

EAST OTERO SCHOOL DISTRICT R-1 301 RATON AVENUE LA JUNTA, COLORADO 81050

BOARD WRAP-UP

Board of Education Special Meeting May 29, 2019

- 1. ROLL CALL Ayala, Backes, and Bickel; Directors Leyba and Paolucci were absent
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA AGENDA APPROVED AS PRESENTED
 - 1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. Budget Attached 5-29-19

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Approval of the 2019-2020 Revised Preliminary Budget (Lovato) APPROVED AS PRESENTED

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Approve Revised Certified Administrative Staff Salary Schedule (Lovato) APPROVED AS PRESENTED
- b. Approve Revised Classified Staff Salary Schedule (Lovato) APPROVED AS PRESENTED
- **c.** Approve Policy GDBD and Revised Regulation GCBD-R on First/Revised Reading and First/Revised/Final Reading (Lovato) **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**

6. BOARD COMMENTS

- ✓ Director Backes recently attended the CASB 2019 Legislative Wrap Up. She reviewed some of the legislation she feels might benefit our district:
 - *SB19-1017 (Kindergarten through 5th Grade Social Emotional Health Act)

This bill would require a counselor and social worker in each building. Director Backes said the Governor recently signed a bill for a pilot school program, which could give potential funding. She suggested the district look into this option.

*SB19-1120 (Youth Mental Health Education and Suicide Prevention)

This legislation was signed on May 15 and had bi-partisan support. It suggests multiple approaches to prevent youth suicide.

*SB19-1032 (Comprehensive Human Sexuality Education)

This bill has been revised and is now not a mandatory requirement for districts. Director Backes did elaborate by saying if a district does offer this curriculum, it must be comprehensive.

*HB19-1002 (Leadership Professional Development for School Principals)

This bill has money tied to it for leadership development within schools.

*HB19-1132 (School Incentives to Use Colorado Food and Producers)

Director Backes explained districts can be reimbursed if they use produce grown in Colorado.

*HB19-1194 (School Discipline for Preschool through Second Grade)

The bill discourages expulsion of students in these grades.

*SB19-003 (Educator Loan Forgiveness Program)

This legislation deals with educator loans and forgiveness (\$5,000 to \$25,000) if teachers commit to teaching in rural areas or in a hard to serve field (math/science).

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*SB19-009 (Financial Incentives for Rural Educators)

This allows \$4,000 per year to students in school who are enrolled in teacher prep programs. The students receive the money while they are in school, but must agree to teach in rural areas. If they do not, the money would have to be paid back.

*SB19-129 (Regulation of Online Schools)

This senate bill concerns the regulation and accountability of online schools.

Director Backes said there is a lot of discussion regarding property tax mill rates in Colorado.

- ✓ Directors Ayala and Bickel thanked Director Backes for attending the conference and bringing the information back to the Board.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:37 p.m.

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KIDRON BACKES, Director