

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
EDUCATION, ADAMS 12 FIVE STAR SCHOOLS, HELD AT
1500 E. 128TH AVENUE, THORNTON, CO 80241, AUGUST 27, 2014.

PRESENT:

Board of Education
M. Clark
E. Figueroa
N. Jennings
K. Plomer
M. Willsey, absent

C. Gdowski,
Superintendent

WORK STUDY SESSION

Call to Order (Item A-1)

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m.

Dinner (Item A-2)

Superintendent Update (Item A-3)

Superintendent Gdowski updated the Board on new developments, the status of ongoing operational issues, and political and legislative matters consistent with Board Policy 2.7 Communication and Support to the Board.

Adjournment

The work study session adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order (Item A-1)

Mr. Clark called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Roll Call (Item A-2)

All Board Members were present except Mr. Willsey. Mr. Figueroa participated via telephone as he was in Washington D.C. with his job.

Approval of Agenda (Item A-3)

Motion by Mr. Jennings, second by Ms. Plomer, to approve the agenda as stated.

Ayes: Clark; Figueroa; Jennings; Plomer.

Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENT

General Public Comment (Item B-1)

Josh Cochran of Thornton, and Stargate Charter School Principal thanked Superintendent Gdowski and his team for their collaboration with the charter schools and including them in the planning process for the Bond and the Mill Levy Override.

BOARD BUSINESS

Resolution to Establish Ballot Language for Authorization to Incur Bonded Indebtedness (Item C-1)

Motion by Mr. Figueroa, second by Ms. Plomer, to approve the resolution concerning long-term capital financing in the amount of \$220 million as presented in Enclosure C-1.

Ayes: Clark; Figueroa; Jennings; Plomer.

Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

Resolution to Establish Ballot Language for Authorization to seek Additional Local Revenues (Item C-2)

Motion by Mr. Jennings, second by Ms. Plomer, to approve the resolution regarding additional local revenue in the amount of \$15 million as presented in Enclosure C-2.

Ayes: Clark; Figueroa; Jennings; Plomer.

Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

RESULTS FOR KIDS

Ends Policies Review (Item D-1)

Ms. Plomer and Mr. Figueroa proposed changes to board policies for discussion. Board members requested feedback from the superintendent and staff. Discussion among members addressed policy language expressing values of the Board, a threshold of comparison to the best schools in the state instead of “increase” in Policies 1.2 Graduates and 1.2.1 Dropouts, need for a cost value statement, and a goal to have higher academic performance among students in a lower socio academic status. The board will continue review of its policies at a future meeting.

Adjournment (Item G-3)

The Board meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Approved by the Board of Education at its regular meeting of September 3, 2014.