



Poudre School District Board of Education

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Meeting Minutes

Minutes from Special Business Meeting

December 1, 2017

The Broadmoor Hotel, Farney Room
1 Lake Avenue, Colorado Springs, Colorado

SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING – 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: President Christophe Febvre and Vice President Susan Gutowsky; Directors Nate Donovan, Cathy Kipp, Kristen Draper, Carolyn Reed, and Rob Petterson; Superintendent Sandra Smyser and Legal and Policy Counsel Tom Crabb

ABSENT: None

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Febvre called the special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

President Febvre proposed changing the order of the agenda so that item 2.1, Executive Session: Personnel Matters follows item 2.3, Board Norming.

Director Donovan moved to adopt the proposed changes.

Director Kipp seconded the motion.

The voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE: Directors Donovan, Draper, Febvre, Gutowsky, Kipp, Petterson and Reed

Those voting NO: None

Motion passed 7-0

2.0 WORK TOPICS

2.1 Board Self-monitoring

The Board acknowledged where the Board stands currently. It is important to look forward. Board members do not have to agree as long as all are focused on student outcomes.

Directors took turns describing their own personalities, strengths and weaknesses as Board directors. They discussed building trust between each other and staff and how to effectively operate to be able to do the work of the Board.

2.2 Board Norming

President Febvre asked questions of the Directors related to how the Board operates. The Board addressed what processes or procedures currently work, what is not working, and what other processes or procedures Directors would like to see implemented.

2.3 Executive Session: Personnel Matters

Director Draper moved to go into executive session as authorized under C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(f) to discuss personnel matters concerning the Superintendent, District administrators subject to the Superintendent's direction and control, and the District's Legal and Policy Counsel. Superintendent Sandra Smyser and Legal and Policy Counsel Tom Crabb are invited to join the Board in executive session.

Director Petterson seconded the motion.

The voting was as follows:

Those voting AYE: Directors Donovan, Draper, Febvre, Gutowsky, Kipp, Petterson and Reed

Those voting NO: None

Motion passed 7-0

The executive session began at 9:02 p.m.

The executive session ended at 10:38 p.m.

2.4 Committee Assignments

Board Directors reviewed the current committee representation list and new Board committee and liaison assignments were made.

2.5 Superintendent Update

There was no discussion on this item.

2.6 Board Legislative Agenda

There was no discussion on this item.

2.7 CASB Convention Debrief

There was no discussion on this item.

3.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned around 11:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Stoddard
Assistant Secretary to the Board of Education