

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## PEYTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 23-JT

### Peyton, Colorado Board of Education Minutes September 17, 2013 Elementary School

#### I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Nevills called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

#### II. ROLL CALL

Members present: Mr. Bond, Mr. Frohbieter, Mrs. Lee and Mr. Nevills. Member absent Mr. Bates.

#### III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Bond seconded by Mrs. Lee. All members present voted "aye" motion passed.

#### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no minutes to approve this month.

#### V. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL ITEMS

A motion to approve the financial items was made by Mr. Frohbieter it was seconded by Mr. Bond. All members present voted "aye" motion passed.

**VI. COMMUNITY INPUT- Educating Children of Color- Regina Walter** is here to talk about a program that helps the children that they've been putting into prison. The Educating Children of Color is a conference meant to stop the cradle to prison gap. They would like to promote the program to stop the children from entering into the system. They would like to have high school students, college students, parents, educators and others who work with youth to engage the students to hold them accountable. The money earned from the summit will be put into the system for grants for these students. They would like to have 500 educators come to the summit. They are offering CDE credits for the educators. They have 600 Students that will come as well. She encouraged the board and all the teachers and students to come to the summit. They have scholarship's available for the students. The students are also able to get laptops as well. The summit is an 8-5 Saturday program. They had 1200 register last year and they had 870 attend. This is for kids of every color it is really to engage the children of every color. They have an ACT prep program at the county court this will be offered twice a week. They are also having a diversity university that is 40 hours of diversity training. It's a free program that requires sweat equity. You will then be required to train one class a quarter later.

**VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT-** Mr. Kistler reported that the district has six people running for three board positions. The random drawing for name order took place and the documentation was turned into the election offices. The plan is to have a "meet the candidate night" on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at the high school. The mail ballots will have been mailed to the constituent's the week prior to the meeting. He feels that this would be a good time to have the Q & A event. Our auditors were here last week. We are now waiting for the results. From what Mr. Kistler gathered there don't appear to be any major red flags. The Jr./Sr. high received thank you letters from Ellicott and Calhan for the attitude of our staff and students. It was nice to receive such letters and that our schools are being noted for their kindness and willingness to help. The Jr. high cross-country team hosted a meet and it went quite well. Tim Vansickler did an excellent job of setting it up and running the event. The district received many compliments on how well the event was run.

#### VIII. BOARD REQUESTS AND REPORTS

**Jr./Sr. High School-** Student count is 326, This is seven students higher than previously reported. Mr. Rea reported that the football field looks fantastic. There are a couple of issues that must be dealt with. Such as the concession stand had some vandalism. Mr. Hanks has been doing some work. Mr. Rea said the line spraying device has been malfunctioning so, the grass at this point cannot be cut. Mr. Nevills asked if we can borrow one. Mr. Rea said no. The turf is a little long but may slow down the play a little bit. The speakers that were taken down from the Gym will be repurposed to the football field. Mr. Hanks said that he and Mr. Kraemer are looking at how the press box was configured. They may take out the window and put another window in that will permit better viewing for the announcers. They anticipate this being done for homecoming. He reported the upcoming events a copy of his minutes is included in the board packet. The college fair will be held on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Colorado counsel provided a grant to pay for the gas and bus for the students to attend. Mr. Rea reported that the homecoming schedule was changed a bit. The schedule was included in the board minutes. Mr. Rea stated that Senior Brandon Wycoff earned his eagle scout. Brandon's project was to create a "lost and found" container for the junior high-high school. It was a pretty neat project. There is a list of upcoming events that was included and parent teacher conferences are coming up on October 9<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Rea reported that due to the changes in state learning standards towards high school history and social studies he will be meeting with the teachers to look at updating the resources they teach. They hope to have samples from textbook

publishers by the October board meeting and a budget and approval in November for the board to review. They will be having new testing requirements in April that even include seniors taking a history test. They are looking at geography and American history books. They are trying to split the cost to make this work. The kids that bring the books home do bring those books back in great conditions traditionally. Mr. Frohbieter asked when the school teachers will be looking at these books. Mr. Rea stated that they have already started and they are looking at long proven textbooks. According to Mr. Rea the state doesn't have a list of books. Mr. Eckelberry asked if a mass email will be sent to notify people of the notification. Mr. Frohbieter asked about the trade class. Mr. Rea said no there aren't students willing to participate. One of the students needed to get his GPA up to enter the military. Mr. Nevills asked what the schedule was to get more participation. The program goes for a regular school year. They want the juniors involved. Mr. Bond said they are going to get apprentice level kids involved as well. Mr. Nevills wanted to know if they have a trade show. Mr. Rea said yes they do through the AVP. Mrs. Lee wanted to know if they could set something up for the Parent night. Mr. Bond said that he could get a number of the vendors but could they pull in the schools to get a trade show together. Mr. Kistler said that they could do that. Mr. Bond and Mr. Frohbieter will meet with Mr. Kistler to set that up.

