# MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1 Board of Education Minutes – Regular Meeting

April 18, 2017

The President called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Urista called roll. Those present were, Tom Allen, Kevin Amack, Bill deVergie, Bob Dorsett, Bud Ridings, Todd Shults and David Smith.

#### Absent: None

Mr. de Vergie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Allen moved to approve the revised agenda with addition of Student Celebrations 7th Grade STEM, ES Jump Rope for Heart, Action Item 6 Policies for 2nd Reading DJB-R and Action Item 7. Personnel Hires - HS Volunteer Assistant Track Coach - Coley Turner. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

### Student Celebrations

ES Jump Rope for Heart – Cody Smith, PE teacher at Meeker Elementary acknowledged Alex Dobson who raised \$320 and Bo Muxlow who raised \$440. The entire Elementary School raised roughly \$7000 for Jump Rope for Heart.

7th Grade STEM – Dani Feola, 7th grade teacher at Barone Middle School reported on the No Boundaries Workshop at CSU that she and five students attended. This workshop encourages young women to pursue careers and futures in STEM positions. Seventh graders Savannah Mendenhall, Hadley Franklin, Reese Miller, Emily Amick and Devin Gullion reported on the different activities that each of them participated in and what they learned. This workshop was partially funded through MEF grants and Elk Creek Lodge.

FFA State Convention – Macy Collins, student at Meeker High School, reported for the Meeker FFA Chapter about the speech she gave that earned her a spot to compete at State Convention. Macy's speech was based on current Ag related issues that relate to antibiotics included in feed for livestock. Macy won High Individual in Livestock Judging, Mary Baylie won High Individual in Floriculture and Lori Ann Klinglesmith placed first in Employment Skills. These students will compete at State at the end of April.

FCCLA – Jeni Kincher placed second in Recycle and Redesign at State Leadership Conference. She will compete at Nationals in Tennessee in July. Kolbi Franklin also was offered a spot to compete at Nationals for Illustrated Talk.

There was no General Public Comment.

### Consent Agenda:

- 1. Approval: Minutes from Regular Board Meeting on March 14, 2017
- 2. Approval: Minutes from Special Board Meeting on April 4, 2017
- 3. Acceptance: Financial Reports and Check Vouchers for February 2017
- 4. Acceptance: March 31, 2017 Quarterly Financial Report

Mr. Amack moved to approve the Consent Agenda with a second from Mr. Smith. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

### Public/Committee Reports:

DAC – During DAC meeting, the group has been reviewing the evaluation and curriculum processes. The group is solidifying the graduate survey into a digital form hoping to have results at the June Board meeting.

MEF- MEF is still perusing ideas for a different fundraiser to help with the large grant process for the District.

URA – Tom Allen reported that the URA approved bylaws with amendments. While eminent domain is an available tool, the Meeker URA determined this was not a desirable option for our community and removed references to eminent domain from its by-laws. TIF could include sales tax increases on commercial endeavors of 10% for five years. They will be releasing an RFQ to potential partners on May 1, 2017 which will be due by July 10, 2017. Special Districts will have an estimate of TIF costs to decide if they want to participate or not. TIF could give back to Special Districts after the project is complete to offset the cost of the TIF. There will be an informational meeting for potential local partners on May 24, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. The main area of interest would be south of Market Street for development. The group is not committed to the Adventure Center at this time. There are many steps that the URA must complete before any development would qualify. URA meetings are open to the public and are planned for the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

BOCES – Brad Bauer highlighted some areas of the report. BOCES will be hosting an ABCD Banquet on May 1, 2017 at the Meeker Golf Course. This banquet showcases assuring children's health and primary care and development needs of children. The community health fair has identified 23 preschool children and 3 early childhood children to date that will attend next year. The bid for a new vehicle is almost complete and Mrs. Schott will send out a summary on the bids to the Board. They are also working on a policy and procedures revolving around the use of this vehicle as well as how the vehicle will be maintained.

Principal Reports:

ES – Mrs. Collins reported that the resident spider now has an egg sack, which has staff members a bit uneasy and students extremely excited. Once the egg sack hatches, it will be an issue on keeping the babies in the enclosure. During parent teacher conferences the ES had 95% participation rate which is great for spring time conferences. Emily Kielmeier from CDE visited the ES and has been fine tuning full day kindergarten conditions and the Teaching Strategies Gold system.

MS – Mr. Hanks would like to see the addition of two new extra-curricular activities offered at BMS. Mountain Biking and Running club are the two clubs that came back with the most interest during a survey offered to the students. Dr. Fishbein and Mr. Hemingson will lead the mountain biking club while Mrs. Casey, Ms. Newkirk, Caleb Newkirk and Mrs. Anderson will lead the running club. Both clubs will give students positive interaction and experience with different sports to help them decide in the future what sports fit them best and give them lifelong goals. Mr. Selle will contact the school insurance company to make sure these clubs are covered under our policy.

HS – Mrs. Chinn noted the HS students and staff have been very busy traveling for many different competitions and events both athletically and educational based. PROM is this Saturday April 22, 2017. The Board and a guest are invited to the supper. Chaperones are also needed for the After Prom Party. The "opt out" rate for the HS this year was significant enough that results could "ding" the district because of it. Dr. Dorsett asked if there was one test that could be offered that guides curriculum and instruction, what would that be? The unanimous answer was MAPS.

Additions to Superintendent Report:

The District initiated truancy proceedings on a student that has failed historically to attend school. Please know the District is vested in student attendance.

