

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 22, 2008  
MANITOU SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT 14  
MANTOU SPRINGS, CO**

Regular Monthly Meeting Board of Education  
September 22, 2008

Members of the Board of Education present for the informal dinner meeting at 6:00 pm and the 7:00 pm meeting were Anna Lord, Jennifer Farmer, Larry Rice, Lori Finn and Glenn Noufer. Staff members present were: Roy Crawford, Tim Miller, Beth Campbell, Melissa McElhaney, Deb Yagmin, Russ Vogel, Steve Paterson and Rob Cody.

Visitors included: Ken Delay, Alicia Mauer, UCCS Student and Linda Kranz

President Lord called the meeting to order at 7:05 with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

**A. AGENDA**

092308.01            Mrs. Farmer moved to approve the Agenda for September 23, 2008.

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

President Lord requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mr. Noufer voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Lord voted aye.

**B. MINUTES**

092308.02            Mrs. Farmer moved to approve the Minutes for August 25, 2008 with the following amendment.

Mrs. Finn was absent.

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

President Lord requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mr. Noufer voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Lord voted aye.

### **C. RECURRENT**

1. Identification of members of the audience who are not listed on the Agenda wishing to make a comment to the Board of Education.

There were none.

2. Receive and or Act on Correspondence.

Mr. Crawford shared the following:

- A letter was received from Dr. Rick Walford regarding having an Athletic Trainer on site for events. Mr. Crawford responded to Dr. Walford that the district will offer a triage training for coaches. Emergency personal (EMT's) from the city are always present for events and they are only two minutes away and we will look into getting a licensed trainer through UCCS if funds.
- A letter was received from a 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade parent commending the Jump Start program staff. This parent praised teachers who gave up some of their summer to run this program. Her son felt very comfortable with the program staff and was at ease going into 6<sup>th</sup> grade. His confidence was lifted!
- Mr. Crawford sent a note of thanks to Mr. Bill Dallas and Ms. Alice Stoneback commending them on a terrific Homecoming! The planning and organizing was amazing.
- Mr. Crawford received a letter from a district teacher regarding on how frustrated she was with the Essential Learning's but now that she has uses them in the classroom she sees great value.
- Representative Andy Romanoff and Senator Andrew McElhany will once again be at the El Pomar Center to present information about the Savings Account for Education Initiative.
- Mr. Crawford received a letter of apology from a middle school student who got in trouble for fighting. This student went through the Restorative Justice Program.
- CASB Fall Conference – Mrs. Farmer may be the delegate.

3. Payment of Expenditures for the month ending August 31, 2008.

092308.03                      Mrs. Finn moved to approve the Payment of Expenditures for the month ending August 31, 2008.

Mr. Noufer seconded the motion.

President Lord requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mr. Noufer voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Lord voted aye.

## **D. REPORTS**

### 1. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Crawford discussed a few main key points from his written report.

- The Rti Task Force is making good progress.
- On Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> attended a CDE Regional Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills.
- Received training on the "longitudinal growth" model for CSAP results – on Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> the Board will be introduced to the model.
- Mr. Vogel, Mr. Cody, Ms. Campbell and Mr. Crawford will be reviewing the teacher evaluation process to match up with our Essential Learning's.
- Teachers were asked to write RFP's to request to have old desk- top computers in their classrooms for the purpose of improving student learning.

### 2. Board of Education Reports

a) Board of Cooperative Education Services. . . . Larry Rice and Glenn Noufer

No report.

b) Community Relations . . . . Jennifer Farmer, Glenn Noufer and Anna Lord

No Report.

c) Governmental Relations. . . . Anna Lord

At this time Mr. Ken Delay, Executive Director for CASB, was introduced. He was invited by the Board to provide detailed information about about Amendment #59, the Savings Account for Schools.

At this time Mr. Noufer excused himself from the rest of the meeting

d) Pikes Peak Alliance . . . . Roy Crawford and Tim Miller

Next meeting will be Thursday, September 25, 2008

e) District Accountability Advisory Committee . . . . Lori Finn

f) Salary Committee Liaison . . . . Lori Finn and Jennifer Farmer

Next meeting will be in early November.

