

MINUTES

Boulder Elementary School District No. 7
Regular Meeting

January 9, 2023
Boulder Elementary School

Board members present:

Carrie Harris – Chair Matt Strozeewski – Vice Chair Andrea Dolezal – Trustee
Cheryl Hecht – Trustee Kyle Simons - Trustee

Administrators present:

Jeff Elliott, Superintendent/Principal
Britton Mann, Business Manager

Staff: Devyn Ottman – Go Meet, Facebook Live Meeting Operator

Visitors: Rochelle Hesford, Sarah Elliott

CALL
ELEMENTARY
BOARD TO ORDER The Elementary Board was called to order at 5:38 p.m. by Carrie, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA REVIEW Nothing

APPROVAL OF
CLAIMS Cheryl asked about the claim to Glacier Financial. Britton explained that this is a company that does the OPEB calculation and also writes the MD&A for the audit each year. There were no other questions regarding the December 2022 and January 2023 claims. Matt motioned to approve claims and warrants for December 2022 with the prior month ending with warrant #10305 and the current warrant numbers #10306-10387 in the amount of \$85,160.88. Andrea seconded, all present approved. Matt motioned to approve the January 2023 claims with the prior month ending with warrant #10387 and the current warrant numbers #10388-10406 in the amount of \$24,595.61. Andrea seconded, all present approved. Claims were present for review.

REVIEW OF
PREVIOUS MONTH
PAYROLL There were no questions or comments regarding the November and December 2022 payroll.

APPROVAL OF
PREVIOUS MONTH
MINUTES Cheryl motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes for November 2022, Kyle seconded, all approved.

APPROVAL OF
STUDENT
ACTIVITIES Andrea asked about the “Food” deposits in the activities fund. Britton reminded the board that the approved to add that sub fund to keep track of Infinite Campus credit card deposits. There were no other questions. Cheryl motioned to approve the Student Activities ledger as presented. Andrea seconded, all present approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT Carrie read the public comment.

COMMUNICATIONS **LETTERS:** A Thank You card was received from Ms. Muffick for the gift card that the board gave for all staff. There was also a letter from the BACE Union.
STUDENT ISSUES: None

COMMENDATIONS
/RECOGNITIONS Nothing at this time.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS None

COMMITTEE
REPORTS **Leadership** – Chair and Vice chair: Carrie Harris & Matt Strozewski: This committee did not meet.
Handbook/Policy – Cheryl Hecht & Kyle Simons: This committee did meet. Mr. Elliott stated that they are looking at re-wording some language in the attendance policy, including looking at excusing doctor/dentist appointments.
Budget/Finance and Negotiations/Personnel – Carrie Harris & Cheryl Hecht: This

committee did meet with the negotiations team for the certified staff. They are hopeful that the negotiations with the BAT union is finished due to the fact that they came to a verbal understanding on the retirement incentive. There has been no agreement on insurance or salary increases to date. The committee will present the retirement incentive to the board in February.

Facilities – Matt Strozewski & Andrea Dolezal: The committee did not meet. Mr. Deskins would like to get an air compressor for the main building boiler. He is reaching out to vendors for quotes. Matt asked if the committee needed to meet, Mr. Elliott didn't think they would have to meet at this time.

Transportation – Andrea Dolezal & Kyle Simons: This committee did not meet. However, Mr. Elliott stated that he did ride the bus, both routes to check on any behavior issues and to make sure that the bus drivers from Harlows were also treating the kids good.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Mr. Elliott provided notes for the official minutes.

1. **Student Centered:**
 - a. MAP and DIBLES assessment
 - b. 4-day vs 5-day week – 4 days is not the best interest right now for the school. It also is not financially viable.
 - c. SOS (Signs of Suicide) is a mandated training by legislature. The certified staff received their training on January 2nd and the para's will receive training later this month. There will also be a parent night on January 25th in Mrs. Ottman's room from 6-7 pm.
 - d. School Spelling Bee is scheduled for February 1st.
 - e. SMART School Challenge – Mrs. McCauley and Mrs. Peterson received a Renewable Energy mini grant and their students will be partnering together on projects.
 - f. We currently have a policy in place for NARCAN, which is a drug that is used for overdose. We currently have a supply in the building and it is a nasal spray for opioid overdose.
2. **Creating and Maintaining a positive school culture:**
 - a. Big Brothers / Big Sisters – JHS students have been a tremendous help for our students participating the program. They have especially helped with anxiety some of our kids have.
3. **Improving Instruction based on best practices:**
 - a. Evals and walkthroughs are going well.
 - b. Teachers are taking classes outside of their regular school day. The primary end staff are working together on a book study with Mrs. Breker.
4. **Community Engagement and Communication:**
 - a. PTA is making plans for a talent show and chili cook-off.
 - b. Continue to use Facebook, Website and Infinite Campus to the word out.
 - c. SRO – Sheriff's Department. There is a deputy from the sheriff's office who will be the SRO for the county. Matt asked if he could stop in for a board meeting some time. Andrea suggested that Mr. Elliott send out a text to let parents, Mr. Elliott said he would do that and also do a Boulder Rock star profile on him too.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Personnel** –
 1. Personnel – Nothing right now, but Mr. Elliott stated that there might be potential changes in the future.
2. **Non Resident Student Acceptance** – *Standing Agenda Item* – None
3. **Liquidation of School Property** – *Standing Agenda Item* – The old score clock will have to be approved for liquidation when the new one goes up.
4. **Rochelle Hesford – 21st Century Program** – Rochelle was present to let the board know that she is currently working on applying for the grant again. This would be a new 5-year cycle. It is competitive and she discussed changes that the grant is now requiring. She will not have enough funding for a 6-week summer program so she is looking at different funding sources that would help.
5. **Superintendent Evaluation** – The board went into executive session at 6:40 and came out of executive session at 7:05.

6. Renewal / Non-Renewal Superintendent/Principal Contract – Andrea motioned to approve the renewal of Mr. Elliott’s Superintendent/Principal contract. Cheryl seconded, all present approved. Carrie thanked Mr. Elliott for all that he does for the school.

7. Open negotiations with Certified/Classified Staff – The board received a letter from the BAT (Boulder Association of Teachers) union in November 2022 and received a letter from the BACE (Boulder Association of Classified Staff) union at tonight’s meeting. Andrea motioned to open up negotiations with both unions. Cheryl seconded, all present approved.

TOPICS FOR
FUTURE AGENDAS

Call for Election
2023/2024 Calendar 1st Reading
Student Council
Superintendent Goals
Student Count
Retirement Incentive

ADJOURNMENT

Carrie adjourned the meeting at 7:15.


Chair, Elementary Board


Clerk, Elementary Board