



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

BOARD WRAP-UP

Board of Education Meeting
January 16, 2017

1. **ROLL CALL** – Ayala, Leyba, Paolucci and Reeder

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **BOARD RECOGNITION**

In honor of School Board Recognition Month, the Board of Education was acknowledged for their volunteered service and dedication to the school district. La Junta Intermediate Student Council officers gave a short presentation to the Board and audience explaining the objective of student council. They shared the events they have been involved in this year. Each member then gave each Board member a framed picture. Each Board member was also given a calendar with pictures of school events.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA – AGENDA APPROVED AS PRESENTED**

Consent Agenda:

C) Approve Resolution Ratifying School Closure on January 16, 2017

E) Approve Appropriation Resolution for the 2016-2017 Budget

5. **CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVED CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED**

Personnel Approval

- Jolana Schumacher - Transfer to Secretary/Bookkeeper from Paraprofessional at La Junta Intermediate School beginning on April 3, 2017
- Lisa Monaco - Transfer to Guidance Secretary/Registrar from Paraprofessional at La Junta Junior/Senior High School beginning on May 1, 2017
- Stephen Nielsen - Resignation as 6th Grade Science Teacher at La Junta Intermediate School effective January 20, 2017

Approve Resolution Ratifying School Closure on December 19, 2016

Approve Resolution Ratifying School Closure on January 16, 2017

Approve Additional Out-of-District Students for the Remainder of the 2016-2017 School Year

Approve Appropriation Resolution for the 2016-2017 Budget

6. **MINUTES** – December 2016 **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**

7. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mrs. Reisch explained that at this time she is still currently working on the November financial documents. She just received some adjustments from the auditor last week. She said as soon as those adjustments are made, she should be finished with the November report. No action was necessary.

8. PRESENTATIONS

- **Building/Principal's Monthly Report**

- **John Haberman – La Junta Jr./Sr. High School**

Mr. Haberman shared that mid-year STAR testing has been completed. Teachers are setting goals and the data/goals are being shared with students. Building goals have been updated as well. All La Junta High School students who were enrolled in OJC concurrent classes on the OJC campus passed with an A, B, or C. There were no D's or F's received. Auditions for the spring play "FOOLS" were on January 11 and 12. The NHS Induction will be held on January 18. Mr. Haberman said winter sports are in full swing and all teams are competing well. Mr. Haberman said the Junior/Senior High School students collected 2,428 canned food items for the TRY Food Drive that was held in December. There were also some students who helped with the lighting of the luminaries at the City Park, as well as bought toys to donate to Toys for Tots.

- **Brenda Woodyard – Intermediate School Principal**

Mrs. Woodyard said there were 310 students who were able to participate in the 2nd quarter behavior incentive at the Intermediate School. The students enjoyed a movie with popcorn. Students had to consistently demonstrate ROAR (Respectful, Outstanding, Accountable, and Responsible) behavior throughout the quarter to be able to attend the movie. The mid-year STAR and DIBELS testing has been completed. Mrs. Woodyard said the teachers are delving into the data and are meeting in collaborations in order to make adjustments to their MSL sheets. Mrs. Woodyard shared the mid-year testing data and told the Board this will be the data that is used in the UIP (Unified Improvement Plan), which is due in April. Mrs. Woodyard updated the Board of upcoming events at the Intermediate School.

- **Cindy Haberman – La Junta Primary School**

Mrs. Haberman shared that the AR (Accelerated Reading Program) incentive was on January 10, 2017. The students that met their goal went bowling. In Art, students have been busy learning about art show preparation, gallery walks, the elements of art shape, and the element of color. Mrs. Haberman said the 1st Grade music program was well attended by parents and the community. She said mid-year STAR and DIBELS testing has been completed. The book fair that was held recently was a success. Mrs. Haberman said many parents and students attended and purchased books that students can read to meet their AR goals. During the week of December 19, students enjoyed the bell choir, sang carols, rode on the Polar Express and they each received a book from Santa before going on Winter Break. The current enrollment at the Primary School is 315 students (K-114, 1st-104, 2nd-97). The Primary School is focusing on rewarding students who demonstrate positive behavior. Suspensions are down from the same time last year. The behavior incentive for the second quarter was a movie with popcorn at the Picketwire Theater. There were 252 out of 315 students that were able to attend.

- **Food Service Update**

Erin Kerr, Sodexo General Manager, gave a child nutrition financial update to the Board. Ms. Kerr explained that Sodexo operates a breakfast program, a lunch program, fruit and vegetable trays as well as an after school snack program. She tries to offer fruits and vegetables to students that they may not otherwise receive. Ms. Kerr said she tries to make food fun for the students and is acknowledging as many national food days as she can by serving the foods that are being honored. Ms. Kerr spoke about a 4-day school week. She said the amount of meals served drive the cost to the district. Less meals served would mean an increase in cost. One way to combat an increase is to serve more meals. Ms. Kerr informed the Board that Sodexo does offer a dinner program, however, an educational program would have to be taking place for the dinner to be served. Ms. Kerr informed the Board that a 4-day week would affect her staff due to the decrease in hours they would be working.

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Superintendent Lovato reminded the Board of dates and upcoming activities in the district as follows:

- January 27, 2017 No School - Staff Development and Work Day
- February 10, 2017 No School K-6 ONLY
- February 13, 2017 Board Meeting
- February 15-16, 2017 Parent-Teacher Conferences at Primary and Intermediate
- February 17, 2017 No School - Make up day for Evening P/T Conferences
- February 20, 2017 No School - Presidents Day
- February 28, 2017 District Accountability Meeting
- March 12, 2017 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 13, 2017 Board Meeting
- March 20-24, 2017 Spring Break

The Primary and Intermediate Schools would like to change the date of their parent/teacher conferences to March. Superintendent Lovato gave an update on the progress of the Master Plan. He said the process has gone fairly well. One thing that has been clear throughout the process is the poor condition of the old East School building. The costs to repair that building would be far too expensive and the recommendation is to retire that building. There is another meeting this Friday. RTA Architects have put together possible additions to the Primary School and the Junior/Senior High School. The options to fund this project could possibly be the BEST Grant or an extension of the Tiger Stadium bond. Superintendent Lovato told the Board the 6th, 7th and 8th grade students will be attending manufacturing tours at the Industrial Park. He said this is a beneficial tour for students.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Approve the 2017-2018 Calendar on Second Reading **APPROVED ON A 3-1 VOTE AS PRESENTED**

11. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Designate official posting sites for Board Meeting Notices (Lovato) **Designated BoardDocs on District Website, Central Office Bulletin Board, each school building, and notification to local newspaper and radio station**
- b. Location change for Board meetings (Lovato) **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- c. Approve additional ELL Paraprofessional positions (Lovato) **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- d. Approve purchase of new LED lighting in the amount of \$25,386.68 for the Junior/Senior High School Gymnasium (Lovato) **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- e. Approve revisions to Exhibit GDBA-E-1 Classified Staff Salary Schedule on First/Revised/Final Reading **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- f. Approve revised Exhibit CBI-E by removing item E10 on First/Revised/Final Reading **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- g. Accept Letter of Resignation from Jolene Hyatt **APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- h. Declare Board Vacancy – **APPROVED RESOLUTION TO DECLARE BOARD VACANCY AS OF JANUARY 17, 2017**

12. ADJOURNMENT – MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:46 p.m.

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