



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

BOARD WRAP-UP

Board of Education Meeting
February 12, 2018

1. **ROLL CALL** – Ayala, Backes, Bickel, Leyba and Paolucci
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA – AGENDA APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
 2. **Consent Agenda**
 - C. **Personnel Approval**
 - Kayci Bender - New Hire as Paraprofessional at La Junta Intermediate School for the remainder of the 2017-2018 School Year
 - DeAnna Salas - New Hire as Paraprofessional at La Junta Primary School for the remainder of the 2107-2108 School Year
 - Melissa Vela - New Hire as Paraprofessional at Child Development Services for the remainder of the 2017-2018 School Year
 - B. **Approve Additional Substitute Teacher for 2017-2018**
 - Heidi Bounds
 5. **Superintendent's Report and Recommendations**
 - 2018 Colorado High School State Championships 3A Swim Coach of the Year
 - State Wrestling Qualifiers
 7. **New Business**
 - B. **ADDITION - Approve RTU Replacement for Junior/Senior High School HVAC**
 - C. **ADDITION - Approve the Purchase of New Swimming Pool Steps**
4. **CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVED CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED**

Personnel Approval

 - Shayna Lee - Resignation as Paraprofessional at Child Development Services (CDS) effective January 29, 2018
 - Debra Eck - New Hire as Paraprofessional at Child Development Services (CDS) for the remainder of the 2017-2018 School Year
 - Cindy Wallin - Retirement as Head Bookkeeper effective January 31, 2018
 - Heidi Bounds - New Hire as Activity Bus Driver for the remainder of the 2017-2018 School Year
 - Jennifer Weber - Transfer from Junior/Senior High School Bookkeeper to Central Office as Head Bookkeeper effective February 13, 2018
 - Tashauna Roberts - Termination as Paraprofessional at La Junta Primary School
 - Kayci Bender - New Hire as Paraprofessional at La Junta Intermediate School for the remainder of the 2017-2018 School Year
 - DeAnna Salas - New Hire as Paraprofessional at La Junta Primary School for the remainder of the 2017-2018 School Year
 - Melissa Vela - New Hire as Paraprofessional at Child Development Services for the remainder of the 2017-2018 School Year

Approve additional substitute teachers for 2017-2018
Approve resolution to appoint Rick Lovato as authorized representative for federal programs
Approve additional out-of-district students for the remainder of the 2017-2108 school year
Approve resolution authorizing signing of checks/district bank account at TBK, First National and Colorado Bank and Trust

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5. **MINUTES – January 15, 2018 Regular Meeting and January 24, 2018 Special Meeting** **APPROVED WITH CLERICAL CORRECTION**

6. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mrs. Reisch, Business Manager, was unable to attend the meeting. Superintendent Lovato explained that due to the change in personnel at the end of January, financial statements are not completed yet. He recommended tabling the financial report. **FINANCIAL REPORT TABLED**

7. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Superintendent Lovato informed the Board that he, Mr. Canaday and Mrs. Haberman recently met with two architects from RTA Architects, LLC and discussed some ideas. Things are in the early stages and when the architects have plans, the committee will meet. Superintendent Lovato said several teachers participated in revising the meet and confer procedure at the Junior/Senior High School. Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for February 22-23, 2018. Enrollment is up and the building is full. At the Intermediate School, several staff members attended the CCIRA conference. The Intermediate is implementing a new positive behavior program, as well as having a student/staff/parent climate survey be completed. Students, with the help of the counselor, are also utilizing the pulse check activity, which lets teachers know how they are feeling. The Primary School students have caught the reading bug! Students have been checking out many books from the library. Last week, students participated in the Be Drug Free Week. Recently, the Zoomobile came to the Primary and students enjoyed seeing different animals up close. The current enrollment is 343 students, compared to 319 last year. The Jump Start brochures have been updated for each building. Superintendent Lovato congratulated the state swimming qualifiers from La Junta Junior/Senior High School: Shawna Dieckmann and Madisyn Valdez. He also highlighted that Lisa Korbitz was named the 2018 Colorado High School State Championships 3A Swim Coach of the Year. La Junta has five wrestlers who qualified for the state wrestling tournament: Isaiah Gamez, Noah Barrett, Nick Martinez, Mitch Peabody, and Wyatt Buhr. Superintendent Lovato wished them luck. Director Ayala questioned the high number of officer referrals at the Intermediate School. Superintendent Lovato explained that Mrs. Westfall is diligent in reporting and documents every student contact she has. Director Leyba asked about the Jump Start parent letter. Superintendent Lovato clarified students cannot be punished for not taking the state assessments. He said the first day of school for all students is August 13, 2018, with Jump Start being a reward for students who do well on state assessments. He said if those students choose to come to school on August 13 instead of August 27, there will be something for them to do. If they choose to not attend early, they will have excused absences. Director Paolucci had a question on the revised Primary Jump Start brochure. Mrs. Haberman said will do some rewording to avoid any confusion.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Approve revised Policies JJE and JICA on Second/Final Reading **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Superintendent Evaluation Results (Paolucci) **DIRECTOR PAOLUCCI REPORTED THAT SUPERINTENDENT LOVATO RECEIVED AN ACCEPTABLE RATING FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND RECOMMENDED THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT BE EXTENDED TO JUNE 30, 2020**
- b. Approve RTU Replacement for the Junior/Senior High School HVAC System **APPROVED NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000.00**
- c. Approve the purchase of new swimming pool stairs **APPROVED NOT TO EXCEED \$7,000.00**
- d. Adopt new Exhibits JKA-E-2 and IKA-E on First/Revised/Final Reading **ADOPTED AS PRESENTED**
- e. Approve revised Policies IKE, GCLC, GCBA and GDD on First/Revised Reading **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- f. Approve revised Policies GCD/GCF, GDA, GDE/GDF, JF, JFBB and JRA/JRC on First/Revised Reading; Revised Regulations GCR/GCF-R and GDE/GDF-R on First/Revised/Final Reading; Repeal Policy GDAA and Accompanying Exhibits GDAA-E-1 and GDAA-E-2 **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- g. Approve Route Bus Aide Job Description **APPROVED WITH CLERICAL CORRECTION**
- h. Approve WISH Grant Memorandum of Understanding **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- i. Approve Architectural Contract with RTA Architects, Inc. **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**

10. BOARD COMMENTS

- ✓ Director Bickel commented on the SWAG program. She said the students made burritos last Friday and it was neat to see them working and having fun. Mr. Nuschy said the students will be making burritos again for Parent/Teacher Conferences on Friday, February 23.
- ✓ Director Leyba said she has had community members talk about the SWAG program and they couldn't believe the difference it was making with the kids.
- ✓ Director Backes thanked Mrs. Haberman and her staff for presenting the Drug Free week at the Primary School. She said it was good to have the K-9 unit come to the school on Thursday. Director Backes told Mrs. Haberman it was very well done.
- ✓ Director Paolucci congratulated the wrestlers who are traveling to the state tournament, the swim team for the success at state and Mrs. Korbitz for her coach of the year accomplishment.
- ✓ Superintendent Lovato shared that budget work sessions will be starting. He said there are several things that need to be looked at for improvements. He would like the Board to start thinking about the possibility of building a rec-type center that would supply extra gym space, but also possible house students in an alternative-type setting. Superintendent Lovato said he feels this is something that is needed and also something the community will appreciate.

11. ADJOURNMENT – MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:16 p.m.

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