

MINUTES

Boulder Elementary School District No. 7
Regular Meeting

January 11, 2016
Boulder Elementary School

Board members present:

Bob Warfle TJ Eyer Carrie Harris Eric Rykal Dan Johnson

Administrators present:

Maria Pace, Superintendent/Principal

Visitors: Bruce Dyer, Ben Donaldson

CALL ELEMENTARY BOARD TO ORDER The Elementary Board was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Bob, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA REVIEW None

PUBLIC COMMENT None

COMMUNICATIONS **LETTERS:** Three letters received for the board. The first one was a thank you card from the staff for the Christmas Dinner. The second one was from Schellinger Construction Co to let the Boulder residents know that they will be opening up a short term gravel pit. The final letter was from Mt School Property and Liability Insurance program to discuss the recommendations from a recent visit to the school.
STUDENT ISSUES: None

COMMENDATIONS/ RECOGNITIONS None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

COMMITTEE REPORTS **Leadership** – Chair and Vice chair: Bob Warfle and TJ Eyer: Ms. Pace and Bob met to set the agenda.
Handbook/Policy – Eric Rykal and Dan Johnson: This committee did not meet.
Budget/Finance and Negotiations/Personnel – TJ Eyer and Carrie Harris: This committee did not meet.
Facilities – Bob Warfle and Eric Rykal: This committee did not meet.
Transportation – Eric Rykal and Dan Johnson: This committee did not meet.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT Ms. Pace provided notes for the official minutes. Mr. Dyer was in attendance to discuss the possibility of a re-cabling project for the school. He discussed e-rates and how it works for school. Ms. Pace recommended the facilities committee schedule a meeting to discuss this further, with Mr. Dyer if need be, and then make a recommendation to the rest of the board. The board agreed this would be a good idea.

NEW BUSINESS **Personnel** –
Sub Applications – Eric motioned to approve the sub applications for Tina Giulio, Colleen Llewellyn, Cheyenne Shultz, Gerri DeFilippis and Sarah Strausser pending background checks. Dan seconded the motion which passed unanimously by all present.
Non Resident Student Acceptance – Standing Agenda Item – None
Liquidation of School Property – Standing Agenda Item – None
Food Corps Update – Standing Agenda Item – Food Corps has asked Ms. Pace to attend an Advocacy Summit in Washington DC this February for her the schools combined efforts towards our farm to school program. Rochelle Hesford will also be attending a site supervisor summit in Santa Cruz, California. Both summits are covered by Food Corps.
Board Goals – This month the discussion was on board policy. The board felt like they were on track with working out the vocalized deficiencies. It is extremely important to continue to follow all policies in every situation. Ms. Pace wanted to

credit the help the school receives from Joe Brott from MTSBA.

Teacher Evaluations – Ms. Pace has completed all K-4 evaluations and is expecting the remaining evaluations to be done by the end of February. She wanted the board to know that the remaining PIR days are used to focus on the Danielson Model Evaluation system. TJ asked how the staff has been responding to this system and Ms. Pace reassured the board that this tool has had and has made a positive impact on the staff.

Negotiations – TJ and Carrie discussed waiting to hear from the staff union reps before discussion on negotiations can begin. Carrie also mentioned that we should wait until after the spring count so budget numbers are clearer. TJ asked what the other board members thought about trying to do 2 year contracts opposite of legislative years. The other board members thought that sounded like a good idea.

Renewal / Non-Renewal Superintendent Contract - TJ motioned to go into executive session at 6:06 to discuss the Superintendent Contract based on the right of privacy outweighing the public’s right to know. Eric seconded the motion, all present agreed. Board came out of executive session at 6:30. TJ recommended to renew the contract for Ms. Pace as Superintendent for the 16/17 school year, Eric seconded the motion. All present approved.

TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

- Board Goals: Community Relations
- Curriculum Discussion
- Student Count
- Budget vs. Actual and other fund balances

ADJOURNMENT

Eric motioned to approve the consent agenda including minutes from the regular and special meetings held in November 2015 and claims and warrants. He motioned to approve claims and warrants for the month of December and January with the prior month ending with warrant # 4847 and the current warrant numbers 4848-4936 in the amount of \$165,405.65. Carrie seconded, all present approved.

Meeting adjourned at 6:44.

Chair, Elementary Board

Clerk, Elementary Board