9:42 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be Wednesday, January 15, 2014. The Board will convene in the Board of Education room located at 5291 East 60th Avenue.

Monica Avina
Assistant Secretary to the Board of Education

Approved and Entered into Proceedings
January 15, 2014

Mary Morton
Secretary, Board of Education

Robert Vashaw
President, Board of Education