

Board of Education

Mesa County Valley School District 51

Work Session

August 2, 2011

Work Session Minutes

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 B - Cindy Enos-Martinez
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 E - Greg Mikolai

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						AGENDA ITEMS	
						WORK SESSION	4:00 p.m. Convened
						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Butler called the work session to order. ➤ Superintendent Schultz outlined the Work Session Agenda topics explaining the Business Meeting items would begin at 6:00 p.m. ➤ Instructional Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superintendent Schultz introduced the new Executive Director for Middle Schools, Mrs. Mary Jones. ➤ Implementation of New Standards/Performance Based Grading <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superintendent Schultz asked Dr. Jody Mimmack to report on the implementation of the new content standards. Dr. Mimmack shared there was a Middle School Task Force consisting of twenty people that prepared a standards based middle school report card. Dr. Mimmack stated the report card will be piloted in the all middle schools during the 2011-2012 school year. Fruita 8/9 will be excluded from the pilot. • The District will need to make sure that all information is shared with parents. Parents need to understand how to interpret the new grading system. A walk-through training of the new grading system will be held for parents at all back-to-school nights. The new report card will be translated for ELL students and personnel will be available to help ELL parents read and interpret the report card. • A DVD and a PowerPoint were shared with all teachers and principals. Also, there is an instructional video available on YouTube. • The Board asked for a quarterly update to talk about the progress of the report card. ➤ Change of BOE Meeting Venue <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Mikolai reported that Ms. Stephanie Tuen, with the City Council, will be calling to schedule the Board for the use of the Grand Junction City Hall Auditorium for monthly Board Business Meetings. Board discussion took place regarding the use of this venue. There was agreement to pursue the use of the Grand Junction City Hall Auditorium. Superintendent Schultz stated he would like the District to do a formal announcement of the change of location. ➤ Clinic Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs. Melissa Callahan deVita reported that Mesa County Valley School District 51 is considering proposals for an employee medical clinic similar to the one opened by Mesa County last year. The District received clinic proposals from local organizations. The proposals detail how each organization will offer basic services, lab work and a list of common prescription drugs to District 51 employees who have medical insurance through the district. 	

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						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The goal of the clinic is to provide a place for employees to get quick medical care, such as throat cultures or stitches, at an affordable price. Employees could still use district insurance to see their primary care doctor. The goal is not to take people away from the primary care doctor. • Mrs. Callahan deVita will be forming a review committee that will consist of staff representative of all facets of the district (custodial, secretarial, teachers, etc.) Mrs. Callahan deVita would like to see a Board member participate on this committee. • The long term goal is to provide better health care for employees and access to routine medical care. • The Board thanked Mrs. Callahan deVita for her work on behalf of District employees. <p>➤ Solar Panel Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs. Callahan deVita reported pursuing options regarding purchasing solar. There is a Purchase Power Agreement (PPA) and a Carbon Credit Option. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One option is to sell Carbon Credits (basically carbon emissions). There are a limited number of carbon credits that may be utilized and they have to be purchased. We could sell our carbon credits and reinvest the money in additional solar panels. ○ A District study anticipates saving approximately \$70,000 a year if we utilized solar. This would only be possible if we were able to change our rate class with Excel. If changing our rate class isn't possible, then the District should not participate in solar. ○ Mrs. Callahan deVita and staff are in discussions with different solar companies. Staff is in the process of comparing the pros and cons of each company. Mrs. Callahan deVita and her team will bring a report to the August 16 Business Meeting. There would be a possibility of a solar contract by the September Business Meeting. ○ Superintendent Schultz thanked Mrs. Callahan devita and her staff for gathering information for the Board. ○ The Board thanked Mrs. Callahan deVita for the report. <p>➤ Potential Mill Levy Override Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superintendent Schultz reported the Mill Levy Override survey results are coming in. The phone survey was completed last week and the mail in surveys are still arriving in the Communications Office. As soon as the data is available, a report will be prepared and shared with the Board. A decision regarding the Mill Levy Override will need to be made by the end of August. • Mr. Duke Wortman and Mr. John Williams reported the Friends of 51 Committee are meeting and ready to go, if and when the Board decides to move forward with a Mill Levy Override. Mr. Wortman and Mr. Williams challenged the press to listen to community members and notify the public about the good things going on in District 51. • The Board thanked Mr. Wortman and Mr. Williams for their work on behalf of the school district. 	