Next year's finance is still murky.

Hellas should be onsite to fix drainage on the track early next week.

Bids are in for a new scoreboard at the track. Mr. Selle has settled with All American Sports from Sterling. This is a good company with positive history, great price and great options. Sponsorships could be added if someone wanted to sponsor.

Assessment data does not have any spring scores in the configuration which is why the red boxes are showing. Data looks great and growth is evident.

The Literacy Group has gone through the process and evaluated the needs of the district. The curriculum plan is priced a little higher than expected, but with some underspending the district can assume the extra.

If there is concern with the wording, the policy on the Post Retirement Contract (QBQEB) can be tabled until the May meeting.

Action Items:

1. Approval: Master Plan Agreement - Bennett/Wagner/Grody

Mr. Amack moved to approve Action Item 1. Master Plan Agreement – Bennet/Wagner/Grody, with a second from Mr. Allen. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

2. Approval: Literacy Curriculum Purchase – Pearson

Mr. Amack asked for clarification on what exactly the price is for the curriculum purchase and what is being approved. The District Literacy Team has vetted all materials and concluded that the Pearson material was the best available. The K-5 Ready Gen will run \$48,311.11 while the 6-12 My Perspectives will be \$39,652.63.

Mr. Shults moved to approve Literacy Curriculum Purchase - Pearson, with a second from Mr. Smith. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

- 3. Approval: 2017-2018 Certified and Classified Staff
- 4.

# **Certified Staff**

Anderson, Teresa Blunt, Hallie Boadachia Bowman, Julie Browning, Jason Burke, Heather Casey, Kris Chinn, Amy Chintala, Denee

Chintala, Greg Clatterbaugh, Zach Collins, Kathy Deming, Obie deVergie, Kathy Etchart, Naomi Ewing, Diane Feola, Daniella Grieser, Keri Hanks, Jim Hanks, Paulette Hemingson, Jeff Hollenbeck, Dawn Holliday, Shana Hughes, Becky Kelley, Kathleen Kindler, Klark Meyer, Jackie Mobley, Renay Mullins, Brenda Mullins, Laurel Newkirk, Apryl Overton, Stephanie Pugh, Virginia Quinn, Ben Robinson, Cheri Selle, Michelle Shubnell, Brittany Smith, Cody Smith, Trina Strate, John Strate, Kirstie Theos, Willy Turner, Jennifer VanDeinse, Lacey Wilson, Sam

#### **Classified Staff**

Browning, Jessica Carroll, Kaila Conrado, Brian Coryell, Bonnie Crawford, Stanley Deming, Meredith Etheridge, Mandi Franklin, Ann Garcia, Amber

Gutierrez, Joe Hoke, Mike Hooper, John Kinnamon, Roberta Kracht, Haley Kracht, Paula Kurth. Jessica McClain, Russell Moodie, Vaughn Nelson, Cindy Newkirk, Caleb Nielsen, Marci Nielsen, Stefanie Orgoglioso, Sandy Richardson, J'Leah Rowles, Brent Saenz, Shari Saenz, Victor Spieth, Michelle Steele, Lisa Tobin, Steve Urista, Janelle Washburn, Mary Wedding, Roy

### **Post Retirement**

Meyer, Mark Kurzeika, Charlotte

Mr. Smith moved to approve Action Item 3. 2017-2018 Certified and Classified Staff, with a second from Mr. Shults. Dr. Dorsett would like to see changes in the wording of the post retirement contract thinking that other staff members may want to apply for a job that would be retired from. Mr. Selle noted if there is an issue with a person, this is a separate deal and needs to be identified in an evaluation. Wording in the policy and contract can still be changed. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

5. Approval: Policy GBQEB (3rd Reading)

Dr. Dorsett moved to table Action Item 4. Approval: Policy GBQEB (3<sup>rd</sup> Reading) and discuss further during the May Work Session. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

6. Approval: Policies JRCB & JRCB-R (2nd Reading)

Mr. Amack moved to approve Action Item 5. Approval: Policies JRCB & JRCB-R (2nd Reading), with a second from Mr. de Vergie. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

7. Approval: Policies BCB, GBEA, BEDF, DKC, BID/BIE, DAC, DJB & DJB-R (2nd Reading)

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Mr. Amack moved to approve Action Item 6. Approval Policy Policies BCB, GBEA, BEDF, DKC, BID/BIE, DAC, DJB & DJB-R (2nd Reading) with a second from Mr. Shults. Roll Call Vote: all members aye. 8. Approval: Personnel Hires - HS Volunteer Track Coach - Coley Turner

Mr. Allen moved to approve Action Item 7. Approval Personnel Hires - HS Volunteer Track Coach - Coley Turner with a second from Mr. Ridings. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

Other Board Information

Policy Presentation (1st Reading) IKF (Graduation Requirements) – Weighted grade discussion ensued. The HS staff spent a lot of time discussing and deciphering the outcome of these decisions. Whatever is decided must be issued to the students and parents before the next school year begins. Consensus agreed not to have a tie breaker for two first place Valedictorians. With this set up, having a large group of Valedictorians should not happen again.

Executive Session: No Executive Session needed.

Adjourned 9:10 p.m.

Bud Ridings, President

Tom Allen, Vice President

Bill de Vergie, Secretary/Treasurer

Kevin Amack, Member

Robert Dorsett, Member

Todd Shults, Member

David Smith, Member