

MINUTES

Boulder Elementary School District No. 7

Regular Meeting

July 13, 2020

Boulder Elementary School

Board members present:

Eric Rykal Carrie Harris Matt Strozewski Andrea Dolezal Niki Conroy

Administrators present:

Maria Pace, Superintendent/Principal

Britton Mann, District Clerk

Visitors: Shannon Phillips, Sarah Eyer (Jefferson County Superintendent), Zoom Participants

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

AGENDA REVIEW None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Niki motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes for July 2020. Andrea seconded, all present approved.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS Britton stated that the check numbers are out of order due to printer malfunction. Check number 8862 was pulled in the printer along with 8861 (check number 8862-8868 are the ones that are affected). Britton fixed the system so the check numbers are correct, however the physical checks are mis-numbered on the middle stub. Niki reviewed the stack of claims to see the error. She agreed with what Britton was telling the board. Carrie motioned to approve claims and warrants with the prior month ending with warrant # 8853 and the current warrant numbers 8854-8883 in the amount of \$56,883.89. Andrea seconded, all present approved.

APPROVAL OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES There was nothing to review in Student Activities due to nothing new to report.

PUBLIC COMMENT Sarah Eyer, Shannon Phillips and various Zoom participants were present. Eric read the public comment and asked if anyone had any comments or questions. Jessie Martin (via Zoom) stated that he and his family are new to Boulder and the school and wondered what the plan will be for the Fall. Eric stated that the Superintendent, Ms. Pace is currently working on a plan with multiple options. Eric also stated that he ultimately would like to see the kids back in school. Ms. Pace stated that currently the Summer Program is working with 10 students per instructor and keeping the groups distanced from each other. Sandy Hayes (via Zoom) from Harlows stated the students will be required to wear masks on the bus and temperatures will be taken at school, not by the bus driver. Per CDC recommendations, students will load the back of the bus first. Ms. Pace stated that the plan is still to start on the 1st according to the approved calendar.

COMMUNICATIONS **LETTERS:** None
STUDENT ISSUES: None

COMMENDATIONS/ RECOGNITIONS Ms. Pace stated that Rochelle Hesford and the Summer Program staff, the kitchen staff and the custodial staff are all doing an amazing job.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

COMMITTEE REPORTS **Leadership** – Chair and Vice chair: Eric Rykal & Carrie Harris: Eric was out of the state so Ms. Pace and Carrie met via email to approve the agenda.
Handbook/Policy – Matt Strozewski & Niki Conroy: This committee did not meet, but will set up a time to meet towards the end of July.
Budget/Finance and Negotiations/Personnel – Carrie Harris & Niki Conroy: This committee did meet several times for negotiations and will report later on during New Business.
Facilities – Matt Strozewski & Andrea Dolezal: This committee did not meet.

Transportation – Andrea Dolezal & Eric Rykal: This committee did not meet. Andrea attended the County wide transportation meeting and along with Britton (via Zoom). Andrea gave all paperwork that was handed out to Britton.

ADMINISTRATORS
REPORT

Ms. Pace provided notes for the official minutes.

1. Ms. Pace and Ms. Breker are interviewing literacy consultants.
2. Working on implementing new website.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel –

1. Football Coach – Ms. Pace recommended the coaching position to Matt Bowman. He would co-coach with Clancy. Carrie motioned to approve Matthew Bowman as the Jr High Football Coach, Niki seconded, all present approved.

Non Resident Student Acceptance – *Standing Agenda Item* – None

Liquidation of School Property – *Standing Agenda Item* – Ms. Pace stated that there are miscellaneous desks and tables. Niki motioned to liquidate school property as reported by Ms. Pace. Carrie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

CBA Contracts – The board and both unions agreed to the increase in insurance coverage along with a 1.5% wage increase. The certified union also asked for language change in the contract dealing with jury duty/civic duty, which the committee also agreed. There also was an MOU stating that Friday meetings are not mandatory. Ms. Pace said this was the precedent, however the union wanted it in writing. Andrea motioned to approve the BACE (Boulder Association of Classified Employees) CBA, Niki seconded, all present approved. Carrie motioned to approve the BAT (Boulder Association of Teachers) CBA. Niki seconded, all present approved.

Tentative Plan for Re-Opening School – Ms. Pace presented a handout of different plans for re-opening. At this time, she is leaning towards the Blended Learning Plan. We are a small school and most classes are under 20 students. We need to be mindful of limiting exposure. The staff will be ready to go to remote learning if need be, so the students will not miss any education days. Ms. Pace state that she is promoting learning acceleration instead of remediation. The teachers are digging deep in state standards and focusing on acceleration. The teachers are developing plans for onsite and remote learning. Ms. Breker – Instructional Coach has been available and researching to offer any help needed by any of the teachers. Ms. Pace stated that her hope is to return with a Blended Learning Plan or Cohort Learning Plan. She would like to assign 1 staff member to handle the remote learning. Eric felt it was important to have parent input. Jessie Martin (via Zoom) asked how it will work for families with no internet, single parents, or parent who both work. Eric stated that we need to have a day to day schedule for people to rely on. Ms. Pace stated that she is taking all questions into consideration as she prepares a plan for the board's approval. She wants to try and focus on a plan and maintain a school schedule. This is a difficult time emotionally and socially for students. She also stated that the focus needs to be on helping kids and getting them back in school 5 days a week. Shannon Phillips asked about attendance and guidelines. Ms. Pace stated that the school has adopted policies to be more flexible and understanding with attendance. Niki stated that she wants to make sure the driving force for planning needs to be centered around this virus. She wondered if the school should make masks mandatory. Ms. Pace stated that there are details that she is still working on. Eric stated that it would be difficult to expect kindergarten and 1st grade students to wear masks daily. Niki stated that it is fair to ask our teachers to be surrounded by kids who aren't masked. Niki also asked Sandy Hays (Harlows) if the buses will be sanitized during student transport with the BES and JHS students. Sandy stated that there would not be enough time to do that between each route. Ms. Pace stated that we need to keep the communication lines open and our number one concern is to keep our students, staff and community safe. Eric would like a deadline plan in place for parents and adopt that plan at the August 10th meeting.

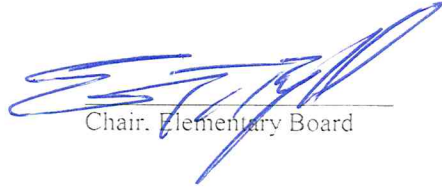
TOPICS FOR FUTURE
AGENDAS

Budget
Plan for Reopening School


Superintendent Goals and Objectives
Handbooks
Policies – 1900 + State of Emergency
Leave of Absence
Family Engagement Coordinator

ADJOURNMENT

Niki motioned to adjourn at 7:00. Andrea seconded, which passed unanimously.



Chair, Elementary Board



Clerk, Elementary Board