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						<p>➤ Long Term Plan Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Superintendent Schultz reported the beginning of the process to develop the long-term strategic plan. He outlined next steps. Superintendent Schultz reported asking Ms. Leigh Grasso to co-chair the committee. Ms. Grasso agreed to be a co-chair. Superintendent Schultz asked the Board to email names of people they would like to see involved in this process. He would like to see approximately 30 people from across the Valley and Gateway on this committee. The District will advertise for recruitment to this committee. 	
						<p><u>BUSINESS MEETING</u></p> <p>6:00 p.m.</p>	
Present	x	x	x	x	x	<p>A. Call to Order/Roll Call</p>	
Motion Second Aye No	x	x	x	x	x	<p>B. Personnel Actions: [Resolution: 11/12: 01] B-1-a. Licensed Personnel</p> <p>➤ Superintendent Schultz introduced Ms. Jill Youngren, whom is being recommended as the principal for Orchard Avenue Elementary and Mr. Brigham Leane, whom is being recommended as the principal of Fruita Middle School.</p> <p>➤ Superintendent Schultz also introduced Ms. Janelle Keirns the principal of Fruita Monument High School.</p>	Adopted
Motion Second Aye No	x	x	x	x	x	<p>C. Glade Park Contract [Resolution: 11/12: 03]</p> <p>➤ Mrs. Karen Bectal thanked the Board and district personnel for helping put the Glade Park Charter School Contract together. Superintendent Schultz stated there are a few grammatical changes to the contract; however, the resolution authorizes the Board President to approve the contract when the changes are made.</p> <p>➤ The Board stated they are expecting great things to happen at Glade Park.</p>	Adopted
Motion Second Aye No	x	x	x	x	x	<p>D. Adjournment</p>	Meeting Adjourned 6:38 p.m.
						<p>_____ Terri N. Wells, Secretary Board of Education</p>	

Board of Education Resolution: 11/12: 01

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Certified Administrator Assignment

Brigham Leane
Fruita Middle School Principal

Education:

- M.Ed. Mesa State College, Grand Junction, Colorado (2008)
Education Leadership

- M.A. Mesa State College, Grand Junction, Colorado (2004)
Business Administration

- B.S. United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, Connecticut (1993)
Civil Engineering

- National University, San Diego, California (1999)
Cross-Cultural Language and Academic Development Teacher Credential Program

Experience (Administrative):

- 2009-2011 Mt. Garfield Middle School, Grand Junction, Colorado
Assistant Principal

Experience (Teaching):

- 2008-2009 Redlands Middle School, Grand Junction, Colorado
Math Teacher

- 2007-2008 Bookcliff Middle School, Grand Junction, Colorado
Math Teacher

- 2000-2007 Palisade High School, Palisade, Colorado
Math Teacher

- 1999-2000 22-Langauge Inner-City School, El Cajon, CA
High School Math Teacher

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Certified Administrator Assignment

Jayme Kyle
Chipeta Elementary School Principal

Education:

M.Ed. Mesa State College, Grand Junction Colorado (2008)
Educational Leadership

B.A. Mesa State College, Grand Junction, Colorado (2003)
Elementary Education

Experience (Administrative):

2009-2011 Fruitvale Elementary, Grand Junction, Colorado
Elementary Intern

Experience (Teaching/Consulting):

2004-2009 Nisley Elementary, Grand Junction, Colorado
3rd and 5th Grade Teacher

2003-2004 Pomona Elementary School, Grand Junction, Colorado
4th/5th Grade Long Term Substitute

**Approval of Charter School Contract
Glade Park Community School**

Board of Education Resolution: 11/12: 03

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WHEREAS, by Resolution dated June 21, 2011, the Board of Education directed the Superintendent to negotiate a charter school contract with the organizers of the Glade Park Community School, which contract was to include certain terms and conditions regarding the governance and operation of such school; and

WHEREAS, the administration has successfully completed negotiations with representatives of the Glade Park Community School regarding a contract meeting the requirements of said Resolution; and

WHEREAS, a draft contract reflecting the agreement of the parties reached through the negotiation (the "Contract") has been presented to the Board for review and consideration; and

WHEREAS, the administration has recommended that the Board approve the Contract, subject to minor edits as recommended by the District's legal counsel to place the Contract in final form.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the Contract, and authorizes the Board president to execute the Contract on behalf of the Board as soon as the final edits have been made as recommended by the District's legal counsel to place the Contract in final form.

I certify that the information contained herein is accurate and was adopted by the Mesa County Valley School District 51 Board of Education on August 2, 2011.

Terri N. Wells
Secretary, Board of Education