## 2. Staff

### a) Assistant Superintendent for Instruction

Ms. Campbell reviewed her written report included in the Board packet. Ms. Campbell will be chairing the Pikes Peak Chapter of the International Reading Association Fall Literacy Conference on Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>. Mary Kay Rockwell, Lisette Casey, and Mary Gressler will also present along with Deborah Thornton. Michael Barbera has designed the art images.

### b) Assistant Superintendent for Business Services

Mr. Miller reviewed his written report and addressed the enrollment for FY09. The budget was built using 1,304.0 FTE (1,310.0 with kindergartners funded at 0.58 FTE).

As of today, we have 1,306 FTE enrolled in the district (1,311.92 with kindergartners funded at 0.58 FTE).

## 3. Other

Ute Pass Elementary School will be hosting their Open House on Wednesday, September 24, 2008 – 6:30 pm.

Both Ute Pass Elementary and Manitou Springs Elementary Schools had a fantastic 5<sup>th</sup> grade camp.

Manitou Springs Elementary School recently had an all Science Day. What a huge success!

Manitou Springs High School will host a Parent/Community Night on Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2008. Mr. Cody will be the speaker.

High School Homecoming was a huge hit this year; perhaps the best in recent memory. Students seemed to have a great time. Whitney Frase, Student Council President did an outstanding job with the planning.

Six high school students will be attending a multi-culture event at the Penrose House.

The middle school is busy with football and volleyball. Mr. Paterson said the climate in the building this year is very positive.

Mr. Paterson also attended the 5<sup>th</sup> grade camp to help with repelling and to build relationships with 5<sup>th</sup> graders and MSES and UPE staffs.

Break

**E. ROUTINE/CONSENSUS ITEMS**

092208.04 Mrs. Farmer moved to approve the following  
Routine/Consensus Items.

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

1. Resignations/Leave of Absence/Retirement/Transitional Retirement/Maternity  
Leave

**a) Certified**

**b) Classified**

- Diana Nation – Food Service
- Ada Powers – Food Service

2. Employment

**a) Certified**

**b) Classified**

- Sais Archuleta – Transportation
- Cherie Beard – Food Service
- Sue Hoeffel – Para – UPE
- Peter Ledesma – Custodian – MSMS
- Cynthia Luna - .5 SPED Para – UPE
- Stacey McCarley – Food Service
- Cherly Stice – Food Service
- Jherred Strangefellow – Food Service
- Mae Warfield – Food Service

3. Other

ARK Contracts

Motion\_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_ Roll Call \_\_\_\_\_

President Lord requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Lord voted aye.

#### **F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- DAAC Constitution

The information was received and the Board will take action at the next meeting.

- DAAC Charge

092208.05 Mrs. Finn moved to approve the 2008-09 DAAC Charge.

Mrs. Farmer seconded the motion.

President Lord requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Lord voted aye.

- Non-Discrimination Policy and Regulation
- Extra Curricular Activity Eligibility Policy

Both Tabled

#### **G. NEW BUSINESS**

- Resolution in support of the Savings Account for Education Ballot Initiative

Mr. Ken Delay explained this amendment and answered questions from the board.

092208.06 Mrs. Farmer moved to adopt the Resolution for the Savings Account for Education, Amendment 59.

Mr. Rice seconded the motion.

Mr. Rice commented that this resolution is important to education in District 14 and that the Board needs to be very thoughtful before adopting resolutions.

- Resolution for Classified Employee Week

092208.07 Mrs. Finn moved to approve the Honorable Proclamation for Classified Employee Week.

Mrs. Farmer seconded the motion.

President Lord requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Lord voted aye.

- State Accreditation Contract

092208.08 Mrs. Farmer moved to adopt the State Accreditation Contract.

Mr. Rice seconded the motion.

President Lord requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Lord voted aye.

- FY-08 Preliminary Fund Balance Review

The FY-08 Preliminary Fund Balance was reviewed.

## **H. FUTURE AGENDAS**

## **I. ADJOURNMENT**

092208.09 Mrs. Farmer moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 pm.

Mrs. Finn seconded the motion.

President Lord requested a roll call vote: Mrs. Farmer voted aye, Mrs. Finn voted aye, Mr. Rice voted aye and Mrs. Lord voted aye.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Larry Rice, Asst. Secretary