

DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #15
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 11, 2021

The Board of Directors of Douglas County School District #15 convened in regular session at Days Creek at 6:00 p.m. on October 11, 2021

The following individuals were present:

District Board Members: Rex Fuller, Laura Stufflebeam, Rebekah Sawyer and Charlie Sawyer

Staff/Patrons: Chrissy Hoffman and Joanne Gordon

Superintendent: Steve Woods

Business Manager.: Claire Cotton

Board Secretary: Lisa Hemphill

1) Call to Order and Welcome: L. Stufflebeam called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**Clint Thompson arrived at 6:02pm

2) Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3) Approval of the Agenda:

Motion: R. Fuller

Second: L. Stufflebeam

Discussion: None

VOTING IN FAVOR: *R. Fuller, L. Stufflebeam, C. Thompson, R. Sawyer and C. Sawyer*

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4) Charter Board Meeting Report: Diane Swingley, Charter Board President, gave the report from the October 6, 2021 Charter Board Meeting.

5) Public Input: There was no public input.

6) Consent Agenda Items

a) Approval of minutes

i) Regular Board Meeting - September 13, 2021

b) Employment of licensed, classified, or coaching personnel

i) Gudelia Clark de Esparza- Math Tutor

**Valerie Anderson arrived 6:10pm

Motion: Clint Thompson

Second: Valerie Anderson

Discussion: There was some discussion regarding targeted funds for math tutoring, gaps due to COVID, credit recovery, bringing students up to grade level and Guidelia's ability to help with the Spanish class if her employment is a good fit for the district and for her.

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7) Monthly Financial Summary Report and Voucher Report: Claire Cotton, Business Manager went over the reports with the following highlights: revenue reported is still an estimate, state revenue increase, district enrollment increase, expenditures, salaries and benefits and grants. There was also

some discussion regarding the equipment purchase from Express Gym and the quarterly payment to Douglas ESD for computer network support.

8) Information Items

- a) Enrollment Update: The enrollment as of October 6, 2021 is 220 students.
- b) Division 22 Assurances, slide show: S. Woods reported that we were in compliance for the 2020.21 school year and shared the slide show with highlights on the changes to the process: timeline for submission changed from February to November, assurances made for preceding school year and clearer language regarding reporting to the community as well as the board; Division 22 rules waived for the 2020-21 school year: Assessment of Essential skills, Kindergarten Assessment and Identification of Academically Talented and Intellectually Gifted Students; New additions for the 2020-21 school year: Ready Schools, Safe Learners Guidance, Annual Report on Restraint and Seclusion, Every Student Belongs and Suicide Prevention Plan
This year: changes in report on Restraint & Seclusion, Every Student Belongs and Suicide Prevention Plan. This is due by November 14, 2021 and so it is being presented tonight for approval by the board.
- c) Long-Range and Facility planning discussion: There was discussion regarding the Facilities Assessment and Long Range Facilities Plan presented last month by Scott Marshall with Straightline and the options moving forward. The discussion revolved around the option of using capital improvement funds to do what we can afford to repair and/or upgrade the priority areas outlined in the assessment and the option of proceeding with the steps needed to apply for the OSCIM grant and a possible bond for the repairs and/or building a new structure to serve as a cafeteria, extra gym and community building.
- d) COVID Update
 - i) ODE Guidance - Ready Schools, Safe Learners Resiliency Framework
 - ii) Response to October 18 mandateS. Woods reported that the only update is that on Monday, October 18 all employees and volunteers of schools and school-based programs are required to provide documentation that they are fully vaccinated or have an approved religious or medical exemption. There was some discussion regarding exemptions, the district's plans for compliance with the mandate, possible loss of staff members, fines for non-compliance, liability for the district, free testing offered, unions support of the mandate, the state assuring districts there are no grounds for lawsuits for employees who are non-compliant with the mandate and our district practice of if you have symptoms, you cannot be on campus.

** John Boling arrived at 6:50pm.

9) Action Items

- a) Possible action for future long-term facility planning

Motion: C. Thompson made the motion to spend the balance of the TAP grant and have Straightline move forward with the next steps in the long range plan and the possibility of pursuing the OSCIM grant.

Second: R. Sawyer

Discussion: There was some discussion regarding fact finding, prioritizing the needs for the facility upgrades and fact finding to find out what the district's chances are of receiving the OSCIM grant.

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10) Announcements

- a) October 11-15 - Homecoming Week, Football game begins Friday at 4 PM
- b) Wednesday, October 13 PSAT/SAT testing
- c) Thursday, October 28 - Elementary Harvest - Halloween Party

There was also discussion regarding the High School Volleyball game scheduled on Thursday.

11) Public Input: Joanne Gordon shared that the Milo Fire Department is having a chili dinner and dessert auction on Sunday, October 17 from 5-7pm. Joanne has a flyer for the district to post.

12) Adjournment: 7:05pm

Motion: V. Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:05pm.

Second: C. Thompson

Discussion: There was no discussion.

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Dated this October 12, 2021

Respectfully Submitted by:

Lisa Hemphill, Board Secretary

The next regular monthly board meeting is scheduled for November 08, 2021