**Elementary School-** Ms. Graham stated that the student count is 268. The enrollment is up and they have a new family of four coming in. Everyone they talk to they are trying to get them in before the OCT 1 count. They have 15 new IPADS thanks to pep for the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. They are working with the 5<sup>th</sup> grade as well that's based on a survey. The PEP cookie dough fund raiser ends this week. They were able to get a recommendation from CDE on implementing the Teaching Strategies Gold assessment. They will complete this assessment on a small number of students from each of the kindergarten classrooms. They had 7 parents attend the coffee time and 6 at the BAC meeting. The agenda of the meeting was placed on the back of the report included in the board minutes. They have had a lot of good questions. Ms. Graham attended training on the early learning act. This was to look about the new tools available on line to evaluate the data and support teachers in evaluating their instruction. They will look at how to change the language and accountability. Ms. Shannon and Mrs. Mitchell will attend the train the trainer session. A number of teachers will have follow up sessions on Friday and are working on scheduling visitations within classrooms and schools.

**District Advisory Report-** Mr. Eckelberry said they met today at 4 p.m. this was their first meeting of the year. They had a couple of highlights. Ms. Graham had a report on her staff team and they thought it was a great thing. They have a list of assignments by committee to share the load and to really working the voices and how they are resolved. Mr. Rea shared on the At-Risk grant and they were pleased to hear of the students from other districts that are also being assisted by this grant. The main topic that they talked about was follow up on the survey. They are working on how to communicate to the staff. They will work on how to do the communication for the survey and let the staff know the accomplishments and how the superintendent is committing to change the communication within the district. This has been pushed to the November meeting. The October meeting will focus on the TCAP. They will push the officer elections until November because a board member can't be a chairman and a voting member of the BAC. Mr. Nevills wants a copy of the tasking paper. A copy will be provided to the board via the email. Mr. Nevills wanted to know about the At-Risk grant. This year we are hosting our own program. This is a similar program that Boces runs but allows us to have more individualized program.

**Boces Report-** Next meeting is Sept 26<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. The new facility and new executive director and new fiscal director are getting settled in. The first meeting will be at the end of the month. They are still trying to sell the old administration building. There have been some offers but they didn't work out. They have another group looking this Friday. It may sit for a while on the market but the commercial facility hasn't really picked up.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Audit Engagement Letter-** Mr. Eckelberry asked how comfortable is the board with the opinion of the auditor? He wants to know if the board can get more out of that explanation of the audit. He would like them to talk about the internal controls and how they are addressed. He thinks it would be beneficial to have them get more bang for the buck. A motion to approve the use of Holscher, Mayberry & Company as the district Auditors for the fiscal year 12-13 was made by Mr. Bond seconded by Mr. Frohbieter. All board members present voted "aye" motion passed.

**B. Small Rural School Grant Authorization-** A motion to authorize the use of the SRSA grant was made by Mr. Frohbieter seconded by Mr. Nevills. All board members present voted "aye" motion passed.

**IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS-** Transportation participation report- This was set aside and will be emailed to the members later. **New board member workshop-** Mr. Kistler would like to bring whoever has been elected to teach them about the process and what is expected, what the protocol etc. They would like to do this in November after the election before the board meeting. They have three incoming people so it would be a goodtime to get them together. Boces still does this but they will probably have a meeting. Mr. Nevills said that the meeting from CASB are beneficial as well. If the board can get these members together to instruct them on this. Oct 21<sup>st</sup> will be the next meeting with a work session at 6 p.m.

**X. EXECUTIVE SESSION-C.R.S. 22-1-107. Out at 8:36 Mr. Nevills seconded by Mr. Frohbieter.**

**XI. ADJOURN-** Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. it was seconded by. All board members present voted "Aye".

Meeting adjourned the meetings at: 8:37 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED October 21, 2013.

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President

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Secretary